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BY EMAIL ONLY: <u>A303Stonehenge@planninginspectorate.gov.uk</u>

PINS REFERENCE NO: TRO 10025

Re: Application by Highways England for an Order Granting Development Consent for the A303 Amesbury to Berwick Down – Deadline I

Dear Ms McKay,

Please find set out below English Heritage's response to information requested to meet Deadline I of the examination timetable as contained in your letter of I I April 2019:

- As you are aware, English Heritage wishes to be considered as an interested party as stated in our Relevant Representation dated 10th January 2019.
- Compulsory Acquisition Hearing: as an "affected person" under S59 of the Planning Act 2008 we wish to speak at a Compulsory Acquisition Hearing regarding the proposed acquisition of our land and interests referred to as parcels 08-04, 08-12, 14-07 and 07-09. These interests are currently the subject of on-going discussions with Highways England.
- Issue Specific Hearings: English Heritage would like to attend any issue-specific hearings that relate to heritage issues and will keep under review any other issues that are relevant to us when more information is available.
- Site Inspection: We would like to invite the Examining Authority (along with any necessary representatives of the Applicant, Local Authorities and relevant Statutory Parties) to visit the Stonehenge monument and visitor centre as part of their itinerary for the Site Inspection on the 21st May. We suggest the panel would get most from their visit if they were able to stand inside the stones. This special access is only possible outside of our regular visitor hours. Therefore we would like to invite attendees to arrive at the Stonehenge visitor centre at 7.45am on Tuesday 21st May. We appreciate our suggested timing is outside of







typical working hours and may mean a change in the existing arrangements for the Site Visit as set out in your letter of 11 April however we feel such access would be highly beneficial to the group. If such a proposal cannot be accommodated, we would like the opportunity for other arrangements to be made since we believe it is essential for the Stonehenge monument to be visited as part of the Site Inspection. English Heritage will provide transport from the visitor centre to the Stonehenge monument and back. We suggest allowing at least one hour for the visit. Please note: only small numbers of people are allowed inside the stones therefore we would suggest that group numbers are kept to a minimum and will need to be confirmed with English Heritage in advance of the meeting.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or would like to discuss the practicalities of the site visit in more detail.

Yours sincerely,



Kate Davies Stonehenge Director