

Angela Foster

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From: melanie todd
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To: TRANSPORTANDWORKSACT
Subject: Robertsbridge - no RVR

As a resident of Robertsbridge since 1999 I am writing to object to the extension of the railway line by Rother Valley Railway from Robertsbridge to Bodiam for the following reasons:

No compelling case for Compulsory Purchase powers to be used to acquire land for non essential infrastructure/hobby railway.

No tangible economic benefit to surrounding area. RVR have also admitted that Robertsbridge would not benefit from this project.

A total of three new level crossings, one of which will be across the 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.

Flooding risk. Reports show increased flooding potential to properties in and around Robertsbridge and Salehurst. These have not been mitigated.

Destruction of habitats on Moat farm that have been untouched for decades.

This is a new railway not a reinstatement as claimed by RVR. The track bed does not exist any longer.

Requests for a public enquiry as the documents appear to be inadequate/out of date.

Noise, smoke and diesel fume pollution from the trains and emissions from cars held up at the level crossings.

Please keep me informed of any further developments

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Regards

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