

Appendix A

Local Government Finance Act 1988 – Applications for Discretionary Rate Relief

1 Beavers Arts Ltd 7 Ironmarket, Newcastle, Staffordshire, ST5 1PE

The Beavers Arts Project is a registered charity and as such already receives 80% mandatory charity relief. It is occupying 7 Ironmarket as a Heritage shop as a drop in heritage project collecting memories of Newcastle with the aim of encouraging increased appreciation of the area.

It is your usual practice to grant such an organisation 2.5% additional discretionary rate relief, to the mandatory charity relief it already receives.

The Beavers Arts Project will occupy 7 Ironmarket between 27 July 2015 and 31 December 2015. The gross rates payable for this period will be £4,362.92. This amount has been reduced by £647.54 by Retail Relief and £3,490.34 due to mandatory charity relief leaving rates payable of £225.04. Granting 2.5% discretionary rate relief would further reduce this amount by £109.07 at a cost of £54.53 to the DCLG, £10.91 to Staffordshire County Council and Staffordshire Fire and Rescue Service, £13.09 to the Stoke on Trent and Staffordshire Rating Pool and £30.54 to the Borough Council.

Recommendation: That additional discretionary rate relief at 2.5% is granted.

2 Lifeworks Staffordshire Offices & Premises, Silverdale Court, Silverdale Road, Newcastle, Staffordshire, ST5 6EH

Lifeworks Staffordshire is a registered charity and as such already receives 80% mandatory charity relief. It occupies offices on Silverdale Court, Silverdale Road to help to facilitate its work in promoting and protecting the physical and mental health of adults with AUTISM by providing support, practical advice and recreational facilities and raising awareness of the condition.

It is your usual practice to grant such an organisation 2.5% discretionary rate relief.

Lifeworks Staffordshire have occupied this building since 1 April 2015. The gross rates payable for the current financial year will be £4,289.10. This amount has been reduced to £3,431.28 due to mandatory charity relief. Granting the 2.5% discretionary rate relief would further reduce this amount by £107.23 at a cost of £53.62 to the DCLG, £10.72 to Staffordshire County Council and Staffordshire Fire and Rescue Service, £12.87 to the Stoke on Trent and Staffordshire Rating Pool and £30.02 to the Borough Council.

Recommendation: That additional discretionary rate relief at 2.5% is granted.