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Subject: CGP Guided Busway

FAO. The Secretary of State for Transport.

Purpose of this email - Objection to Transport and Work Act Order for a new busway to the southeast of Cambridge.

We, Mr & Mrs M Northfield of [REDACTED] are 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 (CGP) on 9th January 2025.

The construction of five miles of new road across the landscape of scenic South Cambs. will leave a scar on the Gog Magog Hills landscape, and is unnecessary to deliver improvements in transport. Similar transport and economic benefits can be achieved by building a version of the scheme first proposed by the CGP IN 2018. This alternative would only involve building sections of bus lane adjacent to the A1307, and one mile of new road (busway). The CGP option is costed at £160m whereas the alternative is costed at £100m, an enormous saving of £60m. The alternative would also better serve the planned expansion of the Cambridge Biomedical Campus and serve more of the Campus.

The alternative would avoid two new bridges being built over the river Granta chalk stream and putting the historic Hobsons Conduit chalk stream into a culvert. It would also avoid a detrimental new road being built through the middle of a countryside park. Severance of fields in proximity to villages will leave them vulnerable to development and harm to the countryside.

The GCP proposal serves no purpose to the local villages as it passes some distance outside of the villages.

Sincerely,

M A and M Northfield

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