From:
A303 Stonehenge

Subject: Redetermination of A303 Stonehenge scheme

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Good morning,

I'm writing to express my opposition to the National Highways proposed scheme to widen the A303.

I do not think that National Highways has made any changes to their Scheme that take into account the 2021 World Heritage Committee Decision regarding its initial plans.

It has not acknowledged that the Secretary of State found the Scheme's impact on the proposed western cutting area would be "significantly adverse", nor does it appear to have fully assessed alternative routes less damaging to the World Heritage Site e.g., 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.

It does not appear to have explored alternatives to hard engineering solutions in the context of safeguarding and enhancing the World Heritage Site – e.g. a package of measures to reduce road traffic, road emissions and improve access to the South West.

It does not appear to have updated both the scheme construction costs or the carbon assessment and costs.

Additionally, since the Examination closed concern for climate change has increased with the latest Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change report, the need to take urgent action to reduce emissions not increase them (as any new Stonehenge road scheme would), and the new ambitions and targets the Environment Act 2021 has sets around nature recovery.

I'm asking for a re-examination of Development Consent Order.

I feel that the omission on current cost estimates, on UNESCO's position and off new information since the Examination closed in October 2019 are compelling grounds for a re-examination by an independent panel BEFORE the Secretary of State re-determines an application for a DCO for the very same road scheme.

Thank you for your time.

Yours sincerely, Cris

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