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A303 Stoneheng

Subject: Stonehenge & dual carriageway application

Date: 09 March 2022 10:29:01

Dear Sir/Madam,

My name is Michael Johnson. This email constitutes a response to the Secretary of State's invitation to interested parties to provide comments regarding the application by National Highways ("the Applicant") for an Order granting Development Consent for the construction of a new two-lane dual carriage way for the A303 between Amesbury and Berwick Down in Wiltshire. I am such a party.

It is my understanding that the Applicant 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.

I feel that, given the proposed road's impact upon one of the world's most iconic archaeological sites, the henge constituting the most salient example of the native culture and tradition of the Kingdom of Britain, the abovementioned omissions should be addressed, and the actions specified carried out.

yours faithfully

Michael Johnson

