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Dear Department for Transport,

I, Pam Gatrell of [REDACTED] am writing to make a formal objection to the above Application as submitted by the CGP on 12 Nov 2024.

My reasons for objecting are:

- (1) the East West Rail proposal is progressing, so the busway will not be needed. To continue with it at a cost of at least £200 million is a waste of public money and unnecessary.
- (2) The busway will destroy extremely important wildlife habitats and landscape, including the iconic Coton Orchard wildlife site with its veteran trees and huge biodiversity. It would take many decades to re-create this habitat.
- (3) The bus would run onto roads in central Cambridge, exiting where main bus delays occur, so it would not solve the problem of bus reliability but would add to the congestion chaos.
- (4) All the above harms could be avoided by building new public transport infrastructure adjacent to the A1 303 including new bus lanes and bus priority measures. Extending the new Greenway from Hardwick to Camborne would be better for cyclists and walkers.

These suggestions have been put to the GCP over many years and have huge public support, but the GCP has never considered them and has rejected them out of hand. All consultations by the GCP have had overwhelming negative responses from the public. Please now listen to what people want and refuse the Transport and Work Act order.

A public inquiry is what is now needed.

Best wishes.

Pam Gatrell

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