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A303 Stonehenge

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Sir.

The current plan by Highways England for the A303 Trunk Road has not changed and is clearly a total dis-regard for the World Heritage Status as well as the undeniable historical significance to Great Britain as a whole.

While I am all for improving road safety, it is not at the cost of desecration on this scale. Any road improvement scheme will increase the level of traffic with the obvious increase in pollutants and this flies in the face of the New Environment Act of 2021.

With tunnelling methods available today, a longer tunnel would be a far more sensitive solution, to which Highways England have given no thought. However, I do not believe a tunnel, of any length, is in the best interests of road users; it is a potential disaster waiting to happen.

An alternative route, without tunnelling appears not to have been considered either and would in all probability, make little difference to the overall cost. A Southern alternative route would clearly be the only viable option. Yes, there would be an obvious impact on the area during

construction. Lowering of this route would be essential but the planting of tress at an early stage would soften visual impact.

I have used the A303 and marvel at the very site of Stonehenge as it comes into view but the motor vehicle is not the be all, end all.

The current plan by Highways England must therefore, be rejected.

