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**From:** Byron Resch  
**Sent:** 20 May 2018 16:17  
**To:** TRANSPORTANDWORKSACT  
**Subject:** Objection - Rother Valley Railway (Bodiam to Robertsbridge Junction) Order

Dear My Grayling

I am hereby officially objecting to the proposed Rother Valley Railway (Bodiam to Robertsbridge Junction) Order.

My name is Byron Resch, I reside at

I object to the Rother Valley Railway (Bodiam to Robertsbridge Junction) Order for the following reasons:

- 1) There is no compelling case for Compulsory Purchase powers to be used to acquire land from our local farmers for non essential infrastructure/hobby railway.
- 2) There will be no tangible economic benefit to the surrounding Robertsbridge area. The Other Valley Railway have admitted that Robertsbridge would not benefit from this project.
- 3) The Other Valley Railway is proposing 3 new level crossings, 1 of which will be across the very busy A21. This will cause huge disruption to motorists and is contrary to the Government's and Network Rail's policy to remove as many level crossings as possible as they are deemed to be dangerous.
- 4) The flooding risk. Reports show increased flooding potential to properties in and around Robertsbridge and Salehurst. These have not been mitigated.
- 5) The destruction of habitats on Moat farm that have been untouched for decades.
- 6) This is a new railway not a reinstatement as claimed by Rother Valley Railway. The track bed does not exist any longer.
- 7) I request a new public enquiry as the existing documents appear to be inadequate and out of date.
- 8) There will be an increase in noise, smoke and diesel fume pollution from the trains and emissions from cars held up at the new level crossings.

As a Conservative voter I hope that you take my objection to the Rother Valley Railway (Bodiam to Robertsbridge Junction) Order seriously.

Best wishes,

Byron Resch

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