I understand public comments on this proposed scheme have been invited.

I am very concerned that National Highways has not made any changes to the scheme to take the criticisms of the 2021 World Heritage Committee decision into account. It would be unthinkable for Stonehenge to lose its World Heritage Site status as a result of National Highways ignoring the potential of the scheme to permanently damage the area surrounding Stonehenge.

The site is not just about the stones, but other important rellics in the surrounding area. The cut and cover tunnelling will destroy large areas of that landscape. The opening of the proposed tunnel is an eyesore and the proposed means to disguise the visual impact and reduce the increased polution and noise are insufficient.

National Highways has also ignored the Secretary of State's finding that the proposed western cutting area would be signifantly adverse. This surely cannot be justified?

The Stonehenge site and surrounding landscape is so significant and sensitive that shortcuts cannot and should not be taken with the scheme. Anything which potentially impacts the site should be avoided, regardless of cost, since the damage would be irretrivable. The new road should be placed well away from the site. A southern bypass route would be cheaper than a tunnel and ensure the World Heritage site is fully protected.

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