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2020/1481/P	Nina Glass	26/05/2020 16:54:53	NOBJ	I wanted to give my support for the proposal. This is a good idea. Well done.
2020/1481/P	Derek Heath	27/05/2020 15:55:12	SUPPRT	<p>Dear Sir/Madam,</p> <p>I am writing to you today, to add my support to the Irish Centre's application. The Irish Centre and its work is vital to the local and wider community.</p> <p>It has needed modernising and updating of facilities for some time now. I believe the proposed plans will make the building more accessible for many sections of the community/public.</p> <p>I have been a resident in Stratford Villas for many years previously, and the London Irish Centre has supported several members of my family over the years. In my opinion, locally within the Camden Square area, the Irish Centre has been a focal point for many cultural events, bringing communities together. I am more than willing and happy to put forward my support in the proposed application.</p> <p>Yours sincerely Derek Heath Druglink CEO</p>
2020/1481/P	Eddie Gilmore	27/05/2020 09:56:46	COMMNT	The Irish Chaplaincy has had its offices in the London Irish Centre for several years and the Centre has always been a great base from which to carry out our work of supporting some of those Irish people in the community who are most vulnerable, isolated and socially-excluded. We are excited about the plans to redevelop the Centre into a beautiful, contemporary, accessible, multi-functional building which can serve the Irish community, and beyond, for many more years to come. We are very happy to support this application.
2020/1481/P	David O'Reilly	20/05/2020 17:47:11	SUPPRT	I am very familiar with and supportive of the great work and support provided to the Irish Community in the London Irish Centre and would like to lend my support to their application. I have served the Irish community in London for several years across a variety of groups and organisations in which I work, including as London Director for The British Irish Chamber of Commerce, Managing Director of Wimbledon Park Capital and as the Co-Head of the UK Alumni Chapter of University College Dublin.

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2020/1481/P	Alan Heath	26/05/2020 15:59:03	COMMNT	<p>I would like to fully support the proposed plans for the commercial development of the London Irish Centre. The London Irish Centre holds a very special place with all the Heath family. I am now 55 and as far back as I can remember, the Irish centre has been part of our family. I worked there in the bars when I was younger. But more importantly my mum, who is now 81 years of age still works there.</p> <p>The overall support they have shown to my mum has been fabulous and extremely sincere.</p> <p>When I worked there in the 1980's, the building was in a state of disrepair. The electrics and plumbing constantly required extensive maintenance. The security of the premises also caused some concerns as there was no way to fully secure the building with all the added corridors and stairs. The London Irish centre has always put the people first and has always strived to support local communities with all their facilities. This has started to prove difficult with the current structure of the building and it is obvious that a lot of money is required to restructure to provide a modern and safe environment for the future.</p> <p>The Irish centre in my opinion has always tried to include all the local neighbours with their daily running of the centre and although difficult at times, it has always attempted to maintain a fine balance with its location within a residential neighbourhood.</p> <p>My mum still lives in the local neighbourhood and has become a firm ambassador of the centre. She has benefitted from every aspect of the London Irish Centre and after a recent fall when she sustained bone breaking injuries. The Irish centre has again provided her with love and attention, which has made our families life easier as we are now all living away from Camden.</p> <p>The plans for the development of the Irish Centre have been well researched and drawn up. They are exciting improvements and will provide many more years of community excellence for any person that requires their help. I honestly can't thank them enough for their respect and treatment to our family and I and all of the Heath family wholeheartedly support their development plans.</p>
2020/1481/P	William Howie	26/05/2020 14:01:08	COMMNT	<p>Supporting the Redevelopment of the London Irish Centre - 2020/1481/P</p> <p>Having attended a number of charitable events over the years I believe the new development will be of significant benefit to the community as a whole.</p>

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2020/1481/P	Raymond Simonson	27/05/2020 10:48:57	SUPPRT	<p>I am writing to offer my support on behalf of JW3 -&gt; Londonis Jewish Community Centre -&gt; to the London Irish Centre's plans for the redevelopment of their site.</p> <p>I have been fortunate enough to have been CEO of JW3 since we opened in october 2013, and I get to see first-hand the impact that centres such as ours make on communities and wider society through social action, culture and creativity. As Sir Nicholas Serota wrote in 'Imagine Nation' (2017, Cultural Learning Alliance): 'Through culture we encounter the values and imaginations of others, past and present. Creativity is therefore one of the essential ingredients of a rich and tolerant society and of personal and national identity.' There is no question that centres such as the London Irish Centre are vital for this to happen.</p> <p>Like the Jewish community, the diverse Irish community across London makes a fantastic and important contribution to the capital. Having a cultural and community centre based in Camden as a welcoming home-from-home for anyone from this diaspora community, no matter what their background, plays a significant role in enabling the Irish community to make such a contribution. I have long been an admirer of the LIC, and am inspired by their longstanding work across the fields of social care, community building and culture. Having visited their centre on a number of occasions there is no doubt that the venue itself is in need of significant development. There are accessibility issues for staff, volunteers and users; the staff offices are not really fit for purpose; and there is a severe lack of appropriate space for activities. And I know first-hand from JW3's purpose-built venue what a difference having an appropriate, safe, welcoming physical space makes, where the quality of the venue can inspire high quality work inside it.</p> <p>Sadly, too many important community and cultural venues are struggling, under threat or closing - and this was true even before the current coronavirus crisis, and is even more true now - so I am thrilled as a community-centric Londoner that the LIC's development plans buck this depressing trend. I am excited by their vision, which sees the LIC develop its role within London's diverse multicultural community of communities. It feels critically important during times of ever fractured communities and fragmentation that exists within our society that venues like JW3 and LIC are supported to thrive and make a bigger impact. And that impact is harder to have without the appropriate space and resources that these new plans seek to create. I am pleased to see the focus on accessibility to ensure that elderly and frail service-users, and anyone with mobility issues, can have equal access to the centre. And equally, creating more space for the welfare, advice and vital day centre services, the community kitchen and therapy garden, alongside the improved educational and cultural facilities, will all make a significant difference to LIC's ability to deliver on its charitable objectives for the benefit of everyone.</p> <p>I also have first hand experience of seeing how such a centre benefits all residents in the local area, regardless of who they are and what their backgrounds are. Within a few months of opening JW3, all those who had vocally objected to the plans we had submitted for our centre, were now users and beneficiaries of our services and activities, and were thanking us for what we brought to the neighbourhood. I have no doubt that this will be the same for the LIC</p> <p>I look forward to continuing to develop the relationship between JW3 and LIC and between Londonis Jewish and Irish communities over the coming years, and I wish them much luck with their plans.</p> <p>With very best wishes</p> <p>Raymond Simonson,</p>

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2020/1481/P	Joe Mitchell	26/05/2020 12:54:18	SUPPRT	<p>Re: 'Supporting the Redevelopment of the London Irish Centre - 2020/1481/P'</p> <p>To whom it may concern,</p> <p>I am writing in my capacity as a tenant at the London Irish centre, NW1 9XB. I work for the homelessness charity, Single Homeless Project and have based a number of our services from this brilliant community space for nearly 4 years. Our services support some of London's most vulnerable people, and this community space has a fantastic setting for the work we do. We believe the Irish centre has evolved into a Community hub, with effective joint working happening in many different ways. I believe the building can be more effective with the plans within this application. In particular, the thought behind an outdoor space, and a clearer and less confusing lay out inside.</p> <p>We welcome this considered planning application to improve the space and better utilise the lay out and shape of the spaces available.</p> <p>Your sincerely,                      Joe Mitchell                      Head of Employment Initiatives                      www.shp.org.uk</p>
2020/1481/P	Elizabeth Owen	27/05/2020 14:20:12	WREP	<p>I would like to support the application for Planning Permission made by the London Irish Centre. The Covid19 Virus has shown how important institutions such as the London Irish Centre are to the wellbeing of our citizens, especially those of us in vulnerable situations.</p> <p>The current building has many shortcomings and is badly in need of renovation if it is to continue with its good work, indeed access is very inadequate by modern standards - shifting the main entrance from Camden Square to Murray Street will be very helpful in this regard. The Centre serves a wide community, including neighbouring Boroughs, and also helps build bridges between different cultures - something which is very important in this day and age.</p> <p>The designs look splendid and I think it is important that our generation invests in contemporary architecture. I hope that Camden Council will give it their full support.</p>
2020/1481/P	William Howie	26/05/2020 14:01:12	COMMNT	<p>Supporting the Redevelopment of the London Irish Centre - 2020/1481/P'</p> <p>Having attended a number of charitable events over the years I believe the new development will be of significant benefit to the community as a whole.</p>