# **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 UK Active fund which is manufactured by Scottish Friendly, and links to 1 or more funds managed by Schroders. 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 ISA

with a chosen investment option of the UK Active 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 a UK Active fund aims to generate capital growth over the medium to long term by investing in shares of UK companies listed in the UK. The manager of the underlying fund will pick a mix of stocks they believe will outperform the UK stock market and sell those they believe will underperform. Whilst the fund's performance will be mainly dependent on the movement of the UK stock market, which can rise and fall on a daily basis meaning it is possible to get back less than the amount invested, it will also be dependent on the ability of the fund manager to select stocks and

shares that grow. ISA and tax rules may change in the future.

Maturity This product does not have a maturity date. 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 the performance of the UK stock market, 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 I get in return?



The risk indicator assumes you keep the product for 5 years. The actual risk can vary significantly if you cash in at an early stage and you 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 you.

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 vou.

The product does not include any protection from future market performance so you could lose some or all of your investment. If we are not able to pay you what is owed, you could lose your entire investment. However, you 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 you 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 UK Equities (shares in companies) therefore the performance of companies from the UK will have a significant impact on returns. The majority of the equities held are from the UK therefore the returns received could be expected to be influenced by the overall performance of the UK. It is expected, before charges, that the returns would be comparable to the UK stock market with the fund aiming to provide returns in excess of this.

## What could affect my return positively?

Strong economic performance, where the economy is growing, within the UK would likely lead to a positive outcome for investors. Where companies from the UK 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 from the UK, resulting in falling share prices would negatively impact the returns. Under severely adverse conditions returns of the fund could be substantially negative meaning investments in the fund could fall significantly in value. Your maximum loss would be that you lose all of your 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, you 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 you 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<br>after 1 year | If you cash in<br>after 3 years | If you cash in after 5 years<br>(the recommended holding period) |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|
| Total costs                 | £175.42                        | £589.10                         | £1,099.70  |
| Reduction in Yield per year | 1.75%                          | 1.74%                           | 1.73%  |

#### Table 2: Composition of costs

The table below shows:

- The impact each year of the different types of costs on the investment return you 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       | 0.39%  | The impact of the costs<br>of buying and selling<br>underlying investments<br>for the product.                    |
|                  | Annual Management<br>Charge (AMC) | £0.00 - £5,000 = 1.50%<br>£5,001 - £20,000 = 1.00%<br>£20,001 and over = 0.50% | We take a fee each month<br>to manage your fund. This<br>is shown as an annual rate<br>and referred to as an AMC. |
| Incidental costs | Performance fees                  | 0.00%  | We do not take a<br>performance fee from<br>your investment.  |
|                  | Carried interests                 | 0.00%  | We do not take carried<br>interests from your<br>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. You have access to your money at all times and can make a withdrawal without penalty.

## 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 you could get back in the future based on you paying 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/my-choice-isa