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Dear Grant Shapps

I am a resident of Wiltshire and a frequent visitor to Stonehenge, sometimes with friends from overseas and other parts of the UK. Everyone I bring is in awe of Stonehenge and is enthralled by its history and atmosphere.

I have written previously about the destructive effects of the Stonehenge road scheme. The recent submission from National Highways does not address significant issues in relation to the road scheme and is at best inadequate.

It certainly does not cover the archaeological destruction which will occur as a result of the construction of the tunnel and does not consider any alternatives, for example a longer tunnel or a southern bypass route.

It does not take into account the World Heritage Committee's decision that the proposed scheme will seriously compromise the integrity of the Stonehenge site. This could, of course, lead to withdrawal of World Heritage status. I would remind you that Stonehenge has world, and not just local, significance.

There has been no attempt in the submission to update the construction costs. In the light of the present inflationary economic environment these are bound to have increased dramatically and perhaps less costly alternatives should be investigated. This is something that we are all having to do now in our daily lives.

Construction of the tunnel will generate considerable carbon emissions and do nothing to reduce vehicular emissions, which flies in the face of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change report.

There really is only one Stonehenge. If this scheme goes ahead, future generations will roundly and justifiably condemn it on the basis of wanton destruction of the site and disregard for the natural environment, climate change and the purity of the air they breathe.

I would urge you to reject this road scheme.

Yours sincerely

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