








The Chancellor, Jeremy Hunt, today made a statement that reversed 'almost all' the tax measures announced in the mini-budget that have not yet started going through parliament. These were in addition to those that were reversed last week.

The main points are:

	Mini-Budget	Updated Position	
	Corporation Tax	Cancel proposed increase from 19% to 25%	Cancelled
	Income Tax	Remove 45% top rate	Cancelled
		Cut basic rate by 1p to 19p	Cancelled
	Alcohol duty	Freeze rates	Cancelled
	VAT	Tax-free shopping for UK visitors	Cancelled
	National Insurance	Reversing 1.25% rise	Retained
	Stamp duty	No duty on first £250,000 of property's value	Retained
	First time buyers	No duty on first £425,000 of property's value	Retained

In addition:

- The Government's intention to repeal the 2017 and 2019 reforms of the off-payroll working arrangement (also referred to as IR35) will now no longer happen. The risk will therefore remain with the end user.
- The dividend tax rates will remain as they are – 8.75% / 33.75% / 39.35%
- The Energy Bill Relief Scheme which put a cap on energy prices will be scaled back from 2 years to 6 months, coming to an end in April 2023. A review will be carried out in the meantime to target support to the most vulnerable and business.

It is likely that the medium term fiscal statement due on 31 October will contain further announcements, as having attempted to calm the markets, the government will have to set out their way forward. It would be prudent that any transactions in progress are completed, where possible, by 31 October as changes to other taxation rates/conventions cannot be ruled out. Please get in touch with a member of the team if you would like to discuss any of these changes in more detail.