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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 Cambridge

Dear Sir/Madam,

I 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 construction of 5 miles of new road through open countryside is unnecessary to deliver improvements in transport. 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), avoiding building two bridges over the River Granta chalk stream and putting Hobson's Conduit chalk stream into a culvert. It would also avoid creating a scar in the Gog Magog Hills landscape, one of the most important landscapes in the Cambridge area, enjoyed by local residents and inhabited by wildlife. Additionally, the alternative plan 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, connecting Cambridge to Sawston. Stapleford and Shelford are already served by the DNA cycle path.

I understand you are trying to make improvements, but it needs to be right, and supported by the local residents, the population you purport to serve, who love their community and understand best how services are used. I urge you to reconsider your plans before you cause irreversible damage to the environment and local communities.

With best wishes,

Sarah and Sebastian Murray

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