

Many thanks for your email. I have read the Impact Assessment. It would appear that although mine is a small, independent business it would not be eligible for Small Business Rate Relief as, being located in a Shopping Centre, the NAV would exceed the maximum threshold. This is very disappointing.

I will be keen to see the final structure however basing eligibility on NAV of less than £5,000 does not seem an adequate means of determining whether a business is 'small'.

I hope that there will be an extension to the criteria, such as no. of staff, turnover below the £68,000 VAT registration limit etc.

I appreciate your response and will monitor for further progress.

Regards
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