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to Rt Hon Anne-Marie Trevelyan MP

Dear Minister,

I have looked at both the report by Unesco's Advisory Mission and also National Highways' response to it and I would like to make the following comments.

1. The principal conclusion of Unesco's Advisory Mission is that the current tunnel scheme would have an adverse impact on the 'outstanding universal value' of the World Heritage Site and that the option of a southern bypass should be further investigated. They also said that, at the very least, the tunnel should be extended to the western boundary of the WHS.
2. In its response, National Highways has just reiterated many of the arguments already used to justify a scheme which has proved unacceptable to many bodies including

The Government's specialist planning inspectors

UNESCO's World Heritage Committee

The former Transport Secretary who agreed with the inquiry panel that the scheme would have an overall 'significant adverse' effect.

3. The High Court judgement of 2021 that quashed the Development Consent Order said that proper consideration had not been given to alternatives and the latest response of National Highways fails to adequately address this concern.

I continue to object the current proposals and hope that the scheme will now be abandoned. However if you, as Transport Secretary, do intend to proceed with the scheme then I hope that there will be another public examination that can fully and openly discuss the new information submitted by all sides since 2020.

Yours sincerely,

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