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## ENGLAND

### Labour accused of 'stealth' £1.5bn hike in business rates

This article reports that, following the budget announcement, the Labour Government has been accused of making a "stealth" £1.5billion hike in business rates to fund the increased threshold for small business rates relief. The article looks at how it will be funded.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

https://www.express.co.uk/news/politics/2262078/labour-stealth-business-rates-hike

### John Webber from Colliers on how budget ignores real rates problem

This article provides the view of a rating practitioner on the effect of the Budget on business rates. The article looks at the measures introduced concluding that the chancellor has offered some businesses temporary respite, while leaving the fundamental problem untouched.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

https://www.propertyweek.com/insight/john-webber-from-colliers-on-how-budget-ignores-real-rates-problem



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## Parliament to Debate Property Tax

This article reports that there will be a debate in Westminster on 23rd November following a petition to replace Council Tax and Stamp Duty with a proportional property tax organised by a UK campaign organisation focused on reforming property taxation.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

https://fairershare.org.uk/parliament-will-debate-council-tax-on-23-november-will-your-mp-be-there/

## Government issued £33m tax revision for firms after Budget

This article reports on a revision to the property tax discounts for businesses days after details were issued to councils. The article states that the original guidance to councils in England had initially failed to take into account inflation.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

https://uk.finance.yahoo.com/news/government-issued-33m-tax-revision-090041344.html

## Business rates relief: which schemes small firms in England can still use

This article provides a guide to business rates relief in England, including details relating to small business, rural and supporting relief, the 2026-27 multipliers, who is left out and how to apply.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

https://www.abcmoney.co.uk/2026/11/business-rates-relief-which-schemes-small-firms-in-england-can/

## Mansion tax valuers to photograph homes without owners' knowledge

This article reports that Valuation Office inspectors, preparing valuations for the Mansion Tax which will affect properties worth over £2m, will be allowed to take notes and photos of houses and gardens from the street, use street view search engines and aerial photos form ordnance Survey and report owners of properties where access has been refused.

The article can be accessed via the following link:

https://www.thetimes.com/uk/politics/article/mansion-tax-valuers-photograph-homes-j7mvrt26v?t=1794384493808



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