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I, Evelyn Brealey of [REDACTED] am writing to make a formal objection to the above Order.

I support improvement of public transport but not this scheme. I am only objecting to the off-road section between Madingley Mulch and West Cambridge because:

- There is an excellent on-road alternative including new bus lanes and bus priority measures following the A1303 which has never been properly assessed by the Greater Cambridge Partnership (GCP).
- The on-road alternative would provide a more direct route to the Cambridge biomedical campus and allow other buses and emergency vehicles to use the priority lane.
- The Benefit Cost Ratio for the GCP scheme is less than 0.5 which indicates extremely poor value for money and does not meet the Department's criteria for considering such a scheme. The suggested on-road alternative would cost much less than the GCP's proposed off-road route.
- The new Labour government has confirmed in its October 2024 budget that it intends to proceed with the East West Rail development which will provide a direct link between Cambourne and the new Cambridge South station adjacent to the Biomedical Campus which is a far better transport option.
- The GCP route which terminates in Grange Road does not serve either major employment destinations or Cambridge's sixth form colleges which commuters would then have to traverse the city centre to access.
- The busway would transect Coton Orchard, a County Wildlife Site and East Anglia's largest remaining traditional orchard, which is the eighth largest in the UK.

Yours
Evelyn Brealey

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