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Subject: Objection to Transport and Work Act Order to the Department for Transport (DfT) for a new busway to the southeast of Cambridge Cambridge

To whom it may concern,

I, Marija Drinjakovic of [REDACTED], am writing to make a formal objection to the "Application for a Transport and Work Act Order to the Department for Transport (DfT) for a new busway to the southeast of Cambridge", as submitted by the Greater Cambridge Partnership on 9 January 2025. The grounds for this objection are the following:

Constructing five miles of new road through open countryside is unnecessary to achieve transport improvements. The same transport and economic benefits can be realized by implementing a version of the scheme first proposed by the applicant in 2018. This alternative involves building sections of bus lanes adjacent to the A1307 and one mile of new road (busway).

This approach would:

- Avoid the need for two bridges over the River Granta chalk stream and the culverting of Hobson's Conduit chalk stream.
- Prevent a lasting scar on the Gog Magog Hills, one of most significant landscapes in the Cambridge area.
- Protect a countryside park from the intrusion of a new road, preserving its value for future visitors and wildlife.
- Prevent the fragmentation of fields near villages, reducing the risk of future development and further harm to the countryside.
- Better support the planned expansion of the Cambridge Biomedical Campus, serving a greater portion of the site.

Additionally, cycle infrastructure in the area is already under development, including:

- The **Linton Greenway**, connecting Cambridge to Babraham, Granta Park, and Linton.
- The **Sawston Greenway**, linking Cambridge to Sawston.
- Existing routes such as the **DNA cycle path**, which already serves Stapleford and Shelford.

This alternative provides a more sustainable and less damaging solution while still delivering essential transport benefits.

Best regards,
Marija Drinjakovic

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