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Dear Mr Paulley,

Information request

Reference number: FOI201700511

Thank you for your email of 18th April 2017. You requested the following information:

On 7th April 2017 at approximately 1500 BST, the 1454 Newcastle to Hexham, operated by a Class 142 Pacer led by coach 55783, was involved in a near collision with a cyclist crossing the line somewhere in the vicinity of Blaydon. Two cyclists were intending on crossing the line; one crossed in the immediate path of the train whilst the other waited for the train to pass first, resulting in the train driver sounding the horn continuously for 10+ seconds.

Please tell me the precise location and time of the incident, and supply copies of the resultant reports and investigations.

I have processed your request under the terms of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

I can inform you that we have searched our records and we do not hold the information you requested.

To explain a little further, our searches did not identify any incident that met the exact details of your request, but did identify an incident involving two cyclists which was reported by the driver of the 14:30 Newcastle- Nunthorpe train at 15:08 on the 7th April 2017.

We are happy to complete searches for any relevant information regarding this incident that we may hold. If you would like us to do this then please do contact us.

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

Robert Malcolm
Information Officer

Appeal Rights

If you are unhappy with the way your request has been handled and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, please write to the FOI Compliance and Appeals Manager at Network Rail, Freedom of Information, The Quadrant, Elder Gate, Milton Keynes, MK9 1EN, or by email at foi@networkrail.co.uk. Your request must be submitted within 40 working days of receipt of this letter.

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:

Information Commissioner's Office
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