

Heritage statement for 14a Berry Lane, Longridge.

RVBC, Planing.

20<sup>th</sup> June 2022.

I bought 14 Berry Lane, Longridge in June 2014. The property was then a shop and shop owners accommodation. We spent a lot of time, money and effort in modernizing the premises whilst keeping the character of the property. The shop was converted in to a hairdressing salon for my Partner (Christopher Moss) and the upstairs was converted in to a one bedroom apartment with its own separate entrance – 14a Berry Lane.

As advised we used wooden materials for doors and windows, kept the traditional detailing to the shop front and even re-instated the black iron railing detail outside the property.

In 2016 we applied and were granted change of use of 14a berry lane to commercial premises. The property was used for a short while as a taxi office, a photographers studio and finally a Thai massage parlour. The Thai lady handed her notice in earlier this year which co-incided with my sisters arrival from abroad who needed somewhere to live.

The use of 14a Berry lane as a residential property has no detrimental effect to the heritage of the building or the conservation area itself. The shop has always had a residential element to it, dating back to the late 1800's.

Yours Sincerely,

Nick Houghton

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