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Subject: FW: Response to Peter Hendy's closing remarks

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To: Brenda Taplin <Brenda.Taplin@gateleyhamer.com> **Subject:** Response to Peter Hendy's closing remarks

The Inspector invited responses to this by the end of today. All I want to say is,

"It is ludicrous to imply any equivalence between this proposed railway and the Exeter-Okehampton line, which will run trains for commuters and run all year. I think it also possible it will facilitate replacement of the route which runs through Dawlish, the only route serving Cornwall, (which has been closed twice for long periods in recent years after being engulfed by the sea) with an inland route which would be more climate change resilient. That is important infrastructure: a few lines of steam railway is not. "

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