

## 62230 Data Collected on Business Rates

Has the authority subjected any of the Rateable Values of the properties it is liable for paying Business Rates on in the 2023 Rating List to a review under the Valuation Office Agency's Check, Challenge, Appeal process?

This question applies to any review submitted after 3 April 2023.

[The Council submitted proposals for the 2023 Revaluation Rateable Values.](#)

Does the authority intend to subject any of the Rateable Values of the property it is liable for paying Business Rates on in the 2026 Rating List to a review under the Valuation Office Agency's Check, Challenge, Appeal process?

This question applies from the date 1 April 2026.

[The Council has entered into discussions with the Assessors to agree 2026 Rateable Values](#)

Does the authority currently engage any external rating adviser(s) (e.g. rating surveyor(s), consultants, agents or firms) in relation to the review, management, appeal, or mitigation of Business Rates?

If the answer is no, then does the authority employ or retain internal officer(s) with responsibilities in relation to the review, management, appeal, or mitigation of Business Rates?

[The Council engages external rating advisers.](#)

The number of Business Rates challenges filed by the authority, broken down by sector (leisure, retail, offices, etc), covering 2017 to the most recent date.

[2017 Revaluation:-](#)

[Reduction in RV – 1230 \(includes running roll etc changes throughout period of Revaluation\).](#)

[No change – 275](#)

[Increase in RV – 0](#)

[Decrease – it is not obvious what is being asked for here. Reductions/decreases in RV are already covered above.](#)

## 2023 Revaluation

Reduction in RV - 214

No change - 57

Increase in RV – 0

Decrease – it is not obvious what is being asked for here. Reductions/decreases in RV are already covered above.

## 2026 Revaluation

Reduction in RV – 130 but discussions still in progress.

No change – 0 but discussions still in progress.

Increase in RV – 0 but discussions still in progress.

Decrease – it is not obvious what is being asked for here. Reductions/decreases in RV are already covered above.

Plus, the sector breakdown of challenges that resulted in:

- a. a reduction in rateable value
- b. no change
- c. an increase
- d. a decrease

Please see attached

The breakdown of challenges and appeals filed by the authority by reason category or type of valuation issue, to be presented within the context of the original dataset.

This level of detail is not held.

In general, consideration is given to various factors including the Valuation Practice Note used by the Assessor;

The rate per square meter applied by the Assessor;

The areas of each section of properties;

Reductions and additions for parking, plant and equipment etc.