The Environment Agency is proposing to revoke (cancel) or reduce the abstraction licence numbers mentioned below.

The Environment Agency is required to give notice of this proposal. The Environment Agency give this notice under section 52 of the Water Resources Act 1991 and regulation 31 of the Water Resources (Abstraction and Impounding) Regulations 2006.

The Environment Agency has made this proposal as part of a programme to achieve sustainable abstraction and to conserve, and secure the proper use of, water resources.

Details of the proposal

The proposal is to revoke (cancel) the following licences:

Licence number 2/27/28/102 allows the licence holder George William Coward & Ralph Coward trading as **G Coward & Sons**, East Grange Farm, Thorganby, York, North Yorkshire to abstract a total of 155 cubic metres (m³) of water a day and a total of 12,500 m³ a year, from the River Derwent. This is between National Grid References (NGRs) SE 6939 4084 and SE 6948 3952. The licence holder can abstract water for spray irrigation, from March to July inclusive.

Licence number 2/26/31/094 allows the licence holder Peter Basil Thomas Beal trading as **Peter B T Beal & Sons**, Great Kendale, Driffield, North Humberside to abstract a total of 1,028 m³ of water a day during the months April to July and 472 m³ a day during the months August to October, and a total of 67,800 m³ a year, from underground strata (chalk). This is at NGR TA 017 602. The licence holder can abstract water for spray irrigation, from April to October inclusive.

The proposal is to reduce the following licences:

Licence number 2/26/31/078 allows the licence holder Joseph William Dewhirst, Catherine Barbara Dewhirst, Timothy Charles Dewhirst and Richard John Dewhirst trading as **E Reed & Son** to abstract a total of 1,800 m³ of water a day, and a total of 63,600 m³ a year, from underground strata (chalk) at Slayersdale Farm, Driffield. This is at NGR TA 019 612. The licence holder can abstract water for spray irrigation, from April to September inclusive.

The proposal is to reduce the annual quantity to 37,023 m³ a year on the licence.

Licence number 2/26/31/105 allows the licence holder Joseph William Dewhirst, Catherine Barbara Dewhirst, Timothy Charles Dewhirst and Richard John Dewhirst trading as **E Reed & Son** to abstract a total of 377.31 m³ of water a day, and a total of 13,630 m³ a year, from underground strata (chalk) at Scarborough Road, Driffield. This is at NGR TA 024 615. The licence holder can abstract water for spray irrigation, from April to September inclusive.

The proposal is to reduce the annual quantity to 1,012 m³ a year on the licence.

How to view the proposal

Please contact us via e-mail at OCS_SA@environment-agency.gov.uk to view a copy of the proposal and any other relevant documents.

How to comment on the proposal

If you want to comment on this proposal, email OCS_SA@environment-agency.gov.uk or write to:

Environment Agency (UU Project) FAO. Polly Chancellor Water Resources Permitting and Support Centre Quadrant Two 99 Parkway Avenue Sheffield S9 4WF

Your email or letter must quote the relevant licence numbers above. The Environment Agency must receive your comments by 20 April 2023.

If you have any questions about this notice, phone Kirsty Deavall on 0203 025 2771.

Signed: Polly Chancellor Date: 23 March 2023