

DEBTS WRITTEN OFF IN 2013/14

PERIOD 1 APRIL- 30 NOVEMBER 2013 RELATING TO ANY YEAR

WRITE OFFS	COUNCIL TAX £	BUSINESS RATES £	HOUSING BENEFIT OVERPAYMENT £	SOCIAL CARE £	MISC INCOME £	HRA (CARELINE/ SERVICE CHARGE £	PARKING £	LIBRARIES £	HRA TENANTS £
Under £5k	116801	154511	214134.43	35830	22,268	208	102,385	32,122	152,124
£5k-£25k	0	116428	64557.57	24946	0	0	0		14,063
Over £25k	0	91143	0	40891	0	0	0		0
Total	116801	362082	278692.00	101667	22268	208	102385	32,122	166,187

WRITE OFFS GREATER THAN £25,000

There are three Business Rate write offs over £25,000 that require Cabinet approval, details are shown below;

NAME	RATED PREMISES	YEAR	AMOUNT TO BE WRITTEN OFF	REASON
Optop Limited	174 High Street, Southend	2012/13 2/10/12 to 16/2/13	£27,800.86	This is the old Barclays bank building which after Barclays vacated was let by their agents to an intermediary company which in turn sublet to other (newly formed) companies on short term licences. Optop Ltd were one of those companies and traded from Oct 2012 to Feb 2013. The normal billing and recovery process was followed and in January a summons was issued. A liability order was obtained on 13/2/13 and on 16/2/13 a new company took over. Optop Ltd is not trading elsewhere and has no known assets. The premises are now let to William Hill and so the pattern of non payment at this property has been broken.
Mixstyle Ltd	174 High St Southend	2011 Period of charge 23/1/12 to 2/6/12	£25,922.93	The circumstances for Mixstyle are very similar to Optop Ltd above. Mixstyle traded at 174 High St from Jan 12 to June 12. A Rate Demand was issued on 12/4/13, reminder notice issued 9/5/13 and a summons issued 22/5/13 for hearing on 13/6/13. They traded until we obtained the liability order at which time another newly formed company took over. Mixstyle Ltd was dissolved on 3/9/13 and have no known assets.
Groovefit Ltd	90 High St Southend	2013 period of charge 18-04- 13 to 26-9-13	£37,419.34	Previously occupied by Dixons. After they vacated, the landlords let the premises to an intermediary company who then sublet to Groovefit Ltd. A bill was sent 20/6/13, a reminder 22 nd August and a summons on 13 th September. The landlord terminated the lease on 26/9/13 before we had a n opportunity to as they have found a new tenant. Groovefit have no known assets and there is a proposal to strike off the company from the Register at Company's House. This premises is now let to Morrison's Supermarkets.