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To: TRANSPORTINFRASTRUCTURE
Subject: Objection to Transport and Work Act order for a new busway to the southeast of Cambridge

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Dear Sirs,

I (Diana Baranoff-Rossine), residing in [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 the following:

The construction of 5 miles of new road through open countryside is unecessary to deliver improvements in transport. Similar transport and economic benefits can be achieved by building a version of the scheme first proposed by the applicant in 2018. This would involve building sections of bus lane adjacent to the A1307 and 1 mile of new road (busway).

This alternative would avoid building two bridges over the River Granta chalk stream and putting Hobson's Conduit chalk stream into a culvert.

This alternative would avoid creating a scar in the Gog Magog Hills landscape, one of the most important landscapes in the Cambridge area.

This alternative would avoid building a new road through a countryside park, to the detriment of its future users and nature.

This alternative would avoid severing fields close to villages making them vulnerable to future development and further harm to the countryside.

This alternative would better serve the planned expansion of the Cambridge Biomedical Campus and serve more of the Campus.

Cycle routes in this area are already under construction and include the Linton Greenway which will connect Cambridge to Babraham, Granta Park and Linton; and the Sawston Greenway that will connect Cambridge to Sawston. Stapleford and Shelford are already served by the DNA cycle path.

As a resident of Great Shelford / Stapleford, it is highly unlikely that I or anyone I know would ever use this proposed 5 mile busway. Particularly as there is already a perfectly good No 7 bus that links us to Sawston and beyond. Also a no 31. And also the fact that the proposed bus stops would be on the edge of the villages uphill.

And everyone I know would be devastated by the negative effects on the environment of our villages, and that we would no longer be able to enjoy countryside walks to the Gog Magog Hills.

Another road that we don't need and that we cannot use is, for all the people I know, rather ridiculous. What we do need is more bus services from the bus routes that exist.

Yours respectfully,

Diana Baranoff-Rossine

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