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To: [A303 Stonehenge](#)
Subject: Redetermination of A303 Stonehenge scheme
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Dear Sir/Madam,

RE : Application by National Highways for an Order granting Development Consent for the construction of a new two-lane dual carriage way for the A303 between Amesbury and Berwick Down in Wiltshire

The Department for Transport has requested comments from all interested parties in respect of the above application. I would therefore like to raise the following concerns.

My main concerns about the latest application are that National Highways appears not to have taken into account the 2021 decision by the World Heritage Commission on the original application, nor given full consideration to alternative routes that would undoubtedly be less damaging to the World Heritage site, bearing in mind that the Secretary of State found the scheme's impact on the proposed western cutting would be 'significantly adverse'.

Even more worrying, there appears to have been no update of the predicted costs of the scheme, nor of the carbon assessment and costs, and no proposals on how to reduce traffic or emissions, in keeping with the Government's own Net Zero strategy.

Based on these concerns, as well as considering UNESCO's position on the scheme (updated since the original Examination closed in October 2019), I feel that there are compelling grounds for a re-examination by an independent panel before the Secretary of State redetermines an application for a DCO for exactly the same road scheme.

Yours faithfully,

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