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To the Secretary of State for Transport,

I am writing to register an objection to the proposed Cambourne to Cambridge busway which is the subject of a Transport and Work Act Order application from the Greater Cambridge Partnership, on the grounds that it is in contravention of the National Planning Policy Framework regarding flood risk.

I am concerned that the proposed Bin Brook bridge and embankment will – at times of heavy rainfall and increased river flows – act as a dam and impede upstream drainage, leading to an increased risk of flooding in the Gough Way estate. Significant flooding has occurred here before, and a number of the houses near the Brook have had to be equipped with removable flood defences. The application and plans submitted by the GCP do not address this issue, which appears in contravention of the National Planning Policy Framework.

I also object to the proposed busway route as it will heavily impact on greenbelt land, destroy Coton Orchard and enters the city's road network at a point on Grange Road where the road is narrowest.

An on-road option along Madingley Road into the city appears much more sensible, has less impact on the environment and would be far cheaper – it has still not been adequately explained why this option has been rejected in favour of a much more expensive and impactful busway.

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