

Application N	Consultees Name	Recipient Address	Received	Comment	Response
2025/1812/P	Valentina M	Grafton Road	01/05/2025 20:25:30	COMMNT	I fully support this application and everything Chris Townsend and the MAP team seek to do. Mr Townsend has been running music-related businesses in Kentish Town since the 1970s, and MAP Music is a reflection of his long-standing commitment to the local arts and culture scene. The café and venue are important community assets that foster creativity, connection, and cultural vibrancy. This application is a necessary step to secure the future of a space that has contributed so much to the neighbourhood.
2025/1812/P	Charlie Hobbs	5a Anglers Lane	02/05/2025 08:01:11	SUPPRT	As a local resident, I fully support this planning application. The venue is one of the reasons I chose to move to this area—it's a unique cultural and community hub that brings people together in a meaningful way. It fosters creativity, inclusivity, and connection, and contributes significantly to the character and vibrancy of our neighborhood. Preserving and supporting spaces like this is essential for the long-term wellbeing of our local community.
2025/1812/P	Natasha Wierre-Gore	28B Inkerman Road	01/05/2025 22:18:58	COMMNT	<p>The MAP cafe is an example of indépendant venues that and therefore is important in the community as there are few and far between. But being in the community also means respecting the neighbourhood. MAP cafe should be putting in place everything to limit the noise nuisance for local residence, especially as they are open 7days a week. I am not sure it is necessary to be opened until 11pm on all days like Sundays and Mondays, nearby neighbours deserve some evenings with no one gathering around outside.</p> <p>Also MAP cafe used the pavement around it to put tables for customers, which is nice for the community but again as long as it's respectful (people should not be allowed to gather outside after a certain time and table should not obstruct pavement as they currently do for wheelchairs and prams).</p> <p>This planning permission is good to keep up an important part of the community that is MAP cafe as long as they make all effort to limit disturbance such a gathering around the cafe outside, soundproofing correctly to limit noise to nearby neighbours, also closing the door to the terrace when live music is being played.</p>
2025/1812/P	Jonathan Bradley	54 WILLES ROAD	02/05/2025 06:16:34	SUPPRT	MAP is a very important community venue providing a local hub for artists, musicians and local residents. Too many of these venues are disappearing. The owner had invested significantly in the venue to address noise concerns raised by one local resident. The venue offers a wide range of activities hosting the chess club, knitting club, jazz on Sunday's, open mic events where young performers can perform for the very first time, along with a sound studio to support music recording. These are just a few examples of how MAP brings the community together acting as platform for people to bridge between other groups and connect. I don't believe MAP is financially viable if it cannot operate in the evenings and would thus have to close. It would be a massive loss to the community. I would hope this application can be supported.

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2025/1812/P	Jon Crowcroft	11 Grafton Road NW53DX NW53DX	02/05/2025 07:58:13	COMMNT	<p>Map is a local amenity that serves several purposes - as well as a cafe, there's a studio which is used by musicians for rehearsals and recording, and there's the upstairs music venue. I play there quite often, and the atmosphere is extremely socialble and friendly. The cafe serves great affordable food. All three purposes provide employment as well.</p> <p>There are some negative views on noise. Well, I live half way between Map and the Grafton pub, and I can strongly assert that there is far more noise (especially post closing time) from the Grafron Pub than from Map.</p> <p>Not allowing this to go forward risks Map's existence as a viable business, and I think that loss would be much worse than the minor nuisance from having such a community venue.</p> <p>For what its worth, I've lived on Grafton Road for 35 years - I've never been bothered by Map (I've also had far more annoyance from the Kentish Town swimming baths, both noise and illegal parking). Some people complaining may have moved here recently in the full knowledge of the area. I think this is unfair of them to level such criticism.</p>
2025/1812/P	Catriona Gray	Flat 1, 22 Grafton Road NW5 3DU NW5 3DU	01/05/2025 19:27:20	SUPPRT	<p>I back literally anything Map want to do. This is a long-standing and valuable local business.</p> <p>The community of musicians must be supported.</p>
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