

12<sup>th</sup> June 2015

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Dear Mr Ridley

**Re: Patrick Derek Sturtivant – Deceased**  
**A303 at Stonehenge**

I refer to your Regulation 28 Report dated 17 April 2015 provided to the Council. I can confirm that officers have now carefully considered the contents of your report and have now commenced the process of exploring a number of potential solutions. The Council has now undertaken an informal discussion with Highways England (formerly the Highways Agency) and contact has also been made with Historic England (formerly English Heritage).

However as was recognised by you in your report, any potential solutions will require a multi-agency approach. Highways England own, maintain and control the surface (and verges) of the A303, and are also considering potential long term solutions in order to mitigate the continuing traffic difficulties along this section of the A303. Historic England owns the land on which Stonehenge is situated and has care and control of the stones as ancient monuments. The National Trust is a significant landowner in this area and own the land on which byway 11 is located. The Council are the local highway authority who own (surface), control and maintain the rights of way in the area including byway 11. The Police are responsible for enforcement of the A303 clearway order and the no right turn out of byway 12. Whilst a solution is being explored by the various agencies the Police may be in a position to undertake appropriate enforcement action to prevent vehicles stopping along this section of the A303.

As a multi-agency approach is required in order to determine an appropriate long term solution, the timescales for decision making and implementation are unfortunately difficult to determine at this early stage. However the Council would wish to make a formal request to extend the period for providing a formal response to the report and timetable for any proposed action to you under paragraph 28 (5) to twelve months.

Yours sincerely

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