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A303 Stonehenge
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Stonehenge Tunnel
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Dear Sir

I am writing to support the proposal to construct a road tunnel under Stonehenge.

As a local resident living on a narrow country road we are plagued by rat running traffic every time there is congestion on the A303 around Stonehenge. This causes much disturbance in terms of noise and delays and makes otherwise quiet country lanes dangerous to walk and cycle on. This problem will not go away in any conceivable "green" or zero carbon future as carbon powered traffic will simply be replaced by electric or hydrogen powered traffic with no improvement in congestion or road safety.

Similarly there are no reasonable alternative transport links to the West Country apart from the A303.

Alternative routes around Stonehenge will cause much greater disruption to local residents and have a greater impact on the unique natural environment.

The proposal seems to go to considerable lengths to preserve the historical environment and it must be recognised that this is already suffering serious damage due to the existing road layout.

The tunnel therefore represents the most pragmatic solution to a problem that simply is not going to go away.

Best regards

Neil Cosburn