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Subject: Objection to Transport and Work Act Order to the Department for Transport (DfT) for a new busway linking Cambourne to Cambridge
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Hello,

My name is Jennifer Wastell (address: [REDACTED]) and I am writing to formally object to the "Application for a Transport and Work Act Order to the Department for Transport (DfT) for a new busway linking Cambourne to Cambridge", as submitted by the Greater Cambridge Partnership (GCP) on 12 November 2024. The grounds for this objection are as follows:

- The proposed location of Scotland Farm, Dry Drayton for a Park & Ride/Travel Hub site does not align with other infrastructure projects such as East West Rail (which is current government policy) and would force traffic to divert from the A14 and M11 through small villages, thus worsening congestion on local routes and preventing this proposed project from meeting its intended purpose.
- The Cambourne to Cambridge busway will not make public transport to these key employment zones a viable alternative, as travel to these areas will continue to be over an hour by bus compared to 15 minutes by car. Developments at Cambourne, Bourn Airfield, and the surrounding areas would be better served with links to Cambridge North station and the Science Parks.
- Under their current guise, these proposals only serve to benefit Cambridge University (and their Eddington development) and fail to address the needs of the wider community. Given that Cambridge University holds a seat on the executive board of the GCP, and the GCP has failed to declare or address the conflict of interest in its consultations, to consider any infrastructure projects in isolation would be a disservice to the wider Cambridge community affected by these plans.
- Last but not least, the busway route as it stands would go through Coton Orchard Wildlife Site, with construction set to destroy valuable habitats and veteran trees: habitats that would take over 50 years to recreate. As outlined above, I do not believe current proposals are fit for purpose, and cannot justify this needless destruction of vital habitats.

Thank you for your time.

Jennifer Wastell



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