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A303 Stonehenge

**Subject:** National Highways comments on UNESCO's Advisory Missions Report

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## Dear Sir,

I am very concerned that there is the possibility that Stonehenge could lose its UNESCO status if the proposed changes to the A303 go ahead. This would be grave news for this country, where all Unesco listings are precious and encourage tourism.

Several different bodies have looked at the proposals for the A303 and found them to be unacceptable including The government's independent specialist examiners

The UNESCO World Heritage committee

The former Transport Secretary who agreed it would be significantly adverse overall

The UNESCO Advisory Missions report advised that the present proposal would have an adverse effect on The World Heritage Site having visited Stonehenge in April 2022. It recommended that a southern bypass route should be explored. If a tunnel is used then it should extend at least to the western boundary of the World Heritage Site.

If the Transport Secretary does decide to proceed with the proposal then it should subjected to another formal public examination, so that all the arguments can be fully discussed.

I urge you to investigate a southern route which would do away with the need for a tunnel and all the infrastructure which goes with that. I am extremely disappointed that National Highways Have not been prepared to listen to the objections so many people have voiced.

Yours faithfully, Iris Neel