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**To:** Planning  
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**Planning Application Reference No.:** 3/2026/0105

**Address of Development:** 53-57 berry lane  
Longridge

**Comments:** Parking parking parking!!!  
It's absolute chaos round there already.  
There is already a Pilates studio at the back of there so why have another? Warwick street is utter chaos with traffic

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**Planning Application Reference No.:** 3/2026/0105

**Address of Development:** 53 to 57 Berry Land Longridge PR3 3NH

**Comments:** I wish to formally object to the above application on material planning grounds relating to highway safety, parking impact, residential amenity, and unsustainable intensification of commercial use within this part of Longridge.

My comments are made as a local business operator and regular user of the surrounding streets, based on direct observation of existing conditions.

The streets surrounding the application site already experience significant parking pressure, particularly during daytime trading hours and early evenings.

The proposed Pilates studio represents a high-turnover leisure use, materially different from many Class E uses, because:

- clients arrive in concentrated groups aligned with scheduled classes;
- arrivals and departures occur simultaneously;
- stays are short but frequent throughout the day.

This pattern generates repeated peaks in parking demand rather than steady footfall.

No adequate off-street parking provision appears to accompany the proposal. As a result, additional demand will inevitably rely on already constrained on-street parking.

This is likely to result in:

- obstruction of residential accesses,
- unsafe or informal parking,
- reduced visibility for drivers and pedestrians,
- increased vehicle manoeuvring within narrow streets.

The adjacent street, Warwick st, already has the impact of a Pilates Studio, Acupuncturist, Pediatrician, MOT and service garage, two Printers, Hairdressers and Beauticians, Service entry to a Bar, to name but a few.

All of these have a high volume of customers coming and go for short periods and long periods of

time through the day and evening.

Customers do have the option to park on Booths car park and Pay car park. However, these also service, staff and Customers of the shops on Berry lane and are frequently full!

The proposal represents an intensification of commercial activity within a mixed residential area of Longridge.

A fitness studio differs materially from previous or typical town-centre uses due to:

- repeated customer turnover every 45–60 minutes,
- early morning and evening operating periods,
- concentrated arrival/departure noise and activity.

This level of activity risks altering the character of the immediate area from primarily local commercial/residential use to a destination fitness venue generating continual vehicle movements.

Planning decisions must consider cumulative impacts, not only the use in isolation.

The proposed use is likely to introduce ongoing disturbance through:

- frequent vehicle arrivals and departures,
- car doors and conversations associated with class changeovers,
- engine idling and short-stay parking activity,
- extended operating hours typical of fitness studios.

Given the proximity of residential properties in Longridge town centre streets, this would materially harm neighbouring amenity.

While Longridge functions as a local service centre, many visitors travel by car from surrounding rural areas where public transport options are limited.

A destination fitness use therefore risks increasing private vehicle dependence rather than supporting sustainable transport objectives.

Should the Council be minded to approve the application, I strongly request consideration of conditions including:

- limits on class sizes,
- restricted operating hours (particularly early mornings and late evenings),
- submission of a Travel Plan,
- provision of secure cycle parking,
- review mechanism if parking complaints arise.

Due to existing parking stress, likely increases in vehicle movements, and adverse impacts on highway safety and residential amenity, the proposal represents an unsustainable intensification of use at this location.

For these reasons, I respectfully request that planning permission be refused.

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**Planning Application Reference No.:** 3/2026/0105

**Address of Development:** Warwick St, Longridge

**Comments:** This development will negatively affect the already limited parking situation on Warwick St. It will reduce parking for current businesses in the area and therefore potentially affecting/reducing clientele.

I [REDACTED] [REDACTED] and struggle to park already. Residents and workers of Berry Lane also park here, restricting parking further with people parking on white lines and in front of business access points.