

Good evening Madam Chair, gentlemen of the panel,  
My name is Janice Hassett and I am the Founder of  
Stonehenge Traffic Action Group – STAG for short  
The campaign was set up in 2013 to fix the Stonehenge section of the  
A303 which is now over capacity by 84%. This increase has caused  
traffic to Rat Run through local villages as drivers follow sat navs to  
avoid the continued queues – and who can blame them....I wouldn't want  
to sit in that queue for sometimes upwards of 1 and a half hours over 7  
miles.

I presented a petition to Parliament in July 2014 because arguably, our  
village of Shrewton which lies just outside the World Heritage Site, and 2  
miles from the monument, suffers most from this Rat Run traffic. Our  
Speed Watch team regularly register upward of 40mph. During Easter, a  
Speed Indicator Device (smiley face) was installed in both directions on  
London Road from 9<sup>th</sup> April - 24<sup>th</sup> April. It registered 78mph within the  
30mph confines of the village at 22.25hrs on the 15<sup>th</sup> April. The speed  
device is situated at just one of the four entries to our village and the  
figures make good reading....in just 15 days it told us that 67,030  
vehicles used the London Road entry point and that equates to 4403 per  
day average on just one of our roads!!! All of the traffic has to use  
either our High Street or Tanners Lane neither of which are suitable for  
this continued traffic. Cob cottages are suffering as a result and there  
is a paucity of pavements in the village. We have elderly, mothers with  
children, dog walkers, cyclists and horse riders all trying to go about  
their daily lives and having to avoid nose to tail traffic, aggressiveness,  
poor air quality and litter thrown from vehicles.

Madam Chair, may I point out that the majority of the people objecting  
to this project, do not live in our village and very often live 80 plus miles  
from the problem....some even live in other countries or even other  
continents.

Whilst we appreciate fixing the A303 around Stonehenge will create  
disruption for us all, and in fact will probably unearth further  
archaeology, would this be a bad thing, since there is undiscovered  
archaeology all over the UK. Life must evolve and finding new artifacts  
may well be to the good. I'm certain that archaeologists from Highways  
England, work closely with National Trust archaeologists and Heritage  
England, have come together to find common ground and the changes  
will be carried out appropriately and in a sympathetic manner, opening  
up the route to assist the economy of the West country, whilst returning  
the land to nature and wild life and....giving us back our village. Putting  
the A303 into a tunnel will achieve all of this and there is no reason why  
there cannot be a balance between the living and the dead!

# TRAFFIC ANALYSIS REPORT

For Project: London Road both directions  
Location/Name: Incoming Direction  
Report Generated: 25/04/2019 14:11:44  
Speed Intervals = 3 mph  
Time Intervals = 5 minutes

Traffic Report From 09/04/2019 10:15:00 through 24/04/2019 15:35:00

85th Percentile Speed = 36.5 mph  
85th Percentile Vehicles = 56,976 counts  
Max Speed = 78.0 mph on 15/04/2019 22:25:00  
Total Vehicles = 67,030 counts  
AADT: 4403.4

## Volumes - weekly vehicle counts

	Time	5 Day	7 Day
Average Daily		4,620	4,301
AM peak	7:00 to 8:00	313	312
PM peak	4:00 to 5:00	489	432

## Speed

Speed limit: 30 mph  
85th Percentile Speed: 36.5 mph  
Average Speed: 31.2 mph

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Count over limit	5777	5661	5516	5334	6282	4117	4084
% over limit	49.6	54.7	54.9	56.1	54.9	58.4	58.6
Avg speeder	34.4	35.0	35.1	34.9	34.8	35.0	34.8