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(7) The motives for the application appear to be cost mitigation on the part of the insurers. By removing trees, and monitoring, the insurer can look toward a relatively low-cost short-run resolution. I am advised that this is a standard approach. My co-objectors have said much more.

(8) The amenity value of those trees is immense. They are absolutely essential to maintaining the character of the property and surrounding area. My co-freeholders have noted they provide valuable noise suppression in the context of intrusive ongoing developments in the area. They help maintain privacy for all. They provide much needed shaded. The add to character of the adjacent recreational area.

(9) These are long established trees. It seems, therefore, extremely unlikely that such trees (which are reasonably distant) are necessarily the major cause of subsidence at 30 Lymington Road.

I have had sight of objections from my co-freeholders: Gardner (Flat 1), Traulsen (Flat 3), and Salles (Flat 30A). I fully support their comments.

We (the owners and occupiers of the affected property) are fully unified in our objection.

With my best wishes,

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2020/4088/T	Angela Gardner	29/09/2020 16:17:14	COMMNT	<p>We are the owners of the ground floor flat at 30 Lymington Road, which includes the garden within which the two lime trees stand. This planning application has been made on our behalf but, we believe, further consultation is needed.</p> <p>We have evidence of subsidence within our property and have been advised that this is caused by roots within the soil. Following a four-month period of monitoring and soil tests, we received a report recommending very extensive removal of vegetation, including the two lime trees.</p> <p>We have attempted multiple times to contact the Loss Adjuster to understand: (a) whether there are alternative viable courses of action that may be taken; or (b) whether other options have been considered and discounted.</p> <p>To date, we have received no response to our requests for further information.</p> <p>Whilst the integrity of our property must be our first priority, we are very concerned by the extent of the proposals put forward, which we believe will have a detrimental impact in several respects.</p> <p>We are concerned by the potential impact of a sudden removal of trees and other foliage and the risk of heave. We would like to explore the option of reducing the foliage (e.g. by pollarding the trees) in the first instance while continuing to monitor for an extended period of time (for at least 12 months until next spring) to observe movement.</p> <p>The removal of the trees will have a detrimental impact on privacy for all four flats at 30 Lymington Road - particularly with the planned new building development underway on the former Travis Perkins site at 156 West End Lane. The trees act as a barrier to noise from the railway and from users of the playground/ball court area immediately behind our property and in the adjacent area. They will also help reduce noise pollution from the new residences, once built.</p> <p>The trees provide shade in the summer and a natural habitat for birds and creatures. We are alarmed by the potential adverse environmental impact of removing the trees, including on air quality in this area which is within close proximity of heavy traffic.</p>
