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Subject: Projected Crossing of the Bin Brook in West Cambridge
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Dear DfT Secretary of State,

I am writing to make a formal objection to the Greater Cambridge Partnership's proposed plans for the Cambourne to Cambridge busway.

[This entire project is ill-conceived and seems to emanate from faraway planners who do not know or understand the area and cannot have visited it personally in any serious way.]

But my specific objection now is to the proposal to span the Bin Brook with a bridge and embankment to carry the busway over the Bin Brook. This would be highly likely to increase the existing flood risk (there has been flooding here twice in the last 50 years or so, and global warming indicates the increased likelihood of future flooding). Such a bridge and embankment would most likely increase the flood risk by creating a dam --- not intentional perhaps but probably inevitable. The Gough Way housing estate of some hundreds of inhabitants is vulnerable already, and notwithstanding the distance from the actual crossing may certainly be flooded if the dam is created.

The Bin Brook should never be underestimated. It is known to have flooded since at least 1296! It gets to the Cam in the end, as the Cambridge Colleges very well know.

So please ask your civil servants to call this in for a public enquiry before it goes any further. The inspector will need to know the reality.

Thank you.

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