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For each of the last two full calendar years (2023 - 2024) and for the current calendar year 1st January 2025 to 31 August 2025.

The number of business rates accounts in arrears.

2025 - 3,798 (to date)

2024 - 4,265

2023 - 3,280

The total value of business rates arrears owed.

2025 - £35,435,396 (to date)

2024 - £52,905,122

2023 - £39,333,692

The number of businesses taken to court for non-payment of business rates.

The number of cases where bailiff/enforcement agent action was used to recover unpaid business rate

2025 - 2,383 (to date)

2024 - 2,842

2023 - 2,373

The number of empty commercial properties in the council area, broken down by postcode (full postcode if available).

Post Code (short)	Number of Empty Properties
EH1	111
EH10	24
EH11	32
EH12	170
EH13	8
EH14	34
EH15	30
EH16	50
EH17	12
EH2	230
EH21	1
EH27	2
EH28	30
EH29	19
EH3	267
EH30	13
EH4	33
EH5	55
EH6	148
EH7	76
EH8	42
EH9	51

Total	1438
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