

Secretary of State for Transport
c/o Transport Infrastructure Planning Unit,
Department for Transport,
Great Minster House,
33 Horseferry Road, London, SW1P 4DR

7th January 2025

via email to: transportinfrastructure@dft.gov.uk

Dear Secretary of State,

Objection to Transport and Work Act Order to the Department for Transport (DfT) for a new busway linking Cambourne to Cambridge submitted by the Cambridge Greater Partnership on 12 November 2024.

I strongly object to this scheme on the grounds that it fails to meet its objectives:

- The busway terminates at the edge of the City and then travels on existing roads and therefore fails to avoid congestion in the city. Furthermore it terminates on Grange Road which is designated as a cycle priority road
- It makes little contribution to the strategic infrastructure of Cambridgeshire given it fails to link up with any other busway
- It fails to connect to Cambridge South station or Cambridge North station
- It is significantly environmentally damaging to the 100 year-old trees in Coton Orchard, to the green belt, and views towards the American Cemetery.

The alternative on-road route proposal made by CPPF will deliver similar benefits at a fraction of the cost. The proposed Cambourne to Cambridge busway already has a weak business case which will be further undermined by East West Rail which will directly connect Cambourne with Cambridge.

Without proper evaluation of strategic, economic and environmental costs and benefits of the alternative, the proposed scheme is flawed and for these reasons I formally object.

Yours faithfully

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