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2018/0438/HS2	Robert Bexson	University College London Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust 4th Floor Maple House 149 Tottenham Court Road London W1T 7DN	19/02/2018 14:10:30	OBJEMAI L	On behalf of University College Hospital I write to express concern relating to the use of the Grafton Way loop as a lorry route. As the written statement recognises, Grafton Way is constrained by current building works with a construction lane restricting width until mid/late 2020. Grafton Way is also the Blue Light route into the hospital ambulance bay. Our maternity unit (c6,000 deliveries each year) is also situated on Grafton Way. Grafton Way also provides the exit route for both delivery and all other vehicles (including our disabled parking but excluding our patient transport fleet) arriving at University College Hospital, As such we are concerned to ensure that road congestion along Grafton Way will not deteriorate as a consequence of these works. Our Patient Transport Fleet uses the Euston Spur which has recently suffered increased congestion as a consequence of westbound taxis being permitted to use it (previously it was bus only). This carries the risk of patients missing or being delayed for their consultations. Any further congestion on the Euston Spur (whether east or westbound) is a concern due to the heavy usage of the PTS bays by authorised vehicles at peak hour. Our Emergency Department (c130,000 admissions annually) entrance is located in the Gower Street section of the Grafton Way loop, adding to our concerns. We would request that the applicant provides verified traffic data to confirm no material impact would result from use of the Grafton Way loop, and consider mitigation measures to minimise impact on patients and visitors, such as restricting lorry usage to non peak hours. If these are not satisfactory we request please that the use of the Grafton Way loop by the applicant's vehicles is refused.
