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Your reference:

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Dear

ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION REGULATIONS 2004 - DISCLOSURE

The council has completed its search relating to your request for information about public transport, which we received on 06 July 2015.

The council does hold information within the definition of your request.

Request

I was wondering if you have already compiled a report on the coverage of public transport within your area (including each district and or / city council). I am particularly interested in seeing a table of modes, service providers, areas served (in district terms not roads) and when they started servicing those areas as a basic request. If you have more time, it would be nice to see how much of your area is accessible by public transport and the level of subsidiaries needed to support each service provider to maintain accessibility.

Response

Whilst there is no report on coverage of public transport in Cumbria, this information can be obtained from our Passenger Transport map attached.

- Red routes are those with a 2 hourly of better service
- Green routes have a daily bus service
- Pink routes have a weekly bus service
- Yellow routes have Summer only bus services

Service numbers also appear on the map and timetables can be found on the Council's website www.cumbria.gov.uk/buses. Timetables for all rail services, which in certain parts of the County provide the main public transport option, (e.g. Whitehaven – Barrow, Carlisle – Dent), can also be found on the site.

Whilst there are large areas of the County which do not have public transport links, much of this area is very sparsely populated. The Council offers Demand Responsive Transport, through its Rural Wheels scheme, to residents in these areas.

The County Council ceased to fund bus services in Cumbria in November 2014, as part of a need to find £80 million of savings on its overall budget. Some services are provided with the help of financial support from other bodies e.g. Parish Councils.

The majority of bus services are provided by Stagecoach in Cumbria, with the rest provided by a number of small local operators, plus larger companies running into Carlisle from outside of the County.

If you require any further information please contact our Scheduled Bus Services team at integrated.transport@cumbria.gov.uk

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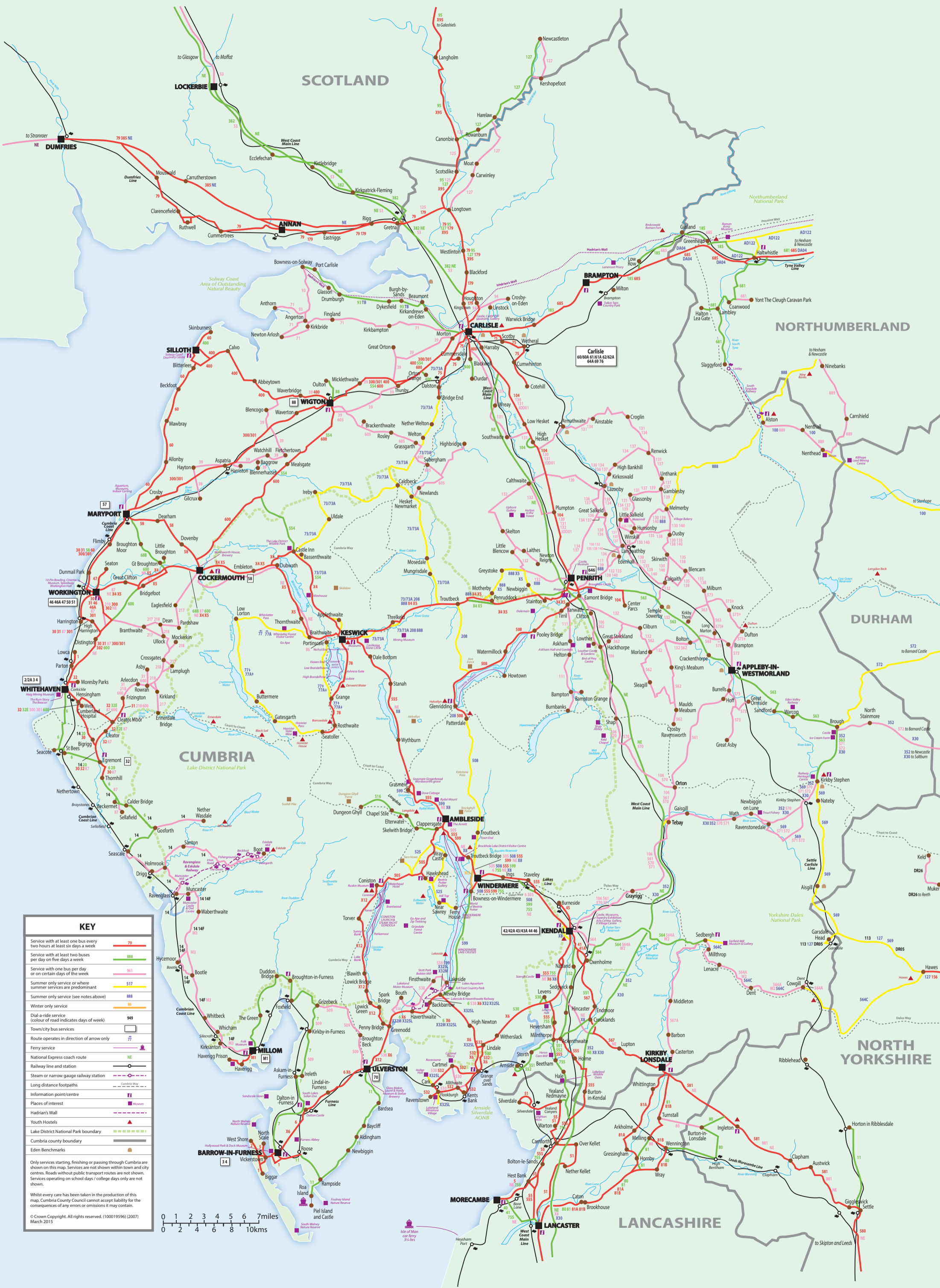
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Yours sincerely,

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KEY	
Service with at least one bus every two hours at least six days a week	79
Service with at least two buses per day on five days a week	888
Service with one bus per day or on certain days of the week	561
Summer only service or where summer services are predominant	517
Summer only service (see notes above)	888
Winter only service	86
Dial-a-ride service (colour of road indicates days of week)	949
Town/city bus services	77
Route operates in direction of arrow only	77
Ferry service	77
National Express coach route	NE
Railway line and station	77
Steam or narrow gauge railway station	77
Long distance footpaths	77
Information point/centre	77
Places of interest	77
Hadrian's Wall	77
Youth Hostels	77
Lake District National Park boundary	77
Cumbria county boundary	77
Eden Benchmarks	77

Only services starting, finishing or passing through Cumbria are shown on this map. Services are not shown within town and city centres. Roads without public transport routes are not shown. Services operating on school days / college days only are not shown.

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