



Rt. Hon. Jeremy Hunt MP
Chancellor of the Exchequer
HM Treasury
The Correspondence and Enquiry Unit
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Dear Chancellor,

Ahead of the Autumn Statement we are writing to you collectively calling for urgent Government action to equip the hospitality sector to do what it does best – serve our customers, deliver millions of jobs around the country and contribute to the UK’s economic and social fibre. Without action, we will see continued venue closures, job losses and cancelled investment that will harm our high streets and communities in every part of the country.

Our mutual ambitions must be to unlock investment, grow the market and have the conditions to meet that demand.

The support package you announced last year was of immeasurable benefit – for a sector that was facing excessive energy prices, a surge in wages driven in part by the National Living Wage, and 20%+ food and drink input price inflation.

The most important step at this stage is to avoid an increase in business rates. The sector faces a near £1 billion tax hike from April 2024. We urge you to freeze the business rates multiplier, extend the 75% hospitality relief and extend the cap to at least £2 million.

With energy prices remaining stubbornly high and an anticipated hike in the National Living Wage, including an extension to those aged 21 and above, this support is vital. Business rates support can cushion the sector from these costs while allowing us to invest – in our people and our places.

Continuing your positive work on supporting the economically inactive back into employment is a key priority for hospitality and one where we will actively support you. We are also supportive of your reforms to the planning system if it can speed up the development process. The implementation of the Ofgem recommendations is critical.

Looking further ahead we need structural reform – of the apprenticeship levy, of VAT and a broader overhaul of business rates.

Hospitality can drive economic growth, help to put the brakes on inflation, increase social mobility and get many more people into work – but it needs a helping hand to do so. We collectively urge you to include measures that deliver on our mutual priorities at the Autumn Statement.

Yours sincerely,

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