

Application N	Consultees Name	Recipient Address	Received	Comment	Response
2025/1812/P	M Yetts	92A Mountgrove Road N52LT N52LT	13/05/2025 21:47:59	INT	MAP cafe is a gem in the community. Independent businesses need all the help they can get, and creative spaces are few and far between especially in Kentish town. Please help this space thrive. People who have moved into the vicinity of the venue should have been more than aware of the accompanying and occasional loudness and may be better served in quieter areas of London. I have played a few shows at MAP and would hate to see the space unable to host live music and the other diverse events on offer.
2025/1812/P	James	394a Bethnal Green Road Tower Hamlets	13/05/2025 13:02:30	COMMNT	I support this independent venue to continue to invest in the future of music and musicians and to provide a space where culture, community, and creativity intersect. It is essential to protect and support venues like the MAP that empower emerging artists and ensure London's rich musical heritage continues to evolve and inspire.
2025/1812/P	Sebastien Froment	40 Grafton Road NW5 3DU NW5 3DU	13/05/2025 19:55:27	SUPPRT	I am writing to express my strong support for Map Café's application. As a valued local venue, Map Café has consistently contributed to the vibrancy, culture, and community spirit of our area. With my wife and my two children, we've been living two houses down from Map Cafe for more than 12 years and we love it. Map Cafe is a hub for local artists and for Kentish Town residents of all ages and from all horizons and brings a real sense of community in the area. Map Café is more than just a café; it is a beloved music venue and community hub that supports local artists, provides a welcoming space for social engagement, and enriches the cultural life of our neighbourhood. In a time when independent venues and community spaces are under increasing pressure, it is essential to support those that offer genuine cultural value. I respectfully urge the council to approve this application and support the continued growth and positive impact of Map Café on our community. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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2025/1812/P	Niall Williams	66 Leverton Street Kentish Town NW5 2NU NW5 2NU	13/05/2025 18:46:42	SUPPRT	<p>I fully support the sustainment of this local institution in the manner and opening hours which it has operated for many years.</p> <p>This application is a plea to remain operating in the way that it has for over a decade, unlike other hospitality applications that are selfishly trying to extend their hours for financial gain at the expense of residents.</p> <p>Beyond the venue's night time events, MAP provides community services like no other space in the area - from songwriting workshops to book readings, theatre to jazz matinees, after school clubs to sewing classes, chess clubs to yoga, tai chi and therapy. All of this is only possible, however, through subsidisation from the income that the evening schedule provides.</p> <p>There really is no other music venue like this remaining in Kentish Town, and very few community cafes with such a commitment to servicing the community as an end in itself, rather than for profit. I would strongly object to the assumption that this business is run in spite of neighbours - this business is not a profitable one and is done to serve its customers and community rather than its stakeholders.</p>
2025/1812/P	Adrian Northover	Flat 401 Oxo Tower Wharf SE1 9GY SE1 9GY	13/05/2025 14:13:07	COMMNT	<p>I been using Map for many years now, and it has been very useful, it is a postive project that is very communy minded , and ethnical diverse. There is no where like this in this area, and it would to locsl community if it has to close.</p>
2025/1812/P	Valentine Cheesbrough	60 Sandy Hill Road Woolwich SE18 7AZ	13/05/2025 15:00:47	OBJ	<p>I have performed at and been an audience member at the MAP studio cafe many times, and I can confidently say that the venue provides a vital space in the local community for people to listen to jazz and other under appreciated forms of music. To put restrictions on this venue such as the ones that are being put to debate would undoubtedly destroy the lively network that centres around MAP, especially in a time when independent music venues have already been repeatedly challenged by current events and lack of support from wider governmental bodies. Without MAP, a light would go out in the London jazz scene that would be deeply missed by all.</p>
2025/1812/P	Judith Leaver	21 Malvern Road Weston-super-Mar e BS23 4DE	13/05/2025 17:00:44	COMMNT	<p>I support this independent venue to continue to invest in the future of music and musicians and to provide a space where culture, community, and creativity intersect. It is essential to protect and support venues like the MAP that empower emerging artists and ensure London's rich musical heritage continues to evolve and inspire.</p>

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2025/1812/P	James Hemsley	39 Willes Road London NW5 3DN	13/05/2025 22:11:44	SUPPRT	I live in Willes Rd, just round the corner from MAP. I founded a chess club which meets one evening a week. MAP is a perfect community setting for the chess club which is attended by all ages (the youngest currently is 10 years old) and abilities, including beginners. MAP is such a friendly community place. I am elderly and on one occasion when I was unwell Chris walked me home (of course knowing where I live and that my wife was there). Ocassionally in the evening in summer we can hear MAP music in our garden but it is never too loud and in fact pleasant to hear in the distance. I hate all the chain cafes in Kentish Town and MAP is a proper independent cafe. It needs to be able to have music in the evening in order to be viable. The area would be much poorer without MAP and I personally would be very sad to see it close.
2025/1812/P	Katy leaver	21 Malvern road	13/05/2025 19:10:14	COMMNT	I support this independent venue to continue to invest in the future of music and musicians and to provide a space where culture, community, and creativity intersect. It is essential to protect and support venues like the MAP that empower emerging artists and ensure London's rich musical heritage continues to evolve and inspire.
2025/1812/P	Julie	Camden	13/05/2025 19:09:47	COMMNT	I am very sad to hear that Map Studios is under threat of reduction to their opening hours. Map Studios is a hub of the community and brings residents, visitors and musicians together.
2025/1812/P	Zsofia Talas	53 Nassington Road Nw32ty	14/05/2025 08:06:43	SUPPRT	Please consider the importance of a place like this in a community. It's one of the few authentic music venues left around to discover new artists, the staff hard working and dedicated, they bring together people like no other place in the area. It feels like home.
2025/1812/P	Adam D	6 Christchurch House Wolsey Mews Kentish Town London NW5 2DY	13/05/2025 15:08:41	SUPPRT	MAP Studio Cafe is an invaluable asset to the local Camden community both as a cafe, meeting space and events venue. It is a vital hub of local activity that provides a safe space for much loved events and evening community actives such as poetry nights, live music, jam nights, chess club, music recording sessions and much more. As a regular patron and former neighbour I cannot understate the value of this space to the local community and to North London as a whole. It should be treated as a treasured and unique space that has served the local community faithfully for many years, and should continue to do so for many years to come.
2025/1812/P	sara dillon	88C Palmerston Road London N22 8RF	13/05/2025 13:39:34	PETITNSU PP	<p>This place is absolutely wonderful and must be supported.</p> <p>There are limited places to develop your musical craft in London, and this is definitely one of them. It would be absolutely terrible if were to lose it. It's an investment in the creative future of musicians in London and place where culture, community and creativity come together. It's essential to keep places like this open. Please support the MAP cafe.</p>
2025/1812/P	Luke Brueck Seeley	Flat 1, St George in the East Church E1 0BH	13/05/2025 13:39:18	PETITNSU PP	<p>Map is a vital part of the London jazz and wider music scene. It's one of the few rooms in London that balances intimacy with the necessary formalities of a music venue and it cannot be lost from the scene. Some of the best musicians from Europe and America come to map to play because of the room and the community around it.</p> <p>Culture cannot suffer for comfort.</p>

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2025/1812/P	Izzy Wick	36B Willes Road NW5 3DS	13/05/2025 16:49:13	SUPPRT	<p>As a local resident, I am wholly in favour of this application and offer my full throated support. In the 11 years I have lived on Willes Road (about 20 metres away from MAP), I have never been disturbed by noise from MAP. When there is music being performed, it is for the most part acoustic and enjoyed by a very respectful crowd. I can honestly say the music from MAP is no louder than a car driving past or crowds of school children on their way home.</p> <p>Moreover, MAP is a lifeline to many in our community. It is one of the only remaining venues in London that is accessible and affordable to young musicians and music lovers alike. It is a labour of love for the staff and a gem to the neighbourhood, offering an inclusive and creative space where people of all ages and backgrounds can come together for poetry sessions, cooking, chess, music or just to have a good chat. I count myself as one of many residents who has moved to the immediate area so they can be part of the wonderful community that MAP sits at the heart of. MAP would not be able to continue to operate as a business if this license were not awarded and its use was limited to a daytime cafe.</p> <p>Like other respondents, I am at a loss as to why anyone would move next door to a music venue then complain about the music. It's worth noting that objections to this application are overwhelmingly from those who are new to the neighbourhood and seem to be ignoring that for many years this area has been populated with pubs and restaurants, many of which have unfortunately closed down in recent years. If the same fate were to befall MAP, it would be a huge loss to the community and a stain on the council, which has committed to supporting arts and culture in the borough and tackling loneliness.</p> <p>I would urge the council to approve this planning application and provide ongoing to support to MAP in recognition of its enormous contribution to the community and local neighbourhood.</p>