



To All Members

Dear Member

Re: Latest Business Rates Relief and Business Support Grants Funding

Please find below the latest releases on Business Rates Relief and Business Support Grants Funding updated yesterday by Government (2nd April);

The first link covers the 100% relief;

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/877758/Expanded_Retail_Discount_Guidance_02.04.20.pdf

The scheme covers:

- a. as shops, restaurants, cafes, drinking establishments, cinemas and live music venues,
- b. for assembly and leisure; or
- c. as hotels, guest & boarding premises and self-catering accommodation.

Paragraph 12.1 puts Bingo under b. Assembly & Leisure

The link below covers the Small Business Grants Fund (SBGF) and Retail, Hospitality and Leisure Grant Fund (RHLGF) in England.

[Coronavirus \(COVID-19\): business support grant funding – guidance for businesses](#)

A business can qualify for both business relief and for grants.

The way the grants are set up, you qualify either by being covered by:

- Small Business Rates Relief (SBRR) or Rural Rates Relief (RRR): or
- Expanded Retail Discount (the 100%)

In England, all clubs should get the 100% relief. Those with a rateable value of up to and including £15,000 will receive a grant of £10,000, those with a rateable value of over £15,000 but less than £51,000 will receive a grant of £25,000.

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For interest, please see a link to Coronavirus (COVID-19) support from your business. This link enables you to tell Gov.uk how your business might be able to help with the response to coronavirus.

<https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus-support-from-business>

Yours sincerely,

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