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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
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Secretary of State for Transport
c/o Transport Infrastructure Planning Unit,
Department for Transport,
Great Minster House,
33 Horseferry Road, London, SW1P 4DR.

I, David Stoughton, of [REDACTED] am writing to register 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 not needed to deliver improvements in transport and blights a local landmark. Similar transport and economic benefits can be achieved by building a version of the scheme first proposed by the applicant in 2018. This would involve building sections of bus lane adjacent to the A1307 and 1 mile of new road (busway) which does to involve the same level of cost or damage to cherished local landscapes.

The alternative proposal would avoid building two bridges over the River Granta chalk stream and putting Hobson's Conduit chalk stream into a culvert. It would avoid creating a scar in the Gog Magog Hills landscape, one of the most important landscapes in the Cambridge area and much visited.

This would avoid building a new road through a countryside park, to the detriment of its future users and of nature, avoid severing fields close to villages making them vulnerable to future development and further harm to the countryside.

This alternative would better serve the planned expansion of the Cambridge Biomedical Campus and serve more of the Campus.

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.

Thank you for considering my objection

Yours faithfully

David Stoughton
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