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Dear Secretary of State

I write to raise my concerns and objections to GCP submission for the Cambourne to Cambridge Busway submitted on 12 November 2024.

The plans show the proposed route along the track known as the Rifle Range Road include embankment structure at 2.5m high and a new bridge over the Bin Brook.

The application does not provide any analysis or details of the effect these structures will have to the Gough Way development. The bridge acts essentially as a dam and Gough Way is already in a flood area having had significant floods and property damage in previous years. Consideration has not been given to the estate including the ability to obtain insurance on the properties. The very fact they have to build the bus 2.5m higher demonstrates the real risk of flooding in this area and the application does not demonstrate that there will not be an increased flood risk upstream of the C2C boundary area.

The proposed route passes along Clare Hall College which is a listed building - the embankment would demonstrably alter to its detriment the architectural heritage of the College.

The bus route is proposed to come out into Grange Road at its very narrowest point and opposing the entrance to a school. It is unsafe. There is little evidence of why passengers would want to travel into this area of Cambridge. The main employment areas are around to the east and west - Addenbokes and the Science Parks. The route does not connect to workplace destinations.

The route proposes to destroy sections of the orchards of Coton which is so damaging to the environment. At a time of climate change and need to increase and maintain biodiversity, this is not the time to be destroying habitats when there viable and cheaper alternatives.

The route is more expensive than the alternatives and will be not be noticeably quicker.

The alternative routes being put forward - for example using the A1303, with priority bus routes, would be more cost effective and cause less environmental damage. And would provide a more direct route to the biomedical campus -and enable emergency vehicles to use priority bus lanes - they cannot use a guided bus route.

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