

# SEMANTIC DATA CATALOGUE

## Summary

The responses to the local government planning application reveal a diverse range of opinions regarding development in the Cambridge area. A significant number of respondents express concerns about infrastructure inadequacies, particularly in relation to traffic, healthcare, and education, indicating that any new developments should be contingent upon improvements in these areas [5][18][21]. There is a strong emphasis on the preservation of open spaces and rural character, with many opposing developments that threaten these aspects [12][13][20]. Additionally, the need for sustainable practices is highlighted, with calls for prioritizing renewable energy and low carbon initiatives in planning policies [2][3][4].

Conversely, several responses advocate for the development of vibrant city districts, particularly east of Milton Road, emphasizing the importance of community facilities, green spaces, and sustainable transport options [8][10][19]. Supporters of development also stress the need for affordable housing and the enhancement of local services to accommodate growing populations [11][14][19]. However, there is a notable skepticism regarding the necessity of additional housing linked to infrastructure projects like the East-West Rail, with some respondents questioning the overall benefits of such developments [9][12][20].

## Key points raised in support

Support: 8

- Development of vibrant city districts with community facilities and green spaces [8][10][19].
- Emphasis on sustainable transport solutions and non-car transport options [19].
- Advocacy for affordable housing to meet local needs [10][19].
- Support for the expansion of the Cambridge Biomedical Campus [8][11].
- Recognition of the importance of local green spaces and community amenities [6][14][15].
- Desire for a circular economy and active transport initiatives [8][10].
- Support for the designation of Local Green Spaces to preserve community character [6].
- Vision for a car-free Greater Cambridge by 2041 [8][19].

## Key points raised in opposition

Opposed: 13

- Concerns about insufficient infrastructure to support increased population [5][18][21].
- Opposition to developments that threaten open spaces and rural character [12][13][20].

- Critique of policies that impose inflexible rules on renewable energy development [2][3][4].
- Skepticism about the benefits of the East-West Rail as merely a housing enabler [12][20].
- Advocacy for prioritizing brownfield site development over greenfield sites [20].
- Calls for limited development in villages without adequate local services [16][18].
- Emphasis on the need for environmental protection and biodiversity [20].
- Concerns about traffic issues and the impact of overdevelopment on local communities [9][12][18].
- Opposition to the separation distance policy for wind turbines, arguing it contradicts national guidelines [3][4].
- Advocacy for flexibility in decommissioning policies for renewable projects [2].
- Concerns about the impact of development on local wildlife and ecosystems [12].
- Desire to maintain the character and beauty of Cambridge amidst urban expansion [21].
- Calls for a more equitable distribution of housing development across villages [20].

## Thematic breakdown

- Infrastructure concerns: 38% (8 responses)
- Environmental protection: 33% (7 responses)
- Community facilities and amenities: 38% (8 responses)
- Renewable energy and sustainability: 19% (4 responses)
- Urban development and housing: 43% (9 responses)
- Rural preservation: 29% (6 responses)
- Traffic and transportation: 24% (5 responses)