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Subject: Rother Valley Railway(Bodiam to robertsbridge junction)order.

Dear Sirs

I have been shocked at the sudden appearance of much publicity and "renta-crowd" type action designed to stop the completion of our railway restoration process. Most villagers have been happily supportive for years, but have stopped going to meetings to avoid being shouted down!

The objections produced at this late stage are all thought up in support of the interest of two landowners. Their views are understandable, but should never be allowed to outweigh the obvious massive benefits to both our village and the others up the line to Tenterden.

Their favourite weapon has become the Level Crossing, which was studied in detail and approved in principle months ago. Exact operating details are available, amounting to no more than a traffic light and operating far more infrequently. We are told many motor cyclists were deceived into objecting on this ground, without knowing the facts, and even Hastings MP has now joined in, to deprive her constituents of a nearby train accessible delight.

This crossing would be a minute inconvenience set against the huge contribution such an attraction offers to the vitality all the villages on and near the line and the pleasure for tourists from London and far afield taking and outing in Sussex countryside entirely by train, -- no parking and no pollution.

I support the application.

P Underhill

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