

From: Jonathan Baker
Sent: 15 May 2018 20:49
To: TRANSPORTANDWORKSACT
Subject: Re: Rother Valley Railway. Bodiam to Robertsbridge

My name is Jonathan Baker
My address is

On Tue, 15 May 2018, 11:20 TRANSPORTANDWORKSACT,
<TRANSPORTANDWORKSACT@dft.gov.uk> wrote:

Dear Sir,

Thank you for your e-mail. In order to formally register your support to the scheme, I would be grateful if you would furnish us with a full postal address.

Kind regards,

Angela Foster

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My usual working hours are 7.30-4.00, Tuesday to Thursday.

-----Original Message-----

From: Jonathan Baker [mailto:
Sent: 14 May 2018 21:07
To: TRANSPORTANDWORKSACT <TRANSPORTANDWORKSACT@dft.gov.uk>
Subject: Rother Valley Railway. Bodiam to Robertsbridge

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A sensible green transport link to Bodiam Castle and Tenterden.
A pleasant steam train ride for families especially those who do not have access to a car.

The Rother Valley Railway has provided all the professional information required, environmental statement, detailed plans, a book of reference to all affected landowners.

There is no choice due to the low lying land but to have automatic level crossings for the three roads involved. The exception would be for the A21 if it was to be dualled, then a bridge over the line would be required.

I have a suggestion for the farmer who used the land for arable crops Firstly a drainage ditch to intercept

the existing field drains on the North side of the proposed railway then using the proposed culvert's across the line to drain down to the river .

Secondly the uneconomic shape and size of severed land to be planted up with native woodland trees that could be coppiced every 10 years to provide woodchip mulch or chips for bio mass boilers. A farmer in Blean has a bio mass boilers to heat his house and the guesthouses on his farm.

I have walked the section of the line back in 1977 after the track was lifted and before the track was sold off. The route is a pleasant one in the peace and quiet of the Weald in East Sussex.

Please give this application a fair hearing and hope it will be approved.

Jonathan Baker

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