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I live in East Sussex. However, I have been visiting Stonehenge since 1976 and wish to express my extreme concern about proposals to widen the road in its vicinity and, thereby, threaten this internationally renowned and world-famous heritage site, which is visited by people from all over the world. My objections to the proposal are for the following reasons:

1. The planned new dual carriageway would threaten the very status of Stonehenge by cutting deep channels into this world-famous and internationally renowned ancient, archaeological and historical landscape.
2. Gouging such deep cuttings threatens to destabilise the monument itself.
3. National Highways has not:
 - a. Acted upon the 2021 World Heritage Committee's decision.
 - b. Accepted that the Secretary of State warned that the road-widening scheme's impact on the western cutting area would be "significantly adverse".
 - c. Fully investigated alternative solutions, measures and routes that would prove less damaging to this esteemed and iconic landmark.
 - d. Provided updated information relating to construction costs.
 - e. Provided updated information concerning the carbon assessment and costs.
4. The situation has changed in the following ways since the examination closed and plans need to be re-examined in the light of the following:
 - a. Increased concerns about climate change. The most recent report from the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate change urges urgent action to be taken to reduce emissions. However, any new Stonehenge road scheme would lead to an increase of damaging emissions.
 - b. The 2021 Environment Act 2021's recommendations on nature recovery.

For all of these compelling reasons and to protect such a very important site, please request a re-examination of Development Consent Order.

Thank you, in advance, for considering my comments

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