From:

To: A303 Stonehenge

Subject: Redetermination of A303 Stonehenge scheme

Date: 04 April 2022 17:56:32

Dear Sir/Madam,

See my response to the above as follows -

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

acknowledged that the Secretary of State found the Scheme's impact on the proposed western cutting area would be "significantly adverse"; fully assessed alternative routes less damaging to the World Heritage Site e.g., a southern bypass route would be cheaper even if there might be some problems with it, while a longer tunnel would reduce impact on the World Heritage Site;

explored alternatives to hard engineering solutions in the context of safeguarding and enhancing the World Heritage Site - e.g. a package of measures to reduce road traffic, road emissions and improve access to the South West; updated the scheme construction costs; nor updated the carbon assessment and costs.

In addition there needs to be consideration of the following:

the need to take urgent action to reduce emissions, not increase them as any new Stonehenge road scheme would;

the Environment Act 2021 sets new ambitions around nature recovery.

Thank you Neill Talbot