Shenaz Choudhary

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From:

DFT Ministers

Sent:

02 May 2018 14:12

To:

Shenaz Choudhary

Subject:

FW: Proposed Rother Valley Railway Extension

Hi Shenaz,

I believe you're the correct person to send this to, please let me know if not.

Many Thanks,

-Grace

Grace Mulligan | Correspondence Clerk, Private Office Correspondence, Department for Transport 5/11 | 0207 944 4323 | 07500 669555

From: TransportSecretary Sent: 02 May 2018 11:46

To: POCorrespondence <POCorrespondence@dft.gov.uk> **Subject:** FW: Proposed Rother Valley Railway Extension

Nicolas Turner | Diary Manager and Assistant Private Secretary, Secretary of State for Transport, Department for Transport 5/13 | 020 7944 4397 | 07966 512575

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From: GRAYLING, Chris [mailto:chris.grayling.mp@parliament.uk]

Sent: 02 May 2018 10:45 To: TransportSecretary

Subject: FW: Proposed Rother Valley Railway Extension

From: Helen Passfield | Sent: 02 May 2018 10:35

To: GRAYLING, Chris < chris.grayling.mp@parliament.uk Subject: FW: Proposed Rother Valley Railway Extension

Dear Mr Grayling

Also for your attention. I would be keen to understand your views and planned actions on the matter in your capacity of Secretary of State for Transport.

Further, please accept this as an objection to the proposal.

Yours Sincerely Helen Passfield

Helen Passfield

Director

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From: Helen Passfield Sent: 30 April 2018 12:47

To: MERRIMAN, Huw (huw.merriman.mp@parliament.uk) **Subject:** Proposed Rother Valley Railway Extension

Dear Huw

I am writing to express my concern for this project for the reasons outlined below.

Whether or not you agree with the project to extend and re-open the old steam railway, I find it hugely concerning that a compulsory purchase order can be imposed upon an asset owner for a project which is not entirely essential public infrastructure. If this were to be granted I believe it poses a risk to all UK asset owners, potentially losing their property and livelihood in circumstances beyond their control. For example, could I, and would it be fair to let my horses graze on a neighbour's vegetable garden and tell them it would be ok I would be happy to pay rent or purchase the area? This is a simple extension of the proposed premis here.

Further, for this specific development concerns I do not believe have been adequately addressed are:

Environmental Impact

Flooding assessment in the river valley, impact upon flora and fauna, and harmful emissions, the type which belong in the last century, when many of us are doing our best to reduce our own carbon and pollution footprints in this day and age with current scientific knowledge.

Traffic Disruption

For local residents, including the need for a level crossing on the already bottlenecked A21 would be severely disruptive. In general it would increase pollution and reduce safety.

I would be interested in further information on how you plan to address these concerns.

Thank you in advance for you attention.

Yours Sincerely

Helen Passfield

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Director

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