From:
To: A303 Stonehenge

Subject: Application by National Highways for an Order granting Development Consent for the construction of a new

two-lane dual carriage way for the A303 between Amesbury and Berwick Down in Wiltshire.

Date: 28 September 2022 13:11:20

Dear Transport Secretary,

In regard to the continuing controversy over the proposed by-pass for Stonehenge, I have read the report of the Advisory Mission and agree with its principal finding, i.e. that the scheme would have an adverse impact on the OUV of the WHS and that a southern bypass should be further explored.

The Mission admitted that at the very least the western limit of the tunnel should be extended to the WHS boundary.

To my mind, National Highways has simply reiterated many of the arguments it has raised previously to justify a scheme which is clearly unacceptable to:

- Government's independent specialist examiners,
- UNESCO's World Heritage Committee, and
- the former Transport Secretary himself who agreed with the examining panel that the scheme would be "significantly adverse" overall.

National Highways' response fails to alleviate any of the above concerns; in consequence, I continue to object to the proposals and hope that the scheme in the form they propose will be abandoned.

Should you, however, intend to proceed with the scheme, I trust that it will be subject of another formal public Examination so that all of the new information submitted by National Highways and others since 2020 may be fully and openly discussed, and taken into account and advised upon by the Government's independent Planning Inspectorate.

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Yours sincerely,		

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