

Shenaz Choudhary

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From: EmmottJ&C
Sent: 21 May 2018 16:12
To: TRANSPORTANDWORKSACT
Subject: Re: TWAO Proposed Rother Valley Railway (Bodiam to Robertsbridge Junction) Order

Dear Shenaz Choudhary.
Sorry about that. My address is as follows:-

Kind Regards,
Revd John Emmott

From: TRANSPORTANDWORKSACT
Sent: Monday, May 21, 2018 3:42 PM
To: 'EmmottJ&C'
Subject: RE: TWAO Proposed Rother Valley Railway (Bodiam to Robertsbridge Junction) Order

Dear Reverend Emmott,

Thank you for your e-mail, in order to formally register your support we require a postal address..

Many thanks
Shenaz Choudhary

Ms Shenaz Choudhary | Transport Works Act Order, Department for Transport
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From: EmmottJ&C [n]
Sent: 21 May 2018 15:25
To: TRANSPORTANDWORKSACT <TRANSPORTANDWORKSACT@dft.gov.uk>
Subject: TWAO Proposed Rother Valley Railway (Bodiam to Robertsbridge Junction) Order

Dear Secretary of State,
I am writing in favour of the proposed extension of the Rother Valley Railway. It has been made clear by an independent survey that the benefit to the local area can be measured in millions. Should the extension go ahead it means for the first time in 50+ years Tenterden Residents can travel to London and elsewhere by train and Day Trippers from London and elsewhere can visit such attractions as Bodiam Castle, Tenterden Town etc saving an enormous amount of road mileage. The amount of land required is 10 acres but it should be remembered that the railway was there since the 1890's and will follow the same route as originally. No virgin territory will be involved. The railway will also be in consultation with the farmer to establish accommodation crossings and/or private level crossings to enable him to get to land on the other side of the railway. The farm in question presumably operated successfully for 60 years despite the presence of the railway and no doubt used it to its advantage.

Quite apart from anything else, the whole project is being financed privately without any call on the public purse. There will be employment opportunities and vacancies for part time and volunteer staff. Furthermore there will be the creation of a wild life corridor and all that that implies. The RVR has not attempted to ride roughshod over the two land owners involved but has made very generous offers to both in an attempt to resolve this problem by negotiation. I trust you will look favourably on this application.

Yours sincerely,
Reverend John Emmott

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