

# Business Support

Please find details of the latest news from around the South Kesteven district. In this update we explain the imminent changes to the Business Rates Expanded Retail Discount for the Leisure, Hospitality and Retail sectors. Also find out how to be part of the SK Community Awards by nominating a person or organisation that you feel has made a significant contribution to the community.

We would like to make you aware that any business in the South Kesteven District Council area that is currently eligible, or could potentially qualify for the Business Rates Expanded Retail Discount (for the Leisure, Hospitality and Retail sector) that the rates will soon be changing.

Your current 100% discount finishes on the 30 June 2021 and from the 1 July 2021 the maximum discount will be 66%, but will be subject to an application process and cash cap.

South Kesteven District Council will require all businesses wanting to receive this discount from the 1 July 2021 to complete this simple [online claim form](#).

To make sure your account is updated by 1 July, the deadline for submission of the form is Friday 11 June

Nominations for the SK Community Awards to celebrate South Kesteven's community champions are underway.

There are various categories and the awards are all about highlighting and celebrating those people and organisations that have gone the extra mile to help others and make a real difference to their communities.

In particular we would like to draw your attention to the Business in the Community Award.

Businesses have played an enormous role in helping to feed and support those in need within our communities. Let's recognise those businesses who have made an exceptional contribution to its community with this award. Examples include donations of food to help the vulnerable and donations of equipment to help home schooling.

Everything you need to know about the awards can be [found on the SKDC website](#).

The most important part of nominating is telling us why the person or group deserves to be recognised - and remember nothing is too big or too small.

Fill in our online nomination form. Nominate by 18 July 2021.

We look forward to receiving your nominations and celebrating the successes of businesses across our wonderful district.

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