

# Financial Services and Credit Guide

Pinant Financial Planning Pty Ltd



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This Financial Services and Credit Guide (FSCG) contains information that will help you decide whether to use the financial services we offer. It sets out:

- who we are and how we can be contacted.
- the advice and services we provide
- information about our licensee, AMP Financial Planning Limited (AMP Financial Planning)
- our fees and how we, and AMP Financial Planning are paid in connection with those services
- how we manage your private information
- how you can complain about a matter relating to us or AMP Financial Planning

# Documents you may receive in the financial planning process

We will provide you with several documents as you progress through your financial planning and advice journey. We may provide these documents electronically to your nominated email address, unless otherwise agreed.

When we provide personal advice, it will normally be documented and provided to you in a Statement of Advice (SoA). The SoA contains a summary of your goals and the strategies and any financial products we may recommend to achieve your goals. It also provides you with detailed information about product costs and the fees and other benefits we and others will receive, as a result of our advice.

If we provide further personal advice an SoA may not be required. We will keep a record of any personal advice we provide you for seven years. You may request a copy of such records by contacting us during that period.

If we recommend or arrange a financial product for you, we will provide a Product Disclosure Statement (PDS), or Investor Directed Portfolio Services (IDPS) guide where relevant. These documents contain the key features of the recommended product, such as its benefits and risks, as well as the costs you will pay the product provider to manage that product. You should read any warnings in your advice document, the PDS or IDPS guide carefully before making any decision relating to a financial strategy or product.

# About our practice

#### Summary of the business

Name	Pinant Financial Planning Pty Ltd	
Australian Business Number	49 051 388 437	
Authorised representative number	286815	
Credit representative number	370345	

#### Our office contact details

Address	P.O. Box 131 Mount Waverley Vic 3149	
Phone	03 9543 4719	
Fax	03 9543 4729	
Email	pinant@pinant.com.au	
Website	www.pinant.com.au	

This guide provides information about our advisers including their contact details, qualifications, experience, the services they may offer and financial products they can provide advice on.

# Our advice and services

We can provide you with personal and general advice about specific services and financial products listed below. We can also arrange for financial products to be issued without advice from us. In some cases, we may not be able to distribute a financial product to you under non-personal advice if your circumstances do not fit within a product's target market.

Individual advisers within our practice may not be qualified to provide advice in all of the services and products noted below. Their individual profile guides will note any limitations to the advice they are qualified to provide. At all times we will ensure the appropriate adviser is available to you to provide advice consistent with your goals.

The following table sets out the areas of advice we can help you with as well as the products and services we can arrange.

Any additional advice or services we can offer you, or limitations to the list below, will be outlined in **Our Financial Advisers and Credit Advisers** on page 14.

#### We can provide advice on

- Investments strategies (strategic asset allocation)
- Budget and cash flow management
- Debt management (including borrowing for personal purposes)
- Salary packaging
- Superannuation strategies and retirement planning
- Personal insurance
- Centrelink and other government benefits
- Ongoing advice and services, including regular portfolio reviews

#### We can arrange the following products and services

- Superannuation, including retirement savings accounts
- Self-managed superannuation funds (SMSF)
- Managed investments
- Investor directed portfolio services (for example, administration platforms)
- Deposit and payment products (for example term deposits, cash management accounts and non-cash payment products)
- Retirement income streams, including pensions and annuities
- Personal and group Insurance (life cover, disability, income protection and trauma)
- Life investment products including whole of life, endowment and bonds
- Securities (including listed securities)
- Arranging for listed securities, shares and debentures to be bought and sold via a platform and broker
- Limited selection of investment guarantees

AMP Financial Planning maintains an approved products and services list from a diversified selection of approved Australian and International provides, including companies related to AMP Financial Planning. These have been researched by external research houses as well as our in-house research team.

AMP Financial Planning periodically reviews these products to ensure that they remain competitive with similar products that address similar client needs and objectives. Generally, we recommend products that are on the approved products and services list. However, if appropriate for your needs, we may, subject to AMP Financial Planning's approval, recommend other products.

A copy of the approved products and services list can be supplied to you upon request.

If we recommend a new platform or portfolio administration service, we use those approved by AMP Financial Planning. These services may include those issued by companies related to AMP Financial Planning.

As at April 2022, the lenders whose products are most commonly recommended by accredited mortgage consultants authorised by AMP Financial Planning are Macquarie Bank, NAB, AMP Bank, AFG Home Loans, Commonwealth Bank and ANZ.

# Tax implications of our advice

Under the Tax Agent Services Act 2009, Pinant Financial Planning Pty Ltd is authorised by the Tax Practitioners Board to provide tax (financial) advice services on matters that are directly related to the nature of the financial planning advice provided to you. We will not consider any other tax matters in our advice to you. Where tax implications are discussed they are incidental to our recommendations and only included as an illustration to help you decide whether to implement our advice.

#### Transaction services

We can arrange to complete transactions for you on limited types of financial products where we can take your instructions and arrange for the transaction to be completed, without providing personal advice. If you wish to proceed without our advice, we will ask you to confirm your instructions, which will be documented in writing. We will keep a record of this documentation for seven years. You may request a copy of such records by contacting our office during that period.

### Your relationship with us and using our services

You can contact us directly with any instructions relating to your financial products. This includes giving us instructions by telephone, mail or email. We can only accept your instructions via email once you have signed an authority form.

We will work with you to agree what advice and services we will provide and when and how often we will provide them.

Where you agree to ongoing or fixed-term advice and services, the details will be documented and provided to you in an advice or service agreement. This includes the frequency of contact between us, service standards that may apply, any ongoing or fixed-term fee arrangements and how the agreement can be terminated.

If at any time you wish to terminate your relationship with us, please contact us using the details shown in this guide.

# Changing service providers

To ensure that you are provided at all times with ongoing servicing to meet your financial needs, we may transfer our rights and obligations under our servicing arrangement with you to another adviser or financial planning practice within the AMP network or to another AMP licensee (the new service provider). If we do this, the new service provider will provide the servicing to you and will be entitled to the agreed fees. The new adviser will also take over the rights and obligations on the same terms and conditions set out in the servicing arrangement and we will be released from those rights and obligations. We will write to you in advance of a transfer occurring, to introduce your new service provider. You may notify your new service provider at any time if you want to vary or end your servicing arrangements.

# Providing information to us

It is important that we understand your circumstances and goals, so that we can provide you with appropriate advice and services. You have the right not to provide us with any personal information. Should you choose to withhold information, or if information you provide is incomplete or inaccurate the advice or services we provide you may not be appropriate for you.

It is also important that you keep us up to date by informing us of any changes to your circumstances so we are able to determine if our advice continues to be appropriate.

# Relationships and associations

It is important that you are aware of the relationships that AMP Financial Planning has with providers of financial services and products as they could be seen to influence the advice you receive.

# AMP Financial Planning's relationships with other companies

AMP Services Limited (ASL) provides administration services and distribution infrastructure services to several issuers of financial products and loan products under agreements entered into prior to 1 July 2013.

In return for those services, ASL receives remuneration as set out below:

• For investment products and loan products – up to 0.33%\* p.a. of funds under administration, the balance of any relevant cash account or the total loan value outstanding.

#### By way of example:

• If total funds under administration for a particular investment product is \$10 million, ASL would receive \$33,000.

From time to time, ASL may facilitate access to AMP Financial Planning and its authorised representatives for issuers to train or educate AMP Financial Planning and its authorised representatives on their products.

# Arrangements with platform providers

This section of the FSCG sets out our relationships with platform providers and how these may influence the advice we give you.

#### Overview

Where you invest through platform products and services (such as investor directed portfolio services or IDPS), we may receive remuneration from those platform providers. Fees, commission payments and other benefits may be calculated as a percentage of your financial interest in a product or service or on the total amount of business advised. The amount and calculation of those fees are shown in the relevant disclosure document. Some fees and commission payments we receive may relate to arrangements existing before 1 July 2013.

#### Specific arrangements

We have arrangements with third parties for administration and support services in relation to the products below.

#### WealthView eWRAP and PortfolioCare platform

WealthView and PortfolioCare products and services are issued by companies in the AMP Group. Other companies in the AMP Group also provide services in respect of WealthView and PortfolioCare. Administration services are performed by Asgard Capital management Limited (Asgard).

If you access a product in the WealthView or PortfolioCare range, then administration fees and, where applicable, trustee fees, are deducted from your account. These fees, as set out in the product disclosure statement or IDPS Guide, are paid to AMP Financial Planning after deduction of expenses for administration services and other services provided as mentioned above.

Further details about the fees and costs of investing in WealthView **or** PortfolioCare are detailed in the relevant product disclosure statement or IDPS Guide. For closed products, please review the product disclosure statement you received when first investing in your product together with any correspondence from the issuer outlining changes to those fees and costs. Note that WealthView eWRAP **(super/pension, investment)** and PortfolioCare Elements (super/pension, investment) closed to new members and investors in 2016.

<sup>\*</sup>includes GST

# Your privacy

We are committed to protecting your privacy. Below we outline how we maintain the privacy of the information we collect about you.

# **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.

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 adviser and AMP Financial Planning 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 by AMP Financial Planning to review customers' needs and circumstances from time to
  time, including other companies within the AMP group (the Group);
- Your information may be disclosed to external service suppliers both here and overseas who supply
  administrative, financial or other services to assist your adviser and the Group in providing financial
  advice and services to you. A list of countries where these service providers are located can be found in
  the Group Privacy Policy;
  - We may be disclosing your personal information to the Philippines for the purpose of Paraplanning.
- 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 Group Privacy Policy);
- Your information may be disclosed as required or authorised by law and to anyone authorised by you.

Your adviser and AMP Financial Planning will continue to take reasonable steps to protect your information from misuse, loss, unauthorised access, modification or improper disclosure. You can request access to the information your adviser or AMP Financial Planning holds about you at any time to correct or update it as set out in the Group Privacy Policy. The Group Privacy Policy also contains information about how to make a complaint about a breach of the Australian Privacy Principles.

For a copy of the Group's Privacy Policy visit <a href="http://www.amp.com.au/privacy">http://www.amp.com.au/privacy</a> or you can contact us.

# Confidence in the quality of our advice

If at any time you feel like you are not satisfied with our services, the following will help you understand your options and find a resolution.

- Contact your adviser and tell them about your complaint.
- If your complaint is not satisfactorily resolved within three business days, please contact AMP Advice Complaints:
  - Phone 1800 812 388
  - Email advicecomplaints@amp.com.au
  - In Writing:

#### Attention: National Manager, Advice Complaints

Quay Quarter Tower

50 Bridge Street

Sydney NSW 2000 Australia

Online at www.amp.com.au

More information on AMP Financial Planning's complaints handling process can be found in their Complaint Handling Guide, available on https://www.amp.com.au/support/complaints/complaints-process.

They will try to resolve your complaint quickly and fairly. They will provide you with a decision in respect to your complaint within 30 days of us receiving it.

We note that in some circumstances, it may not be possible for us to completely resolve a complaint within this timeframe. If you do not agree with our decision in respect of your complaint, or are otherwise unsatisfied with our response, you may escalate your complaint to one of the following External Dispute Resolution Schemes listed in the following table.

Any issues relating to financial advice, investments, superannuation, insurance matters, or credit matters	Australian Financial Complaints Authority (AFCA)  GPO Box 3  Melbourne Vlic 3001  1800 931 678  www.afca.org.au  info@afca.org.au
Any issue relating to your personal information	The Privacy Commissioner  GPO Box 5218 Sydney NSW 2001  1300 363 992 privacy@privacy.gov.au

You may also contact the **Australian Securities & Investments Commission (ASIC)** on 1300 300 630 (free call info line) to make a complaint and obtain information about your rights.

# Professional indemnity insurance

We maintain professional indemnity insurance to cover our advice and the recommendations provided by your adviser. AMP Financial Planning is also covered by professional indemnity insurance and this satisfies the requirements imposed by the Corporations Act 2001 and National Consumer Credit Protection Act. The insurance covers claims arising from the actions of former employees or representatives of AMP Financial Planning, even where subsequent to these actions they have ceased to be employed by or act for AMP Financial Planning.

#### About our licensee

AMP Financial Planning Pty Limited

ABN 89 051 208 327

Australian Financial Services Licensee and Australian Credit Licensee

Licence No: 232706

AMP Financial Planning has:

- Approved the distribution of this guide
- Authorised us to provide advice and other services as described in this guide
- Authorised us to provide credit assistance services to you

AMP Financial Planning's registered office is located at 33 Alfred Street, Sydney, NSW 2000.

# About the AMP Group

AMP Financial Planning is a member of the AMP group of companies. We can provide advice on products from a wide range of financial product providers, some of which are related or associated with AMP Financial Planning, namely:

- National Mutual Funds Management Limited
- NMMT Limited
- N.M. Superannuation Pty Limited
- Multiport Pty Limited
- ipac asset management limited
- AMP Bank Limited
- SMSF Administration Solutions Pty Ltd

- AMP Capital Funds Management Limited
- AMP Capital Investors Limited
- AMP Superannuation Limited
- AMP Life Limited
- Cavendish Superannuation Pty Ltd
- Australian Securities Administration Limited (ASAL)
- SuperConcepts Pty Ltd

If we recommend a product issued by the AMP Group or a third party product issuer, they will benefit from our recommendation by receiving product, administration and investment fees, as well as fees paid by fund managers to distribute their product. These fees are all disclosed in the relevant PDS or IDPS guide.

Authorised representatives and/or staff employed in our business may hold shares in AMP Limited, whose share price may be favourably affected by the sale of products issued by AMP Group companies.

# Our fees

The actual fee charged to you will depend on the nature of the advice or service we provide. We will discuss and agree the actual fees with you before we proceed. The following section outlines the types of fees that may apply:

The fees charged for our advice and services may be based on a combination of:

- A set dollar amount; or
- a percentage-based fee.

Our agreed advice and service fees may include charges for:

- Initial advice
- ongoing or fixed-term advice and services
- Annual advice and services.

Please note that for services in relation to insurance, banking deposit products, some loan products and older investment products, commissions may be paid by the product provider as follows:

- Initial commission a percentage of the value of your investment contributions, loan balance or insurance premiums; and
- Ongoing commission a percentage of the value of your investment balance, outstanding loan amount or premiums, usually calculated at the end of each month in which you hold the investment or loan, or on renewal of insurance products.

#### Payment methods

We offer you the following payment options for payment of our advice fees:

- BPAY, direct debit (savings), credit card or cheque; and
- Deduction from your investment (subject to the advice and service provided)

All permissible fees and commissions will be paid directly to AMP Financial Planning as the licensee. It will then pass on the amounts due to us through its payment system. AMP Financial Planning charges our practice a Licensee Fee each year. The Licensee Fee is determined as an annual amount based on a number of factors, including our business revenue, the number of advisers and/or accredited mortgage consultants in the practice and a practice fee.

For more information on our services, please see our Schedule of fees attached or available on request.

#### Other costs

Where other costs are incurred in the process of providing our advice and services to you, you will be liable for these costs. However, we will agree all additional costs with you prior to incurring them.

# Other benefits we may receive

The following is a list of benefits we may receive other than those explained above. These are not additional costs to you. These benefits may be monetary or things like training, events or incentives we are eligible for.

In addition to the payments we may receive for our advice and services, we may receive other support services or recognition from the licensee to help us grow our business. This could include education or training support, badging rights, technology, financing, events or other recognition we are eligible for. We may receive benefits from product issuers that may include non-monetary benefits that are valued at less than \$300. We may also participate in business lunches or receive corporate promotional merchandise tickets to sporting or cultural events and other similar items.

Development, management and advice (DMA) run off payments

Eligibility to receive DMA run off payments is dependent on us continuing to be authorised by and meeting standards set by AMP Financial Planning. From 31 January 2020, we will be eligible to receive run-off payments based on the amount of advice revenue we generated in 2018. Advice revenue includes revenue directly attributable to advice provided to a client for an agreed fee. It excludes commissions from investment, insurance and banking products. These payments are to assist with my cashflow over 3 years until January 2023. Run-off payments will not be made after January 2023. In 2022, the total amount of DMA received will be \$61.88.

#### \* Final payment expected to occur in January 2023

How our performance was ranked

Ranking of practices was determined by a points system which was a broad measure of the growth and professionalism of our practice as compared to other practices in the AMP Financial Planning network. The points system was based on a combination of factors within a balanced scorecard such as the quality of our services, compliance, our business goals and our engagement with our clients through a measure called Advice Growth Index (AGI). AGI measured the value of our fee for service revenue and the change in our clients' product holdings over the measurement period.

The AGI measure ceased to be a component within the balanced scorecard after 31 December 2018 and will not form part of the run-off payments.

Business growth advice payments

All practices within the AMP Financial Planning network are eligible for Business Growth Advice (BGA) payments. The payments are based on our practice revenue.

BGA payments are set at 1% of our practice revenue. Payments are received twice each month. For example, if our practice revenue was \$8,500 in a payment period, we would receive  $\$8,500 \times 0.01 = \$85$ . Assuming an average revenue of \$8,500 per payment period, the total BGA payment received in a year would be  $\$85 \times 24 = \$2,040$ .

BGA payments will no longer be received after 31 December 2019.

Business buy-back option

If we leave the financial services profession or can no longer appropriately service a selection of our clients, AMP Financial Planning will either look after our clients or appoint one of its authorised representatives to do so.

If this happens, AMP Financial Planning makes available a facility for practices to transfer the servicing rights of their clients. The valuation will vary depending on certain factors including the annual recurring revenue of our practice and the level of our service standards.

#### Personal and professional development

AMP Financial Planning offers education, personal and professional development opportunities to our practice on an annual basis. Participation in these opportunities may be based on attainment of qualifying criteria or open eligibility.

#### Education and professional development

Provided we meet specific qualification criteria AMP Financial Planning will support the practice with up to 20% of the licensee fees payable by the practice to the licensee in 2017 to meet the training and education requirements for financial advisers as required by Financial Adviser Standards and Ethics Authority. We may also be eligible for education or training support to assist with the development of advisers in our practice. This support may be dependent on a number of factors including the experience of the adviser and their tenure at our practice.

The support mentioned above is paid by AMP Financial Planning directly to the education provider and not to us.

#### Placement fees

From time to time AMP Financial Planning will receive fees from brokers or product issuers (including AMP group companies) for arranging client participation in Initial Public Offerings (IPOs) of financial products. The fee, which is generally a percentage of the fee paid to the broker, varies from offer to offer and by the level of participation by AMP Financial Planning. We may share in this fee based on the level of participation by our clients.

# Schedule of fees

These prices should be used as a guide only. We will discuss your individual needs and agree our fees with you. The actual agreed fees will depend on factors such as the complexity of your circumstances and goals and the scope of the advice.

#### Initial service fees

These are fees paid when you have agreed to receive our advice:

Initial service	Fee amount
Advice Preparation	Starting from \$1,540 to \$11,000
Strategy Preparation	Starting from \$1,540 to \$5,500
Implementation (Fee for Service)	Starting from \$1,100 to \$15,000

# Ongoing service fees

We provide ongoing services to help you stay on track to meet your goals. Our ongoing service fees vary depending on the scope and complexity of services provided. The cost of these services are as follows:

Ongoing service	Fee amount
Ongoing Fee for Service	The minimum is \$1,100 plus CPI For clients who have a variety of complex ongoing strategies, the ongoing fees for these clients is 1.10% of the total balance or a maximum of \$15,000 pa plus CPI per entity

The amount of fees will depend on the service offering and these will be provided in a separate advice or services agreement.

#### Commissions

We do not receive commissions on investments through new superannuation, managed funds or retirement products. However, some products, particularly older products, may attract commissions.

Any commission amounts will be disclosed to you when providing our advice. The following table is a guide of commissions we may receive.

Product type	Initial commission	Ongoing commission	Example
Insurance (including those held within superannuation)	Up to 66% of the first year's premium for new policies implemented from 1 January 2020.  We may receive up to 77% of the first year's premium for new policies implemented between 1 January 2019 and 31 December 2019.	Up to 22% of the insurance premium each following year.	On insurance policies implemented from 1 January 2020, if your insurance premium was \$1,000, we would receive an initial commission of up to \$660.
	We may receive commissions on increases or additions to existing policies of up to 77%.		We would receive an ongoing commission of up to \$220.00 pa.

All fees and charges include GST. If an agreed advice fee is charged then we may rebate all or some of the commission.

# Our Financial Adviser and Credit Adviser

# About Georgina Luke

Gina has been in the profession for 34 years and created Pinant in 1991 where she provides an array of expert financial knowledge, together with a track record for delivering complex solutions and strategies that build and preserve wealth for her clients.

Gina is established as a subject matter expert in SMSFs, investments, tax structures and property strategies and works with Pinant's diverse client base, including SME business owners, executives and individuals with their families requiring holistic wealth management and strategic advice.

Phone	03 9543 4719
Email	pinant@pinant.com.au
Authorised representative number	225227
Credit representative number	370345

#### Qualifications (Finance related)

Diploma of Financial Services (Financial Planning)

Advanced Diploma of Financial Services (Financial Planning)

#### Qualifications (Non-finance related)

Bachelor of Education

#### Memberships

Financial Planning Assocation® (347107)

# The advice and services I can provide

In addition to the services listed in the **Our advice and services** section of this guide, I am authorised to advise on and deal in the following specialist advice areas.

- Standard margin lending facilities
- Derivatives (Limited to advising on and dealing in derivative-related products approved by the licensee)

I am authorised to provide all the services listed in the **Our advice and services** section.

I am also a Credit Representative of AMP Financial Planning and am authorised to provide credit advice regarding how to structure debt, suitability of existing loan structures and repayment options. If you require advice involving mortgages or other lending products, I can refer you to an Accredited Mortgage Consultant.

# How I am paid

As an employee, Director and shareholder of Pinant Financial Planning Pty Ltd I receive a salary and dividends from the practice.