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To: [A303 Stonehenge](#)
Subject: National Highways Stonehenge road widening scheme
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Dear Sir or Madam,

I request that you reject the National Highways Stonehenge road widening scheme, which the Secretary of State found would have a 'significantly adverse impact'.

Stonehenge is a heritage site of huge historic, national and international importance. Vitally it must be respected, and given long-term priority over road schemes that may prove short-term in aspect. It also requires a reviewing of transport in the face of the climate emergency.

I believe we need to find urgent and significant ways to reduce reduce carbon emissions if we are to reach our 2050 target. This scheme would encourage more traffic, thereby causing more emissions. We need also to preserve and restore natural biodiversity. The Environment Act requires this and sets new ambitions for the recovery of nature.

The National Highways scheme fails to take account of the 2021 World Heritage Committee decision. It has not explored measures to reduce road traffic and emissions, has not updated carbon assessment and costs, nor construction costs, and it has not fully explored alternative, less harmful routes.

In light of these failings, the findings of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change and of new information since 2019 I therefore ask for a re-examination of the Development Order.

It is my view that the omission on current cost estimates, UNESCO's position and new information since the Examination closed in October 2019 are compelling grounds for a re-examination by an independent panel **BEFORE** the Secretary of State redetermines an application for a DCO for the very same road scheme.

Yours faithfully,

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