

STONEHENGE ALLIANCE CAMPAIGN UPDATE



An uplifting glimpse of Stonehenge in its snowy setting tweeted by passing passenger and historian Dr Elizabeth Norton, @ENortonHistory, who'd like to keep the view!

Dear Supporter,

Last November brought a welcome critique by the National Audit Office of the government's road projects. Prices for construction had spiraled at record rates, and the NAO recommended a value for money review of projects with a weak business case, including the Stonehenge scheme.

This prompted our team to shine a light on the scheme's figures published in their report [Stonehenge Road Scheme Doesn't Add Up!](#)

The Stonehenge Alliance had long considered the figures to justify the scheme lacked credibility and should not be used as a basis to validate the scheme. Now, however, National Highways' new calculations can only be described as pure fantasy. Remarkably, National Highways claims that the £2.5bn project has suddenly become much better value for money, **costs have reduced and benefits increased.**

Any figures National Highways produces will need to be carefully scrutinised. We are calling for an open and independent appraisal of the scheme to be carried out **before** any decision is made by the Transport Secretary, Mark Harper. Stonehenge WHS is at stake and we owe it to future generations to take the greatest possible care of it.

SUMMARY & FULL REPORT TO READ AND SHARE

If you'd like to take action, please see below.

Once again, thank you to everyone who voted or wrote to the National Trust last October. We have now published the exchanges at the National Trust AGM [here](#). We continue to hope that the Trustees will have the courage to review their support for the scheme.

With warm and seasonal best wishes,

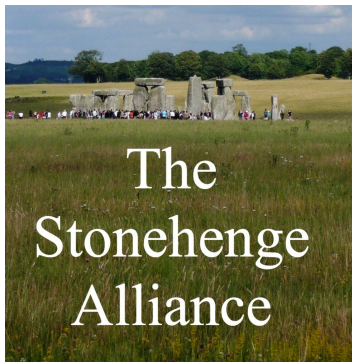
John Adams OBE and the Stonehenge Alliance team

TAKE ACTION?

If you would like to draw your MP's attention to the report please ask him or her to forward the summary report to the Transport Secretary, and emphasise the need to carefully scrutinise any value for money figures supplied by National Highways. And please attach the Jonesy cartoon!



"There's no bigger advocate of tunnelling than me, but this just doesn't add up"



ABOUT THE STONEHENGE ALLIANCE

The Stonehenge Alliance is a group of non-governmental organisations and individuals that seeks enhancements to the Stonehenge World Heritage Site and opposes development that would cause it significant harm.. [More about us](#)

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