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Dear Mr Shapps,

Thank you for welcoming the opinions of members of the public as you reconsider this scheme.

I am a retired solicitor living in North Yorkshire, but my grandparents lived in Bath so in childhood I was lucky enough to visit Stonehenge when one could still walk freely amongst the stones. I have had a lifelong interest in archaeology, and in recent years I have been able to help out as a volunteer at local digs.

I am quite frankly amazed that it was ever a serious proposal to carry out such massively destructive road works in one of the most important archaeological areas in our entire country. Stonehenge is just part of a huge monumental landscape of international importance. New digs in the surrounding area are regularly turning up fresh and fascinating evidence. It stands to reason that this entire area should be protected, and an alternative route found for the improved road; I understand that a southern bypass would actually be cheaper, or else a longer and deeper tunnel would be less damaging.

Please bear this in mind and do what you can to protect this landscape for us and for future generations.

Yours sincerely,

Catherine Thorn (Mrs)

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