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## PLANNING APPLICATION DETAILS

Year: 2014

Number: 2176

Letter: P

Planning application address: The Black Cap, 171 Camden High Street

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Your comments on the planning application: I struggle to see how any venue in London could be more clearly an asset to the community and the area. The vitality of Camden Town rests squarely on its hospitality, its cultural (and

on its hospitality, its cultural (and countercultural?) reknown and history. Camden Town is not just a residential area; it relies on visitors. The Black Cap clearly has unique appeal, in terms of being the most well known gay venue around, in terms of its history, in terms of the incredible welcome and friendliness of the place. I organise a weekly running group in Camden Town that uses the venue as a "clubhouse" and the welcome we are offered as a local community group has been unique. The engagement with the local community and with regulars, as well as its position as a north London landmark, means the Black Cap should be protected.

The idea that leaving a pathetic rump unconverted and that it could continue to be a viable venue defies credibility on every level and I'm sure has been assaulted by others.

This venue could and should thrive for many years to come. This kind of attempt to grab the money and run is surely the kind of piecemeal dismantling of the area's assets that we need to stop.

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