

From: [REDACTED]
To: [A303 Stonehenge](#)
Subject: Objection to Stonehenge A303 Road Widening Scheme Development Consent Order (Registration ID 20020267)
Date: 03 April 2022 14:38:37

I write to request a re-examination of the A303 DCO by an independent panel prior to the Secretary of State's decision. There have been significant developments that affect the 2019 decision, including the World Heritage Committee's 2021 agreement that it will consider "*the inscription of the property on **the List of World Heritage in Danger** if the A303 route upgrade scheme is not modified*"*; the Environment Act 2021; and the renewed and urgent global focus on mitigating climate change.

Despite the World Heritage Committee's pronouncement, National Highways has failed to make the changes required to protect the World Heritage Site: it has not assessed alternative routes or solutions in any meaningful way. It also ignores the urgent need to reduce vehicle emissions and has not updated construction costs or carbon assessment and mitigation costs.

As noted in my 2019 email to you, once implemented the scheme would not be reversible. The loss of Liverpool waterfront's World Heritage status should surely be a giant wake-up call to cherish and protect the internationally important gem of Stonehenge.

For these reasons, a re-examination of the DCO by an independent panel prior to decision by the Secretary of State is crucial.

**Extended forty-fourth session, 16-31 July 2021*

Mary Branson

[REDACTED]
Registration 20020267