

Summary of Write Off's

Debts written off in 2017/18

Period 1 April 2017 – 31 March 2018 relating to any year

Write Offs	Council Tax £	Business Rates £	Housing Benefit Overpayment £	Social Care £	Miscellaneous Income £	HRA (Care Line/Service Charges) £	Parking £	Libraries £	HRA Tenants £
Under £5k	118,165.68	34,650.98	89,272	14,041	3,664	0	18,503	4478	63,518
£5k-£25k	0	20,372.71	34,949	5,674	0	0	0	0	0
Over £25k	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	118,165.68	55,023.69	124,221	19,715	3,664	0	18,503	4,478	63,518

Write off greater than £25,000 for approval

Amount of Write off £	Reason for Write Off	Service Area
£35,738.91	S X (Southend) Limited (In Liquidation). The company were in occupation of Basement, Maitland House effective from 10 th September 2014. Full recovery action was taken each year resulting in Liability Orders being granted by Magistrates Court. Each financial year has been issued to a Bailiff company for collection and payments were received. S X (Southend) Limited was liquidated on 2 nd January 2017 leaving a debt of £35,738.91 in respect of the financial year 2016/2017.	Non-Domestic Rates
£106,286.90	Vitbaas Property & Leasing Ltd Company held lease for this property 159/163 High Street, Southend-on-Sea for period 25 th November 2015 to 3 rd December 2016. Full recovery action was taken each year resulting in Liability Orders being granted by Magistrates Court. Debts were issued to Bailiff Companies to enforce the Liability Order's which resulted in some payments being made to the account. Company was dissolved on 14 th March 2017.	Non-Domestic Rates
£29,325.52	Housing Benefit Overpayment. After an investigation held between the DWP and SBC It was deemed that the applicant failed to notify the Pension Service when an application was made that the he had a property abroad. (This application would also be used for an application to Housing Benefit)	Housing Benefits Overpayment

	<p>At the end of the investigation the DWP disallowed Pension Credit and Housing benefit was re-assessed creating a Housing Benefit Overpayment of £29,325.52.</p> <p>Whilst trying to recover the overpayment the applicant is now residing in a Care Home and has been diagnosed with Parkinson's Disease. It has been advised the applicant would be unable to agree or disagree to any of the investigation.</p> <p>The applicant has no saving or estate other than the property in Spain and the Council is unable to place a Charging Order on this property as it is abroad.</p> <p>No further prospect of recovery on this debt.</p>	
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