**LIMITED COMPANIES**

**Application for National Non-Domestic (Business) Rate Relief**

**Under the provisions of Section 49 (Hardship), Local Government Finance Act 1988**

Please complete all the sections in this form and return it within 21 days, together with copies of the documents requested in support of your claim to the Revenues & Customer Support section at the address shown above.

If you have any queries please telephone us on 0116 454 1005, or e-mail business.rates@leicester.gov.uk, or visit us at our address, Customer Service Centre, York House, 91 Granby Street, Leicester, LE1 6FB.

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<td>2. Address of Property</td>
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<td>3. Please give the reasons for the closure of the business (if appropriate)</td>
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<td>4. A) Are you the freeholder or leaseholder of the property?</td>
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<td>4. B) What attempts have been made to either let or sell the property?</td>
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<td>4. C) If the property has been sold, please explain how the proceeds have been distributed.</td>
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Please give the reason(s) for your application.
As any hardship relief is borne by Leicester’s Council Tax payers, please give details of what hardship is being experienced and why it is in the interests of these payers to grant relief. (For example, the affect business closure would have on the local community, or employment.)

OUTSTANDING CREDITORS

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<th>Name and Address of Creditor</th>
<th>Amount Outstanding</th>
<th>Details of any repayment arrangements or action being taken against the company</th>
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IMPORTANT – You MUST provide proof of ALL the details you have stated above
(Copies of documents are acceptable)
DECLARATION:

I declare that the information on this form is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signed: ……………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………

Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms: …………………………………………………………………………………………………………………

Position in company (if applicable): ……………………………………………………………………………………………

Daytime Telephone Number: ………………………………………………………………………………………………………

Your e-mail address: ……………………………………………………………………………………………………………

Date: …………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………

A COPY OF YOUR LATEST / FINAL SET OF AUDITED ACCOUNTS MUST ACCOMPANY THIS FORM, AS YOUR APPLICATION WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED WITHOUT THEM.

INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS

1. Discretionary Rate Relief can be considered on occupied and unoccupied rate liabilities under the provisions of Section 49 (Hardship) of the Local Government Finance Act 1988.

In considering the application, Leicester City Council needs to be satisfied about TWO statutory requirements.

These are:

- The ratepayer would sustain hardship if the City Council did not grant relief

and

- It is responsible to do so having regard to the interests of persons liable to pay Council Tax as part of the cost of granting any relief is borne by them.

2. Please complete this form and return it within the next 21 days.

3. When all the information has been gathered, a report supported with a recommendation by an officer of the Department, is presented to the Director of Finance under delegated authority from the Cabinet.

4. You will be informed of the Council’s decision in writing.

5. It is important to provide ALL the information requested. Failure to do so may affect the outcome of your application.