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A303 Stonehenge

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To the Transport Secretary, the Rt Hon Anne-Marie Trevelyan MP

Dear Anne-Marie Trevelyan,

I am really shocked to find this scheme is still being promoted, including in the new Chancellor's speech, and wish to express my strong opposition to it.

This is a World Heritage Site of Outstanding Universal Value, unique and extraordinary, with probably many more secrets to reveal.

We cannot afford to prioritise road traffic over such a place.

And none of the attempted justifications or ameliorations seem adequate to this citizen.

I would like to support the **Recommendations of the UNESCO WHS Mission**, namely that **IF** this scheme goes ahead, then these should be followed in detail.

However, considering that we need a major change in our development model and a big reduction in the use of cars, whether petrol or electric or hybrid etc, I feel that this project should therefore be cancelled, with an eye towards a different future.

I realise that this is in complete opposition to the new government's position, but as a person who works to counter biodiversity loss and climate change, I can clearly see that we are already transgressing planetary boundaries, and seriously risk creating an unliveable world for most people and other life forms. Heatwaves, storms, fires and floods and dropping us heavy hints that we should heed.

Stopping this project would be an excellent move in the right direction.

Yours sincerely,

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