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Good afternoon

I wish to comment on the sheer arrogance and wrong-headedness of the re-submission by National Highways concerning the proposed A303 widening scheme.

Despite evidence presented to the contrary, despite a clear response from the courts, it is incredibly frustrating that at the National Highways has responded without addressing many of the fundamentally important issues:

For example, they have not made any changes to the Scheme to take into account the 2021 World Heritage Committee Decision. Nor have they acknowledged that the Secretary of State found the Scheme's impact on the proposed western cutting area would be "**significantly adverse**".

Moreover, even if we were to allow for some bizarre reason that it is acceptable to encourage more motorists to go faster in this day and age, less damaging alternative routes have **not been considered fully**. And, it would seem important before further consideration to explore alternatives to hard engineering solutions in the context of safeguarding and enhancing the World Heritage Site - e.g. a package of measures to reduce road traffic, road emissions and improve access to the South West. But this has not been done.

Shockingly, neither the scheme construction costs, nor the carbon assessment and costs have been updated. .

There are further matters of concern that have arisen since submission and these should be considered: Thankfully, concern for climate change has increased with the latest Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change report and the need to take urgent action to reduce emissions, not increase them - as any new Stonehenge road scheme would. The Environment Act 2021 sets new ambitions around nature recovery. Please consider this.

Yours sincerely

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