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Subject: Objection to Transport and Work Act Order to the Department for Transport for a new busway linking Cambourne to Cambridge as submitted by Cambridgeshire County Council on 12 November 2024
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Please take this as a formal objection to the above Order.

This proposal should not have got this far. Even by its own assessment it is very expensive for little gain (Benefit: cost ratio below 0.5!) , and greater value and local benefit for the local population would be achieved through the alternative on road solution. The list of reasons against is long including: reduced travel as a consequence of more working from home, the new proposed route by rail, the unhelpful proposed destination point, the environmental destruction. It also concerns me that over time there have been several misrepresentations of facts by those promoting the plan e.g. that the American cemetery was in favour , that the on road solution would require a new bridge, that the route was no closer to houses than existing roads. Local and national wildlife and historical societies have come out against. A few of the landowners are in favour because they believe the busway would open up land for development (recognised by the GCP at a recorded public meeting).

This seems to be the only driver. There is a need for new housing (but the last university development was marketed heavily to foreign investors, worsening rather meeting the need for local affordable housing).

This should not in all conscience go ahead.

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