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26th May 2017

Dear David,

RE: THE CAMDEN [TORRINGTON PLACE TO TAVISTOCK PLACE] [PRESCRIBED ROUTES, WAITING AND LOADING RESTRICTIONS AND LOADING PLACES] TRAFFIC ORDER [2017]

Further to your email dated 9th May 2017, UCLH provided responses on 5 February 2016 and 21 October 2016, copies of which are attached for ease of reference. Since that date we have continued to discuss the above proposals and their impact on our patients and

We remain concerned about additional journey times from our Gray's Inn Road hospitals [Royal National Throat Nose & Ear Hospital and The Eastman Dental Hospital] and Queen Square hospitals [National Hospital for Neurology & Neurosurgery and The Royal London Hospital for Integrated Medicine] to UCH.

Although we have no data to provide for previous years on patient transport service, the PTS team advise that an average journey between the UCH and Queens Square, used to take below 20 minutes before the Introduction of the one way system.

The current situation is as follows;

Number of	112	19	35
Average of Time	52	35	47
From hospital to IICH	National Hospital for Neurology & Neurosurgery	Royal National Throat Nose & Ear Hospital	Royal London Hospital for Integrated Medicine

There Is continued support for the proposals from staff that cycle to and from work.

We wish to see good provision for cyclists but also need a solution that does not cause delay and stress for our patients.

If you have any queries or would like to discuss further or would prefer to meet to discuss in person, please contact myself or Tom Hughes.

Yours sincerely,



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18 October 2016

Dear Charlotte,

Torrington Place/Tavistock Place route: Proposed improvements for walking and cycling

We provided our response on 5 February 2016, a copy of which is attached for ease of reference. Since that date we have continued to discuss the above proposals and their impact on our patients and staff. We have received further comments from several of our Governors as well as both clinical and non-clinical colleagues, which may be summarised as follows:

- We remain concerned about additional journey time from our Gray's Inn Road hospitals and Queen Square hospitals to UCH. Our patient transport service colleagues do not have data recording this [there is no provision for this in the provider contract] but advise that PTS drivers report on average westbound journey time increasing as set out in the appended letter. However the journey time eastbound has improved, but not to any material extent;
- There is support for the proposals from staff who cycle to and from work.

We would conclude by suggesting that there is a further period of study that explores methods of easing journey time from east to west by further changes to the highway network. We wish to see good provision for cyclists but also need a solution that does not cause delay and stress for our patients.

If you have any queries or would like to discuss further or would prefer to meet to discuss in person, please contact myself or Tom Hughes.

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5 February 2016

Dear Sirs

Torrington Place to Tavistock Place Experimental Traffic Changes

I am writing on behalf of University College London Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust [UCLH]. My colleagues and I have discussed the above trial in relation to how it affects our patients. I list below concerns raised by UCLH Governors, Patient Transport Services [PTS] drivers and managers, clinical and non-clinical colleagues and would like to formally register these concerns and would be grateful if you could consider these points before any decisions are made.

The experimental one way system has caused lengthy delays in traffic going in the direction from National Hospital for Neurology and Neurosurgery [NHNN] in Queen Square to University College Hospital[UCH] campus at the junction of Tottenham Court Road and Euston Road. It is therefore adversely impacting patient's journeys and consequently appointments.

- 1. Patients being transported by PTS vehicles from the NHNN to UCH were delayed, resulting in their procedures being delayed and increased patient anxiety.
- 2. A young tracheostomy patient was delayed in returning from UCH for 3 hours due to transport issues as a result of this experiment.
- 3. Previous ambulance journeys took around 10 minutes from NHNN to UCH campus. Since this experiment commenced the journey time has increased to 45 minutes on a good day and sometimes over an hour.
- 4. During peak times, the average travel time from the Royal National Throat, Nose and Eye Hospital [RNTNEH] in Gray's Inn Road and the UCH campus has increased from 15 minutes to 37 minutes.
- 5. The congestion around the area caused by the experiment has increased and consequently our CO2 emissions have also increased.
- 6. London Ambulance Service and other emergency vehicles are experiencing delays. They have informed us they will be contacting you direct.

I would appreciate your view, solutions or suggestions to address these points. If you have any queries or would like to discuss further or would prefer to meet to discuss in person, please contact me.



Yours faithfully,

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