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I am objecting to this planning application.

As the Council is aware, properties along this stretch of Park Road are susceptible to damage by subsidence. Numbers 258, 260, 262 and 264 have all had remedial works carried out to remedy damage.

The clay subsoil here is liable to heave and shrinkage. Doors closing freely in summer but sticking in their frames in winter being just one manifestation of this.

At 260 Park Road we had subsidence remedial work carried out necessitating demolishing and rebuilding of the front bay structure.

This planning application is preparatory to the removal of the front garden of 262 to convert it to off-street parking.

I am concerned that removal of a significant terrage of soil in order to achieve that will affect the loading on the clay subsoil, causing heave which will be promulgated sideways, affecting my property.

I understand that surface water run-off is catered for by the insertion of a strip drain where any driveway meets the public footpath, but that doesn't compensate for the lowering of the water table ~~closer~~ closer to the property—

- posing a further risk to the stability of the clay subsoil.
I still have level-monitoring devices in place at the front of my property and I don't relish the thought of having to make use of these again to ensure I can protect myself against any damage caused by changes in local conditions.

I also object to this application which will lead to the degradation of yet more natural features which we all need in our urban environment.

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