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I would like to express my very strong concerns about the proposed Stonehenge tunnel. I object to the proposals and hope that the scheme will be abandoned. It has no real merit and will be very destructive of as-yet unexplored archaeology. Stonehenge is an important National and International site, not a theme park, nor an inconvenient obstruction to the local transport system, and should be treated accordingly.

I agree with its principal finding of the advisory Mission, 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.

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.

-- 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.

To proceed with the Tunnel would appear to be an act of wanton intransigence in the face of all the above.

Yours,

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