



BUSINESS RATES

# Business rates appeals and financial management services

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**GRAHAM + SIBBALD**  
We value property

# The go-to team for Rating Consultancy

As one of the leading rating practices in Scotland, Graham + Sibbald specialise primarily in business rates appeals and financial management. We can help if you are looking for advice and support that will help you to navigate the complex world of commercial property rates, reduce your costs and take advantage of any relief schemes or discounts that are available.

## OUR EXPERTISE

Our team has over 80 years of combined experience and has had particular success in business rates appeals. We use our expertise to deliver significant savings to both public and private sector clients. We work on all types of properties ranging from shops and offices to pubs and petrol filling stations.

Everything we do is designed to help you and your business. We'll work closely with you to understand your rates bills and advise on the relief which may be available.

## OUR APPROACH

Thanks to our network of 15 local Scottish offices, we are able to offer a unique blend of national coverage coupled with local expertise. Our specialist knowledge of the appeals process and relief options available places us in an extremely advantageous position when negotiating with rating assessors.

Coming from a variety of working backgrounds, our team are highly trained and their expertise and experience means we can provide strategic advice on all aspects of commercial property rates.

Our business rates team are fully supported by the resources and expertise of our head office, ensuring a Scotland-wide reach and the highest standard of service and expertise.

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## Services tailored to your business

If you're looking for assistance in navigating the complex and ever changing world of commercial property rates then our specialist team is the one to contact. We can simplify the process and help identify cost saving opportunities so that you can get on with business.



### RATING APPEALS

We are experts at rating appeals, having dealt with an average of 5,000 appeals at each of the last rates revaluations. We can ensure that your properties' rateable value is accurate, your rates liability is minimised and that you are paying the correct amount in rates.



### RATING CONSULTANCY

Thanks to our in-depth knowledge of the Business Rates system, we can provide consultancy advice on all aspects of commercial property rates and keep you up-to-date with all new developments, highlighting opportunities for you to reduce your outgoings.



### VACANT PROPERTY RELIEF

You can apply for empty property relief if your commercial property is unoccupied and unfurnished. We can advise you on whether you are eligible for this relief and how much relief you may be due. We can then help you make your claim.



### FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

We understand that running a business can be costly so we are here to help. Our financial management service offering includes an audit of your annual rates bill to identify potential savings opportunities, giving you peace of mind.



### WATER + SEWERAGE CHARGES

We work with independent consultants to provide expert advice on the charges that should be paid for water and sewerage services delivered to commercial property. We can therefore provide you with a definitive figure of what you should pay. If we think that the charges that you are currently paying are not correct, we can negotiate on your behalf.

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**If you're looking for a property team that gets the job done, Graham + Sibbald offers a level of personal service, specialist skills, local knowledge and commitment that is second to none.**

**We're proud of the fact that we're the first choice of many of the UK's leading companies, including financial institutions, public sector bodies and residential and commercial property investors and developers.**

**From rates appeals to financial management, we offer a safe pair of hands, a dynamic, problem-solving approach and results that speak for themselves.**

**We add value  
where it counts**

## Local network, national resources

Our network of offices covers the country and allows us to deliver local expertise and service.

It also speeds up decision making and helps us to build long-lasting client relationships. Each office is fully supported by the resources and expertise of our head-office management team.

The team can undertake business rates services across Scotland.

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