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Dear Sir/Madam

RE: TWA/18/APP/02/SUPP/177

In my role as Rother District Council's Cabinet Portfolio Holder for Environment, Transport and Bexhill Town Centre, I am very supportive of the reinstatement of Rother Valley Railway, as it accords with the Council's Development Plans. The Planning Application was supported unanimously by all members of the Planning Committee and I understand you have a formal letter from the Leader of the Council expressing our full support.

I would wish to have an opportunity to address the proposed Public Inquiry which I understand is being planned for mid-2019. The project will bring very significant benefits and employment to the area as well as bringing huge pleasure to a very wide cross section of people who will have access by rail from London and the South Coast. The project has been thoroughly investigated and developed with extremely wide consultation and the designs and study reports have been undertaken by some of UK's leading Consultancies.

I look forward to hearing when the dates for the Public Inquiry are finalised and that I will have the opportunity to address the Inspector.

Yours faithfully

Councillor Ian Hollidge

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