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To: TRANSPORTINFRASTRUCTURE
Subject: Objection to Transport and Work Act Order to the DfT for a new busway to the SE of Cambridge

I, Patricia Caddy, of [REDACTED] am writing to make a formal objection to the “Application for a Transport and Work Act Order to the Department for Transport for a new busway to the southeast of Cambridge”, as submitted by the Cambridge Greater Partnership on 9 January 2025.

Here are my objections:

It is not necessary to build 5 miles of new road through much loved open country to provide improvements in local transport. Similar improvements can be made by building a version of the scheme, which was 1st put forward by the GCP in 2018. This would involve building sections of bus lane next to the A1307 and one mile of new road, which would be a busway. It would be a simple and effective solution to the current transport problems. The economic benefits would be huge as this would cost a fraction of the proposed scheme.

This alternative would avoid building 2 bridges over the River Granta chalk Stream and putting Hobson’s Conduit chalk Stream into a culvert.

This alternative would avoid slashing a road through the Gog Magog Hills. This is an amenity used daily by local residents to enjoy taking exercise and admire the views over Cambridge. It is an important landscape. There is only one accessible footpath in Great Shelford otherwise.

This alternative would avoid building a road through open fields, severing them and making them vulnerable to future development, which would cause future harm to the area. The siting of the new proposed road and its bus stops will not be convenient for local residents. So, there will be no benefits to us.

This alternative would better serve the Biomedical Campus and any future development there.

Cycle paths, already under construction, throughout the area will be under threat at a time when we are being encouraged to deduce our carbon footprint.

I would urge that this alternative route is reconsidered, for all the reasons given.

Yours sincerely
Patricia Caddy

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