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Dear Sir/ Madam

Regarding the redetermination of the A303 Stonehenge Scheme and National Highways response.

National Highways does not appear to have made any changes to the scheme to take the 2021 World Heritage Committee decision into account nor acknowledge that the Secretary of State found the Scheme's impact on the proposed western cutting area would be "significantly adverse." Furthermore, National Highways does not appear to have explored alternatives to hard engineering solutions that would safeguard and enhance the World Heritage Site - e.g. measures to reduce road traffic, road emissions and improve access to the South West; updated the scheme construction costs; or updated the carbon assessment and costs.

Fully assessed alternative routes less damaging to the World Heritage Site exist e.g., a cheaper southern bypass route or a longer tunnel which would reduce impact on the World Heritage Site.

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; also the Environment Act 2021 sets new ambitions around nature recovery about which National Highways do not seem very bothered.

In short, National Highways response is inadequate, unsympathetic and lacks vision and pride in the World Heritage Site of Stonehenge.

Regards

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