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Dear Mr Bradley

Information request
Reference number: FOI2018/00572

Thank you for your email of 10th May 2018, in which you requested the following information:

I would like to request information as to the Gauge & Length of the following railway tunnels...

*Stanningley Tunnel
Wakefield Road Tunnel
Bowling Tunnel
New Furnace Tunnel
Wyke Tunnel
Lightcliffe Tunnel
Hipperholme Tunnel
Beacon Hill Tunnel
Bankhouse Tunnel
Sowerby Bridge Tunnel
Weasel Hall Tunnel
Horsfall Tunnel
Castle Hill Tunnel
Millwood Tunnel
Winterbutlee Tunnel
Dean Royd Tunnel
Summit East Tunnel
Summit Tunnel
Summit West Tunnel*

Collyhurst Tunnel
Salterhebble Tunnel
Elland Tunnel
Kitsonwood Tunnel
Townley Tunnel
Holme Tunnel
Blackburn Tunnel

I have processed your request under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) and I can confirm that we hold some information you have requested.

Tunnel length

Please find attached a spreadsheet labelled “*FOI201800572 Tunnel Length.xls*” detailing the length of all of the tunnels above except for “New Furnace Tunnel” where we hold no recorded information.

Tunnel Gauge

I can confirm we hold this information, however, section 21 of the FOIA allows us to withhold information in response to a request if it is reasonably accessible to the applicant by other means.

You can find the gauge clearance within the National Electronic Sectional Appendix (NESA) page within the Network Rail website. Once you have clicked on the attached link, please scroll down that page and click on ‘view Sectional Appendix PDF copies’, you will then be able to view the route of your choice.

[Sectional Appendix](#) ¹

I hope the information I have provided is useful, If you have any enquiries about this response, please contact me in the first instance at FOI@networkrail.co.uk or on 01908 782405. Details of your appeal rights are below.

Please remember to quote the reference number at the top of this letter in all future communications.

Yours sincerely
Joanne West

¹ <https://www.networkrail.co.uk/industry-commercial-partners/information-operating-companies/national-electronic-sectional-appendix/>

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If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

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