

**T/Chief Constable**  
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Carleton Hall Penrith,  
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22<sup>nd</sup> December 2025

Dear

**FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST – FOI 1351/25 Hunt Community Protection Notice Warnings**

I refer to your request for information which was received by Cumbria Constabulary on 30<sup>th</sup> September 2025. I note you seek access to the following information:

*I would like to request information on the issuing of Community Protection Notice Warning's (CPN(w) For Hunts in Cumbria.*

*The current list of registered packs is as follows:*

- *Blencathra Foxhounds*
- *Melbreak Foxhounds*
- *Ennerdale&Eskdale Foxhounds*
- *Ullswater Foxhounds*
- *Coniston Foxhounds*
- *North Lonsdale Hunt*
- *North Cumberland Hunt*
- *Bewcastle Hunt*
- *Cumbria Beagles*
- *Black Combe Beagles*
- *Bleasdale Beagles*

*Please provide information of:*

- *Which Hunts have been issued CPN's or CPNW and \*The dates they were issued.*
- *The duration of the Notices.*
- *The conditions of the Notices.*

Your request for information has now been considered and I can confirm Cumbria Constabulary does hold some information relevant to your request and where this is the case I have today decided to disclose this to you.

Hunt Name	Date Issued	Duration	Conditions
<b>Blencathra Foxhounds</b>	8th September 2025	9 months	1. Inform Cumbria Police via email to <a href="mailto:101Emails@cumbria.police.uk">101Emails@cumbria.police.uk</a> , at least 24 hours in advance, of when and where a trail hunt (event or otherwise) is to occur, along with



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			<p>details of the person in charge at such a meet, by way of their name and a contact phone number.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2. Create a map of where every/all trail(s) is (are) laid – recording this on video on every hunt or training event and provide a copy of the same map and copies of trails within 48 hours, if so requested by Police.</li> <li>3. Gain prior written permission from any landowners over whose land the trail passes, which should confirm that permission has been given for their land to be used for trail hunting activities. Such permissions should be produced to the police upon request.</li> <li>4. Ensure that no member of the hunt shall trespass on private land.</li> </ol> <p><b>(Requirements 1-4 will address the behaviour relating to trespassing on private land)</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>5. Whipper in and huntsmen to control the hounds to prevent them straying onto private land or vehicular/pedestrian carriageways so as to be likely to cause a nuisance to road/private land users.</li> </ol> <p><b>(Requirement 5 will address the behaviour relating to hounds being out of control)</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>6. To have the artificial scent ready to show, should Police Officers attend and request this.</li> <li>7. Trails should be laid well away from main roads.</li> <li>8. In the event of any accidental kills of wild mammals, to contact the Police straight away and refer to the original log number (provided at the time of your report) leaving the animal in situ as evidence.</li> </ol> <p><b>(Requirements 6-8 will address the behaviour relating to hounds being out of control and pursuing wildlife)</b></p>
<b>Melbreak Foxhounds</b>	8th September 2025	9 months	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Inform Cumbria Police via email to <a href="mailto:101Emails@cumbria.police.uk">101Emails@cumbria.police.uk</a> , at least 24 hours in advance, of when</li> </ol>



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<b>North Cumberland Hunt</b>	8th September 2025	9 months	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Inform Cumbria Police via email to <a href="mailto:101Emails@cumbria.police.uk">101Emails@cumbria.police.uk</a> , at least 24 hours in advance, of when and where a trail hunt (event or otherwise) is to occur, along with details of the person in charge at such a meet, by</li> </ol>



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### Complaint Rights

If you believe your request has not been properly handled, or you are otherwise dissatisfied with the outcome of your request, you have the right to request an internal review.

In the first instance, please email [freedomofinformation@cumbria.police.uk](mailto:freedomofinformation@cumbria.police.uk) quoting the FOI reference number and explain why you are dissatisfied. Your complaint will be considered and a response will be provided to you after your complaint has been investigated.

If you remain dissatisfied following conclusion of the internal review, you have the right, under section 50 of the Freedom of Information Act, to complain directly to the Information Commissioner.

The address for the Information Commissioner can be found below:

The Information Commissioner  
Wycliffe House  
Water Lane  
Wilmslow  
Cheshire  
SK9 5AF

Complaints to the Information Commissioner can also be made online:

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I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your interest in Cumbria Constabulary.



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