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Subject: Do not give in to pressure to authorise this road scheme
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To the Rt Hon Anne-Marie Trevelyan MP, Please do not give in to pressure in your new capacity as Transport Secretary, to authorise this road scheme.

You must have read the report of the Advisory Mission and noted 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.

The High Court judgment quashed the DCO in part because previous Transport Secretaries had not given proper consideration to alternatives.

– The Mission admitted that at the very least the western limit of the tunnel should be extended to the WHS boundary.

– 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.

– National Highways’ response fails to alleviate any of the above concerns.

– 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.

Regards Gillian Murton