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## **Business Rates**

Business Rate Section,

Telephone: (01744) 675264 (Mon to Fri 10:00am til 4:00pm)

e-mail: businessrates@sthelens.gov.uk www.sthelens.gov.uk/businessrates

Post to:St helens Council-BusinessRates, PO Box 10592 Nottingham NG6 6DP



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### **Business Rates - Change of Occupier/ Owner**

I understand that a change of occupier/owner which could affect rating has taken place and would ask that you please complete the details on the form overleaf and return it, within seven days, to the address shown below.

The information is required to maintain the accuracy of the Council's rating records. Prompt completion and return will ensure that you are only charged the amount of non-domestic rates for which you are liable.

The general notes for guidance below may help in the correct completion of the form, but if you require further information please contact the Business Rate Section as above

#### Notes for Guidance

- 1 Q Who is liable to be rated?
  - A Generally, the occupier. If unoccupied it will be the leaseholder/owner.
- 2 Q What happens if I only occupy part of the property?
  - A It has been held that occupation of part is deemed occupation of the whole. For more details please contact the Council's Business Rate Section.
- 3 Q When will I be liable to pay rates?
  - A Rates will be due from the date of beneficial occupation and will be payable as soon as you are sent an account. Rates are payable in advance but can be paid by instalments.
- 4 Q In what circumstances will there be more than one rateable occupier?
  - A There are several instances where this may apply:- e.g. in the case of partnerships. All partners names and addresses should be quoted.
- 5 Q When do empty property rates become payable?
  - A After a period of three months has elapsed from the date the property becomes empty, unless the property's rateable value is below the empty property rate threshold.

More information regarding Business Rates, including available reliefs, can be found on the Council's website at <a href="https://www.sthelens.gov.uk/businessrates">www.sthelens.gov.uk/businessrates</a>

Please return this form to: St Helens Council - Business Rates, PO Box 10592, NOTTINGHAM NG6 6DP

# **Business Rates- Change of Occupier/ Owner Form**

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	Date that the property purchase completed/lease cor	nmenced	
	Please provide a copy of the lease/ter	nancy agrooment	
Date occupied/ furnished from (if different from above)			
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Trading Name (if applicable)			
	Is this the only non domestic property in England occ	upied by the occupier/leaseholder above?	
	Correspondence address:	tate: Company registration number	
	If occupier/leaseholder is a sole trader/partnership ple Home address(es) of sole trader or partners	ease state:	
Name and address of the owner of the property			
Name of previous occupier/owner (if known)			
Date previous occupier vacated			
Forwarding address (if known)			
If you paid Business Rates to this Authority at your previous address, please state:- Previous address		rovious address places state.	
			I confirm that the information provided on this form is corre
the Business Rate Section of any changes to the information provided.			
	Name	Signature	
	Daytime Tel. number	Email address	
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Ple	ease tick box to indicate your preferred payment date: Monthly o	n 5th 14th 21st 28th or Weekly on friday	
Please tick this box if you wish to extend your instalments to March			
In	Instruction to your Bank or Building Society to pay Business Rates by Direct Debit		
	ase fill in the form and send it to: Helens Council- Business Rates, PO Box 10592, Nottingham NG6 6DP	Originators identification number 9 9 0 7 8 4	
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