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Subject: Final Report on the joint World Heritage Centre / ICOMOS / ICCROM Advisory Mission to Stonehenge,

Avebury and Associated Sites

Date: 28 September 2022 15:59:20

Dear Sir or Madam,

I am writing to object to the application by National Highways for an order granting development consent for a new two-lane dual carriageway for the A303 between Amesbury and Berwick Down in Wiltshire.

While I don't live in Wiltshire, I am deeply concerned about the future of this World Heritage site. From the time when as a child (many years ago!) I was taken to see Stonehenge I have believed it to be the most important archaeological site in Britain and that everything possible should be done to look after it.

I understand that the recent report of the UNESCO Advisory Mission believes that the scheme currently proposed would have adverse impacts on the site. I am most concerned that nothing should be done to this key heritage site which could lead to any adverse impacts, and most particularly that its listing as a world heritage site should not be affected.

The Government should comply with the decisions of the World Heritage Committee and abandon their current plans, which I understand have been rejected by five planning inspectors, the High Court and to which thousands of people in many different countries have objected. I fear that implementation of the current plans would earn the United Kingdom the contempt of the world.

I must apologise for the brevity of this objection, whose deadline I only found out about very recently.

Yours faithfully,

Diana Shelley (Ms)