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There is a general right of appeal against assessments that came into the Rating List on 1st April 2017. However, there are further opportunities to make appeals to reflect changes to the property or locality in which it is found. These are known as material change appeals.

It is important that we are notified as soon as practically possible in order that a Check and Challenge can be put in place. It is therefore important that your properties are registered with the VOA and Avison Young instructed in order to accommodate such eventualities.

Opportunities to make MCC challenges are varied and will depend upon the nature and location of the property. However, examples include building works to the property or within the locality, roadworks, a

large increase in vacant units within town centres, external scaffolding, competition affecting the property or locality.

Generally physical changes to the property or within the location that affect the occupation or rental value, are factors that we may be able to take into account. Please telephone a member of the team if you have any specific concerns and we can advise upon whether an appeal might have merit.

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