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Sent: 02 May 2026 14:20
To: Planning
Subject: Planning Application No 3/2026/0295

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Dear Sir or Madam

I have received a letter with reference to the planning application for the Brian Holden Playing Field on Mardale Road.

I live [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. I am concerned about the amount of cars that will be travelling to and parking in the area. This is residential area and the car park is currently not big enough for the football matches that are played on the field now and is a pay and display so cars park on the roads and block people's drives to not pay the fee. I can't see how this can be improved other than taking part of the playing field. Also the speed at which drivers attending the current football games down Mardale Road is dangerous.

I am also concerned about the environmental impact that this will have with extra people and lighting and noise. I have noticed rubbish is left on the grass surrounding the Playing field after a football game and some instances thrown over our fence.

I understand that it could be open up to 10pm 7 nights per week and floodlit. The floodlights are an environmental concern for the surrounding houses and also wildlife. It will also create noise from extra vehicles and people shouting.

The Longridge Recreation ground could be a better area to create a synthetic turf pitch and investment in Longridge Town Football ground. Hopefully this has been investigated.

Yours sincerely

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From: Contact Centre (CRM) <contact@ribblevalley.gov.uk>
Sent: 04 May 2026 21:35
To: Planning
Subject: Planning Application Comments - 3/2026/0295 FS-Case-834597367

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Planning Application Reference No.: 3/2026/0295

Address of Development: 3G pitch, Mardale Road, Longridge

Comments: I would like to object to the building of the pitch on the grounds of health and safety. Traffic, noise levels and light intrusion.

There are currently 5 pitches on the Brian Holden Pitch, used mainly by Longridge Town Football. Having looked at the plan it does not show any increase in the parking area which currently supports parking for about 70 cars. There are 22 players and 3 officials on each pitch, plus extras and spectators, the parking currently is insufficient. Whenever there are games on, cars are abandoned all over the estate, usually across blind crossings, over fire hydrants, across the footpaths or on the corners of the adjacent roads. The parking issues are well documented.

If there was an emergency on my street the emergency vehicles, ambulance/ fire engines would not get through, or be able to access fire hydrants as they are often parked over.

Almost every Sunday there are cars parked outside my house, across my driveway. If I have asked them to move, perhaps onto the carpark which is not always full I get verbal abuse. They leave rubbish and bang mud off their boots and leave it on the footpaths, which are often impassable especially for prams or wheelchairs because of the way they are parked.

They can afford luxury cars but won't pay to park them...it's a joke!

The pitches have been there a long time but recently the problems are escalating.

Mardale Road is a 20, narrow and bendy, with no way to widen it, there is a children's playground half way down, no barrier to keep the children safe. Cars are often parked all the way up the road on the footpath. It is impossible to get up or down when one game ends and another starts .. quite often there are multiple games on at once ...it's like Brands Hatch! I've almost been hit on several occasions, We have had the Police down concerning the speeding and parking, she too has been verbally abused.

Apparently it is to be used until 10 most nights I'm afraid this will increase the anti social behaviour on the estate.

I really am apprehensive about increases in antisocial behaviour, there are groups who currently use the park for underage drinking and drug use,

We have contacted our councillors and MP to raise concerns, so far have had no joy.

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From: [REDACTED]
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To: Planning
Subject: Re: mardale pitch 3 g development longridge

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sorry this was from a company email

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i was not sure if i had done it correctly...i have sent one from my personal email that should be correct

On Tue, 5 May 2026 at 10:10, Planning <planning@ribblevalley.gov.uk> wrote:

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Kind regards

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Good morning

Just a note to comment on the above pitches

We currently have severe traffic and parking problems, which the police are aware of.

On match days there can be up to 200 cars coming down Mardale Road.

Two eleven aside: 22 cars plus visitors and match officials.

Then we have the 27 aside pitches which again bring extra traffic. We find that they will not pay for parking, so they park and block driveways (pictures can be attached).

We contacted LCC about this development and to no surprise they oppose it due to traffic and parking concerns.

The car park only holds 75 cars, so two simultaneous games fill it up.

This development will add extra pressure to the infrastructure, which is unsuitable. It is a residential area and cannot cope with this extra traffic.

If this goes ahead, we as residents would require parking and traffic issues to be sorted out. Also, the time frame of 8am till 10pm this is unreasonable because the noise and lighting would affect local residents, not to mention the undesirable mess about near the pitch.

An area where people can walk and find peace from everyday life is being undone for the sake of Longridge Town Juniors.

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