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 Stonehenge Proposals

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Dear Mr Shapps,

I would like to register my grave concern at the renewed proposals for road schemes within the irreplaceable Stonehenge landscape. Although I no longer live in Wiltshire, I lived within a few miles of Stonehenge for 18 years, so know the area and the challenges facing it. However, my particular concerns are to do with the catastrophic impact on a unique landscape if the proposals were to go ahead. Costs, not only of the scheme and its construction, but also of the carbon impact, will already have risen significantly since 2019. Concern for climate change is rising exponentially, and we need to take urgent action to reduce emissions, not provide ways of increasing them. There is also the severe impact on the local environment and on nature, much of which is highly sensitive.

I am not an expert in these matters, and realise it is an extremely difficult decision, but feel very strongly that our priorities should now be very much geared to protecting our heritage, not further damaging it. Above all, I feel these proposals need to be thoroughly reassessed, not just voted through because they were deemed acceptable a few years ago. Such a great deal is at stake, not least the WHS status.

Yours sincerely,

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