

Application No:	Consultees Name:	Received:	Comment:	Response:
2023/3079/P	Colin Wright	27/10/2023 12:00:35	OBJ	<p>Camden's planning policy is to protect sites of community uses including launderettes. Now this launderette is closed the nearest launderette is over 2 miles away. This makes it very difficult to do a wash. I used the launderette and found that other users were not only those who lived in flats nearby who don't have room for a washing machine or need to wash large items, but also those living in hotels and students halls plus restaurants and cafes.</p> <p>It was also a good place to meet locals and check on local vulnerable people. It gave local people jobs one of whom is a local disabled person who lost their job.</p> <p>Cleveland Street is a residential street where a lot of people live in flats. The surrounding area too has a large amount of council housing tenants, many of whom have children. At a time where there is a cost of living crisis, losing a community service such as a Launderette makes things even more difficult for local vulnerable residents and their families, who can't afford a washing machine or the energy prices to use them. And all this for yet another cafe.</p> <p>It was used by students and tourists many of whom stayed in local hotels, student accommodation and the local YMCA. I was often able to give these people advice on the area and how to travel around London. This would attract tourists and students to Cleveland Street which was not a street they might otherwise go to.</p> <p>Because I used the Launderette I also used the independent cafes and shops in Cleveland St more. However I don't really go there so much now.</p> <p>Allowing change of use to a cafe, when there are numerous cafes in the area, means that this community resource will be lost forever.</p>
2023/3079/P	Linda Alexander	26/10/2023 13:14:32	OBJ	<p>The loss of the laundrette has been felt by a population who often have small flats with no room for washing machines. It has really inconvenienced me and my family. I've met students, local residents and guests of hotels using the laundrette. What the local community in Fitzrovia do not need is yet another cafe reducing the amount of community space available. I object to the use of this space being changed to Class E from Sui Generis</p>