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I am very concerned about the redetermination of the A303 Stonehenge scheme as I thought the experts and public opinion had made it clear that they did not want this scheme to go ahead. Stonehenge is a our national treasure in a landscape of such historical importance to our nation and the world that generations to come will be appalled at the fact that we even considered destroying any more of it, let alone doing it. I do add my name to the names that plead with you to consider alternatives or leave well alone - particularly with the impending need to limit our road car use.

I have read your proposals and as far as I can see National Highways has not:

- made any changes to the Scheme to take the 2021 World Heritage Committee decision into account;
- acknowledged that the Secretary of State found the Scheme's impact on the proposed western cutting area would be "significantly adverse";
- fully assessed alternative routes less damaging to the World Heritage Site e.g., a southern bypass route would be cheaper even if there might be some problems with it, while a longer tunnel would reduce impact on the World Heritage Site;
- explored alternatives to hard engineering solutions in the context of safeguarding and enhancing the World Heritage Site - e.g. a package of measures to reduce road traffic, road emissions and improve access to the South West;
- updated the scheme construction costs; nor
- updated the carbon assessment and costs.

Other changes since the Examination closed:

- concern for climate change has increased with the latest Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change report and the need to take urgent action to reduce emissions, not increase them as any new Stonehenge road scheme would; and
- the Environment Act 2021 sets new ambitions around nature recovery.

In deep concern,

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