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I m a Cowley Parish Councillor but this my personal representation. Unfortunately, there are differences over the A417 which the Parish Councillors cannot agree on. As regards Cowley Parish Council Representations to HE or inspectorate no submissions have been submitted without either being revised or censored in its entirety since I joined the Parish Council in June 2018. Unfortunately, due to the fact that Cowley Councillors are in the minority on the Council, we are being consistently outvoted and effectively prevented from carrying out our duty to represent the interests of the community of Cowley. Fundamentally the initial Parish Council Consultation is flawed: Firstly, June 2017 no Cowley Councillor at Engagement evening at Elkstone, two from Birdlip. Secondly, in November 2017 reported that residents of Birdlip, Cowley (3or4 people attended) and many surrounding villages attended a meeting. Clerk collating the issues, concerns and suggestions and sent to HE. Were all these comments sent under the auspices of Cowley Parish Council with a preference for route 30? Did the other villages then send there own comments under their own Parish Councils? Thirdly, in February 2019 asked to take part in video production on route 30 by HE. No discussion as pto content, no vote, no draft. I submitted the ratrunning report on behalf of Cowley but I was asked to amend by Birdlip before submission. This was not reciprocated by Birdlip and when asked to make changes, the email was ignored and presumably submitted. Unanimous is constantly used by The Parish Council but definitely has not been since 2019.