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Sir

Please re-examine the development consent order for the A303 plans at Stonehenge.

Stonehenge is a WorldHeritage site which must be preserved for future generations, with as little distruction to the existing landscape as possible.

UNESCO has described this site as a 'landscape without parallel'. This needs to be preserved. We are in danger of tarmaccing over ever more and more of our landscape. A new dual carrriagway will gouge deep cutings into the landscape threatening the status of this site as a UNESCO workd heritage site.

Logically, if it is necessary to increase road capacity, this will increase polution and emissions. Surely the lesson from COP 26 is that we need to decrease polution and emissions in order to combat global warming. Replacing grass with tarmac will speed up, not slow down global warming.

Surely there MUST be an alternative. A southern bypass route would be cheaper or a longer tunnel would reduce the impact on this World Heritage site.

The Environment Act 2021 sets out ambitions for nature reovery yet this major road development is a retrograde step.

I understand that the current setting is not as it was when Stonehenge was errected. Indeed England has been systematically stripped of woodland over the centuries, we need to call a halt to replacing nature with hardstanding, before England is turned into one massive multi-lane road.

Regards

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