

Summary of Scheme Requirements

	SCHEME 1 (BUSINESS SUPPORT GRANTS FUND)	SCHEME 2 (RETAIL, HOSPITALITY AND LEISURE BUSINESS GRANTS FUND)	
		2A (RATEABLE VALUE up to £15,000)	2B (RATEABLE VALUE £15,001 – 50,999)
PER BUSINESS GRANT	£10,000	£10,000	£25,000
FUNDING GEOGRAPHY	ENGLAND ONLY BUSINESS RATE BILLING AUTHORITIES		
STATE AIDS	State aid applies €800,000 limit		
PAYMENTS TO LOCAL AUTHORITIES	FUNDING TO LOCAL AUTHORITIES BY S.31 GRANT ON OR BEFORE 1ST APRIL 2020 GRANTS TO BE DETERMINED IN PROPORTION TO NUMBER OF ELIGIBLE HEREDITAMENTS		
ELIGIBILITY DATE OF SCHEME	11 March 2020		
ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	<p>Hereditaments which were on the eligible date were eligible for relief under the business rate Small Business Rate Relief Scheme (including those in the £12k - £15k rateable value taper). These are hereditaments to which: Section 43 (4B)(a) of the Local government Finance Act 1988 (small business rate relief) applied, and The value of E (as defined in article 3 of the Non-Domestic Rating (Reliefs, thresholds and Amendment) (England) Order 2017, SI 2017 No 2) was greater than 1. This does not include hereditaments that were not eligible for percentage SBRR relief but were eligible for the Small Business rate Multiplier. Hereditaments which on the scheme eligibility date were eligible for relief under the rural rate relief scheme. These are hereditaments to which: Section 43 (6B) of the Local Government Finance Act 1988 (rural rate relief) applies.</p>		<p>Hereditaments which on the scheme eligibility date had a rateable value of less than £51,000 and would have been eligible for a discount under the Expanded Retail Discount scheme had that scheme been in force for that date.</p>

EXCLUSIONS	<p>1. Hereditaments occupied for personal uses. Examples of where there may be personal use include private stables and loose boxes, beach huts and moorings.</p> <p>2. Car parks and parking spaces.</p> <p>3. Hereditaments with a rateable value of over £51,000.</p> <p>In line with the restrictions in the Expanded Retail Discount, billing authorities may not award the grant to themselves, a precepting authority, or a functional body, within the meaning of the Greater London Authority Act 1999.</p> <p>Only one grant may be awarded per hereditament.</p>	
GRANT RECIPIENT	<p>The person who according to the billing authority's records was the ratepayer in respect of the hereditament on the scheme eligibility date.</p> <p>Where the local authority has reason to believe that the information that they hold about the ratepayer on the scheme eligibility date is inaccurate they may withhold or recover the grant and take reasonable steps to identify the correct ratepayer. Local authorities should make clear to recipients that the grant is for the ratepayer and may be liable for recovery if the recipient was not the ratepayer on the eligible day.</p> <p>Landlord and management agents are urged to support local government in quickly identifying the correct ratepayer</p>	
COUNTER FRAUD MEASURES	<p>Any business caught falsifying their records to gain additional grant money will face prosecution and any funding issued will be subject to claw back.</p>	
GRANTS PER BUSINESS	1 per hereditament	1 per hereditament