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Subject: Objection to the destruction of Coton Orchard
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My name is Susan Vale and I live at [REDACTED] and I 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. My grounds for this objection are:

The busway you are planning to build would cut through an established orchard/green field site, namely Coton Orchard Wildlife Site. It would destroy valuable habitats - and trees which have been growing for many years - the site you plan to destroy would take 50 years or probably very much longer to attempt to recreate, especially if the disastrous A14 replanting is anything to go by!

The busway would also go through two other local wildlife sites, destroying even more habitats.

The busway would be built on Madingley Hill, one of the few hills and beautiful high viewpoints in the area, it would separate the villages of Coton and Madingley and would create an unnecessary scar on the local landscape.

All of this could be avoided by building new public transport infrastructure adjacent to the A1303. Cyclists and walkers would be better served by extending the new Greenway from Hardwick to Cambourne, which is more direct and would avoid the hill. These measures would provide the transport improvements needed to support the planned new development at Bourn Airfield, without significant harm to nature and the environment.

Please think again before destroying this area when there is a perfectly good alternative already in place on/near to the A1303.

Please don't destroy something that can't, and probably won't, be replaced.

With regards,

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