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A303 Stonehenge

Subject: Redetermination of A303 Stonehenge scheme

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Hello,

I am writing to express my deep concern about the National Highways response regarding road development schemes around Stonehenge. It appears that they have ignored the World Heritage Committee's decision regarding their original scheme. They haven't addressed the Secretary of State's finding that there would be significantly adverse impacts of the scheme on the World Heritage Site. They have not fully assessed alternatives that would be less damaging, either in hard engineering or measures that would actually reduce road traffic and emissions and improve access to the South West. They haven't updated their proposal's construction costs. Worst of all they have not updated the carbon assessment and costs of this scheme despite the latest Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change report stating the need for urgent action to reduce emissions. The Environment Act 2021 sets out new ambitions around nature recovery and this scheme is completely counter to those aims. It is very worrying that many hours of work have gone in to studying the impact of this scheme and yet all the findings and the highly esteemed voices of those involved in this and in environmental protection generally are being ignored.

Yours sincerely

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