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Dear Mr Whittaker

**- DISCLOSURE**

The council has completed its search relating to your request for information regarding Public Rights of Way GIS Data and Descriptions, which was received on 24 August 2017.

Request

Under the Environmental Information Regulations, I would like to request a copy of:

1. The digitised version / working copy of your Definitive Map of Public Rights of Way, e.g. as used to show the routes in the online map at <https://apps1.wdm.co.uk/Pipcumbriahms/map.aspx?cg=PROW>. My preferred format for this GIS data would be one of KML, GeoJSON, MapInfo or Shapefile. (I realise that this data is not the actual Definitive Map, but just an unofficial representation of it, which may contain errors. But that is fine for my purposes.)

2. A copy of your Definitive Statements of Public Rights of Way, assuming these are held in digital form (either scanned copies or native digital versions). I would prefer the information in a re-usable (computer readable) format.

Response

Cumbria County Council does not have an electronic version of the definitive map or definitive statement of Public Rights of Way. At the present time, we are working towards developing this but as yet the information is not available. When we have established a budget for completion of the digitisation of the map and the project is completed we can then look into releasing the information requested. The electronic lines we show on our website are only a representation, lines that have not been proofed against the definitive lines.

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Yours sincerely,

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