

From: [REDACTED]
To: [TRANSPORTINFRASTRUCTURE](#)
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Objection to proposed Cambourne to Cambridge busway
Date: 07 January 2025 19:14:34

Dear Secretary of State,

I would like to formally place on record my objection to the Cambourne to Cambridge busway as proposed by the Greater Cambridge Partnership.

The reasons for my objection as a local resident are simple:

- The immediate and irredeemable damage to the local environment and high-value biodiverse woodland and ecological habitats including the mature trees of Coton Orchard – none of this can ever be replaced
- The trojan horse threat of further development that a vast concrete busway represents on the precious green space around Cambridge – the lungs of the city
- The destruction of the country path that traverses Bin Brook which was a lifesaver for my young family during the Covid lockdowns
- The fact that the busway/buses could comfortably (and more cheaply) be accommodated on the wide Maddingley Road just a short distance north
- That the argument about reducing congestion is disingenuous considering that the buses will be dumped onto the middle of Grange Road which is already choked with rush hour traffic and has no room for a bus lane in any case
- The impact it will have on the residents and farmers of Coton who rely on that land for their livelihood

Of course there should be significant investment to supply adequate and affordable public transport to the people of Cambridge and its environs but to literally destroy acres of precious and irreplaceable habitat when there is a suitable road nearby is incredibly short sighted. Well thought through bus routes can help alleviate the climate emergency by getting people out of their cars, but we also have a biodiversity emergency. If the Greater Cambridge Partnership is keen to have such an environmentally catastrophic project as its legacy then the proposed busway is the right way to do it.

Many thanks for taking my feedback on board. I look forward to the public inquiry.

Yours sincerely,

Will Mott
[REDACTED]