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Subject: Please do not support, fund or authorise the A303 Stronehenge tunnel
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Dear Susan Anderson

Thank you for your email of 8 December informing me that the Secretary of State will now 're-determine' his decision on the proposed A303 Stonehenge scheme.

I understand that my last objection to this outrageous project will not be taken into account in this new decision-making process and that if I wish it to be formally ignored again I should resubmit it.

I have therefore inserted my e-mail of 11 November 2020 into this message, below. I have not updated the list of recipients but I expect the different departments of state will be able to forward my message to whoever is in post on the day it arrives.

Yours sincerely

Patrick Kinnersly

(Environment and transport campaigner; residing in the gap between the A36T and the quiet valley where DoT hoped to build the Wellow bypass section of its dual-carriageway road from M27 to M4 – scrapped in March 1994).

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Subject: Please do not support, fund or authorise the A303 Stronehenge tunnel

Dear Chancellor, Secretaries of State and Prime Minister

I understand that the government wants to turn the A303 into a dual-carriageway and put it in a tunnel under Stonehenge. Deep cuttings would carry the road down to the tunnel and up again at the other end. Both these scars would be within the boundary of the World Heritage Site, scrambling and destroying the archaeological record of a place that we have barely begun to understand.

At a time when we can't house and feed all of our population how come we can afford to squander £2Bn on an act of vandalism designed to save a few minutes on the journey from London to the West Country?

It's hard to believe that any of you could really support such priorities but then the years since 2010 have not been distinguished by rational decision-making and I can see that the Stonehenge tunnel is just the sort of vainglorious big-ticket scheme that would appeal to all of you. A big confidence-inspiring gesture from Nos 10 and 11 – Britain is open for business and has world-class infrastructure to support investment from the global industrial community; a big gesture (two fingers) from the branding dept of Little Britain plc to one of the world's leading cultural agencies, Unesco; and for Mr Shapps an opportunity to pull off the PR triple in a single sentence – the tunnel will be 'world-beating', 'groundbreaking' and 'world-class'. Better lay off 'iconic' when sticking a traffic sewer under one of the greatest emblems of world heritage!

Please – just do the right thing for once; behave like real statesmen, stop worrying about the 'why-oh-why' headlines in the *Mail* and the *Dawlish Warren Gazette*, and scrap the project because it would be incompatible with the priorities of Britain today – looking after the health of our people and our environment for a greener and healthier future.

Yours etc

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