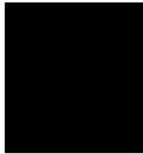


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Good evening,

I believe there was an online consultation for the A417 missing link project that closed recently. Despite being involved in nearly every consultation so far, I appear to have missed this one; I am not sure how it was communicated to locals.

I live in the village of Birdlip, one of the closest to the A417 in its current guise, and I would like to take the opportunity to register my full support for option 30. I have considered both options presented in the consultations, including the inevitable disruption that will arise during construction, and have concluded that it would be in the best interests of the vast majority of locals, tourists, passers through and local commuters if the road was moved as you have initially suggested in your Preferred Route Announcement. I cannot see, in any circumstances, how Option 12 would solve any of the current issues we experience with congestion, accidents, risk and pollution along the stretch from Nettleton Bottom right down to Shurdington. It is, at best, a short- to medium-term solution that will provide only limited mitigation. Given the cost and time investment in this project, it seems illogical to only deliver such tiny benefits.

I am aware that the formal deadline was in early September, but note that input has been accepted beyond that date and hope, therefore, that I am not too late to register my support.

With best regards,

Shaun Wills

