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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

Dear Secretary of State for Transport,

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.

Whilst I understand the need to improve transport connections into the Cambridge Biomedical Campus, the proposed busway will destroy the beauty of the countryside to the south of Cambridge. This is not necessary as there is an alternative proposal that delivers **80%** of the benefit for **20%** of the cost of the proposed scheme. This alternative scheme would:

- Avoid building two bridges over the River Granta chalk stream and putting Hobson's Conduit chalk stream into a culvert.
- Avoid creating a scar in the Gog Magog Hills landscape, one of the most important landscapes in the Cambridge area.
- Avoid building a new road through a countryside park, to the detriment of its future users and nature.
- Avoid severing fields close to villages making them vulnerable to future development and further harm to the countryside.

Similar transport and economic benefits can be achieved by [building a version of the scheme](#) first proposed in 2018. This would involve building sections of bus lane adjacent to the A1307 and 1 mile of new road (busway) into the Campus.

As a resident of one of the villages that is supposed to be served by the proposed scheme, I really can't see myself ever using it as it would be accessed on the fringe of the village.

I **strongly** request that the proposed scheme is reconsidered in favour of the cheaper alternative.

Yours faithfully,

Stephen Pearce
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