

The water will be used for storage in an existing British Sugar Reservoir for subsequent spray irrigation of land at Duncote Farm. Water is to be released into the River Tern during the summer period for re-abstracted between National Grid Reference SJ 564 114 and SJ 590 122.

A copy of the application, map, plans and other documents submitted with it may be inspected, free of charge, at all reasonable hours at Duncote House, Walcot, Telford, between 24th January 1977 and 21st February 1997.

Any person who wishes to make representations about the application should do so in writing to the Environment Agency, Hafton House, Welshpool Road, Shelton, Shrewsbury SY3 8BB, before the end of the said period.

R. C. Griffiths, on behalf of J. R. O. Griffiths & Sons
21st January 1997. (769)

ENVIRONMENT AGENCY

Notice of application to vary a licence to abstract water

Take notice that Mrs. D. E. Saunders & Son, of Langstone Court Farm, Llangarron, Ross-on-Wye, Hereford HR9 6NR, is applying to the Environment Agency to vary licence serial number 19/55/19/141 to abstract water from The Garren Brook, National Grid Reference SO 5350 2233, at Langstone Court Farm, Llangarron, Ross-on-Wye, Hereford.

The variation being applied for is: Abstraction from the Garden Brook to be by means of a pump.

A copy of the application and any map, plans and other documents submitted with it may be inspected, free of charge, at all reasonable hours at Langstone Court Farm, Llangarron, between 23rd January 1977 and 20th February 1997.

Any person who wishes to make representations about the application should do so in writing to the Environment Agency, at Hadnock Road, Monmouth, Gwent NP5 3NQ, before the end of the said period.

A. G. Saunders, on behalf of Andrew G. Saunders
20th January 1997. (771)

ENVIRONMENT AGENCY

Notice of application for a licence to abstract water

Take notice that Hetton Estate Farms, The Estate Office, Hetton Steads, Lowick, Berwick-upon-Tweed, are applying to the Environment Agency for a licence to abstract water from a borehole in the Cementstone Group at National Grid Reference point NU 0501 3503 at Holburn Grange in the parish of Lowick, Berwick-upon-Tweed district of Northumberland. The proposal is to abstract water at the following rates: 6 cubic metres per hour, 116 cubic metres per day, 33,200 cubic metres per year.

The water will be used for domestic and agricultural purposes.

A copy of the application and any map, plans and other documents submitted with it may be inspected, free of charge, at all reasonable hours at The Estate Office, Hetton Steads, Lowick, between 22nd January 1997 and 26th February 1997.

Any person who wishes to make representations about the application should do so in writing to the Environment Agency, Licensing Section, Tyneside House, Skinnerburn Road, Newcastle Business Park, Newcastle upon Tyne NE4 7AR, before the end of the said period.

G. H. Saul, Hetton Estate Farms
16th January 1997. (975)

POST OFFICE

POST OFFICE SCHEME L1/1997

NOTE: The Scheme which follows this note has been made under section 28 of the Post Office Act 1969 and amends the Post Office Inland Letter Post Scheme 1989. The Scheme, which comes into operation on 27th January 1997, makes various amendments including revision of certain postal charges.

(This note is not part of the Scheme).

THE POST OFFICE INLAND LETTER POST AMENDMENT (No. 9) SCHEME 1997

Made - - - 14th January 1997

Coming into operation 27th January 1997

The Post Office, by virtue of the powers conferred on it by section 28 of the Post Office Act 1969 and of all other powers enabling it in this behalf, hereby makes the following Scheme:

1 Commencement and Citation

(i) This Scheme shall come into operation on 27th January 1997 and may be cited as the Post Office Inland Letter Post Amendment (No. 9) Scheme 1997.

(ii) This Scheme shall be read as one with the Post Office Inland Letter Post Scheme 1989 (Post Office Scheme L1/1989) (hereinafter called "the Scheme").

Interpretation

2 In sub-paragraph (1) of paragraph 3 of the Scheme:

(1) The definition of "minimum registration fee" shall be deleted.

(2) A definition of "Registered packet" shall be added as follows: "means a packet sent by the registered service set out in paragraph 34".

(3) A definition of "Registered Plus" shall be added as follows: "means a form of registered service where a higher fee is paid and maximum compensation payable is increased".

Payment of Postage and Fees

3 In sub-paragraph (4) of paragraph 11 of the Scheme the words "of a registration fee" shall be deleted and "for the registered service" inserted in their place.

Express Delivery

4 In sub-paragraph (11) of paragraph 24 of the Scheme the words "postage and" shall be deleted.

5 Sub-paragraphs (12), (13) and (16) of paragraph 24 of the Scheme shall be deleted.

6 Sub-paragraph (15) of paragraph 24 of the Scheme shall be deleted and the following substituted for it:

"The charges payable for the conveyance of express packets shall be as specified in Schedule 4 Part 1."

Redirection by the Public

7 In sub-paragraph (3) (a) of paragraph 28 of the Scheme the words "a fee equal to the minimum registration fee" shall be deleted and "such fee as the Post Office may from time to time decide" inserted in their place.

8 In sub-paragraph (3) (c) of paragraph 28 of the Scheme the words "the fee . . . Schedule 3" shall be deleted and "such fee as the Post Office may from time to time decide" inserted in their place.

Packets for which the Post Office accepts liability

9 In sub-paragraph (7) of paragraph 33 of the Scheme the words "was posted without registration" shall be deleted and "was not posted using the registered service" shall be inserted in their place.

Registration

10 In sub-paragraph (1) of paragraph 34 of the Scheme the words "any postal packet . . . be registered" shall be deleted and the following substituted for them:

"any postal packet weighing less than 30 kg can be sent using the registered service".

11 Sub-paragraph (2) of paragraph 34 of the Scheme shall be deleted and the following substituted for it:

"The charges payable for the conveyance of registered packets shall be as specified in Schedule 4 Part I PROVIDED THAT the sender shall have the choice of using registered or either of the Registered Plus services dependent upon the maximum compensation limit which the sender wishes to obtain".

12 Sub-paragraphs (3) and (4) of paragraph 34 of the Scheme shall be deleted.

Compensation for Registered Packets

13 In sub-paragraph (1) of paragraph 38 of the Scheme the words "Column 2 of Part I of Schedule 4" shall be deleted and "Schedule 4 Part I" shall be inserted in their place.

14 Sub-paragraph (2) of paragraph 38 of the Scheme shall be deleted.

15 In sub-paragraph (3) of paragraph 38 of the Scheme the words "twice . . . Schedule 4" shall be deleted and the following substituted therefore: "the charge made for conveying the packet as detailed in Schedule 4 Part I".

Compensation for certain other postal packets

16 In sub-paragraph 1 of paragraph 39 of the Scheme the words "an express packet," shall be inserted after the words "a registered packet".

Compensation for Express Packets

17 A new paragraph 40 shall be added as follows:
"Compensation for express packets.

(1) The maximum amount which shall be payable for compensating persons aggrieved by the loss of or damage to an express packet and its contents shall be £50.

(2) No liability is accepted for loss of or damage to an express packet unless the conditions set out in Part I of Schedule 5 have been complied with.

(3) No liability is accepted for loss of or damage to any such article as is described in Part II of Schedule 5.

(4) In the event that an express packet is not available for delivery at the place of address on the next working day after the day of posting an amount not exceeding the charge made for conveying the packet as detailed in Schedule 4 Part I may be refunded to the sender of the packet at the discretion of the Post Office.

(5) Where an express packet is tendered for the post office after the latest prescribed time of posting to achieve delivery at the place of address on the next working day it may nevertheless be accepted provided that sub-paragraph (4) shall not apply to such packet."

Registered Postal Packets to and from the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man

18 In sub-paragraph (2)(a) of paragraph 51 of the Scheme the words "Column 2 ... fee paid" shall be deleted and the words "Schedule 4 Part I having regard to the level of charge paid" shall be inserted in their place.

Postal Facilities

19 Schedule 3 paragraph 4 shall be deleted.

Express and Registered Postal Packets

20 Schedule 4 Part I shall be deleted and the following table be inserted in its place.

	<i>Express Delivery</i>	<i>Registered</i>	<i>Registered Plus</i>	<i>Registered Plus</i>
<i>Maximum Compensation</i>	£50	£500	£1,500	£2,200
<i>Weight Band</i>				
1 to 100g	3.20	3.50	4.10	4.55
over 100 to 500g	3.50	3.80	4.40	4.85
over 500 to 1kg	4.60	4.90	5.50	5.95
over 1 to 2kg	5.85	6.15	6.75	7.20
over 2 to 10kg	13.50	13.80	14.40	14.85
for each additional kg or part thereof	75p	75p	75p	75p

Conditions which must be complied with

21 In sub-paragraph 2(1) of Part II of Schedule 4 to the Scheme the words "the fee ... the packet" shall be deleted and the words "charges for the conveyance of a registered packet" shall be inserted in their place.

22 In sub-paragraph 2(2) of Part II of Schedule 4 to the Scheme the words "registration fee ... paid" shall be deleted and the words "registered service has been paid for" shall be inserted in their place.

23 Paragraph 5 of Part II of Schedule 4 shall be deleted.

24 The heading for Schedule 5 should read
"Paragraph 39 and 40".

"COMPENSATION FOR EXPRESS AND OTHER POSTAL PACKETS"

Signed on behalf of the Post Office by M. Hudson (a person authorised by the Post Office to act in that behalf). (6 SI)

ROAD TRAFFIC ACTS

BARROW-IN-FURNESS BOROUGH COUNCIL

The County of Cumbria (Borough of Barrow-in-Furness) (On and Off-Street Parking Places) (CP/5) (Amendment) (No. 5) Order 1996.

Notice is hereby given that the Council of the Borough of Barrow-in-Furness has on 20th January 1997, made an Order under the provisions of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, which will come into force on 23rd January 1997.

The effect of the Order is as described in the notice of proposal (Ref. 744) Issue No. 54598 of *The London Gazette* dated 4th December 1996.

A copy of the Order together with a copy of The County of Cumbria (Borough of Barrow-in-Furness) (On and Off-Street Parking Places) (CP/5) Order 1993 (as amended), a plan showing the effect of the Order and a statement of the Council's reasons for making the Order, may be inspected at the offices of the Contracts and Environmental Services Manager at the Town Hall, Duke Street, Barrow-in-Furness, from Monday to Friday between the following hours: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday between 8.30 a.m. and 5 p.m., and Friday between 8.30 a.m. and 4.30 p.m.

Any person who wishes to question the validity of this Order or any provision contained in it, on the grounds that it is not within the powers conferred by the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, or on the grounds that any requirement of that Act or of any Instrument made under it, has not been complied with in relation to the Order, may within 6 weeks from 20th January 1997, apply to the High Court for this purpose.

T. Bodys, Senior Solicitor

Town Hall,

Duke Street, Barrow-in-Furness, Cumbria.

(775)

BIRMINGHAM CITY COUNCIL

Birmingham City Council (Stratford Road etc. Sparkbrook) (Traffic Regulation) (No. 1) and (No. 2) Orders 1997 and (Stratford Road etc. Hall Green) (Traffic Regulation) (No. 1) and (No. 2) Orders 1997.

Notice is hereby given that, on 24th January 1997 the above-named Council made the above-named Orders under sections 1(1), 2(1) to (3) and 4(2) and Part IV of Schedule 9 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984.

The effect of the Orders is as described in notices Nos. 742, 743, 744 and 745 which appeared in Issue No. 54547 of *The London Gazette* published on 9th October 1996.

The Orders will come into operation on 27th January 1997.

A copy of the Orders together with a plan and a statement of the Council's reasons are available for inspection at the offices of the Transportation Department, Infrastructure Management Services, 1 Lancaster Circus Queensway, Birmingham B4 7DQ, during normal working hours.

If any person wishes to question the validity of the Orders or of any of the provisions contained in them on the grounds that they are not within the powers conferred by the Act, or on the grounds that any requirements of the Act or any Instrument made under it has not been complied with in relation to this Order, may within 6 weeks from 27th January 1997 apply to the High Court for this purpose.

D. Pywell, Director of Transportation

24th January 1997.

(732)

BIRMINGHAM CITY COUNCIL

Birmingham City Council (High Street etc. Digbeth) (General Traffic Control) Order 1997 and (Stratford Road etc. Sparkhill) (Traffic Regulation) Order 1997.

Notice is hereby given that, on 24th January 1997 the above-named Council made the above-named Orders under sections 1(1), 2(1) to (3) and 4(2) and Part IV of Schedule 9 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984.

The effect of the Orders is as described in notices Nos. 724 and 725 which appeared in Issue No. 54544 of *The London Gazette* published on 7th October 1996.

The Order will come into operation on 27th January 1997.