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

I, Josephine Johnson of [REDACTED] write to formally object 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 9th January 2025 on the following grounds:

When there are CLEARLY alternative routes readily available a NEW road through precious open countryside 5 miles long! This is not logical and unnecessary and will not delivery improvements in transport that sending the busway along established roads will not.

I refer the reader to the proposed version of this scheme first proposed by the applicant in 2018, which is more sensible and involve building sections of the busway alongside the A1307 and 1 mile of new busway only. Furthermore, this would avoid construction of two bridges over the River Granta (a chalk stream which Cambridgeshire County council recognises as extremely rare habitats there are only 200 of these habitats in the world).

The present proposal would also cut across the famous Gog Magog Hills landscape which is one of the most historic and important in the Cambridge area, affecting views of the landscape with the eyesore of a raised busway cutting through it to the detriment of its future users and nature.

The 2018 propose better serves the planned expansion of the Cambridge Biomedical Campus and serve more of the Campust. It would aoid cutting through fields close to villages making them vulnerable to future development, further harming green field sites and the countryside.

There are already cycle routes under construgion in the areas, namely Linton Greenway connecting Cambridge to Babraham, Granta park and linton; 'Sawston Greenway, connecting Cambridge to Sawston, Stapleford.

I most forcefully contest and dispute the council's reasoning that the proposed route serves the villages but the bus stops are on the edge of the villages uphill - How on earth does this serve the villages??

There are better routes , cheaper, more efficient use of public money (my taxes!!)

Yours faithfully
Josephine Johnson
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best regards

Josephine Johnson



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