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**Subject:** Stonehenge Road Widening Comments

**Date:** 03 April 2022 15:02:22

Dear Planning Inspectorate Staff,

National Highways has not made any changes to the Scheme to take the 2021 World Heritage Committee into account,

Neither has it acknowledged that the Secretary of State found that the Scheme's impact on the proposed cutting area would be 'significantly adverse'.

National Highways hasn't fully assessed alternative routes less damaging to the World Heritage Site, for example, a Southern bypass route would be cheaper, while a longer tunnel would reduce impact

on the World Heritage Site.

National Highways hasn't explored alternatives to hard engineering solutions in the context of safeguarding and enhancing the World Heritage Site, such as a package of measures to reduce road traffic,

road emissions, and to improve access to the South West.

National Highways hasn't updated the scheme construction costs, nor has it updated the carbon assessment and costs.

Since the Examination closed, concern for climate change has increased with the latest Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change report, and the need to take action to reduce emissions, not to

increase them as any new Stonehenge scheme would. Also, the 2021 Environment Act sets new ambitions around nature recovery.

I request a re-examination of the Development Consent Order. I consider that the omission on current cost estimates , UNESCO's position, and new information since the Examination closed in October

2019, are compelling grounds for a re-examination by an independent panel BEFORE the Secretary of State re-determines an application for a DCO for the very same road scheme.

Kind regards, Paul Duployen