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Sent: 06 February 2025 11:40
To: TRANSPORTINFRASTRUCTURE
Subject: Objection to Transport and Work Act Order to the Department for Transport (DfT) for a new busway to the southeast of Cambridge Cambridge

Dear Ms Alexander,

I, Anna Caroe 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:

I believe that the construction of 5 miles of new road through open countryside is unnecessary. Delivery of improvements in transport and important, but similar transport and economic benefits can be achieved by building sections of bus lane adjacent to the A1307 and 1 mile of new road (busway). I understand that this version of the scheme was first proposed by the applicant in 2018.

This alternative would BETTER serve the planned expansion of the Cambridge Biomedical Campus, serve more of the Campus, and avoid several critical negative impacts on the area:

- building two bridges over the River Granta chalk stream and putting Hobson's Conduit chalk stream into a culvert.
- creating a scar in the beautiful Gog Magog Hills landscape, one of the most important landscapes in the Cambridge area.
- building a new road through a countryside park, to the detriment of nature, the local community, and the park's future users.
- severing fields close to villages making them vulnerable to future development and further harm to the countryside.

As well as the concerns above, on a personal level as a resident of Great Shelford, I cannot see myself using the new busway and have no use for the proposed transport. The applicant has suggested that this route will serve my village, but we are already well served by the railway, buses, Park and ride, and increasingly connected cycle ways. The proposed route for the busway will not serve our villages, it will damage and reduce our quality of life. I think the likelihood of people from Shelford walking a significant uphill distance to catch the new buses at the proposed stop location is highly unlikely - we have numerous options already flowing from the centre of the village.

There is a better solution that improves transport and the economy without destroying the countryside and I ask that this scheme be directed to reconsider the route to reduce both cost and environmental impact.

Sincerely,

Mrs Anna Caroe

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