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Dear Mr Madge

**AIRMEN'S CROSS AT JUNCTION OF A344 AND A360, SALISBURY,
WINTERBOURNE STOKE, WINTERBOURNE STOKE, WILTSHIRE, SP3 4DX**

**Notification under Environment/DCMS Circular 01/2001
Town and Country Planning (General Development Procedure) Order 1995
Application for Planning Permission by English Heritage.**

**Airmen's Corner land South East of the junction of the A360 and A344 Salisbury
SP3 4DX
Application No S.09.1527.FULL**

**Decommissioning of existing visitor facilities and a section of the A344; the
erection of a new visitor centre, car park, coach park and ancillary services
building and related highways and landscaping works.**

**Notification under Environment/DCMS Circular 01/2001
Application for Listed Building Consent by English Heritage**

**Airmen's Cross at Junction of A344 and A360.
Application No S/2009/528**

Relocation of the Airmen's Cross memorial.

**The List of Documents received, upon which this advice is based is as set out
the full planning application.**



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Thank you for your letters of 19 October notifying English Heritage of an application for planning permission by English Heritage relating to land at Airmen's Corner south east of the junction of the A360 and A344 Salisbury SP3 4DX and an application for listed building consent by English Heritage to move the Airmen's Cross at the junction of the A344 and A360.

We do not intend to comment in detail on these proposals but we offer the following observations to assist with determining the applications.

English Heritage advice

We confirm that these applications by English Heritage

- were the subject of pre application discussion within English Heritage
- were considered against the standards we apply in advising on planning applications
- are submitted with the corporate support of English Heritage.

With reference to the impact of these proposals on the historic environment, you are particularly referred to sections 5.8.11 and 5.8.12 of the Environmental Statement which fully represent the view of English Heritage. Our overall view of the impact of the application on the historic environment is set out in section 5.8.13 which is worth quoting in full:

“On balance, taking into account the benefits of the proposed development in sustaining the Outstanding Universal Value of the Stonehenge WHS, the overall cumulative effect of the Scheme would have a **Large Beneficial** impact”.

With reference to the listed building consent application to relocate the Grade II listed Airmen's Cross, you are referred to section 5.6.58 of the Environmental Statement. This memorial dating to 1912 has been relocated at least once already during a previous reconfiguration of the road junction. The proposed new location will allow visitors to access it more safely than at present, and is nearer to the original crash site, the event which it commemorates.

Next steps

We advise that this case should be determined in accordance with government guidance, development plan policies and with the benefit of any further necessary



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conservation advice locally. It is not therefore necessary for us to be consulted again on this application.

Yours sincerely

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