From:
To:
A303 Stonehenge

**Subject:** Proposed A303 Stonehenge road widening scheme

**Date:** 04 April 2022 22:29:35

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing as I have serious concerns over the adverse impact this road widening scheme would have on Stonehenge, a World Heritage Site.

In July 2021 UNESCO's World Heritage Committee stated that the if the proposed scheme were to be implemented it could have a deleterious effect on the inherent characteristics of Stonehenge, notably its integrity.

Additionally, the Secretary of State for Transport found that the scheme's impact on the western cutting edge would be significantly adverse.

National Highways has not yet considered an alternative route, such as a southern bypass which would be less expensive, or a longer tunnel.

Climate change is of the utmost importance, especially in light of the latest declaration by the United Nations. The scheme as proposed would lead to an increase in carbon emissions. Furthermore, the relevant section of the Environment Act 2021 sets goals for nature recovery and this must also be taken into account.

In my opinion, all of the above constitute grounds for a re-examination by an independent panel prior to the Secretary of State reconsidering an application for a Development Consent Order.

Yours faithfully,

David Elton

