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A303 Stonehenge
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A303 Stonehenge Road
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Dear Transport Secretary Trevelyan,

I hold out little hope that you will actually read or consider this but I feel compelled to try because this is a part of the English identity and my English heritage.

It is inconceivable that, with what already exists there and with so much yet undiscovered about our past and heritage at this precious paleolithic site, that this road scheme continues to be considered. The lack of interest in this amazing site and the lack of recognition of its value as a national treasure is astounding. Money trumps everything, everywhere. That is profoundly sad.

Most Sincerely,

Leslie B. Edmonds

That truth being spoken, I would like to say that I agree with the following points:

I have read the <u>report of the Advisory Mission</u> 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.
- 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.
- The High Court judgment quashed the DCO in part because the Transport Secretary had not given proper consideration to alternatives.
- National Highways' response fails to alleviate any of the above concerns.
- -1/We continue to object to the proposals and hope that the scheme will be abandoned.
- Should the Transport Secretary intend to proceed with the scheme, I/we 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.