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To: A303 Stonehenge
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**Subject:** The A303 Stonehenge Road Widening Scheme

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## Dear Grant Shapps,

I would like to **appeal against** this scheme which looks more like an engagement with beautifully executed graphics than a road that considers its **environment**.

Of the **alternatives** I am of the opinion that the southern bypass would impinge less on the archaeological impact and future development of the site.

I think this because we still have **much to learn archaeologically** about the place of Stonehenge in Prehistory. So much has been discovered in recent years. Since we first took our children to Stonehenge in the 70s the simplicity of old interpretations of Stonehenge as a place of fancily dressed Druids and the stones as an astronomical measure have been enlarged as the site has expanded.

The road puts a **boundary** on archaeological exploration and threatens the **substructure** of this most famous of England's heritage sites. My husband is Wiltshire born and bred so we consider it part of our heritage, too.

Are we to be **downgraded internationally** with a threat to recognition and funding? **Repetition** of the plan I protested against a few years ago is not an exploration of alternatives.

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