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A303 Stonehenge
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Stonehenge bypass
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Dear Mr Shapps,

I am writing to you today to express my objection to the proposals put forward by National Highways for the dual carriageway and tunnel on the A303 that will seriously damage Stonehenge.

The reasons for my objection are:

- 1. The damage caused by the current plans will threaten Stonehenge's status as World Heritage Site. UNESCO's Committee has confirmed that, if the proposed work proceeds, not only Stonehenge but also Avebury and other nearby sites are likely to be placed on the Danger List. This would cause further deterioration of the UK's standing in the world.
- 2. The recent harsh warnings from the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change show that all countries must take urgent action to reduce emissions. Proceeding with the Stonehenge road scheme would increase these.
- 3. Nature recovery is vital, this road plan would go against the ambitions stated in the Environment Act.
- 4. National Highways has failed to examine alternative routes such as a southern bypass which would be less damaging and less expensive.

Rather than spending billions of taxpayer's money on projects that would seriously harm the most significant prehistoric site in the UK the government should be funding improvements to the rail and cycle infrastructures as well as reducing fares on both trains and buses.

I look forward to your sensible decision to reject this project as it currently stands.

Yours sincerely Wendy Stuart