

# THE PRIVATE CLIENT PENSION (INCLUDING JUNIOR PENSION) KEY FEATURES / TERMS & CONDITIONS

# KEY FEATURES OF THE PRIVATE CLIENT PENSION

The Private Client Pension is a personal pension established under Trust and approved as a registered pension scheme by HMRC under the scheme name 'The Intelligent Pension'.

It is governed by a trust deed and scheme rules. Your application for membership of the Private Client Pension will be subject to the trust deed and rules of the Private Client Pension and its Terms & Conditions as amended from time to time and should be read in conjunction with these documents which are available by writing to Quai Investment Services (Quai), The Shire Hall, Nottingham NG1 1HN.

This document is designed to highlight the key features of your Private Client Pension. It does not include full terms and conditions

It is your responsibility to decide if the Private Client Pension, including the investments in the Private Client Pension are suitable and appropriate to your needs. If there is anything you do not understand, or if you would like further advice on any aspect of this document, you should seek financial advice.

#### Aims

The Private Client Pension is designed to provide you with the following:

- Access to a tax efficient environment in which to save for your retirement;
- · Flexibility and control over the investments held within your pension;
- The option of taking a tax free pension commencement lump sum in exchange for part of your pension;
- The option over the age of 55 to take a regular income, withdraw lump sum(s), purchase an annuity or remain invested;
- A lump sum, income or pension for your Nominee(s) or Successor(s) on your death:
- The ability to transfer your existing pension benefits, into your Private Client Pension (with certain exceptions);
- Flexibility as to types and the amount of benefits you receive from the Plan allowing you to tailor this to suit your own circumstances.

#### Your Commitment In investing in an Private Client Pension:

- You will review the Private Client Pension and the investments held within your Private Client Pension regularly to assess if they are suitable and appropriate to your needs;
- You can contribute to your Private Client Pension at any time and you can stop and start regular payments at any time without penalty;
- A pension is a long-term investment for your retirement and benefits
  cannot normally be taken until you have reached your 55th birthday except
  in limited circumstances e.g. when you retire due to ill health, or if you
  protected your right (which existed for employees in some occupations
  before April 2006) to take your entitlement to pre-April 2006 pension early.
  There are also restrictions on the type and amounts of benefits you can
  take from your Private Client Pension. These are set out below;
- All contributions will be automatically allocated to your Cash Account and invested as set out below;
- You must provide Quai Investment Services (Quai) with the information we need from time to time to operate your Private Client Pension and any changes to this, including any changes to your eligibility for tax relief.

#### **Risk Factors**

Many things could happen which would have an impact on the level of pension you receive from your Private Client Pension. You should review your pension arrangements regularly to check whether they are suitable and to ascertain whether your Private Client Pension will continue to meet your future pension needs. In particular you should note the following:

- Exercising your cancellation rights may result in you getting back less than you paid in;
- Past investment performance is not necessarily a guide to the future and some investments may carry greater risk in order to try to provide greater potential returns;
- Taking an income from your Private Client Pension at a rate higher than the investment growth rate may result in the value of your Private Client Pension being greatly reduced;
- Taking an income from your Private Client Pension while leaving holdings invested can be less certain than purchasing a pension via an annuity;
- The actual benefits you receive may be lower than your last illustration.

#### This may be because:

- Investment performance is not guaranteed and might be lower than expected;
- Interest rates and exchange rates might be lower than those illustrated;
- Annuity rates may fall;
- You might decide to withdraw a higher level of income;

- You might reduce your contributions to your Private Client Pension;
- Pension tax rules may limit the amount of contributions which you can make without incurring a tax charge;
- You might decide to start to take benefits earlier than shown on your illustration;
- Certain tax charges may reduce the value of your Private Client Pension;
- You might transfer your Private Client Pension to another pension arrangement which may achieve a lower investment return or have higher charges;
- Pension tax rules may change in the future and this could result in changes to the options available to you when taking benefits;
- Quai Investment Services (Quai) may increase its charges after giving you notice of a variety of reasons including:
  - taking account of any changes in our practice;
  - changes in law or a code of practice;
  - taking account of any regulation or recommendations of the FCA or any other regulatory body or decisions or guidance of any relevant ombudsman;
  - to take account of any changes or unexpected change in the service we provide;
  - to take account of any new or improved service or facilities which we may provide;
  - to take account of any ruling by a court or similar body;
  - to correct any errors which might be discovered; and
  - to enable Quai Investment Services (Quai) to maintain our financial strength in the collective interests of all our customers;
- Quai Investment Services (Quai) can also vary any charge for a valid reason where we reasonably believe that such a charge is appropriate;
- If you decide to transfer any existing pension arrangements to your
  Private Client Pension and you have any doubts as to the suitability or
  appropriateness of the Private Client Pension, you should seek financial
  advice before deciding to invest in the Private Client Pension.
   The Operator does not offer advice on the suitability or appropriateness
  of the Private Client Pension to your needs.

## You should also be aware of the following general risks:

- Your existing arrangement may ultimately provide greater benefits than
  those which you would receive under your Private Client Pension. This will,
  however, depend on investment performance, the charges it applies and
  annuity rates applicable at that time, together with some or all of the risks
  described above:
- Your existing arrangements may offer valuable guarantees that would not be matched by your Private Client Pension e.g. if you are or were a member of a final salary pension scheme offered by your current or former employer, this may include a right to particular level of benefit on retirement. If you transfer benefits from this arrangement you will lose any such rights or guarantees that may have been offered;
- By transferring these benefits to your Private Client Pension you give up your right to receive benefits from your existing pension arrangement (including guaranteed benefits);
- You may be able to receive a larger tax free pension commencement lump sum from your existing arrangements than would be available if you transferred those benefits to your Private Client Pension.

#### Helping you Decide

What questions should I ask before I decide to proceed? In this document we have given you the answers to a number of important questions:

#### What is the Private Client Pension?

- The Private Client Pension is a 'Personal Pension Plan'.
- You are able to select from any of our Intelligent Money Portfolios for the management of your investments.
- You, your employer or a third party, may contribute to your Private Client Pension.
- You can choose to take a regular income from your Private Client Pension, make lump sum withdrawals or purchase an annuity, from the age of 55.
- From age 55 you can also take a tax free lump sum when you choose to access your Private Client Pension plan. This can be up to 25% of the value of your total pension fund in your Pension.

#### Am I eligible to contribute to the Private Client Pension?

To become a member of the Private Client Pension you must fall into one of the following categories:

- · You are a UK Resident for tax purposes;
- You have relevant UK earnings;
- You are a non UK resident (but were a UK resident when you set up your Private Client Pension and have been a UK resident at some time in the previous 5 tax years);
- You are a crown servant (or spouse or civil partner of a crown servant) with earnings subject to UK tax.

#### How much can I contribute?

- There are no upper limits on the amount that you or a third party can
  contribute to your Private Client Pension in a tax year, as long as you have
  earnings to support the contribution, but only a certain amount will be tax
  privileged. The tax privileged amount is known as the annual allowance.
- The annual allowance for the current tax year is £60,000, but this may be restricted to £10,000 depending on which of the choices you make when you take your benefits under the Plan.
- No tax relief will be granted on contributions to your Pension made after age 75.
- The annual allowance takes into account contributions made from all sources.

#### This comprises:

- Member contributions;
- Contributions from an employer;
- Any contributions made by a third party on your behalf (which in practice are normally treated as if they were the member's own contributions, to take advantage of tax relief at source);
- Any contributions you make to any other pension arrangements you may have other than your Private Client Pension will also count towards the annual allowance;
- If one of your other schemes is a defined benefit pension (for example, a
   'final salary' or 'average salary' scheme), the increase each year in value
   of your accrued rights is also treated as a contribution (in addition to your
   own contributions), using a standard factor set by law;
- Your contributions from these other arrangements will be aggregated with the contributions to your Private Client Pension when determining whether you have exceeded the annual allowance in a particular tax year;
- Contributions in excess of the allowance will be subject to a tax charge.
   This will be payable by you and is dealt with as part of your self assessment tax return and it will be your responsibility to monitor this. You should seek advice regarding any remaining tax allowance within a particular tax year;
- The annual allowance will not be tested in the year that you die; and
- Any contributions made by you or a third party other than your employer in excess of the higher of £3600 or your relevant UK earnings will be refunded to you.

# What about tax?

- If you are a UK resident you will have tax relief on the higher of:
- £3,600 gross; and
- 100% of relevant UK earnings, capped at the relevant Annual Allowance;
- Any contributions made by your employer are paid to you gross.
   The employer can then claim relief (for example, against its liability to Corporation Tax) in respect of its contributions.
- If you are a non UK resident individual (but were in the past five years and when you joined the Private Client Pension) you will receive tax relief on contributions made by you or on your behalf up to £3600 gross.
- Your contributions to the Private Client Pension will be net of basic rate tax. The Operator will claim the basic rate tax relief from HMRC. The Operator will credit any basic rate tax reclaims to your Cash Account. e.g. to contribute £1,000 gross you will contribute £800. The Operator will claim £200 from HMRC on your behalf.
- If you pay tax at higher rates then you will be able to claim further tax relief
  at the higher rate. The Operator will reclaim the basic rate and you must
  reclaim the additional amount through your self-assessment tax return.
- Your fund will grow free of capital gains tax and UK income tax except that tax may not be reclaimed on UK dividends.
- The Government has introduced a new form of income withdrawal known
  as flexi-access drawdown, which generally replaces the previous
  alternatives of capped and flexible drawdown. However, if you are already
  in Capped Drawdown, you will have a choice of continuing in Capped
  Drawdown, or moving to flexi-access drawdown. You should seek financial
  advice on this option.
- You now also have the new option of taking an "uncrystallised funds pension lump sum" (UFPLS) out of any part of your Fund which has not been designated to provide income withdrawal or to provide an annuity. The first 25% of any such sum is tax-free. You should seek financial advice in relation to this option.

- You may take up to 25% of your fund as a tax free pension commencement lump sum, subject to not exceeding your Lump Sum Allowance and the Lump Sum and Death Benefit Allowance.
- All pension payments to you will be paid via the PAYE system unless otherwise agreed.
- The inheritance tax (IHT) position, in particular can be complex, though all forms of taxation are a major consideration in making investment decisions. Tax rules can change at any time in the future. You should always take legal or professional advice on the impact of the tax rules on your pension benefits.

# How do I invest my contributions?

- Cash payments and cash transfers into your Private Client Pension will be paid into your Cash Account held with such bank or building society as the Trustee may determine.
- You are able to select from any of our Intelligent Money Portfolios for the management of your investments. Please read the section below for full information on the Intelligent Money Portfolios.
- Quai Investment Services (Quai) do not accept any liability for any loss as a
  result of any action by an Investment Manager or any other person or body
  responsible for any investment management or associated ancillary
  services related your Private Client Pension.

#### **Investing in the Intelligent Money Portfolios**

Quai Investment Services (Quai) offers a range of portfolios designed to suit the needs and requirements of investors who seek different investment approaches.

You are free to pick and mix between these approaches as you see fit, switching portfolios at any time with not costs.

Each of our investment portfolios are held under separate custodianship and therefore all client assets are ring-fenced from our own.

The annual charges for the Intelligent Money Portfolios are detailed in each summary section below. The initial transaction fee is 1.5% for all portfolios.

#### • IM Optimum

IM Optimum is our range of fully managed portfolios that in turn invest in passive trackers. The total annual management charge for each of these portfolios is 0.87% a year and this figure includes all costs involved in running the portfolios.

The portfolios are divided into two investment approaches, Defined Investment Strategies (which remain at a fixed level of risk/reward) and Target dated Investment Strategies (which make adjustments to the risk/reward levels over the years based upon the remaining time available before your target date and your end requirement for your capital at this date (a cash withdrawal or the commencement of income). All strategies are rebalanced quarterly.

#### • IM Index

IM Index is our range of fully passive portfolios. The total annual management charge for each of these portfolios is 0.57% a year (falling to 0.52% a year for assets over  $\mathfrak{L}500,000$  and 0.47% for assets over  $\mathfrak{L}1m$ ) and this figure includes all costs involved in running the portfolios.

The portfolios each offer differing levels of equity to bond exposure, starting at 100% equities and reducing in increments of 20% bond exposure until it reaches 20% equities and 80% bonds.

Unlike many such similar approaches our equity exposure is globally market weighted (without any domestic bias) and out bond exposure is all UK index linked gilts. This has historically provided higher overall investment returns.

#### PH Equity

PH Equity is our portfolio that focuses on 10 core stocks, all of which are global brands that offer household names from consumables, technology and food and beverages. The total annual management charge is 0.67% a year (falling to 0.62% a year for assets over  $\mathfrak{L}500,000$  and 0.57% for assets over  $\mathfrak{L}1m$ ) and this figure includes all costs involved in running the portfolios.

This portfolio balances the higher risk of a small number of stocks with the sheer size and market penetration available from them. It offers a "buy and hold" strategy, tracking these stocks whilst also rebalancing them on a quarterly basis, but it also has the ability to change the holdings and weightings should this be needed.

#### PH Opportunities

PH Opportunities is our portfolio of special investment opportunities, holding companies that are undervalued, depressed by external conditions (such as the Covid 19 restrictions), investing in new technology and distribution, plus other appropriate and compelling factors that create investment opportunities.

It is designed as a medium to long term investment strategy for investors, with the underlying holdings being fully managed internally to ensure we exit holdings upon hitting price targets and use the proceeds to reinvest in future opportunities that are in line with the original investment mandate.

In many ways PH Opportunities take off where the highly successful PH Recovery left, with a wider investment remit and ongoing stock replacement where appropriate to create a medium to long term investment strategy.

#### • PH Technology

PH Technology (PHT) aims to provide higher than average levels of capital returns through an actively managed buy and hold strategy of, typically, 10-15 companies operating within, supporting or benefiting from direct technology and the wider technology space. It has a particular focus on achieving such returns from companies that sell, or benefit from, goods and services in electronics, software, computers, artificial intelligence, Bio/Life sciences and other industries related to information technology (IT), together with a focus on evolving growth opportunities which we consider nascent today. The key attributes of the businesses we invest in are that they are drivers of innovation, change and disruption, and have a clear pathway to potential growth and market dominance in their fields.

#### • IM Lifestyle

IM LIFESTYLE uses a target dated investment style made up of index trackers and stock selection, blended to capture the benefits of each style. All investment decisions, asset allocation and re-profiling is managed internally for you, in line with your requirements. This means your money is always working in line with your future aims and goals. By using a blend of index trackers and stock selection IM LIFESTYLE seeks to provide returns that will go on to outperform the markets as a whole. All investment decisions are made for you using our best ideas at any given time in market cycles. These are constantly adjusted to meet your needs, be that growth, income or a combination.

## IM Optimum (0.87% annual fee) Illustrations

		Monthly Savings			Single Payment		
Years to retirement		£50	£100	£300	£10,000	£20,000	£40,000
,	Value	2,990	5,970	17,900	10,600	21,300	42,600
5 Years	Income*	137	273	819	485	974	1,950
10 Years	Value	5,810	11,600	34,900	11,500	23,000	46,000
10 fears	Income*	262	522	1,570	520	1,040	2,070
15 Years	Value	8,570	17,100	51,400	12,400	24,800	49,600
15 Teals	Income*	380	759	2,280	551	1,100	2,200
20 Years	Value	11,300	22,600	67,700	13,400	26,800	53,600
20 Tears	Income*	494	988	2,960	586	1,170	2,340
25 Years	Value	14,000	27,900	83,800	14,500	28,900	57,900
20 100.0	Income*	603	1,200	3,610	625	1,240	2,490
30 Years	Value	16,700	33,300	100,000	15,600	31,300	62,500
	Income*	709	1,410	4,240	662	1,330	2,650
35 Years	Value	19,400	38,800	116,000	16,900	33,800	67,500
	Income*	811	1,620	4,850	707	1,410	2,820
40 Years	Value	22,200	44,400	133,000	18,200	36,500	72,900
	Income*	915	1,830	5,480	750	1,500	3,010

The table below shows the effect of charges on your Pension assuming  $\mathfrak{L}1000$  monthly savings

This means that after annual inflation of 2.5% our charges reduce the 'real' yearly growth rate by 0.9% to 1.6%

IM Optimum (0.87% annual fee) Effect of Charges (£1000pm)

Years to retirement	Total paid to date	Before charges are taken	After all charges are taken from this Pension
1	12800	13000	13000
3	35700	37000	36600
5	57400	61100	60000
20	190,000	249,000	231,000

#### IM Index (0.57% annual fee) Illustrations

Years to	Monthly Savings			Single Payment			
retirement		£100	£1000			£10000	£100,000
5 Years	Value	6020	60,200		Value	11,000	110,000
5 Years	Income	278	2,780		Income	508	5,080
10 Years	Value	11,800	118,000		Value	12,000	120,000
io rears	Income	538	5,380		Income	547	5,470
15 Years	Value	17,600	176,000		Value	13,200	132,000
15 Tears	Income	793	7,930		Income	595	5,950
20 Years	Value	23,300	233,000		Value	14,400	144,000
20 Icuis	Income	1,040	10,400		Income	641	6,410
30 Years	Value	35,200	352,000		Value	17,400	174,000
	Income	1,530	15,300		Income	755	7,550
40 Years	Value	47,900	479,000		Value	20,900	209,000
	Income	2,030	20,300		Income	886	8,860

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This means that after annual inflation of 2.5% our charges reduce the 'real' yearly growth rate by 0.6% to 1.9%

IM Index (0.57% annual fee) Effect of Charges (£1000pm)

Years to retirement	Total paid to date	Before charges are taken	After all charges are taken from this Pension
1	12800	13000	13000
3	35700	37000	36700
5	57400	61100	60200
20	190000	249000	233000

# PH Portfolios (0.87% annual fee) Illustrations

Years to	Monthly Savings			Single Payment			
retirement		£50	£100	£300	£10,000	£20,000	£40,000
5 Years	Value	2,990	5,970	17,900	10,600	21,300	42,600
5 Years	Income*	137	273	819	485	974	1,950
10 Years	Value	5,810	11,600	34,900	11,500	23,000	46,000
10 Tears	Income*	262	522	1,570	520	1,040	2,070
15 Years	Value	8,570	17,100	51,400	12,400	24,800	49,600
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	Income*	709	1,410	4,240	662	1,330	2,650
35 Years	Value	19,400	38,800	116,000	16,900	33,800	67,500
	Income*	811	1,620	4,850	707	1,410	2,820
40 Years	Value	22,200	44,400	133,000	18,200	36,500	72,900
	Income*	915	1,830	5,480	750	1,500	3,010

The table below shows the effect of charges on your Pension assuming £1000 monthly savings

This means that after annual inflation of 2.5% our charges reduce the 'real' yearly growth rate by 0.7% to 1.8%

PH Equity (0.67% annual fee) Effect of Charges (£1000pm)

Years to retirement	Total paid to date	Before charges are taken	After all charges are taken from this Pension
1	12800	13000	13000
3	35700	37000	36600
5	57400	61100	60000
20	190,000	249,000	231,000

## IM LIFESTYLE (1.00% annual fee) Illustrations

Years to	Monthly Savings			Single Payment			
retirement		£50	£100	£300	£10,000	£20,000	£40,000
5 Years	Value	2,980	5,960	17,880	10,700	21,400	42,800
J Teals	Income*	131	262	786	472	944	1,888
10 Years	Value	5,770	11,540	34,620	11,500	23,000	46,000
10 10415	Income*	251	502	1,506	501	1,002	2,004
15 Years	Value	8,480	16,960	50,880	12,400	24,800	49,600
	Income*	365	730	2,190	533	1,066	2,132
20 Years	Value	11,100	22,200	66,600	13,300	26,600	53,200
	Income*	471	942	2,826	564	1,128	2,256
25 Years	Value	13,700	27,400	82,200	14,200	28,400	56,800
	Income*	574	1,148	3,444	595	1,190	2,380
30 Years	Value	16,300	32,600	97,800	15,300	30,600	61,200
	Income*	674	1,348	4,044	633	1,266	2,532
35 Years	Value	18,900	37,800	113,400	16,400	32,800	65,600
	Income*	773	1,546	4,638	670	1,340	2,680
40 Years	Value	21,500	43,000	129,000	17,600	35,200	70,400
	Income*	869	1,738	5,214	711	1,422	2,844

The table below shows the effect of charges on your Pension assuming  $\mathfrak{L}1000$  monthly savings

This means that after annual inflation of 2.5% our charges reduce the 'real' yearly growth rate by 0.7% to 1.8%

IM LIFESTYLE (1.00% annual fee) Effect of Charges (£1000pm)

Years to retirement	Total paid to date	Before charges are taken	After all charges are taken from this Pension
1	12800	13000	12900
3	35700	37000	36400
5	57400	61100	59500
20	190,000	249,000	222,000

#### **Generic Illustrations**

These are examples to show the effects of charge, time and performance on returns. In reality you get more or less and your circumstances will differ. For a personalised illustration, please contact us.

\*The income is a single life, level annuity, paid monthly in advance, 5 year quarantee and no tax-free cash.

# ILLUSTRATION: WHAT MIGHT I GET BACK FROM MY PENSION?

These tables show what your Pension value and income might be for a range of gross/employer contributions and years to retirement **Assumptions:** 5% annual growth, 1.5% transaction charge and stated annual charge (management charge plus average fund charges) and retirement at 65. Amounts are in real terms, assuming 2.5% annual inflation. Inflation reduces the worth of all savings and investments, not just the Pension. Actual rates of return and charges will depend on your investments and their performance and may be better or worse than shown.

# What choices will I have when I decide to take benefits from my Private Client Pension?

- You can decide to take benefits from your Private Client Pension from the age of 55 or defer taking benefits for as long as you wish; you do not have to take an annuity at age 75.
- If you are suffering ill health, you may be permitted to take your benefits before you reach age 55.
- When you choose to take benefits from your Private Client Pension the
  value of your Private Client Pension will be tested against your
  Lump Sum Allowance and the Lump Sum and Death Benefit Allowance
  (if you have primary or enhanced or fixed protection, you must inform the
  Operator).
- From age 55 you are able to choose from any combination of a number of benefits following the Government's decision to enable members to access their pension funds with greater flexibility. These are:
- · a tax-free pension commencement lump sum of up to 25% of your Fund;
- if you are first accessing your pension fund on or after 6 April 2015, or before that date you were accessing your pension savings through "flexible drawdown", an income, taxed at your marginal rate of income tax, taken from a "flexi-access drawdown fund";
- if before 6 April 2015 you were using "capped drawdown" to access pension savings, you have the choice to either remain in capped drawdown, or to convert your fund into a flexi-access drawdown fund as explained above;

- an uncrystallised funds pension lump sum, which can be paid as a lump sum from any part of your fund which has not already been crystallised.
   The first 25% of this will be free of tax, while the remainder will be taxed at your marginal rate of income tax;
- purchasing a lifetime annuity to provide an income during your lifetime. You
  can choose whether this provides a fixed rate of income, or one that either
  increases or decreases during your retirement. You can also choose how
  long the annuity is guaranteed to be paid after your death, up to 10 years;
- if any of your choices include either taking income from a flexi-access drawdown fund, or taking an uncrystallised funds pension lump sum, your Annual Allowance for further contributions will be replaced with the Money Purchase Annual Allowance currently set at £4,000. This means you will only be able to contribute this reduced amount without triggering a tax charge.
- Protected Rights ceased to exist on 6 April 2012, and are now treated as ordinary pension rights. As such any restrictions that used to apply in respect of these have fallen away.
- Your decision as to your choices in your circumstances is an important one.
   We, therefore recommend you discuss your retirement options with your Financial Adviser
- You are also entitled to free, impartial guidance on your options under the Guidance Guarantee announced by the Government, under which you are entitled to a 30 minute consultation (face-to-face, by telephone or internet) in relation to your options. We recommend that you take this pensions guidance, if you choose not to we can provide you with details of how to access this guidance on request.

## Is there a limit on benefits I can take from my pension plan?

There is no limit on the benefits that you can take from your pension arrangements, however you should be aware that there are limits on how much tax-free cash you can take. The maximum tax-free cash you can take from all of your pension arrangements is called the Lump Sum Allowance, which is currently set at £268,275.00.

In addition, there is a Lump Sum and Death Benefit Allowance, which is currently set at  $\mathfrak{L}1,073,100$ . This is also used each time you take tax-free cash from your pension arrangements, however this also includes any Serious III-Health Lump Sums and Death Benefit payments to your beneficiaries in the event of your death before Age 75.

Previously, there was a limit on the amount of benefits you could take from your pension arrangements, which was known as the Lump Sum Allowance and the Lump Sum and Death Benefit Allowance. The Government has made it possible for individuals potentially affected by a reduction in the Lump Sum Allowance and the Lump Sum and Death Benefit Allowance to apply for various types of protection. These protections still exist, however they now protect the Lump Sum Allowance and the Lump Sum and Death Benefit Allowance.

You can still apply for Fixed Protection 2016 and Individual Protection 2016 provided that you have not had contributions paid to any pension schemes from 6th April 2016 and you do not already have Enhanced or Primary Protection.

Every time you take tax-free cash from a pension plan, some of your Lump Sum Allowance and your Lump Sum and Death Benefit Allowance is used. Below lists the type of benefits that can be tested against each allowance:

- Lump Sum Allowance:
  - Taking any applicable tax-free cash upon designating benefits to create a Flexi-Access Drawdown Pension Fund
  - Taking 25% tax-free cash when taking benefits via an Uncrystallised Fund Pension Lump Sum
  - Taking any applicable tax-free cash upon designating benefits to purchase a Lifetime Annuity.
- Lump Sum and Death Benefit Allowance:
  - All of the above situations
  - All benefits paid in the event of your death before Age 75 Any Serious III-Health Lump Sum Payments

At each of the above stages, an allowance is made for any tests that have already been carried out.

#### What happens to my plan when I die?

- When you join the Private Client Pension, you will complete an expression
  of wish form which allows the trustees of the Private Client Pension to pay
  benefits to your Nominees when you die.
- The trustees will use an 'expression of wish' form to guide them in their decision as to how to pay this benefit, but this form is not binding upon them. This 'discretionary trust' structure means the payment can be made free from Inheritance Tax (IHT).
- The Government has introduced extensive new flexibilities to how your pension can be used after you have died, and generally reduced the amount of tax that will be payable on these options.
- The death benefits payable depend on your age at death and whether you
  have started to take benefits from your plan prior to your death.

#### What happens if I die before age 75?

If you die before reaching age 75 and prior to the commencement of taking benefits, the full value of your fund can be used to provide for your beneficiaries, subject to current HMRC rules and will usually be free of inheritance tax and other tax charges, since the same 'discretionary trust' structure is used as described above.

(Your Financial Adviser can explain the relevant tax charges if applicable to your death benefit).

If you had a drawdown pension fund that you had already drawn benefits from it can be passed tax-free to a chosen Nominee or Successor as either a drawdown pension, or as a lump sum.

Any amount of your Fund that you had not taken any benefits from, can also be passed to a Nominee or Successor, as a lump sum.

#### What happens if I die after age 75?

If you had a drawdown pension fund that you had already drawn benefits from, this can be passed to a chosen Nominee or Successor as either a drawdown pension, or as a lump sum. If it is taken as a drawdown pension, a tax charge will be applied at the same rate as the recipient pays income tax. If it is taken as a lump sum, a tax charge of 45% will be applied.

From April 2016 if you elect to take benefits or a lump sum, it will be taxed at the same rate of tax that the recipient pays income tax.

Further information on Death Benefits is available from the Scheme

# How do I receive communications regarding my Private Client Pension?

- Once your Private Client Pension is established, all communication in relation to your Private Client Pension will be provided to you or your Financial Adviser.
  - Please refer to Section 13 (COMMUNICATIONS) of the Terms & Conditions for full information.
- Your Financial Adviser will be able to call Quai Investment Services (Quai) any time to request the latest valuation of your Private Client Pension, place buy and sell instructions, move in and out of the Cash Deposit Account and request annual benefit statements.

#### What are the charges?

The only cost to you is the charges for the Intelligent Money Portfolios and any cash interest received on money in your Scheme Bank Account where relevant)

The costs of the Intelligent Money Portfolios can be found in this Key Features document under the section **Investing in the Intelligent Money Portfolios** and on our website. To summarise these are an initial charge of 1.5% and an annual charge of 0.57% for IM Index, 0.87% for IM Optimum and the PH Portfolios and 1% for IM Lifestyle.

These annual charges include all costs in providing the Private Client Pension, including servicing and support, the provision and operation of your Plan, dealing costs, portfolio management and annual pension management expenses.

If you choose to hold commercial property within your Plan there is no charge for this providing you have at least £100,000 investment in Intelligent Money Portfolios. Where you do not there will be an initial charge of £550 and an annual charge of £750 for each commercial property.

#### Financial Advice

 Quai do not provide financial advice. If you require this the firm you select to do so will agree advice fees separately with you.

# What will my Financial Adviser get?

 Quai Investment Services (Quai) does not pay commission to your adviser for recommending the Private Client Pension. Any Adviser Charges will be agreed between you and your Adviser.

#### Can I change my mind?

Yes, you have the right to cancel your Pension within the first 30 days.
 On receipt of your completed application we will write to you to confirm we have set up your Pension. If you decide to cancel you must tell us by writing to us at our address within 30 days of the set up date.

# What happens to my investments if I decide to change my mind?

- Depending on when you decide to exercise your right to cancel you may not get back your original investment but rather you will receive the original investment less any subsequent fall in value.
- Cancellation rights in respect of the underlying investments will depend
  on the nature of the underlying investment and where applicable will be
  detailed in the Investment Manager agreement.

# Can I transfer other pension arrangements into the Private Client Pension?

 You may transfer other existing pension arrangements you may have into your Private Client Pension. You must provide details of the transferring scheme to the Operator using the Transfer Form which will be supplied on request and Quai Investment Services (Quai) will contact the transferring scheme to arrange for the transfer of your funds. Quai Investment Services (Quai) will inform you when the transfer is complete.  If you wish to transfer your fund in from an overseas pension fund the Operator will establish whether the transferring scheme is a recognised overseas pension scheme that is not a registered scheme. If it is, the Operator will accept the transfer but the transfer amount will not qualify for tax relief.

#### Can I transfer my Private Client Pension out to another scheme?

- You can transfer your fund out to another UK provider. Your new chosen provider will contact the Operator to initiate the transfer.
- If you wish to transfer your Private Client Pension Investments to an
  overseas pension provider, the Operator will establish whether the overseas
  scheme is a qualifying recognised overseas pension scheme (QROPS). If
  it is, the transfer can go ahead as an authorised payment. The transfer to
  a QROPS qualifies as a benefit crystallisation event and the amount to be
  transferred will be tested against your Overseas Transfer Allowance.
  - If the transfer value exceeds your available Overseas Transfer Allowance, then you will be charged tax at 25% on the excess amount.

#### Contact information

This document is a brief guide to the Key Features of the Private Client Pension. Please refer to the Terms & Conditions within this document for further details.

For more detailed information about your Pension, please refer to the trust deed and rules which are available on request.

If you require further information or have any queries, please contact the Operator in writing at:

Quai Investment Services (Quai), The Shire Hall, High Pavement, Nottingham, NG1 1HN

#### Complaints

If you are not happy with the service you have received from us, please contact us in writing at the address provided above. Your complaint will be dealt with in accordance with our internal complaint handling procedures which are available on request. We will do everything we can to resolve your complaint. However, if you are not satisfied with our response you can refer the matter to either the Financial Ombudsman Service (FOS) or to the Pensions Ombudsman (PO). The FOS and PO are both independent statutory bodies that investigate and adjudicate on certain types of complaints and disputes relating to pension schemes and their members.

**The FOS** can be contacted at: The Financial Ombudsman Service, Exchange Tower, London, E14 9SR. Tel: 0800 023 4567. www.financial-ombudsman.org.uk

**The PO** can be contacted at The Pensions Ombudsman, 11 Belgrave Road, London SW1V 1RB. Tel: 0207 834 2200.

If your complaint concerns the running of your Private Client Pension, you may be referred to The Pensions Advisory Service (TPAS), which is available to assist members and beneficiaries in connection with any difficulties they may have in relation to their pension scheme.

**TPAS** can be contacted at: The Pensions Advisory Service, 11 Belgrave Road, London SW1V 1RB. Tel: 0845 601 2923.

Making a complaint will not prejudice your right to take legal proceedings. Any complaint regarding the advice given to you by your Financial Adviser should be referred to them for review under their own complaints process.

#### Law

The terms of your membership of the Private Client Pension is governed by the laws of England and in becoming a member of the Private Client Pension you shall submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the English courts.

These terms are effective as of 24th May 2024 and remain in force until a future update is released.

The Private Client Pension is a pension provided by Quai Investment Services (Quai).

Quai Investment Services (Quai) is authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority (FCA) under FCA reference number 922590.

Details of Quai Investment Services (Quai)'s FCA authorisation can be obtained on the FCA register at www.fca.gov.uk or by calling the FCA on 0845 606 1234.



#### **GDPR PRIVACY STATEMENT**

#### **USE OF YOUR PERSONAL INFORMATION**

Quai Investment Services (Quai) may disclose Personal Information about you to others if we have your consent to do so in such form of consent as may be required under applicable law.

Subject to applicable laws in your jurisdiction, we may also disclose Personal Information about you to others as we believe to be necessary or appropriate: (a) under applicable law or regulation, including laws or regulations outside your country of residence; (b) to comply with legal process; (c) to respond to requests from public authorities and law enforcement officials, including officials outside your country of residence; (d) to assist or support Financial Crime investigations raised by the regulator, (e) to enforce any of our terms and conditions or policies; (f) to protect our operations or those of any of our affiliates and subsidiaries; (g) to protect the rights, privacy, safety or property of Quai Investment Services (Quai) its affiliates and subsidiaries, you or others; or (h) to permit us to pursue available remedies or limit the damages that we may sustain.

We may also transfer Personal Information to an affiliate, a subsidiary or a third party in the event of any reorganisation, merger, sale, joint venture, assignment, transfer or other disposition of all or any portion of Quai Investment Service's business, assets or stock, including, without limitation, in connection with any bankruptcy or similar proceeding.

If you would like more information or to see a copy of our full Privacy Policy please contact compliance@intelligentmoney.com.

Access, correction or deletion requests can be made as follows:

Email: compliance@intelligentmoney.com

Post: Quai Investment Services (Quai), The Shire Hall, High Pavement, Nottingham, NG1 1HN.

# TERMS & CONDITIONS OF THE PRIVATE CLIENT PENSION

These terms and conditions set out the contract between you (the Member) and Quai Investment Services (Quai). They should be read in conjunction with the Key Features of the Private Client Pension. All queries and correspondence must be sent in writing to Quai, The Shire Hall, High Pavement, Nottingham, NG1 1HN

#### 1. DEFINITIONS

#### Agreement

these terms and conditions as amended from time to time:

#### **Cash Account**

the cash account established to process payments into and out of your Plan and to hold money that we have not received instructions to invest. This is not to be confused with any other cash deposit account you may select as an investment;

#### **Cancellation Period**

the period of 30 days from the date when you are informed that your application for membership has been accepted;

#### Charges

as set out in the relevant fee schedule and amended from time to time;

#### Dependant

a person who is a "dependant" under paragraph 15 of Schedule 28 of Finance Act 2004;

#### **Force Majeure Event**

any cause preventing the Establisher, Operator or Trustee from performing any or all of their material obligations under this Agreement which arise from or are attributable to acts, events, omissions or accidents beyond their reasonable control including without limitation, acts of God, war or national emergency, acts of terrorism, riot, civil or governmental order, fire, explosion, flood, storm or epidemic (including any interruption by such events to electronic or other automated systems used in connection with the services provided under this Agreement);

#### FCA

Financial Conduct Authority which is the regulator of the financial services industry in the UK;

# **Fund Value**

the value of the Member's fund as defined in the Plan's Rules;

# **HMRC**

Her Majesty's Revenue & Customs;

# **Private Client Pension**

the registered pension scheme which is a trading style of the IM Optimum Pension;

#### Member

the person named in the application form and in whose name the Plan has been opened:

#### Nominee

is a person who has been nominated by a Member to receive benefits on the Member's death under paragraph 27A of Schedule 28 of Finance Act 2004:

# Operator

Quai Investment Services (Quai) is the current Operator of the Plan;

# Personal Pension Plan

The Private Client Pension established to receive contributions and/or transfer payments as prescribed by the relevant legislation and Revenue rules;

#### Plar

the Registered Pension Scheme know as the Intelligent Pension, branded as the Private Client Pension and established by Quai Investment Services (Quai);

#### Provider

Quai Investment Services (Quai) is the current Provider of the Plan;

# Registered Pension Scheme

a Registered Pension Scheme within the meaning of Chapter 2 of Part 4 of the Finance Act 2004;

#### Revenue

HM Revenue & Customs, being the government agency formerly known as the Inland Revenue;

#### Successor

a person nominated by a Dependant, Nominee or Successor of a Member to receive benefits on the Member's death under paragraph 27F of Schedule 28 of the Finance Act 2004;

#### Trustee

the entity which is the current Trustee of the Plan (currently Intelligent Money Trustees Limited);

#### Us

Quai Investment Services (Quai);

#### You and Your

the person named in the application form and in whose name the Plan has been opened.

## 2. TERMS OF THE AGREEMENT

This Agreement is between you (the Member) and the Operator, Quai Investment Services Limited (Quai), registered in England and Wales under Companies House registration number: 09919243.

This Agreement details the terms of business and the services which will be provided under the Plan for the Member whilst they participate in the Plan.

The Plan is a Registered Pension Scheme approved by the Revenue.

The Plan has been established for the purpose of the provision of pension and lump sum benefits for eligible individuals under the Finance Act 2004. The Plan is governed by a Declaration of Trust and Rules (the Rules) and any subsequent deeds amending these.

Quai hereby undertakes to operate the Plan in accordance with the Rules and this Agreement. A copy of the Rules and amendments to them is available by writing to Quai, The Shire Hall, High Pavement, Nottingham, NG1 1HN.

The Trustee is the legal owner of all the assets of your Plan (which it holds on trust for you and/or your Beneficiaries). All investments not held in the name of a Nominee must be registered in the name of the Trustee.

The interest earned from the Cash Account of all Plans belongs to Quai and is used for the provision of servicing and support to the financial advisers of Advised Plan Members.

#### 3. CONTRIBUTIONS

You may contribute to your Plan at any time provided you remain eligible to do so. The Operator is also able to accept contributions on your behalf from your employer or another third party.

Contributions may be made as a one-off (or series of one off payment(s)) of any amount, or on a regular basis. There is a limit on the amount of contributions that can be made to your Plan by or on your behalf that will attract tax relief. Please refer to the Key Features for details of these limits.

You will have the option of taking all your benefits from the Plan at once, or taking your benefits in stages over a period of time. In achieving this, your Plan will be divided into crystallised funds i.e. funds you have designated for income withdrawal and uncrystallised funds i.e. the part of your Plan from which you have not yet taken any benefits.

Once part of your Plan has crystallised you will be able to continue making contributions, although these may be restricted depending upon the options you choose. Contributions (other than contributions made by your employer and contributions you make on or after age 75) are made net of basic rate tax. The Operator will claim the tax relief at basic rate from the Revenue.

The Operator makes such tax claims monthly, in arrears. Tax relief is not available for investment until it is received from the Revenue, which can take up to 11 weeks depending on the timing of your contribution.

Reclaimed monies will be credited to your Cash Account. You are responsible for reclaiming any higher rate tax relief from the Revenue and this will not be credited to your Plan.

You are not entitled to receive tax relief on contributions made by your employer. All proposed contributions must be supported by the appropriate application form and/or any other documentation required by the Operator.

Proposed contributions received without the appropriate documentation will be unavailable for investment and will normally be returned unless such documentation is supplied within 30 days of the proposed contribution being received.

Once a contribution has been accepted into your Plan it cannot normally be refunded. Refunds can only be paid from Registered Pension Schemes in very limited circumstances.

# 4. TRANSFERS

#### Transfers-In

You may arrange for a transfer of any other pension arrangement you may have into the Plan, provided it is consistent with the Plan Rules and the transfer rules applicable to Registered Pension Schemes. Transferred in funds will not be available for investment until the Operator and Trustee are satisfied the transfer is acceptable and the funds have been received.

The Operator and Trustee reserve the right to refuse any transfer and may refuse to accept a transfer where a pension transfer specialist would normally be involved and you have not received this advice in respect of the transfer and have not signed a disclaimer indemnifying the Provider, Operator and Trustee. The Provider, Operator and the Trustee do not offer and are not authorised to give advice on transfers.

The Operator does not check transfers for suitability. It is your responsibility to decide that the Private Client Pension is suitable and appropriate to your needs. If you have any doubts as to the suitability or appropriateness of the Private Client Pension or the investments to which it is linked you should seek independent financial advice from a financial adviser before deciding to invest.

#### Transfers-Out

You may request a transfer payment to be made from your Plan to another Registered Pension Scheme or certain qualifying overseas pension schemes.

The Operator and Trustee reserve the right to refuse to effect any such transfer until it is satisfied it is allowed under the Plan Rules and any overriding legislation.

The Operator and Trustee will not be liable for any lost investment opportunities or any reduction in the amount of the transfer payment arising during that time. The amount of the transfer payment will be the aggregate value of the part of your Plan being transferred as at the date the transfer is made, less any outstanding charges or charges incurred as a result of the transfer payment.

From time to time further distributions will made from the platform after the transfer has been completed in most cases the amounts will be sent to the new scheme however Quai Investment Services (Quai) will not transfer amounts that are less than  $\mathfrak{L}75$ .

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# 5. CASH ACCOUNTS (not to be confused with cash deposit accounts you may hold as an investment within your SIPP)

All monies in respect of your Plan, not applied for investment purposes, will be held in a Cash Account established by the Trustee at a designated bank (or banks) as the Trustee shall from time to time determine. The Trustee will be the sole authorised signatory to the Cash Account.

The Cash Account is provided as a "current account" facility to enable payments in and out of your Plan and hold Funds not invested. As such it does not pay interest to the Member (as any interest available is retained in full by Quai Investment Services (Quai) to cover the costs of establishing and operating the Cash Account within your Plan at no additional charge). Cash Accounts are not permitted to go overdrawn.

Where monies are transferred to an investment manager permitted to hold Funds in respect of your Plan, the investment manager will be responsible for the establishment of a bank account held in the investment manager's nominee name in a form acceptable to the Trustee and shall account for all transactions and interest periodically. The Operator and the Trustee do not accept liability for default by any authorised institution or any third party (including an investment manager or bank) that holds cash in respect of your Plan.

# **6. STATEMENTS AND DOCUMENTATION**

You will be provided with an annual benefit statement each year. The Operator will keep a record of payments in and out of your Cash Account and transfers between your Cash Account and investment managers.

Details of the transactions undertaken by investment managers on your behalf will only be available from the investment managers and the investment manager must provide valuations at least monthly to the Operator.

You are responsible for checking the accuracy of statements as soon as possible and informing Us if there appears to be any inaccuracy. The Operator and the Trustee accept no responsibility for information provided by a third party.

#### 7. INVESTMENTS

Please refer to the Key Features document for full information on the investment options available to you in the Private Client Pension.

# 8. INVESTMENT PROCEDURES

You may choose the investments of your Plan from our range of Intelligent Money Portfolios (please refer to the Key Features document for full information).

The Trustee will insist on limiting its liability and any liability of the Operator to the value of the part of your Plan invested with the fund manager.

The Operator will not be liable for any loss arising from your investment instructions. The Operator may aggregate your instructions with those of other Private Client Pension members and place an aggregated deal with the fund manager. Instructions to purchase units/shares in any investment will only be placed where you have sufficient cleared funds in the Cash Account.

The Operator will use the investment instructions provided by the Member as pre-agreed to transfer monies from the Member's Cash Account to the Investment Managers. The Member may amend these investment Instructions at any time and the Operator will apply these instructions to monies received after it has processed the new instructions.

Neither the Trustee, nor the Operator accept liability for any loss occasioned by any investment manager or other person or body which is responsible for any fund management or ancillary service connected therewith.

The Trustee will not exercise voting rights or any other rights in respect of any investment unless directed by the Member to do so. The Trustee reserves the right to realise investments to pay benefits or fees and charges under the Plan and this Agreement.

#### 9. CHARGES PAYABLE ON THE PRIVATE CLIENT PENSION

9.1. For information on all of the charges, please see the Key Features Document.

#### 10. COMPLAINTS

Should the Member wish to register a complaint in relation to the services provided under this Agreement then such a complaint can be made in writing to Quai Investment Services (Quai), The Shire Hall, High Pavement, Nottingham, NG1 1HN. We will then forward to you a copy of our 'Complaints handling procedures' leaflet. Any complaint will be dealt with promptly. We will always endeavour to deal with a complaint in a fair and honest way, however, if you are unhappy or unsatisfied with our conduct of a complaint you can complain directly to the Financial Ombudsman Service.

#### 11. VARIATION

The Operator and the Trustee have the right to make any amendment to these provisions in order to comply with a change of applicable law or regulation, by giving the Member 30 days' notice. If the change is to the Member's advantage then notice can be given within 30 days of the change.

This Agreement as varied, if appropriate, shall continue until your Plan has been terminated by the payment of a transfer value to another Registered Pension Scheme or the provision of annuity/death benefits in the appropriate form, or the Plan is wound up or otherwise there are no assets remaining in your Plan. No Member has the right to amend this Agreement. The Rules of the Plan can be amended without your consent in accordance with the power of amendment set out in the Rules from time to time in force. If such changes would have a material impact on you then the Operator will give you 30 days notice of any such change. Nothing in this Agreement restricts in any way the powers to amend the Plan contained in the Rules.

#### 12. CANCELLATION RIGHTS - YOUR RIGHT TO CANCEL

To comply with legislation, the rules of the Plan will provide that within 7 days of your application for membership being accepted you will be issued with cancellation notice detailing your right to a 30 day cancellation period. Your right of cancellation or withdrawal is dependent on the type of transaction entered into. Please refer to the Operator for further information.

#### How to cancel

If you decide that you wish to withdraw your initial Application and any concurrent or subsequent transfer of an existing pension you should write to the Operator before the end of the Cancellation Period advising that you wish to exercise your right to cancel. Each time you apply to transfer an existing pension you have the right to cancel the transfer.

# Costs incurred during the Cancellation Period

There is no charge for cancelling your Application. The Operator however reserves the right to deduct charges for any services provided during the Cancellation Period. Any contributions received will then be refunded and any transfer values received, returned. Please note that these refunds will be subject to investment fluctuations if assets have been purchased during the Cancellation Period. As a result the value of the amount which you receive may be lower than originally invested. The transferring scheme may not be willing to accept back a transfer. If this occurs you may request a transfer to another pension provider.

#### 13. TERMINATION

No fees or charges paid at the time of termination shall be refunded and those payable shall remain so and will include any charges associated with undertaking any transaction necessary to terminate your Plan.

Termination will be without prejudice to the completion of transactions already initiated and the Operator is authorised to continue to operate the Cash Accounts relating to your Plan after notice has been given for the purpose of settling or receiving monies in respect of transactions already initiated and paying any expenses or fees due to the Provider or other parties.

#### 14. THE FINANCIAL SERVICES COMPENSATION SCHEME

We are a participant in the UK Financial Services Compensation Scheme which provides a measure of protection where an investment firm is unable to meet its obligations to its clients, currently to an amount of 100% of the first £85,000 (or currency equivalent).

More information about this scheme and on your eligibility to benefit from the protection afforded by the scheme is available on request or from the Financial Services Compensation Scheme, whose address is 10th Floor, Beaufort House, 15 St Botolph Street, London, EC3A 7QU.

#### 15. CONFIDENTIALITY

The Operator and the Trustee undertake not to disclose, at any time, information coming into their possession during the continuance of your Plan except to the investment manager, unless expressly authorised to do so or where required to do so by law or any regulatory purpose and such information will be held in accordance with the provisions of Data Protection Act 2018. The Operator may also give essential information about the Plan to others if necessary to run the Plan.

Our regulator requires that we classify our clients as 'retail' (personal) or 'professional' (business). In all cases we will classify you as a retail client. This will give the highest level of consumer protection and in some circumstances access to the Financial Ombudsman Service.

#### **16. INSTRUCTIONS AND NOTICES**

The Member should give all written notices and instructions to the Operator in writing at Quai Investment Services (Quai), The Shire Hall, High Pavement, Nottingham, NG1 1HN. You agree to receive communications and statements from the Operator via email and to notify the Operator if you wish to change your contact details or if you become aware that the security of any methods of communication that you use to communicate with the Operator has or may have been compromised.

The Operator will not be liable for acting upon any communication that it reasonably believes to be from you or from a person authorised by you.

The Operator will use all reasonable efforts to ensure that its web site is available at all times, however, the web site may not necessarily contain content for use by the Member, the content from time to time may be solely for the use of the Member's agents, the Operator reserves the right to withdraw the web site to make any necessary improvements or amendments to its features.

The Operator will use appropriate equipment and systems to minimise any errors or viruses occurring on the web site, but it does not represent or warrant that the web site is and will be error free, free of viruses or other impairing or harmful components.

# 17. JURISDICTION

This Agreement shall be constructed in accordance with the laws of England and the parties submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the English courts.

# 18. CHARGES

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The Fees for providing and operating your Private Client Pension are as detailed in the Key Features Document.

We do not insist on a minimum of cash held on the scheme account however provision for payment of fees may need to be factored into any investment strategy and management. We reserve the right to charge for additional services on a time cost basis. Annual fees are deducted in advance from the scheme account where funds are available or invoiced separately to the member or company when applicable.

Where we do not charge VAT on services that we understand to be VAT exempt, we reserve the right to collect VAT retrospectively should HMRC deem that VAT should have been payable on any such services.

For protection of the Operator and/or Trustee any additional costs or disbursements incurred in relation to your plan, such as dealing with third parties, handling complaints and levies placed upon us after the commencement of your Plan, will be deducted directly from your cash account or via the sale of units/assets.

The Trustee reserves the right to amend the charges or apply additional charges as described in the Key Features subject to providing the member with due notice which will not be less than 30 days.

#### 19. SERVICES

The following services are provided:

- Establishment of your Plan;
- · Ongoing operation of your plan;
- Receipt of contributions/transfer payments into/out of the Plan;
- Recovery of basic rate tax on Member contributions where applicable;
- Annual statements detailing assets, contributions and transfer payments received and amounts of tax recovered from the Revenue;
- · Creation of banking facilities;
- · Settlement and payment of benefits; and
- Such other services as may from time to time be necessary to efficiently operate your Plan and to comply with Revenue requirements.

#### 20. MISCELLANEOUS

If at any time any part of this Agreement is found by a court, tribunal or administrative or regulatory body of competent jurisdiction to be in part illegal, invalid or unenforceable in any respect that will not affect any other provisions of this Agreement which will remain in full force and effect.

No provision of this Agreement will be enforceable by any party (other than you, the Trustee, Operator or Establisher) by virtue of the Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999.

Neither the Trustee or Operator or the Establisher will be deemed to be in breach of this Agreement or otherwise liable to you (or to any third party) for any failure or delay in it performing its obligations under this Agreement due to a Force Majeure Event, provided always that the Trustee or Operator or the Establisher (as appropriate) use their reasonable endeavours to (where possible) bring the Force Majeure Event to an end and whilst it is continuing to mitigate the impact of the Force Majeure Event.

Details of Quai Investment Service's FCA authorisation can be obtained in the FCA register at www.fca.gov.uk or by calling the FCA on 0845 606 1234.

# CLIENT CUSTODY TERMS

#### **Client Custody**

#### **Background**

- 1.1 Under the Terms and Conditions, you consent to Quai Investment Services (Quai) (the "Investment Services Provider") appointing Secol Custody Limited ("SCL") as the Custodian to provide:
- Investment Accounts subject to the Terms and Conditions
- · cash payment services, asset price and information data
- client money and asset reconciliation in accordance with the Client Asset Sourcebook ("CASS") of the FCA Rules
- 1.2 SCL is authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority of 12 Endeavour Square, London, E20 1JN ("FCA"), registration number 793200, to arrange, safeguard and administer custody of cash and Assets.
- 1.3 SCL is registered in England, registration number 10430958. To contact SCL, write to 5-7 Pulteney Mews, Bath, BA2 4DS.
- 1.4 Terms not defined in these Custody Terms have the meaning set out in the Terms and Conditions or the FCA Rules.

# System Operation - Applying and Transacting

- 2.1 The Custodian is authorised to ensure that the custody of your cash and Assets are managed compliantly in accordance with the applicable regulations.
- 2.2 Any deposits or withdrawals of cash or instructions to buy, sell or transfer investments, through the Investment Services Provider, will be recorded and managed in accordance with CASS. SCL will ensure any investment instructions are placed in accordance with our Order Execution Policy at Schedule 2.
- 2.3 All client cash will be held with an approved Bank or CRD Credit Institution in a designated Client Money statutory trust account. The account is held separately from any monies held by either SCL or the Investment Services Provider.
- 2.4 Client Assets will be registered to Digital Custody Nominees Limited ("Nominee") which is a wholly owned subsidiary company of SCL. This arrangement safeguards and segregates your Assets from those of SCL. SCL accepts the same level of responsibility under CASS to you for the Nominee.
- 2.5 Your cash and Assets will be held in a pooled arrangement. This means that SCL will have records that identify your individual ownership and entitlement to Assets. For operational and servicing purposes it is more efficient for SCL to administer your investments on a pooled basis.
- 2.6 SCL will have instances where we need to appoint third-party nominees or sub-custodians to maintain the custody services offered. By agreeing to these Custody Terms, you authorise SCL to do so.
- 2.7 SCL will use reasonable care and due diligence to perform its custodian duties. Your Assets will be held separately SCL's Assets, if SCL goes out of business. If any shortfall of Assets arises as a result of SCL's or a third-party nominee or sub-custodian's insolvency, these would be shared on a proportionate basis with affected clients.
- 2.8 Where SCL receive income from your investments through dividend payments, fund distributions and corporate actions, SCL will reconcile and credit these to your Accounts
- 2.9 As corporate action events arise, SCL will inform you or the Investment Services Provider where actions are applicable to your Assets.
- 2.10 SCL will facilitate the transfer of cash and Assets in accordance with client instructions and the Investment Services Provider's Terms and Conditions.

#### **Cash Processes**

- 3.1 Any client deposits or income will be credited to your respective Account once identified and reconciled with the date SCL received monies.
- 3.2 SCL will not pay any interest on cash held in Client Money accounts. You will be notified by Investment Services Provider of any changes if our policy on client interest change.

#### Settlement

- 4.1 Settlement of Client Assets will accord with market best practice. Where Assets are traded in Exchange Traded Instruments "ETIs", SCL will normally operate on a delivery-versus-payment "DVP" settlement process. By agreeing to the Custody Terms, you permit SCL to apply DVP transaction exemption as detailed in the FCA Rules up until any delivery of Assets (purchases) or cash (sales) passes the third working day, whereby SCL will follow Client Money and asset reconciliations in accordance with CASS.
- 4.2 For model portfolio and switch orders, we will place a buy order after the sell instruction is confirmed by the fund manager or the market. We may delay the purchase of ETI orders if the intended settlement date on the sale of a fund, is a day or longer than that of the ETI order.

#### **Asset Reconciliations**

- 5.1 SCL will reconcile Client Money and Assets in accordance with CASS.
- 5.2 Client Money will be reconciled on a Business Day basis and Assets will be reconciled externally according to their type and registration.

#### Liens

6.1 We reserve the right to enforce the right of liens over the Assets under the Terms and Conditions.

#### Communications

- 7.1 All communication with you will be in English through the online message portal provided by the Investment Services Provider.
- 7.2 SCL will provide quarterly valuation statements, annual consolidated tax vouchers for Investment Accounts and contract notes, which will detail the buys or sells instructed on your Account. It is your responsibility to sign-in and read this information and it is important you notify the Investment Services Provider promptly of any errors or omissions in respect of the accuracy of these documents.

For all other communications, you can contact SCL directly using the methods in these Custody Terms.

#### Complaints

- 8.1 SCL has its own complaints policy. If you want to complain, please contact the Investment Services Provider first. If you do not think this is appropriate or the Investment Services Provider is unable to meet its obligations, please contact SCL by email at complaints@seccl.tech or by post to The Compliance Officer, 5-7 Pulteney Mews, Bath, BA2 4DS.
- 8.2 If we do not resolve your complaint satisfactorily or fail to resolve it within eight weeks of receiving your complaint, you can also direct your complaint to the Financial Ombudsman Service at Exchange Tower, London E14 9SR. Telephone: 0800 023 4567 or 0300 123 9 123; email: complaint.info@financial-ombudsman.org.uk; and website: www.financial-ombudsman.org.uk.

#### Remuneration

9.1 The Investment Services Provider pays SCL for Custody services, you do not pay SCL any additional fees for the services SCL provide.

# Conflicts of Interest

10.1 SCL maintain a Conflicts of Interest policy independent of the Investment Services Provider. It is available by contacting the Investment Services Provider or SCL.

#### Force Majeure Event

- 11.1 To the extent permissible under applicable law, neither you nor SCL shall be responsible for any loss or damage suffered by the other party by reason of any natural and unavoidable catastrophes that interrupt the expected course of events and restrict you or SCL from fulfilling obligations under these Custody Terms ("Force Majeure Event"). If such loss, damage or failure is, or may occur, due to a Force Majeure Event, each party will use reasonable endeavours to minimise the effects and will notify the other party of a Force Majeure Event or potential Force Majeure Event as soon as possible.
- 11.2 If a party is prevented from performing all or substantially all of its obligations under the Agreement by a Force Majeure Event for a continuous period of 30 days or more either party shall be entitled to terminate this Agreement immediately by giving written notice to that effect to the other Party.

#### **Data Protection**

- 12.1 In acting as your Custodian SCL, will have access to the data you provide on application to the Investment Services Provider service. In the Service Agreement between the Investment Services Provider and SCL both parties are joint Data Controllers and have independent Privacy Policies which summarise how we will use your personal information and with whom we share it.
- 12.2 SCL will use your details for regulatory reporting purposes and will not use or share your information for marketing purposes.

# FSCS

- 13.1 The Investment Services Provider is covered by the Financial Services Compensation Scheme ("FSCS"). If the Investment Services Provider ceases trading and cannot meet our obligations you may be entitled to compensation from the scheme up to a maximum of  $\Sigma$ 50,000 (or such other value covered from time to time by the FSCS) for investment claims.
- 13.2 Further information about the compensation arrangements is available from the FSCS directly.
- Website: www.fscs.co.uk Telephone: 0800 678 1100 / 020 7741 4100
- Address: Financial Services Compensation Scheme, PO Box 300, Mitcheldean, GL17 1DY

#### **Use of Third Parties**

- 14.1 To provide custody services SCL will use the services of third-party service providers.
- 14.2 Examples include the provision of; Data and price feeds of Assets, the execution of trading instructions, clearing and settlement services, banking services, client verification, regulatory reporting, card payment services and the facilitation of automated transfer instructions.
- 14.3 Where services are provided by a third-party, SCL will use reasonable care and due diligence in selecting them and monitoring their performance. Except for clause 2.4, SCL does not guarantee proper performance by the third-party and will not itself be responsible if a third-party provider fails to meet its obligations. This means that should the third-party default or becomes insolvent, you may lose some or all of your Assets and will not necessarily be entitled to compensation from SCL. Including, in circumstances where it is not possible under the relevant national law and the registration under clause 2.6 to identify the Client Assets from the proprietary Assets of the third-party firm

#### Termination

- 15.1 SCL may terminate these Terms at any time by giving you 30 days' written notice (subject to applicable law and regulatory requirements). There is no minimum duration of these Terms.
- 15.2 SCL may also terminate these Terms with immediate effect by written notice if required to do so for legal or regulatory reasons or on instructions from the Investment Services Provider.
- 15.3 In this event, the Investment Services Provider will instruct SCL where to transfer the Client Assets and Client Money. If the Investment Services Provider does not do so promptly, or if the Investment Services Provider no longer represents you, then you will on request give the relevant instruction. The Custodian will transfer Client Assets and Client Money in accordance with the relevant instruction or, if it is unable to obtain instructions, it will transfer them directly to you. These Terms will continue to apply until such transfer of the Client Assets and the Client Money is complete.
- 15.4 You can terminate these Custody Terms at any time by closing your Accounts by the withdrawal of cash or transfer of Assets.

# **Assignment and Severability**

- 16.1 You may not assign your rights or your obligations under these Custody Terms to anyone.
- 16.2 SCL may, by giving at least 30 days' written notice to you, transfer its rights and obligations under these Custody Terms to another person that is appropriately authorised by the FCA. You authorise us to take such action we reasonably consider necessary to appoint the replacement. If you do not agree to the transfer, you can withdraw, redeem or transfer your Account as set out in the Terms and Conditions.
- 16.3 If any part of this agreement is declared unenforceable or invalid, the remainder will continue to be valid and enforceable.

#### Notices of Change/Variations

17.1 We may change these Custody Terms in whole or in part. We can do this for the reasons stated in the Terms and Conditions.

## **Governing Law**

- 18.1 This agreement and any dispute or claim (including non-contractual disputes or claims) arising out of or in connection with it or its subject matter or formation shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the law of England.
- 18.2 You irrevocably agree that the courts of England shall have exclusive jurisdiction to settle any dispute or claim (including non-contractual disputes or claims) arising out of or in connection with these Custody Terms or its subject matter or formation.

# Liability

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- 19.1 SCL will act with all reasonable skill, care and diligence in acting as your Custodian. SCL will be liable to you for any direct loss that is the result of negligence or failure by SCL to account for Assets in Accounts or through a breach of FCA Rules, unless any such failure is the result of the acts or omissions of you or the Investment Services Provider.
- 19.2 Nothing in these Custody Terms shall be read as excluding or restricting any liability we may have for death or personal injury
- 19.3 SCL will not be liable for the following:

- · loss of business, goodwill, opportunity or profit; or
- any special, consequential or indirect loss whatsoever.
- as a result of us doing (or not doing) anything in reliance upon an instruction given (or which we reasonably believe to have been given) by you;
- as a result of your decisions relating to the choice, purchase, retention and sale of any Assets in your Account:
- from the default of any bank, fund manager or provider which holds your cash and Assets (except as required under the FCA Rules);
- from the performance of any Assets and investments;
- from any tax liabilities or charges that are incurred in relation to your Account and/or the Assets held within it: or
- from any instruction sent by you that is not received by us, unless the failed receipt is due to a fault or omission on our part.
- 19.4 You accept and acknowledge that the internet and the telecommunication systems may be subject to interruption or failure through no fault of ours.

#### Headings

20.1 The section headings contained in this agreement are for reference purposes only and shall not affect the meaning or interpretation of this agreement.