

## HELLO FROM TRANSACT

Your financial adviser, who we refer to simply as 'adviser' in this brochure, operates independently of Transact and is recommending the use of our investment platform service on your behalf.

This brochure is designed to help you understand who we are and what we do, together with what you will gain by using our service. It also demonstrates why we are trusted by thousands of UK advisers as the leading platform on which to manage financial plans.

Our online platform, combined with our expert personal customer service, enables you and your adviser to manage all of your assets and tax wrappers (such as ISAs, pensions and life insurance bonds) within your investment portfolio from one, centralised place.

Launched in 2000, Transact was the first revolutionary investment technology solution known as a 'wrap service' to be introduced to advisers in the UK.

To achieve this, we used our own in-depth knowledge of the UK investment market, plus a wealth of insight derived from Australia, where wraps were originally developed. The result is Transact – a highly refined, award-winning wrap service.

Since 2000, we have continued to go from strength to strength and now look after over £54bn of funds in 229,000 client portfolios (as at June 2023).

Take control with Transact – and you will see why we are the UK's leading platform for your financial future.

# CONTENTS

TRANSACT IS A SMARTER, SIMPLER WAY TO MANAGE YOUR FINANCIAL FUTURE 4
HOW TRANSACT WORKS 6
BENEFITS OF USING TRANSACT 8
OUR CHARGES10
WHAT HAPPENS IF I NO LONGER HAVE AN ADVISER?12
WHAT OUR CLIENTS SAY
OUR AWARDS14
GET IN TOUCH



# TRANSACT IS A SMARTER, SIMPLER WAY TO MANAGE YOUR FINANCIAL FUTURE

ACCESS AN EXTENSIVE RANGE OF ASSETS
AND TAX-EFFICIENT WRAPPERS

# What is Transact, and why is your adviser recommending it?

Transact provides a smarter, more efficient and convenient way to hold your assets and manage your financial plan on one secure, integrated platform.

As a result, your adviser has more time to deal with the important matter of planning your financial future – identifying what your personal and financial goals are, and developing an appropriate strategy to help you achieve them.

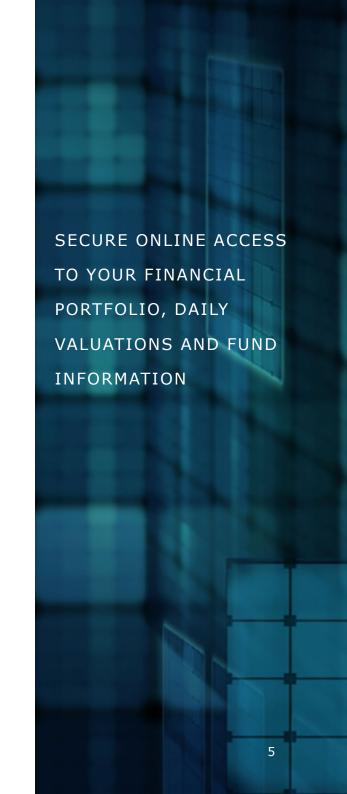
# A flexible way to hold your investments

Transact gives you and your adviser access to an extensive range of assets, and enables you to allocate these assets to the most appropriate tax-efficient wrappers, including ISAs, pensions and life insurance bonds via our online platform. You can read more about the investment options we offer overleaf in **How Transact works**.

# Providing a wealth of information on your financial investments

Transact offers secure online access to your financial portfolio, daily valuations and fund information. You can also instruct us to make a buy, sell, withdrawal or deposit. In addition, you receive transaction confirmations and reports, generated by us or your adviser, to keep you informed and up to date.







# **HOW TRANSACT WORKS**

Once you have agreed your financial goals with your adviser, together you can use Transact to manage your investment portfolio online by implementing the investment choices and allocating these to the most tax-efficient wrappers. You can be involved as much or as little as you like in making investment decisions.

#### ADVICE

Your adviser determines your financiagoals with you and develops a plan to meet them

#### **IMPLEMENTATION**

Your adviser implements the agreed plan and manages your investment portfolio using Transact

#### **INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT**

Transact actions your adviser's instructions directly with the fund and investment managers

# What are tax wrappers and how can they be used?

Tax wrappers are tax-efficient vehicles that you can, subject to certain rules, 'wrap' around your assets to help minimise the tax that you pay on your returns. Your adviser can use our service to allocate your investment assets to the most appropriate and tax-efficient wrappers on your behalf.

Please note that levels of taxation and tax relief are subject to change. Your tax liability will depend on your individual circumstances and may change at any time. The group companies which provide the Transact wrappers are fully regulated by the appropriate bodies; including the UK Financial Conduct Authority (FCA), the Isle of Man Financial Services Authority and the UK Prudential Regulation Authority. We treat all cash we hold on your behalf in accordance with the client money rules set by the FCA and we provide the highest levels of client data security.

#### What assets can be included?

With Transact, you and your adviser have access to over 400 investment managers and can select from an extensive range of around 16,000 assets, including:

- Unit trusts
- Open-ended investment companies (OEICs)
- Exchange traded funds (ETFs)
- Investment trusts
- Venture capital trusts (VCTs)

- Structured products
- Shares
- · Bank term deposits
- Cash
- Government bonds (gilts)
- Corporate bonds.

Transact also links with a wide range of third-party providers, including discretionary investment mangers (DIMs) and self-invested personal pension (SIPP) providers, to deal with the complexity of real-world financial plans.

#### WHICH WRAPPERS DOES TRANSACT OFFER?

GENERAL INVESTMENT	ISA	PENSIONS		BONDS		
ACCOUNT	ISA, LISA, JISA	Personal	SIPP	S32	Onshore	Offshore
All wrappers allow income withdrawal						



# CREATING THE RIGHT BALANCE BETWEEN TECHNOLOGY AND PERSONAL **CUSTOMER SERVICE** 8

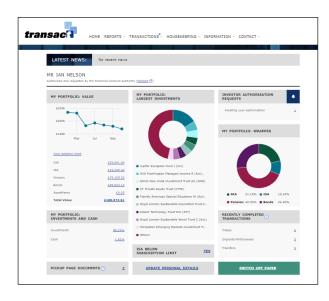
# BENEFITS OF USING TRANSACT

#### An award-winning platform solution

As an independent wrap platform, we offer an enviable combination of value, service and experience. We pride ourselves on our high levels of personal customer service, and constantly look for ways to further enhance the service we provide.

#### Features and benefits

 Investor Dashboard – a complete picture of your current portfolio in one place, however complex your investment position.



Sample Investor Dashboard (desktop view)

- Ability to buy, sell, withdraw and deposit as regular or one-off transactions – be as involved as much as you like, or leave everything to your adviser.
- Notify us of a forthcoming bank transfer and tee-up any buys at the same time, if you wish, using Expected Deposits.
- A clear, transparent charging structure.
- A choice of around 8,000 funds, plus assets listed on major stock markets.
- Access to a wide range of tax-efficient wrappers.
- Ability to open sub-wrappers and set fee payment wrappers with just a few clicks via 'Houskeeping'.
- Access to details of your various assets and investment plans at any time.
- Confirmation of all purchases, sales, deposits and withdrawals.
- Peace of mind, as we only make withdrawal payments to your nominated bank account.
- A comprehensive audit trail of all activity on your portfolio.

- Enhanced security with two-step verification an optional additional platform log in credential which can be received via email, SMS or authentication app.
- Investor Authorisation you can to review and authorise transactions recommended by your adviser via the platform in a secure, timely and convenient way.
- Regular reporting, including comprehensive quarterly statements.
- An annual consolidated income tax report to help you, or your accountant, complete your tax return at the end of the financial year.
- Capital gains analysis, available for the current year and the previous four years.
- Minimal paper documents are available online via your 'Pickup Page'.
- Proprietary software as we own and develop our platform technology, we constantly develop our platform and make improvements to benefit you and your adviser.
- Access to Transact Online via mobile (to view your portfolio valuation and access documents in your Pick Up page), and desktop (for full platform functionality including reports, transactions, and more).

WE OFFER AN
ENVIABLE
COMBINATION OF
VALUE, SERVICE
AND EXPERIENCE





# **OUR CHARGES**

The charges you pay depend on the amount you have invested as well as the investments and wrappers you choose, and are shown below. We charge an annual commission for using Transact, which operates on a sliding scale where the rate reduces as your portfolio grows. We do not charge on the initial deposit of cash, or the movement of assets onto Transact.

We allow you to consolidate the value of your portfolio with those of your immediate family members, to create a higher portfolio value which can enable you to benefit from lower overall charges.

We periodically review our charges and have implemented price reductions every year since 2008, benefiting new and existing clients.

#### 1. Annual charges

SINGLE OR CONSOLIDATED PORTFOLIOS OF LESS THAN £100,000				
£0-£60,000	0.50%			
>£60,000 and <£100,000	0.26%			

SINGLE OR CONSOLIDATED PORTFOLIOS OF £100,000 AND ABOVE		
£0-£600,000	0.26%	
>£600,000-£1,200,000	0.17%	
>£1,200,000-£5,000,000	0.07%	
On the remaining balance	0.05%	

#### 2. Wrapper charges

We only charge once per wrapper type, regardless of how many secondary wrappers (of the same type) you wish to open.

TRANSACT INVESTMENT WRAPPER TYPES	QUARTERLY FEE
General Investment Account	£0
ISA*, JISA	£3
Onshore Bond	£18
SIPP	£20
Personal Pension Plan**	£20
Section 32 Buy-Out Bond	£20
Offshore Bond	£60

<sup>\*</sup>ISA includes Cash ISA, Stocks and Shares ISA and Lifetime ISA.

#### 3. Buy Commission

When you buy an investment we charge a Buy Commission of 0.05% of the value of the investment. At the end of the month you may receive a refund of all Buy Commission based upon your average portfolio value for the month or part month, as below.

MONTHLY AVERAGE PORTFOLIO VALUES	REFUND	EFFECTIVE RATE
< £100k	0%	0.05%
£100k +	100%	0.00%

#### 4. Additional charges

Transact facilitates the payment of fees from your portfolio for the advice you receive from your adviser. We also levy dealing charges when investments listed on or admitted to a stock exchange are traded on your behalf.

You can access full details of all our charges by visiting https://www.transact-online.co.uk and downloading our Commissions and Charges Schedule. Your adviser can also provide you with full information concerning our charges, and will be able to assist you in determining whether Transact is right for you.

#### Cash interest

We'll pay you the full rate of interest on any cash you hold in your portfolio – unlike some of our competitors, who may retain a portion of the interest.

#### The risk factors

We offer a wide range of investments on our platform. As with any cash put into investments there are risks – i.e. the value of these investments can fall as well as rise and you may get back less than your original investment. Please note that past performance is not a guide to the returns you will receive in the future. Charges made by us, your adviser, and the managers of the underlying investments will have an impact upon the value of your investments. We make our charges clear to you from the outset, but they are subject to change.



<sup>\*\*</sup> There is no £20 quarterly fee for SIPP and Personal Pension Plan Wrappers for children in a linked family group until they reach age 18.



# WHAT HAPPENS IF I NO LONGER HAVE AN ADVISER?

Transact is designed to work in conjunction with the advice provided by professional advisers. If for any reason you no longer have an adviser in place, we recommend that you appoint another as soon as possible.

Non-advised investors are charged additional fees, to cover the additional costs required to service your portfolio, after a notice period of 90 days. These additional charges can be found in the Terms and Conditions of our Wrap Service.

For help finding another adviser visit https://www.unbiased.co.uk/.

# WHAT OUR CLIENTS SAY...

Client testimonials from our Client Survey speak for themselves:



## **OUR AWARDS**

A testament to our highly regarded platform, over the years we've picked up many

<b>CITYWIRE SERV</b>	ICE
INDEX	

Winner of the Wrap/ Platform Award

#### FTADVISER.COM

2010

5 Star Winner -Investment Provider/ Packager

#### TAS

Wrap/Platform Winner

#### **UK PLATFORM AWARDS**

Best Platform for Adviser Service

#### **UK PLATFORM AWARDS**

Best Open Architecture Wrap Platform

#### FINANCIAL ADVISER

e-Commerce Product of the Year

#### FINANCIAL ADVISER

5 Star Winner -Investment Provider/ Packager

# CITYWIRE SERVICE

2011

INDEX

Winner of the Wrap/ Platform Award

#### FTADVISER.COM

5 Star Winner -Investment Provider/Packager

#### **INVESTMENT ADVISER**

Most Diverse Product Range

#### **INVESTMENT ADVISER**

Most Transparent Platform

#### **UK PLATFORM AWARDS**

Best Platform for Adviser Service

#### **UK PLATFORM** AWARDS

Best Open Architecture Wrap Platform

#### FINANCIAL ADVISER

5 Star Winner -Investment Provider/Packager

#### FINANCIAL ADVISER

e-Commerce Product of the Year

#### FTADVISER.COM

2012

5 Star Winner - Online **Investment Providers** 

#### INVESTMENT LIFE & PENSIONS **MONEYFACTS**

Best Online Service

#### CITYWIRE ADVISERS' CHOICE PLATFORM **AWARDS**

Tools and Functionality

#### CITYWIRE ADVISERS' CHOICE PLATFORM **AWARDS**

Charging and Service CITYWIRE ADVISERS' CHOICE PLATFORM

**AWARDS** Investment

#### FINANCIAL ADVISER

5 Star Winner -Investment Provider/ Packager

# 2013

SERVICE AWARDS 5 Star Investment Provider and Packager

FINANCIAL ADVISER

#### FT ADVISER ONLINE **SERVICE AWARDS**

Consistent Service Excellence

#### FT ADVISER ONLINE **SERVICE AWARDS**

5 Star Investment Provider

#### **UK PLATFORM AWARDS**

Best Platform for Adviser Service

#### UK PLATFORM **AWARDS**

Best Large Platform Provider (over £10bn of assets)

# 2014

FINANCIAL ADVISER

SERVICE AWARDS 5 Star Investment Provider/Packager

#### MONEY MARKETING

Best Wrap or Platform **PLATFORUM** 

#### Best Adviser Platform

#### FT ADVISER ONLINE SERVICE AWARDS

5 Star Investment Provider

#### **INVESTMENT** LIFE & PENSIONS **MONEYFACTS**

Best Online Service

# 2015

**PROFESSIONAL** 

**ADVISER** Best Adviser Platform

#### FT ADVISER ONLINE **SERVICE AWARDS**

5 Star Investment Provider

#### **MONEYFACTS**

Best Online Service Award

#### **PLATFORUM**

Best Adviser Platform over £10bn

#### FINANCIAL ADVISER SERVICE AWARDS

5 Star Investment Provider/Packager

#### **PLATFORUM**

2016

Best Adviser Platform over £10bn

#### PI ATFORUM

Best Adviser Platform for Service

#### PLATFORUM.

Best Platform Partner Voted by DFMs

#### THE LANG CAT

Platform of the Year

#### THE LANG CAT

Best for Centralised **Investment Proposition** 

#### **MONEYFACTS**

Best Wrap/Platform

#### **UK PLATFORM AWARDS**

Platform of the Decade

#### FT ADVISER ONLINE INNOVATION AND SERVICE AWARDS

5 Star Investment Provider

#### MONEY MARKETING

Best Platform Award

#### **ADVISER ASSET**

Platinum Platform Rating

#### FINANCIAL ADVISER **SERVICE AWARDS**

5 Star Investment Provider

### accolades and awards for our wrap service

FINANCIAL ADVISER

SERVICE AWARDS

5 Star Investment

**ADVISER ASSET** 

Platinum Platform

Provider

Rating

Award

Award

**AWARDS** 

Provider

FT ADVISER ONLINE

INNOVATION AND

**SERVICE AWARDS** 

5 Star Investment

Best Wrap/Platform

MONEY OBSERVER

Best Flexi Access Drawdown

RETIREMENT INCOME

FINANCIAL ADVISER **SERVICE AWARDS** 5 Star Investment

**MONEYFACTS** 

#### 2020 2017 2018 2019 2021 2022 **ADVISER ASSET PROFESSIONAL PLATFORUM PROFESSIONAL ADVISER ASSET ADVISER ASSET ADVISER** Best Adviser Platform **ADVISER** Platinum Platform Platinum Platform Platinum Platform Rating Best Platform over £10bn Best Platform for Rating Rating for Advisers Advisers (AUA over **PROFESSIONAL** FINANCIAL ADVISER **PROFESSIONAL PROFESSIONAL** (AUA above £15bn) £20bn) **ADVISER SERVICE AWARDS** PARAPI ANNER **ADVISER PROFESSIONAL PROFESSIONAL** 5 Star Platform Best Platform Best Platform Best Platform for PARAPLANNER for Advisers PARAPLANNER Advisers (AUM above **PROFESSIONAL** Best Overall Service (AUA above £15bn) Best Platform £25bn) PARAPI ANNER for New Business **PROFESSIONAL PROFESSIONAL** FINANCIAL ADVISER Best Overall Service to MONEY MARKETING PARAPLANNER SERVICE AWARDS Paraplanners – Existing **ADVISER** Best Platform Award Best Platform 5 Star Investment (Time4Advice) Best Business Provider Technology Provider FT ADVISER ONLINE **PROFESSIONAL MONEYFACTS** INNOVATION AND PARAPLANNER **ADVISER ASSET PROFESSIONAL** Best Wrap/Platform **SERVICE AWARDS** Best Overall Service -Platinum Platform **PARAPLANNER SCHRODERS** Best Overall Service Investment Innovation **Existing Business** Rating Best Platform Provider

# 2023

Platinum Platform Rating

**ADVISER ASSET** 

**PROFESSIONAL** PARAPI ANNER

Best Platform

PROFESSIONAL **PARAPLANNER** 

Best Overall Service to Paraplanners - Existing Business

**SCHRODERS** 

Platform of the Year

**SCHRODERS** 

to Paraplanners -

PROFESSIONAL

**PARAPLANNER** 

Best Platform

INVESTMENT

**MONEYFACTS** 

LIFE & PENSIONS

Best Online Service

**New Business** 

AUM + f40hn

Leading Platform for Discretionary Management





# **GET IN TOUCH**

T: (020) 7608 4900

W: transact-online.co.uk

**E**: salessupport@integrafin.co.uk

Lines are open from 8am to 6pm, Monday to Friday (excluding Bank Holidays). Calls may be recorded.

This marketing communication is for general guidance only and should not be viewed as a recommendation to use or rely on any features contained therein. It does not, and is not intended to, constitute or substitute professional advice.

For further details please speak to your financial adviser.

M002 Version (24) October 2023

'Transact' is operated by Integrated Financial Arrangements Ltd, 29 Clement's Lane, London EC4N 7AE

Tel: (020) 7608 4900 Email: info@transact-online.co.uk Web: https://www.transact-online.co.uk

(Registered office: as above; Registered in England and Wales under number: 3727592)

Authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority (entered on the Financial Services Register under number 190856)