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Dear Sir/Madam,

Cambourne to Cambridge Busway Transport and Work Act Order

Thank you for consulting with Historic England on the Cambourne to Cambridge Busway Transport and Work Act Order Application.

The Historic Buildings and Monuments Commission for England (Historic England) is a statutory consultee in relation to the historic environment, the lead body for the heritage sector and the Government's principal adviser on the historic environment.

Historic England's remit in commenting on the Cambourne to Cambridge Busway TWO application lies principally with regard to the potential impact of the proposed development on designated heritage assets (in this instance – scheduled monuments, listed buildings, registered parks & gardens, and conservation areas)

The impact of the proposed development on non-designated heritage assets, including non-listed buildings and buried archaeological remains falls within the remit of local planning authority conservation and archaeological advisors. Historic England will defer to their advice on those matters.

Historic England has reviewed the information submitted in support of the TWO application. We are in agreement with the scope and methodology used to assess the potential impact of the proposed development on the historic environment.

The proposed development would lie within the wider setting of a number of designated heritage assets. The eastern end of the proposed development would lie within the West Cambridge Conservation Area.

Historic England considers that any adverse impact of the proposed development on designated heritage assets would be minimal.

We agree with the conclusions of the heritage assessments submitted with the application that the level of harm to designated heritage assets would be within the range of 'less than substantial harm' in NPPF terms.

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We consider that the level of harm would be at the lower end of the 'less than substantial harm' range and that it could be satisfactorily weighed against the public benefits of the proposals.

Historic England has no objection to the application on heritage grounds. If you have any questions about our comments, or would like detailed advice from us, please contact us.

Yours sincerely

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