Interested party comments

S/0791/18/FL - Land between Cody Road and railway, north of Waterbeach, Cambs

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I object as follows:
The proposed new station will be an ugly blot on an otherwise very rural area of fenland adjacent to Waterbeach. At present there are a variety of owls, birds, deer, bats, who reside there, due to the lack of artificial light they thrive in this environment, this will all change if the station is allowed.
The proposed new station is unnecessary as it won't cater for any more passengers than the existing station once the platforms have been extended, to be considered viable it needs to take 12 carriages not 8 carriages. Without any development around it passengers will feel unsafe as it will be unmanned and isolated.
To consider Cody Road as the access for cars going to and from the station is downright dangerous, this is a narrow road leading to and through a housing estate. Any access should be directly off the A10 at the Research Park. Station Road is a main through road leading to Cambridge, Cody Road is just a residential road for use mainly by the residents who live there.
Also the doctors surgery is on the corner of Bannold Road/Cody Road again not safe for traffic driving through to the new station.
I am also concerned that a lot of the suggestions made by RLW in their design and access statement assume that Cambridgeshire County Council are going to carry out a whole raft of traffic calming measures along Way Lane, Cody Road, Bannold Drove, etc. And that we are all giving up our cars and either using buses, biking or walking everywhere (even though we have an ageing population and a poor bus service. No Sunday bus service.
I very much object to the way RLW are taking over our village, they don't own Waterbeach!! For them to make all these suggestions about our roads, paths, use of our cars, etc. is very Orwellian.
I am most concerned that RLW have submitted this planning application ahead of any approval for the new town, they have jumped ahead with this before putting in their planning application for their part of the proposed new town. If this weren't to go ahead we could be stuck with a station in the middle of nowhere.
Are RLW going to pay for the dismantling of the existing station if the new one goes ahead and return the current station car park to its former use as a field.
I am therefore totally against relocating our station.