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To: TRANSPORTINFRASTRUCTURE
Subject: Objection to Ttransport and Work Act Order, Cambridge Busway

re: Objection to Transport and Work Act Order to the Department for Transport (DfT) for a new busway to the southeast of Cambridge

Dear Sir or Madam,

I, Rebecca Jarvis, 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 Greater Cambridge Partnership on 9 January 2025.

I object on the grounds that construction of 5 miles of new road through countryside is not necessary to improve transport. I believe that equally good transport and economic benefits would come from building a version of the scheme first proposed in 2018, which would involve building sections of bus lane along the existing A1307 and only 1 mile of new road.

A bus lane along the A1307 would avoid creating an ugly busway across the Gog Magog Hills landscape, one of the most important landscapes in the Cambridge area, and avoid the need for two bridges over and the interference with the Hobson's conduit chalk stream. A route along the A1307 also avoids a new road being built through a countryside park and the permanent loss of much valued local nature which is currently readily accessible to many regular users.

I believe this alternative would be a more efficient way of getting people to the Cambridge Biomedical Campus and serve more of the Campus.

Cycle routes in this area are already under construction from 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. I do not believe that the guided busway provides any additional provision or encouragement for sustainable or self-powered commuting.

As a Stapleford resident who commutes daily to the Cambridge Biomedical campus, I do not see that the busway changes my travel options to get to work or to Cambridge centre, as the busway stops are at the very edges of the village.

I therefore do not ever expect to use a guided busway if it were to be built.

I strongly oppose the plan.

Best regards,
Rebecca Jarvis.

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