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Secretary of State for Transport

I, Kevin Deeming 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 Cambridge Greater Partnership on 9 January 2025. The grounds for this objection are the following:

- The construction of 5 miles of new road through open countryside is unnecessary to economically deliver improvements in transport. The alternative (and much cheaper) scheme to build sections of bus lane adjacent to the A1307 and 1 mile of new road (busway) is a far better proposal.
- This alternative would:
 - avoid building two bridges over the River Granta chalk stream and putting Hobson's Conduit chalk stream into a culvert.
 - avoid creating a scar in the Gog Magog Hills landscape, one of the most important landscapes in the Cambridge area.
 - avoid building a new road through a countryside park, to the detriment of its future users and nature.
 - avoid severing fields close to villages making them vulnerable to future development and further harm to the countryside.
 - provide tangible benefits in stages, rather than achieving nothing until the project is 100% complete.
- The proposed route does not serve 90% of the local villages (Sawston. Stapleford and Shelford) as the bus stops are on the outskirts of each of these villages.

Yours faithfully

Kevin Deeming

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