



28. May 2018.

Dear Sir,

Rother Valley Railway (Bodiam to Robertsbridge Junction) Order.

I fully support the application for a Transport and Works Act Order and think the best reason for support is outlined in the report from the Metropolitan University of Manchester into the economic benefits estimated at £4.1 million annually from the joining of the two parts of the railway.

Currently, important tourist sites in the area have to be accessed, at least partially, by road. Transport completely by rail from Hastings and London would make visiting more attractive and to some extent reduce road traffic.

Benefits to local businesses from increased custom can be expected and there will be increased employment.

opportunities. On the railway more full and part time staff and increase in volunteers will be needed.

There will also be a benefit to the ecology of the rural environment by the creation of a protected wild life corridor along the new section of railway.

All the economic benefits would be achieved without charge to the public as the project to join the parts of the railway is being financed privately.

I hope the points made in my submission will be received favourably and with others will lead to the issue of an Order in response to the Application.

Yours faithfully

Mr DAVID E. POST.