

From: [REDACTED]
To: [A303 Stonehenge](#)
Subject: The World Heritage Site Stonehenge
Date: 04 April 2022 20:33:30

Dear Planning Inspectorate,

My name is Mrs Ruth Bradshaw. My address is [REDACTED]

I am very concerned about the irreparable damage which may be done by the proposed tunnel under Stonehenge.

I notice that National Highways has not:

1. Made any changes to the Scheme to take the 2021 World Heritage Committee decision into account,
2. Acknowledged that the Secretary of State found that the Scheme's impact on the proposed western cutting area would be "significantly adverse",
3. Fully assessed alternative routes less damaging to the World Heritage Site: for example 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.
4. Explored alternatives to hard engineering solutions in the context of safeguarding and enhancing the World Heritage Site: - for example a package of measures to reduce road traffic and road emissions and improve access to the South West,
5. Updated the Scheme construction costs, nor updated the carbon account and costs.

Other changes since the Examination closed:

1. Concern about Climate Change has increased, with the latest Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change report. The need is to take urgent action to reduce emissions, not to increase them as any new Stonehenge road scheme would, and
2. The Environment Act 2021 sets new ambitions around nature recovery.

In my opinion, the omission of current cost estimates, UNESCO's position and new information since the Examination closed in October 2019 are compelling grounds for a re-evaluation by an independent panel BEFORE the Secretary of State re-determines an application for the very same road scheme.

Yours faithfully,
Ruth Bradshaw.

[REDACTED]