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Application for Discretionary Rate Relief (2017 Scheme)

In the 2017 Budget the Government announced additional support for Businesses. The support is called the Discretionary Business Rate Relief scheme.

This is different to other reliefs which you may also be able to claim from the Council.

This form allows you claim the relief under Section 47 of the Local Government Finance Act 1988, as amended.

Applications for relief will only be considered from businesses who have seen an increase in their 2017 bills following revaluation. Relief will be initially be awarded to those business with Rateable Values (RV's) below £150,000 who have seen an increase greater than 5%

The level of relief will be determined at the beginning of each financial year for the duration of the scheme.

Please fill in this form making sure you have first read the notes above.

- If you need help or more information, please contact us (see address and telephone number on the back of this form).
- Please answer each question that applies to your organisation and provide any extra information you feel is relevant.
- Please ensure that you fill in the form properly, it will take longer to deal with your application if it is incomplete.
- You may wish to read our Discretionary Rate Relief policy on our website. It can be found here -

https://www.warrington.gov.uk/info/201092/business_rates/862/business_rates/8

YOUR DETAILS (all applicants)

Name of organisation:

Registered address of organisation:

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Postcode.....

Address of property on which relief is claimed.

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Postcode.....

Telephone.....

Email address.....

Date of Occupancy - MM/YYYY

Your Account Number (if known)

Rateable value:

So that the Council can work out your relief please supply the rateable values (if known) for the property:

RV for 2017/18 -

RV for 2016/17 -

Please give an overview of your business, what are the benefits provided to Warrington, the local community and/or the council tax payer - such as increasing local employment or improving amenities:

The information I have given on this form is correct.

I understand that I may be liable to prosecution if I have wilfully stated anything that I know to be false or do not believe to be true. I agree to Warrington Borough Council making any enquiries that it considers necessary to verify the information that I have provided.

I agree to tell the Business Rates Section within 21 days of any changes in my circumstances that may affect my Non-Domestic Rate bill. I understand that the Council will hold the information I have given either on computer or on paper in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998. (The Council will not disclose information about you to anyone outside Warrington or use data for other purposes unless the law permits us to).

Contact Details:

Signed..... Status/position.....
Name..... Date.....

You do not have to give your email address or telephone number but it would help us if you did, as we may need to contact you for further information about this application.

Email address:

Telephone number:

State Aid Statement

EU law regulates state funded support to businesses and discretionary rate relief is classed as state aid. You can find out more about state aid on the government website
<https://www.gov.uk/state-aid>

To apply for discretionary rate relief you should complete this application form. You must keep a copy of this for three years from the date you send in your application and be able to present this to any other public authority or agency asking for information on "De Minimus" aid for the next three years.

The award of discretionary rate relief must comply with state aid law and you must complete the declaration on the application form if you have received other state aid.

You must continue to pay your business rates bill in accordance with the instalments shown on your latest bill whilst you wait for your application to be processed. Once your application has been processed any relief granted will be reflected in the remaining instalments.

I confirm that I am authorised to sign on behalf of the company/organisation or sole trader as shown

on the application and the organisation or sole trader as shown on the application shall not exceed

the De Minimus threshold by applying for discretionary rate relief.

Print name

Signed

Position in company

Date