Dear Inspectors

National Highways' Response

National Highways has failed to

- acknowledge that the Secretary of State himself found that the Scheme's impact on the proposed western cutting area would be 'significantly adverse'
- make any changes to the Scheme to take into account the UNESCO World Heritage Committee's 2021 Decision (to place Stonehenge, Avebury and Associated Sites on the list of World Heritage in Danger **this year**)
- fully assess alternative routes less damaging to the World Heritage Site
- explore alternatives to hard engineering solutions in relation to safeguarding and enhancing the World Heritage Site
- update the scheme construction costs
- update the carbon assessment and costs.

## New Developments since the Examination Closed

Climate Change - The latest IPCC Report has emphasised the growing pace and scope of climate change and the overriding urgency of reducing emissions. Any new Stonehenge road scheme is bound to increase emissions.

Nature Recovery - The Environment Act 2021 sets ambitious new aims.

## Request for Re-examination of Development Consent Order

The following factors

- National Highways' omission on current cost estimates
- UNESCO's position
- The developments listed above since the Examination closed in October 2019

are compelling grounds for a re-examination of the Development Consent Order by an independent panel **before** the Secretary of State redetermines an application for a DCO for the very same road scheme and it is such a re-examination that I am writing to request.

Yours sincerely

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