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

I Andrew Unsworth 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 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 unnecessary to deliver improvements in transport.
- Other schemes would avoid building two bridges over the River Granta chalk stream and putting Hobson's Conduit chalk stream into a culvert.
- Other schemes would avoid creating a scar in the Gog Magog Hills landscape, one of the most important landscapes in the Cambridge area.
- Other schemes would avoid building a new road through a countryside park, to the detriment of its future users and nature.
- Other schemes would avoid severing fields close to villages making them vulnerable to future development and further harm to the countryside.
- Other schemes would better serve the planned expansion of the Cambridge Biomedical Campus and serve more of the Campus.

The scheme would mean a new park ride site in the middle of nowhere.

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.

My preferred alternative is to re-open the railway to Haverhill via Cambridge and Shelford.

I would not use the new busway as using the train from Shelford or the Citi 7 bus are better alternatives.

Regards,

Andrew Unsworth

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