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From:

Harriet Dipper

Sent:

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To:

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Subject:

Rother Valley Railway, Bodiam to Robertsbridge Junction

Dear sir,

I am emailing to object to the proposed scheme to extend the steam railway from Bodiam to Robertsbridge. My reasons are -

- destruction of wildlife across the two farms
- pollution from the steam and diesel trains affecting the countryside
- a level crossing to be put across the bridleway where my sister and I ride. There are very few places to ride safely and if the steam line is allowed we will no longer be able to ride along the bridleway as it will be too dangerous as the horses will be terrified.
- level crossings across 3 roads, including the A21 which is so busy
- congestion in our village of Robertsbridge
- parking problems in our village
- possible flooding if the track is allowed to cross the flood plain
- closure and change of footpaths in the village
- there will be no benefit to our village. We don't want tourists/trippers, even the RVR have admitted there is no benefit to the village to have the railway. visitors will just get the steam train to Bodiam or Tenterden.

Please don't let Rother Valley Railway and the men behind this scheme ruin our lovely countryside and village. No charity or company should be allowed to use a compulsory purchase order to force a farmer to sell his land.

Miss Harriet Dipper

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