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Subject: Transport Secretary consulting on UNESCO Advisory Mission report on Stonehenge

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Dear Sirs,

further to the request for consultation regarding the UNESCO Mission Report on the scheme, I wish to make the following comments:

- I have read the report of the Advisory Mission, 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, or at the very least the western limit of the tunnel should be extended to the WHS boundary
- The High Court judgment quashed the DCO in part because the Transport Secretary had not given proper consideration to alternatives
- In their response, National Highways simply reiterated many of the arguments they previously raised, and fail to alleviate any of the above concerns, 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.

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.

Yours faithfully,

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