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Transport Secretary, the Rt Hon Anne-Marie Trevelyan MP

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Dear Chief Planning Inspector,

Please find attached my further objection to the A303 Stonehenge scheme and include it with the consultation feedback that closes today.

Yours sincerely,

Colin Hooker



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Dear Secretary of State,

**A303 Stonehenge scheme**

I have read the [REDACTED] and agree with its principal finding, i.e. that the scheme would have an adverse impact on the Outstanding Universal Value (OUV) of the World Heritage Site (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. In my opinion, 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.

Furthermore, the High Court judgment quashed the Development Consent Order in part because the Transport Secretary had not given proper consideration to alternatives.

In my opinion, National Highways' response fails to alleviate any of the above concerns.

Consequently, I 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 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.

I understand that the pressure for road building is high (including the A303 Stonehenge scheme). However, in my opinion, planning for growth should not be at the expense of a World Heritage Site.

Yours sincerely,

Colin Hooker