# **Key Information Document**

## **Purpose**

This document provides you with the key information about this investment product. It is not marketing material. The information is required by law to help you understand the nature, risks, costs, potential gains and losses of this product and to help you compare it with other products.

#### **Product**

The My Choice life policy, is manufactured by Scottish Friendly Assurance Society Limited ('Scottish Friendly'). The investment option is the International Ethical fund, which is manufactured by Scottish Friendly, and links to the Vanguard ESG Developed World All Cap Equity Index Fund (UK). Visit www.scottishfriendly.co.uk or call 0333 323 5433 for more information. Scottish Friendly is authorised by the Prudential Regulation Authority and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority and the Prudential Regulation Authority. Details can be found on the Financial Services Register – Registration No. 110002. This Key Information Document was produced on 01 February 2025.

## What is this product?

**Type**The product is a unitised whole of life assurance policy held within the Scottish Friendly Junior ISA with a chosen investment option of the International Ethical insurance fund.

**Objectives**My Choice is a unit linked whole of life assurance policy that aims to help your investments to grow tax-efficiently. The chosen investment option of the International Ethical fund aims to generate

tax-efficiently. The chosen investment option of the International Ethical fund aims to generate capital growth by investing in the shares of companies or investments linked to the shares of companies throughout the world that have minimal, if any, direct exposure to Controversies (i.e. against the UN Global Compact Principles), Non-renewable energy (Fossil Fuel and Nuclear Power), Vice products (Adult Entertainment, Alcohol, Gambling and Tobacco) and Weapons. It invests in an underlying fund with the intention of passively managing a portfolio of shares issued by companies. The fund's performance will be dependent on the performance of the shares purchased, held and sold by the fund manager, the movement in global stock markets and the movement in currency exchange rates. ISA and tax rules may change in the future.

**Maturity**This product matures when the child reaches age 18. The recommended holding period is at least

5 years. Scottish Friendly cannot unilaterally terminate this product.

**Intended retail investor**This product is intended for investors who are prepared to take on a medium level of risk, linked to an index that includes global companies but with no or minimal exposure non-renewable energy, adult entertainment, alcohol, gambling, tobacco or weapons and companies that do not

meet the UN Global Compact Principles, in a medium to

long-term arrangement.

**Insurance benefit** The amount payable on death is 101% of the value of units held within the policy.

#### What are the risks and what could the child get in return?



Lower risk Higher risk



The risk indicator assumes you keep the product for 5 years. The actual risk can vary significantly if you transfer to another provider or the child cashes in at an early stage and they may get back less.

The summary risk indicator is a guide to the level of risk of this product compared to other products. It shows how likely it is that the product will lose money because of movements in the markets or because we are not able to pay the child.

We have classified this product as 4 out of 7, which is a medium risk class. This rates the potential losses from future performance at a medium level and poor market conditions could impact our capacity to pay them.

The product does not include any protection from future market performance so the child could lose some or all of the investment. If we are not able to pay the child what is owed, they could lose the entire investment. However, they may benefit from a consumer protection scheme (see section 'What happens if we are unable to pay you'). The indicator shown above does not consider this protection.

#### Performance scenarios

When money is invested it is exposed to risk, meaning that your child may get back less than was invested. The outcomes experienced will come from the returns of the investment(s) which are held by the fund. This fund invests in Global Equities (shares in companies) therefore the performance of companies from around the world will have a significant impact on returns. The majority of the equities held are from the United States therefore the returns received could be expected to be influenced by the overall performance of the United States. It is expected before charges that the returns would be comparable to the Vanguard ESG Developed World All Cap Equity Index Fund which performance of the fund is measured against.

## What could affect my return positively?

Strong economic performance within the United States and developed countries from around the world would likely lead to a positive outcome for investors. Where companies from the United States and around the developed world perform well resulting in their share prices increasing this would likely lead to a positive outcome.

## What could affect my return negatively?

Poor economic performance also known as a recession impacting companies resulting in falling share prices would negatively impact the returns especially within the United States and from other developed countries around the world. Under severely adverse conditions returns of the fund could be substantially negative meaning investments in the fund could fall substantially in value. Your child's maximum loss would be that they lose all of their investment.

## What happens if Scottish Friendly is unable to pay out?

If you buy a policy with Scottish Friendly and we cannot pay the full amount due, the child may be entitled to compensation under the Financial Services Compensation Scheme. The maximum level of compensation for claims against firms declared in default is 100% of the claim with no upper limit.

#### What are the costs?

The Reduction in Yield (RIY) shows what impact the total costs you pay will have on the investment return the child might get. The total costs take into account one-off, ongoing and incidental costs.

The amounts shown here are the cumulative costs of the product itself, for three different holding periods. They include potential early exit penalties. The figures assume you invest £10,000 at outset. The figures are estimates and may change in the future.

#### Table 1: Costs over time

The person selling you or advising you about this product may charge you other costs. If so, we will provide you with information about these costs and show you the impact that all costs will have on your investment over time.

£10,000	If you cash in after 1 year	If you cash in after 3 years	If you cash in after 5 years (the recommended holding period)
Total costs	£164.42	£575.97	£1,122.61
Reduction in Yield per year	1.64%	1.62%	1.61%

#### **Table 2: Composition of costs**

The table below shows:

- The impact each year of the different types of costs on the investment return the child might get at the end of the recommended holding period.
- · The meaning of the different cost categories.

One-off costs	Entry costs	0.00%	The impact of the costs you pay when entering into your investment.
	Exit costs	£0.00	The impact of the costs of exiting your investment when it matures.
Recurring costs	Portfolio transaction costs	0.26%	The impact of the costs of buying and selling underlying investments for the product.
	Annual Management Charge (AMC)	£0.00 - £5,000 = 1.50% £5,001 - £20,000 = 1.00% £20,001 and over = 0.50%	We take a fee each month to manage your fund. This is shown as an annual rate and referred to as an AMC.
Incidental costs	Performance fees	0.00%	We do not take a performance fee from your investment.
	Carried interests	0.00%	We do not take carried interests from your investment.

# How long should I hold it and can I take money out early?

# Recommended minimum holding period: 5 years

This product has no minimum required holding period. It is designed to provide potential growth on investments over the medium to long term, so you should expect to leave your money invested for at least 5 years. The registered contact can transfer to another Junior ISA manager at anytime, and when the child turns 18 they can access the money.

# How can I complain?

If you wish to complain about any aspect of the service you have received you can contact us at Scottish Friendly, Galbraith House, 16 Blythswood Square, Glasgow G2 4HJ. Tel: 0333 323 5433. www.scottishfriendly.co.uk/contact-us/email-enquiry

#### Other relevant information

Please note that the figures assume you invest £10,000 at outset, which is the required amount we are able to show based on the regulation for this product. As such this Key Information Document should be read in conjunction with the Product Guide and Terms & Conditions, which provides additional examples of what the child could get back in the future based on a lower investment amount.

Other policy documentation relating to this product, including the Product Guide and Terms & Conditions are available at www.scottishfriendly.co.uk/isas/junior-isa/add-policy-existing-junior-isa