

# Financial Services Guide







## **Financial Services Guide (FSG)**

A guide to the services we provide and how we will work with you to achieve your goals.



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	Business profile		
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Important	<ul> <li>Before we provide you with financial advice, you should read this Financial Services Guide (FSG) It contains the following important information to help you decide whether to use our services:</li> <li>Who we are;</li> <li>Advice we provide;</li> <li>How we are paid;</li> <li>Who to contact if you have a complaint.</li> </ul>		
	Lack of Independence Disclosure		
	Advice Evolution is owned by advisers and has an open approved products list, however, as we continue to be paid commissions for life insurance products and receive fees based on the asset value of some investments, we must disclose this lack of independence.		
About our practice	Neale Forbes, corporate authorised representative (CAR), number 443050, trading as Forbes Wealth Planning, is authorised to provide financial services on behalf of Advice Evolution Pty Ltd.		
	We are a leading financial services provider.		
	Our business was established by Neale Forbes and we have offices in Modbury and Yorketown.		
	Forbes Wealth Planning offers comprehensive financial planning advice to assist clients develop a structured financial plan that helps them achieve their lifetime goals.		
	will provide you with strategies that allow you to take control of your own financial future and build relationships you and your family to secure each generation's financial well-being.		
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About our team	Attached to this document is a profile for your adviser. The adviser profile provides information about their contact details, qualifications, experience and any memberships they may hold.		
Why you should choose us	We aim to provide personalised and responsible advice suited to your objectives and believe that sound advice and planning is the key to improving your financial position.		
	We undertake continuous professional development, to keep us up to date with all applicable legislative, strategy and product changes.		
	We have access to technical, risk and investment research professionals who provide us with additional analysis on strategies and products that become available.		
	We will help you determine your goals and weigh up different investment strategies to achieve them.		
	Most importantly, we turn your thoughts into action. There are no secret formulas for achieving financial security. We work with you to get the basics right and ensure you have a plan to achieve your goals over time.		
Approved Products	Advice Evolution Pty Ltd maintains a broad approved list, containing investment and insurance products that have been researched by at least 2 research houses.		

**Documents you** may receive Our advice will be provided to you in a financial plan, known as a Statement of Advice (SOA). The financial plan contains a summary of your goals, our strategies and financial product recommendations to achieve your goals. It also provides you with detailed information about the fees, costs and other benefits we will receive as a result of the advice we have provided.

We will keep a record of any further advice we provide. You may request a copy by contacting our office.

You will also receive a Product Disclosure Statement (PDS) if we have recommended you invest in or purchase a financial product. The PDS contains key features of the recommended product, significant benefits, risks and the fees you pay the product provider to professionally manage your investment or insurance.

You may also receive an ongoing or Annual agreement which will outline how we monitor your strategy and portfolio and make sure they are the best available to achieve your goals.

You should read any warnings contained in your financial plan, the PDS or IDPS guides carefully before making any decision relating to a financial strategy or product.

You can contact us with any questions relating to your financial products.

**Our financial** Everyone has different circumstances, needs and goals. We treat everyone as an individual, but follow a defined financial planning process, to make sure you know what to expect from us.



#### Identifying where you want to be

We help you identify your financial and lifestyle goals and explain the services we offer to help you achieve them. The type of advice you need could depend on your life stage, the amount of money you want to invest and the complexity of your affairs.

We will help you to identify the issues that need to be addressed to meet your goals. You can then decide whether you want our advice to meet a single need or a broad range of issues.

#### **Considering opportunities and risks**

Good personal advice starts with having an understanding of your current situation. We take a close look at your current financial situation – assets, debts, income, expenses and insurance, and explore the options to reach your goals.

#### Bridging the gap

Based on the research, we will recommend strategies to bridge the gap between where you are now and where you want to be.

#### Bringing your plan to life

We work closely with you to implement your financial plan. We help you to complete any necessary paperwork and are available to attend meetings with your accountant, solicitor and general insurer so that your strategy is implemented efficiently.

#### Staying on track with regular annual or ongoing advice

Time goes on and circumstances and needs change. The final step in our advice process ensures your financial plan remains on track, by providing you with regular ongoing or annual advice.

We will design an annual or ongoing service program so your plan remains up to date.

Transaction services

If you would like us to help you complete a particular transaction without our advice, we can take your instructions and arrange for the transaction to be completed without providing any.

It is important to understand that in these circumstances we will generally ask you to confirm your instructions in writing and to sign a letter that acknowledges you have declined our offer of advice as well as understand the risks of a transaction service. You will be provided with a copy of the letter for your own records.

The fees charged for our advice are designed to be fair and clear. Our advice fees may include charges for the following advice services:

**Consultation Fee** – You may be charged up to \$440 for an initial consultation.

Advice Fee – Our initial advice fee is \$2,200 for basic or simple advice. For Moderate to Complex strategic advice this may range from \$3,300 to \$6,600.

This fee is dependent upon the complexity of your situation. Before providing you with initial advice we will prepare a quote which sets out what our initial advice will cover and how much it will cost you, requiring your acceptance before proceeding. The initial advice fee will also be disclosed in your SOA.

Advice implementation – The advice implementation fee of \$550 covers the administrative time spent implementing the recommended strategies and products.

Admin Fee – This will be charged for any other admin services provided at our hourly rate.

Hourly Rate – The hourly rate charged for the Adviser time is \$330/h and the Admin Staff are charged at \$110/h.

**Annual or Ongoing advice** – This is the fee for the Annual or ongoing advice, it will cover the cost to keep your strategy and investments current and up to date as well as any services provided by the practice. This will be a separate document provided at the time of the advice.

#### Life insurance payments

*Initial commission* – One off commission that is paid at the inception of insurance policy. This can range from 11% up to 66% of initial premium paid. (Paid by the product issuer)

**Ongoing commission** – This is a part of the product provider's ongoing charges and is paid every year that the insurance policy is retained. (Paid by the product issuer)

Advice Evolution Pty Ltd will receive commission directly from the product provider and is based on a percentage of the insurance premium paid. Commissions are deducted from the premium by the product provider so are not paid directly by you.

Your advice fees will be calculated at the time we provide you with personal advice. Your SOA will outline the advice fees and any commission inclusive of GST.

#### **Payment Method & Frequency**

We offer you the following payment terms:

- Bpay, direct debit (credit card or savings), cheque
- Deduction from your investment
- Ongoing advice fees may be deducted as an annual instalment or in monthly or quarterly instalments.
- Annual or ongoing advice fees may increase each year in line with the Consumer Price Index (CPI) or by a fixed amount or percentage each year. The specific amount will be agreed to by you and outlined in our annual or ongoing advice agreement.

About Advice Evolution Pty Ltd

Advice Evolution Pty Ltd ABN 66 137 858 023 Australian Financial Services Licence 342880 Suite 302, 20 Bungan Street, MONA VALE NSW 2103 www.adviceevolution.com.au Advice Evolution Pty Ltd has approved the distribution of this FSG. Privacy and Disclosure Your privacy is important to us. To learn more about our collection and handling of your personal information and for details on how to access our Privacy Policy, please refer below.

Another financial adviser may be appointed to you if your financial adviser leaves Advice Evolution or if your financial adviser is unable to attend to your needs due to an extended absence from the business. In these circumstances, Advice Evolution will write to you advising of the change. Your personal information will be passed on to the new financial adviser.

If you choose to appoint a new financial adviser, your new adviser will be provided access to your policy information. They will be responsible for providing you with annual or ongoing advice relating to those policies and all future advice fees deducted from the policy/(ies) will be paid to your new adviser.

As part of the financial planning process, we need to collect information about you. Where possible we will obtain that information directly from you, but if authorised by you we may also obtain it from other sources such as your employer or accountant. If that information is incomplete or inaccurate, this could affect our ability to fully or properly analyse your needs, objectives and financial situation, so our recommendations may not be completely appropriate or suitable for you.

We are also required under the Anti-Money-Laundering and Counter-Terrorism Financing Act (AML/CTF) 2006 to implement client identification processes. We will need you to present identification documents such as passports and driver's licences in order to meet our obligations.

We keep your personal information confidential, and only use it in accordance with our Privacy Policy. Some of the ways we may use this information are set out below:

- Your financial adviser and Advice Evolution may have access to this information when providing financial advice or services to you;
- Your financial adviser may, in the future, disclose information to other financial advisers, brokers and those who are authorised by Advice Evolution to review customers' needs and circumstances from time to time.
- Your information is only disclosed to other parties as are necessary for us to provide our services to you. Other parties may include fund managers, life companies, other Licensees and related parties who provide services to us. In certain situations, some of the parties that we share information with may be in, or have operations in, other countries. This means that your information might end up stored or accessed in overseas countries.
- When we send your personal information to overseas recipients, we make sure appropriate data handling and security arrangements are in place. In all such cases, we commit to making reasonable enquiries to ensure that these organisations comply with their local privacy legislation where such legislation is comparable to the Australian legislation and to comply with the key components of Australian Privacy legislation in cases where their local legislation is considered inadequate or non-existent. In addition, we will disclose your information where we are required to by law.
- Your information may be used to provide ongoing information about opportunities that may be useful or relevant to your financial needs through direct marketing (subject to your ability to opt-out as set out in the Advice Evolution Privacy Policy);
- Your information may be disclosed as required or authorised by law and to anyone authorised by you.

Your financial adviser and Advice Evolution will continue to take reasonable steps to protect your information from misuse, loss, and unauthorised access, modification or improper disclosure. You can request access to the information your adviser or Licensee holds about you at any time to correct or update it as set out in the Advice Evolution Privacy Policy. The Advice Evolution Privacy Policy also contains information about how to make a complaint about a breach of the *Australian Privacy Principles*. For a copy of Advice Evolution's Privacy Policy visit www.adviceevolution.com.au or you can contact us.

Professional indemnity insurance Professional indemnity insurance is maintained by Advice Evolution Pty Ltd to cover advice, actions and recommendations which have been authorised by Advice Evolution Pty Ltd and provided by your adviser. The insurance satisfies the requirements imposed by the Corporations Act 2001 and financial services regulations.

What should you do if you have a complaint? If you have any complaints about the services provided to you, you should take the following steps:

- Contact your financial adviser and tell them about your complaint.
- > If your complaint is not satisfactorily resolved within three days, please contact Advice Evolution Pty Ltd on

(02) 9997 6787, email us at admin@adviceevolution.com.au or put your complaint in writing and send it to:

Advice Evolution Pty Ltd Attention: Complaints Case Manager Advice and Licensing Suite 302, 20 Bungan Street, MONA VALE NSW 2103

Advice Evolution Pty Ltd will acknowledge your complaint and will try to resolve your complaint as quickly and fairly as possible.

We will conduct a thorough investigation of your situation and the issues that you raise, and we will provide you with a formal written response within a 30-day period.

If your complaint has not been resolved satisfactorily, you may lodge a complaint with the Australian Financial Complaints Authority (AFCA):

Website: www.afca.org.au Email: info@afca.org.au Phone:1800 931 678 (free call) In writing to: Australian Financial Complaints Authority GPO Box 3, Melbourne VIC 3001

Time limits may apply to complain to AFCA and so you should act promptly or otherwise consult the AFCA website to find out if or when the time limit relevant to your circumstances expires.

#### Adviser profile

Adviser profile version:

This profile is part of the Financial Services Guide and is only complete when the business profile is attached.

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About (Adviser Name)

Your financial adviser, Neale Forbes, ASIC number 260338, is an authorised representative of Advice Evolution Pty Ltd.



#### **Email address**

neale@forbeswp.com.au

#### **Education and Qualifications**

Diploma of Financial Planning 2001

FASEA Industry Exam Certificate – Sept 2021

#### Experience

Neale has over 25 years industry experience, a Diploma in Financial Planning (DFP), and is currently finalising his Graduate qualifications.

Through the ebb and flow of life, Neale is a trusted adviser, providing his clients with peace of mind and confidence in the fact that they have the plans in place to live their best life. Neale is passionate about supporting clients to achieve life-long aspirations and dreams.

His team does not take this responsibility lightly. In fact, it's their purpose. It is their privilege to join clients on this journey

#### Memberships

AFA – Association of Finance Advisers

Advice your adviser can I can provide you with strategic advice as well as arrange the types of financial products listed below. provide In addition, you can choose whether to receive advice about a range of needs all at once, or we can provide advice about only those needs that are most important to you so that your most important goals are achieved first. Further advice can then be provided over time about any other needs or goals as required. Strategies Products Self-managed super funds Aged care accommodation Þ Centrelink planning Direct shares Investment planning Cash management trusts Superannuation planning Retirement income streams Pre-retirement planning Retail & wholesale managed investment schemes **Retirement planning** Master trust products Estate planning considerations Superannuation products Risk and insurance analysis Personal and group insurance ► Business succession planning Business succession insurance Salary packaging advice Socially responsible investments Gearing strategies Guidance on budgeting and goal setting Savings and wealth creation strategies Advice Evolution Pty Ltd will retain 2% of the gross revenue received for the recommended financial How the adviser is paid services and/or products. Advice Evolution Pty Ltd will pay Forbes Wealth Planning 98% of the gross revenue received. Neale Forbes has equity in Forbes Wealth Planning and may receive capital and profit related benefits. Neale Forbes has equity in Advice Evolution and may receive capital and profit related benefits. **Relationships and** AFA – Association of Finance Advisers associations Non-monetary: Forbes Wealth Planning keeps a full register of any benefits received by advisers between \$100 to \$300. By law, your adviser is not permitted to receive benefits in excess of \$300 per year from a Other benefits your Adviser product issuer, however, some non-monetary benefits are permitted because they are covered by an may receive exception e.g. they are valued at less than \$300, they meet certain training and education requirements, or the benefit is the provision of relevant IT software or support. These are not additional costs to you. We keep a register of any other non-monetary benefits your adviser may receive in relation to education, training, technology support or software that is relevant to the provision of financial advice. If you would like a copy of either register, please ask your adviser and one will be made available to you.

**Associated businesses:** Your adviser may have associations with other related businesses, such as an accountancy firm, real estate agents, mortgage brokers etc. Any arrangement in place will be subject to the FASEA Code of Ethics.

#### Appendix: Privacy Collection Statement

As part of the financial planning process, we need to collect information about you. Where possible we will obtain that information directly from you, but if authorised by you we may also obtain it from other sources such as your employer or accountant. If that information is incomplete or inaccurate, this could affect our ability to fully or properly analyse your needs, objectives and financial situation, so our recommendations may not be completely appropriate or suitable for you.

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We keep your personal information confidential, and only use it in accordance with our Privacy Policy. Some of the ways we may use this information are set out below:

- Your adviser may have access to this information when providing financial advice or services to you;
- Your adviser may, in the future, disclose information to other financial advisers, brokers and those who are authorised to review customers' needs and circumstances from time to time.
- Your information may be disclosed to external service suppliers both here and overseas who supply administrative, financial or other services to assist your adviser in providing financial advice and services to you.
- Your information may be used to provide ongoing information about opportunities that may be useful or relevant to your financial needs through direct marketing (subject to your ability to opt-out.)
- > Your information may be disclosed as required or authorised by law and to anyone authorised by you.

Your adviser will continue to take reasonable steps to protect your information from misuse, loss, and unauthorised access, modification or improper disclosure. You can request access to the information your adviser or Licensee holds about you at any time to correct or update it.

### Your acknowledgement

Before you proceed with the preparation of Your Financial Plan, the Statement of our Advice, please take a moment to read the following information:

#### **Protecting your privacy**

- The information you provide me will be kept on file at our business. You are entitled to request reasonable access to any information we hold on file about you.
- Your information is only disclosed to other parties as are necessary for us to provide our services to you. This may include fund managers, life companies, other Licensees and related entities. In addition, we will disclose your information where we are required to by law.
- > We will not pass your information to other parties for any purposes other than those for which you have been informed.
- Our communication methods include phone calls, email (may be unsecured), fax and regular mail.

#### **Duty of care**

- The information you provided to us has been recorded in a Financial Needs Analysis document and will be used to prepare Your Financial Plan. Any discussions held during your fact finding meeting do not constitute personal advice and should not be implemented before you receive the financial plan we will prepare for you.
- It is important you provide me with detailed and accurate information so I can provide you with appropriate recommendations. Advice Evolution Pty Ltd will not accept liability for recommendations based on inaccurate or incomplete information you supply.
- The following sections of this fact find have been completed:
  - 'your investment goals'
  - 'determining your investment strategy'.
  - 'your insurance goals'

#### Sign off

#### I/We authorise Forbes Wealth Planning to:

- Retain and store my/our account numbers and/or Centrelink number for the purpose of providing me with annual or ongoing financial planning advice,
- Retain, store and quote my tax file number information to the Australian Tax Office when necessary and to investment bodies when making investments on my behalf.

#### **Financial Services Guide**

I have received or have been provided with access to a Financial Services Guide

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#### Personal information

Depending on the product or service concerned, your personal information may be disclosed to service providers and specialist advisers who have been contracted to provide Advice Evolution Pty Ltd with administrative, financial, insurance, research or other services.

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