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Harriet Cunningham

Dear Chris Grayling MP

I am writing to raise my concerns about the Rother Valley Railway (Bodiam to Robertsbridge Junction) Order.

I feel very strongly that there is no compelling case for Compulsory Purchase powers to be used to acquire land for non essential infrastructure. I have raised my concerns to my local MP Huw Merriman about this.

Living in this area and being very dependent on the A21 I also want to raise my concerns around the proposed level crossings that will cause disruption on this main road. There has been a huge amount of money spent on improving the A21 around Tunbridge Wells which after years of being a bottle neck has improved traffic dramatically and I feel as a small business dependent on tourism has encouraged visitors to the local area as they are not put off by traffic jams. Hastings and the local area are going to be majorly affected by this disruption in their main transport route, which is already suffering from congestion. Surely this is counterproductive to improving infrastructure to the area and contrary to the Government and Network Rails policy to remove as many level crossings as possible as they are deemed to be dangerous.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Harriet Cunningham

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