Dear Inspectors

You will have received many submissions arguing against the scheme to bypass Stonehenge.

I write to make one point which I don't think has had an airing. We can see our great cathedrals, parish churches and much of our historical heritage in our everyday lives, without needing a ticket. These things inform and colour our appreciation of the heritage in this country, and if they are hidden from view everyone loses. Stonehenge is visible to passing traffic on the A303, any child or casual passenger can have a glimpse of it and their day is enriched. Take it, hide it, force anyone to queue at a visitor centre and pay £21.80p [no mean sum!] and that heritage becomes exclusive, diminished.

Re-routeing the road will do this, a great loss to everyone. Sincerely

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