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Please note my objection to the above proposed scheme.

As a local resident and regular user of the A303, I have always failed to understand how this proposed scheme is the best, most cost effective and most appropriate solution. I feel in part it is being driven by English Heritage in their bid to make Stonehenge an 'exclusive' site that only those paying them for can have the privilege of seeing and also by second home owners/holiday makers from the South East wanting a quicker drive to the West Country - of course, I might just be being cynical!

The delays in this area are only during peak holiday travel times or when there is an accident, and I feel there is no requirement to build a tunnel to relieve congestion - more simple and therefore cheaper solutions must be considered as viable options. This would also have less of an impact on local traffic and communities than the suggested tunnel and approach roads both during the build and after - a hammer to crack a nut!! The current proposal also appears to contradict the governments declaration of a climate emergency and measures it is taking to reduce car usage throughout the UK. Not withstanding the cost to the tax payer of this scheme at a time when this money must be spent on other and much greater areas of need - health & social care, defence, education.

Alternative options must be considered for environmental and cost reasons:

- Banking the sides of A303 so the view to/from Stonehenge is obscured
- Making that part of the A303 a dual carriage way therefore increasing the traffic flow
- Resolving the frequent issue at peak holiday time caused by the narrowing of the westbound A303 from the Countess Roundabout - make all this section a dual carriage way as it is on the eastbound side.

Kind regards
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