From:
A303 Stoneheng

Subject: Please do not allow the proposed A303 Stonehenge road widening scheme to proceed.

Date: 04 April 2022 15:20:10

Dear Planning Inspectorate,

I hope that this email finds you well.

Please forward this email with comments to the Secretary of State for Transport. Thank you.

National Highways have been remiss in a number of crucial key areas.

- 1) Failed to consider the report by the World Heritage Committee decision, ignoring necessary action and revising their plans.
- 2) Failed to recognise that the Secretary of State has said letting the current scheme go ahead would be 'significantly adverse'.
- 3) Failed to make the necessary assessments of alternative routes with less negative impact to the World Heritage Site. A route south bypassing the WHS could be cheaper, and more acceptable.
- 4) Failed to examine a number of approaches, ways to reduce road use, emissions and better access to the South West, which if combined, would be likely to safeguard and enhance the Would Heritage Site.
- 5) Failed to recalculate the cost of construction, especially following the pandemic and the increasing level of inflation, which currently makes the whole project a minimum of 5% more expensive (and counting).
- 6) Failed to reassess carbon assessments and costs, which are of course, are rising rapidly.

Since the examination closed.

- 1) The latest findings from the Intergovernmental Climate Change Panel has highlighted the urgent need to reduce emissions, which of course is the opposite of what the current scheme would do if it went ahead.
- 2) If the scheme were to go ahead it would damage significantly the surrounding environment, something which the Environment Act 2021 is totally against, as it is for the recovery of the already damaged natural world around us.

Keep safe and stay well.

Yours faithfully

Philip Nichols



Sent from my iPhone, with odd words courtesy of Apple's predictive text :-)