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Subject: Redetermination of A303 Stonehenge scheme
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Dear Sir or Madam,

I gather you are redetermining National Highways' plans for the A303 Stonehenge scheme but that that National Highways whilst acknowledging that the Secretary of State found the Scheme's impact on the proposed western cutting area would be "**significantly adverse**" have **not** put forward any mitigating proposals that take the 2021 World Heritage Committee Decision into account. They have therefore not:

- **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 submit that concern for climate change has increased both nationally and globally 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, and I note that the Environment Act 2021 sets new ambitions around nature recovery.

In view of National Highways failure to address these real concerns, I urge you to again reject their proposals and preserve this World Heritage Site.

Yours faithfully,

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