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Subject: Objection to Transport and Work Act Order to the Department for Transport (DfT) for a new busway linking Cambourne to Cambridge
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I, Jennifer Roberts 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 linking Cambourne to Cambridge", as submitted by the Cambridge Greater Partnership on 12 November 2024.

As a resident of Cambridge and a lover of public transport and the environment, it is not necessary to construct the proposed new busway on route from Cambridge to Cambourne. The busway would intersect Coton Orchard which is East Anglia's largest remaining ancient orchard. This orchard is very important to the locals and the environment. As a Biology and Environment student, I know how crucial it is to determine the importance of a landmark via weighing the pros and cons and ascertaining how important the locals find it and how important it is to the ecosystem. This is one of those situations where it would not be ideal to disturb the landmark as there is an alternate and more useful route available. This route is located off the A1303 which would also include new bus lanes yet has never been properly assessed by the Greater Cambridge Partnership (GCP). This would allow a lot of benefits such as: allowing a more direct route to the Cambridge Biomedical Campus and allow emergency vehicles to use the priority lane, it would cost a fraction of what the GCP's proposed route would cost, and because of the fact the Labour government has announced that they will proceed with the East West Rail development, which would make a direct link from Cambridge to Cambourne, the proposed route will become even less value for money due to the present travel options when the railway is built. As a future citizen of Cambridgeshire, an Environment student, and a public transport supporter it is not right nor plausible to destroy parts of Cambridge's most ancient and important environmental sites for the sake of public transport. Especially when a more profitable and convenient route is available to build upon. As a company, goals are normally to expand upon your firm and create an exponential profit. Creating the busway through Coton Orchard does not seem sensible with these goals in mind. To whom it may concern, I sincerely hope you consider these claims as there are many that care about public transport access for others as well as the best and most efficient routes for the people, your business, and the environment.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Roberts

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