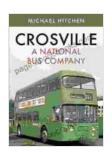
# **Crosville National Bus Company: A Comprehensive History**

Crosville National Bus Company was one of the largest and most successful bus companies in Britain. It operated a vast network of services across the north-west of England and Wales, and its distinctive blue and cream buses were a familiar sight on the roads for over 70 years.



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This book tells the story of Crosville National Bus Company, from its humble beginnings in the early 1900s to its eventual demise in the 1980s. It is a fascinating tale of innovation, competition, and changing social attitudes.

## **The Early Years**

Crosville National Bus Company was founded in 1913 by a consortium of local bus operators. The company's first buses were horse-drawn, but it quickly adopted motor buses as they became more popular.

In the early years, Crosville National Bus Company faced stiff competition from other bus companies, as well as from the railways. However, the company's strong management team and its commitment to providing a reliable and efficient service helped it to survive and prosper.

#### **The Interwar Years**

The interwar years were a period of great growth for Crosville National Bus Company. The company expanded its network of services, and it also began to operate express coach services linking the north-west of England with other parts of the country.

In 1932, Crosville National Bus Company became a public limited company. This gave the company access to new capital, which it used to invest in new buses and garages.

#### The Second World War

The Second World War had a major impact on Crosville National Bus Company. The company's buses were requisitioned for military use, and its services were disrupted by the blackout and the rationing of fuel.

Despite these challenges, Crosville National Bus Company continued to operate a vital service throughout the war. The company's buses transported workers to and from factories and munitions plants, and they also played a role in the evacuation of civilians from areas that were under threat of bombing.

### **The Post-War Years**

After the war, Crosville National Bus Company resumed its expansion plans. The company acquired several smaller bus companies, and it also

introduced new services to meet the growing demand for public transport.

In 1968, Crosville National Bus Company became part of the National Bus Company. This gave the company access to even more resources, and it allowed it to continue to invest in new buses and garages.

## The Decline of Crosville National Bus Company

The 1970s and 1980s were a difficult time for Crosville National Bus Company. The company faced increasing competition from private bus operators, and it also suffered from the effects of the recession.

In 1985, Crosville National Bus Company was split up and sold to a number of different operators. This marked the end of an era for one of the most iconic bus companies in Britain.

Crosville National Bus Company was a major force in the development of public transport in the north-west of England and Wales. The company's distinctive blue and cream buses were a familiar sight on the roads for over 70 years, and its services played a vital role in the lives of millions of people.

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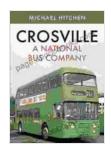
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A Crosville garage in the 1950s





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