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Dear Sir/Madam

## RE: Goods Vehicle Operator Licence - 1A High Street Graveley SG4 7LE

Further to your public notice in The Comet dated 18<sup>th</sup> May 2019, I am writing on behalf of the Graveley Parish Council to object to the application of a licence for four goods vehicles and three trailers on the above site.

Graveley Parish Council object to the issue of this Goods Vehicle Operator licence for the following reasons:-

The position of this site means that there will be an increase in heavy goods vehicles coming through the village itself, weighing in excess of 3.5 tonnes.

The site entrance is on a bend where visibility of oncoming traffic is restricted and slow moving vehicles leaving and entering the site presents a major traffic hazard. This is in addition to the existing site being very close to a well-known major accident black spot at the junction of B197 with the North Road.

These proposed operations will generate noise and dust, which in turn will create air pollution, which is not in keeping with, or suitable for, a site within the Green Belt on the edge of a small village with a nursery and school very nearby.

Our Graveley Parish Councillors are also concerned that the site does not have adequate/appropriate catch drainage to stop pollution into ground water/drain in field or specific fencing in place to catch anything taken by wind.

The heavy goods vehicles will also require a wheel wash before leaving site to stop any debris and mud being transferred on to the highway.

We note that U SKIP Ltd's accounts were due by 10<sup>th</sup> May 2019 and are yet to be filed. We would suggest this raises a query with regard to their financial standing (which must be good for an application for a licence such as this).

We are somewhat concerned of this Company's good repute as we understand that they have already been using this site with their lorries without a licence for some time.

Yours faithfully For and on behalf of Graveley Parish Council

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c.c U SKIP LTD 1A High Street Graveley SG4 7LE