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A303 Stonehenge

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Dear Rt Hon Anne-Marie Trevelyan,

You have invited comments on the National Highways Submission regarding the proposed A303 Road building.

I wish to present the following comments:

I have read the UNESCO Advisory Mission Report and fully agree with it's primary finding, that this planned road building would have an adverse impact on the OUV of the WHS and also that a southern bypass should be explored as an alternative.

In response to the UNESCO Advisory Mission Report, National Highways have merely restated many of the arguments it has raised previously to justify a scheme which is not acceptable to:

The 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 judgement quashed the DCO in part because the Transport Secretary had not given proper consideration to potential alternatives.

The response from National Highways does not attend to any of the above concerns.

I continue to object to National Highways proposals and very much hope that this scheme will be abandoned.

If the Transport Secretary insists on proceeding with this scheme I trust that it will be subject to another formal public examination so that all of the new information submitted by National Highways and others since 2020 may be fully and openly discussedand taken into account and advised upon by the Government's independent Planning Inspectorate.

Your sincerely

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