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To: [A303 Stonehenge](#)
Subject: Redetermination of A303 Stonehenge scheme
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Dear Sir

I am writing to express my concerns for the revised proposals for a Stonehenge road scheme by National Highways. I find it particularly concerning that they have not made any changes to the scheme to take account of the decision of the UNESCO World Heritage Committee on 22 July 2021 that considers that Stonehenge will be placed on the list of World Heritage in Danger if this scheme is approved or acknowledged the fact that the Secretary of State found that the impact of the scheme would be significantly adverse on the western cutting area.

National Highways have not explored alternatives to hard engineering solutions, such as alternative ways to reduce road traffic, road emissions or improve access to the South West and neither have they updated the scheme's carbon assessment and costs or the overall scheme costs, which must have risen substantially since their original submission.

There are less damaging alternative routes that they have not fully assessed. For example, a southern bypass route would be cheaper overall and a longer tunnel would reduce the impact on what is, after all, a World Heritage site.

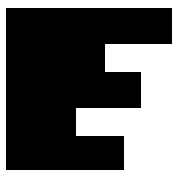
This is both an iconic and internationally important site encompassing not just the famous stones but the far wider site, containing other structures and artifacts, that covers a much larger area and holds a myriad of important data about our forebears and the pre-history of Britain. It must not be compromised by any short term, cost-saving decisions that will be regretted in the long term.

In addition, any new Stonehenge road scheme will have an adverse effect on emissions and the environment, in direct contradiction to the principles espoused in the Environment Act 2021 and the latest report from the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change.

I trust the above points will be taken into account and the proposed scheme rejected by the Secretary of State.

Yours faithfully

Graham Mansbridge

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