

The Environment Agency is proposing to revoke (cancel)/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) / reduce the following licences:

1. Licence number 18/54/05/0123 allows the licence holder **David Austin Roses Limited, Bowling Green Lane, Albrighton, Wolverhampton, WV7 3HB** to abstract a total of 537 cubic metres (m³) of water a day, and a total of 11,820m³ a year, from the River Worfe at Heath House Farm, Beckbury, Salop. This is at National Grid Reference (NGR) SJ 760 012. The licence holder can abstract water for spray irrigation from 1 April to 31 October inclusive. The proposal is to reduce the annual quantity to 9,347m³ on the licence.
2. Licence number 03/28/17/0001 allows the licence holder **H D Ricketts Limited, Weeford Quarry, London Road, Canwell, Sutton Coldfield, B75 5SY** to abstract a total of 681.9 cubic metres (m³) of water a day, and a total of 245,484m³ a year, from the Black Brook at Weeford Quarry, Weeford, Sutton Coldfield. This is at National Grid Reference (NGR) SK 13552 03620. The licence holder can abstract water for gravel washing and ready mixed concrete manufacture all year round. The proposal is to reduce the annual quantity to 149,615m³ on the licence.
3. Licence number 18/54/04/1089 allows the licence holder **Bromstead Farms Limited, 6290 Bishops Court, Birmingham Business Park, Birmingham, B37 7YB** to abstract a total of 2,232 cubic metres (m³) of water a day, and a total of 93,182m³ a year, from the the Lonco Brook and a field drain tributary in Forton, Staffordshire. This between National Grid References (NGRs) SJ 755 242 and SJ 750 225 and at National Grid Reference SJ 760 227. The licence holder can abstract water for spray irrigation from 1 November to 31 March inclusive. The proposal is to reduce the annual quantity to 58,402m³ on the licence.
4. Licence number 18/54/04/1261 allows the licence holder **D E Timmis & Sons, Knightley Eaves Farm, Eccleshall, Stafford, Staffordshire, ST21 6HS** to abstract a total of 405 cubic metres (m³) of water a day, and a total of 13,700m³ a year, from the the Lonco Brook at Knightley Eaves Farm, Eccleshall. This is at National Grid Reference (NGR) SJ 7985 2700. The licence holder can abstract water for spray irrigation (storage) from 1 November to 31 March inclusive. The proposal is to reduce the annual quantity to 8,131m³ on the licence.
5. Licence numbers 18/54/02/0508 and 18/54/02/0509 are held by the licence holder **E H CROW & SON, HARDWICKE, HADNALL, NR SHREWSBURY, SHROPSHIRE, SY4 3DL**. Licence number 18/54/02/0508 allows the licence holder to abstract a total of 2,640 cubic metres (m³) of water a day, and a total of 100,670m³ a year, from a borehole (underground strata, Triassic Sandstone) at New House Farm, Shawbury, Shropshire. This is at National Grid Reference (NGR) SJ 5341 2180. The licence holder can abstract water for spray irrigation from 1 April to 30 September inclusive. The proposal is to revoke (cancel) the licence.
6. And licence number 18/54/02/0509 allows the licence holder to abstract a total of 46 cubic metres (m³) of water a day, and a total of 16,380m³ a year, from a borehole (underground strata, Triassic Sandstone) at New House Farm, Shawbury,

Shropshire. This is at National Grid Reference (NGR) SJ 5341 2180. The licence holder can abstract water for general farming and domestic use all year round. The proposal is to revoke (cancel) the licence.

7. Licence number 18/54/02/0615 allows the licence holder **Mr J H Jones, Bayston Farm, Bayston Hill, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY3 0AR** to abstract a total of 1,500 cubic metres (m³) of water a day, and a total of 32,000m³ a year, from a borehole (underground strata, sand and gravels) at Conover, Shropshire. This is at National Grid Reference (NGR) SJ 4980 0760. The licence holder can abstract water for spray irrigation from 1 April to 31 October inclusive. The proposal is to revoke (cancel) the licence.
8. Licence number 18/54/05/0219 allows the licence holder **Mr M Eaton, Humphreston Hall, Albrighton, Shropshire, WV7 3AE** to abstract a total of 900 cubic metres (m³) of water a day, and a total of 90,000m³ a year, from a borehole (underground strata, Triassic Sandstone) at Albrighton, Shropshire. This is at National Grid Reference (NGR) SJ 8285 0460. The licence holder can abstract water for spray irrigation from 1 April to 30 September inclusive. The proposal is to revoke (cancel) the licence.
9. Licence number 18/54/04/1175 allows the licence holder **RCA RJ JK & VAL Mackworth, Buntingsdale Hall, Nr Market Drayton, Shropshire, TF9 2EW** to abstract a total of 174 cubic metres (m³) of water a day, and a total of 26,000m³ a year, from the River Tern at Buntingsdale Hall, Nr Market Drayton. This is at National Grid Reference (NGR) SJ 6529 3243. The licence holder can abstract water for circulation through a pool from 1 April to 31 October inclusive. The proposal is to revoke (cancel) the licence.
10. Licence number 18/54/07/0077 allows the licence holder **W A Silvester Ltd, Dunhampton Farm, Dunhampton, Stourport-on-Severn, Worcestershire, DY13 9SW** to abstract a total of 818.28 cubic metres (m³) of water a day, and a total of 18,184m³ a year, from Doverdale Brook and Hadley Brook at Dunhampton, Stourport-on-Severn. This is at National Grid References (NGR) SO 856 658, SO 8590 6504 and SO 8693 6270. The licence holder can abstract water for spray irrigation from 1 March to 31 October inclusive. The proposal is to revoke (cancel) the licence.
11. Licence number 18/54/04/1222 allows the licence holder **Watson Jones Limited, Fernhill, Newport, Shropshire, TF10 8DJ** to abstract a total of 274 cubic metres (m³) of water a day, and a total of 13,638m³ a year, from the River Meese at Pickstock Manor, Pickstock, Newport. This is between National Grid References (NGRs) SJ 7256 2292 and SJ 7240 2317 and between SJ 7265 2280 and SJ 7258 2283. The licence holder can abstract water for spray irrigation from 1 May to 30 November inclusive. The proposal is to revoke (cancel) the licence.
12. Licence numbers 18/54/21/0153 and 18/54/21/0152 are held by the licence holder **Mr A Hulbert, Commonfields Farm, Newent, Gloucestershire, GL18 1JH**. Licence number 18/54/21/0153 allows the licence holder to abstract a total of 1,028 cubic metres (m³) of water a day, and a total of 32,000m³ a year, from a borehole (underground strata- Keuper Sandstone) at Commonfields Farm, Lower Bouldon, Newent, Shropshire. This is at National Grid Reference (NGR) SO 71182 24982. The licence holder can abstract water for filling a reservoir for subsequent spray irrigation from 1 March to 31 October inclusive. The proposal is to revoke (cancel) the licence.
13. And licence number 18/54/21/0152 allows the licence holder to abstract a total of 1,210 cubic metres (m³) of water a day, and a total of 32,000m³ a year, from a reservoir on an unnamed tributary of the Ell Brook at Commonfields Farm, Lower Bouldon, Newent, Shropshire. This is at National Grid Reference (NGR) SO 7121 2499. The licence holder can abstract water for spray irrigation from 1 March to 31 October inclusive. The proposal is to revoke (cancel) the licence.

14. Licence number 18/54/04/1045 allows the licence holder **Melissa Carter-Motley, Estate Office, Eccleshall Castle, Eccleshall, Stafford, ST21 6LS** to abstract a total of 1,136 cubic metres (m³) of water a day, and a total of 28,000m³ a year, from the Commission Drain at Eyton upon the Weald Moors, near Telford, Shropshire. This is at National Grid Reference (NGR) SJ 6401 1580. The licence holder can abstract water for spray irrigation from 1 April to 31 October inclusive. The proposal is to revoke (cancel) the licence.

15. Licence number 18/54/08/0519 allows the licence holder **Nigel Newnham Drew & Robina Drew trading as Hillhampton Salads, Hillhampton, Great Witley, Worcester, WR6 6JU** to abstract a total of 2,184 cubic metres (m³) of water a day, and a total of 366,900m³ a year, from a borehole (underground strata, Triassic Sandstone) at Hillhampton Salads, Hillhampton, Great Witley, Worcester. This is at National Grid Reference (NGR) SO 7718 6569. The licence holder can abstract water for spray irrigation from 1 April to 31 September inclusive. The proposal is to reduce the annual quantity to 46,594m³ on the licence.

16. Licence number 18/54/05/0134 allows the licence holder **Ian Farquharson trading as I Farquharson, Badger Heath Farm, Burnhill Green, Wolverhampton, West Midlands, WV6 7JU** to abstract a total of 335 cubic metres (m³) of water a day, and a total of 22,185m³ a year, from an unnamed tributary of the River Wharfe at Badger, Shropshire. This is between National Grid References (NGRs) SO 7751 9922 and SO 7823 9938. The licence holder can abstract water for spray irrigation from 1 April to 31 September inclusive. The proposal is to reduce the annual quantity to 11,539m³ 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:

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Your email or letter must quote the relevant licence numbers above.
The Environment Agency must receive your comments by 12 April 2026.

If you have any questions about this notice, phone Kirsty Deavall on 07824 320140.

Signed:

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Date: 11 March 2026