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To: A303 Stonehenge

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I am writing to comment on the National Highways proposals for road development at Stonehenge.

I am not a technical person, but I am a member of the public who values and visits the Stonehenge site. This site is too unique to allow any form of threat to diminish it.

My concerns are as follows.

- It seems that National Highways has not updated information on costs or carbon emissions since its original submission. There is no doubt that costs will have risen significantly, including amongst others factors the recent fuel cost increases, and it is deceitful to pretend otherwise. The level of threat to the planet has been sharply defined in recent years, and issues relating to carbon emissions should be at the centre of decision making, not a subject for obfuscation.
- National Highways has also failed to fully assess alternative solutions which would reduce impact on the World heritage site, remaining committed to an already discredited solution.
- Given the fact that one UNESCO World Heritage site in England has already lost its listing recently, this must not be allowed to happen to such a precious site which, quite apart from its intrinsic value, also generates a large amount of income from tourism. This will not continue if the site is degraded.

I would ask that the Development Consent Order be re-examined before the Secretary of State redetermines an application for a Development Consent Order for this largely identical scheme.

