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I Allison Knight of [redacted] am writing to make a formal objection to the Application for a Transport and Work Act Order to the Department for Transport for a new busway to the southeast of Cambridge as submitted by the Cambridge Greater Partnership on 9th January 2025.

The grounds for my objection are as follows:

- The construction of 5 miles of new road through open countryside is simply unecessary. I would argue better transport and economic benefits can be achieved by building a version of the scheme first proposed by the applicant in 2018. This would involve building sections of bus lane adjacent to the A1307 and 1 mile of new road (busway).

- This alternative would much better serve the planned expansion of the Cambridge Biomedical Campus serving a wider area of the campus.

- It is hard to see who would actually use the busway. The often stated reasoning that it will serve the villages it passes through is absolutely not true - the bus stops are outside the villages - and will not serve the communities it most damages.

- The route is across open green belt land will destroy the natural environment which is treasured by all and the last vestige of countryside close to Cambridge. The proposed busway will be devastating for wildlife. It will also be a scar and I would ague ruin the Gog Magog Hills landscape - one of the most important landscapes in the Cambridge area.

- The route will undoubtedly be vulnerable to further development further ruining the natural environment in the area and degrading the lifestyle of local residents.

- The alternative route along the A1307 would avoid building two bridges over the River Granta chalk stream and putting Hobson's Conduit chalk stream into a culvert.

- The proposed busway would without doubt come in way over budget and take a lot longer than any scheduled time frame.

Your sincerely

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