Dear sir or madam,

I am deeply disturbed to find that, despite the 2021 World Heritage Committee decision, National Highways is choosing to proceed with its existing plans.

Stonehenge is possibly the most important heritage site in England. I remember when I first saw it, as a child many years ago, being amazed at how something so magnificent had been built so long ago and had survived so long. I was brought up to be proud of our archaeological heritage, and I wonder what future generations will say if this site is put at risk or loses its World Heritage designation.

National Highways has failed to consider less damaging alternatives to their hard engineering proposal, whether a southern bypass or a longer tunnel.

Nor do they appear to have assessed measures to reduce road traffic and emissions. Given the climate crisis (and the UK's leading role in COP26) this seems extraordinary.

I am writing to ask for a re-examination of the Development Consent Order. Without up-to-date cost estimates and taking into account UNESCO's position with other new information since the Examination in 2019, the decisions currently in place are unsafe.

Please support a re-examination by an independent panel before the Secretary of State makes any decision. We cannot afford to make any mistakes with this.

Yours faithfully,

Diana Shelley (Ms)