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Please read these terms carefully
before using any Chip Service or
opening any Chip Product.

Chip Financial (Investments) Ltd

SIPP Product Terms

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The SIPP Terms in this schedule apply to the Chip Pension as provided by Chip Financial (Investments) Limited, a firm authorised by the Financial Conduct Authority under Firm Reference Number: 1005114 and with registered offices at Sixth Floor, Fora Montacute Yards, 186 Shoreditch High Street, London, E1 6HU (company registration: 5161994).

The pension scheme underlying the Chip Pension is the "Seccl Personal Pension". This schedule refers to "the Scheme". This is a personal pension scheme that allows you to save for retirement in a tax-effective way with the potential to invest in a range of investments. It is registered with HMRC under tax reference 20005619RK.

The Scheme has been established and is governed by a Trust Deed and attaching Rules, "the Trust Deed". Within the Trust Deed, Seccl Custody Limited established the Scheme within the meaning of Part 4 of the Finance Act 2004 ("the Act") and is the scheme administrator for taxation purposes. Seccl Custody Limited (the "Administration Company") has appointed Digital Pension Trustees Limited ("the Trustee"), as trustee of the Scheme.

Seccl Custody Limited, a wholly owned subsidiary of Seccl Technology Limited, is registered in England and Wales (Number: 10430958) and is authorised by the FCA under Firm Reference Number 793200.

Any reference in these SIPP Terms to "we", "us" and "our" are references to the Administration Company and in relation to paragraphs 1.11 and 1.13, the Trustee. References to "you" and "your" are to you, our customer and member of the Scheme.

These SIPP Terms, together with your application form a legally binding agreement between you and us. These terms should be read in conjunction with the Chip Group Terms of Business which explain the terms of your relationship with Chip.

Where this document refers to or describes a particular tax treatment, you should be aware that tax treatment depends on your individual circumstances and is subject to change in the future.

1. Our Personal Pension Services

1.1 Digital Pension Trustees Limited (the Trustee) owns the cash and investments in your Chip Pension, holding them for your benefit under the Scheme Rules. Seccl Custody Limited has been appointed to hold custody of the cash and investments in line with the Trust Deed and Rules. Seccl Custody Limited is responsible for the operation and administration of the Chip Pension. It is also responsible, as custodian, for the safekeeping and administration of the investments which you acquire in your Scheme. Seccl Custody Limited is regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority to carry out these activities.

1.2 The FCA Rules require us to classify all investors. The Chip Pension service is provided by us to "retail clients". Unless we tell you otherwise, we will treat you as a retail client under the FCA Rules. This means you get the highest level of protection available under the FCA Rules.

1.3 Our Scheme enables you to make investments into assets as made available to you within your Chip Pension account in the Chip App, but we do not provide any financial or tax advice, and therefore we will not assess the suitability or appropriateness for you of the investments you choose to hold within your Chip Pension, the Scheme itself or any other service we provide.

1.4 The investments which we provide access to may be restricted for your Chip Pension. These restrictions will be made after taking into consideration FCA requirements, HMRC rules, legislation and our administrative requirements.

Investment restrictions may be applied for the following valid reasons:

- a. Changes in HMRC rules
- b. Changes in pensions or other relevant legislation
- c. Changes in the regulatory regime governing pension assets or reporting requirements
- d. Changes in investment markets
- e. Changes in how our business operates

There is no alternative to the Cash Account within your Chip Pension.

1.5 You alone are responsible for deciding whether your Chip Pension and the investments you choose are suitable for you. If you are in any doubt about the suitability or appropriateness of any particular investments, we recommend that you speak with an authorised adviser.

1.6 We may delegate our functions in respect of the Chip Pension to third parties in accordance with the Trust Deed. We will be responsible for the actions and omissions of any person to whom a function is delegated. We may also engage agents to help us perform our functions but will not be responsible for any acts and omissions of such persons subject to our duties under the FCA Rules and provided such engagements do not amount to a delegation of our functions.

1.7 Our Scheme is exclusively an online product for which you will need to complete an application in the Chip App.

1.8 You can communicate with us about the Chip Pension by email at contact@getchip.uk or via the Chip App.

1.9 If we are negligent, knowingly in default, act fraudulently, or breach these SIPP Terms or Applicable Law (as relevant), then we are legally responsible to you for the results of our actions unless set out below.

1.10 If we make a mistake acting on your instructions to deal in, switch or sell investments, we will correct it as soon as possible, and reimburse you for any loss that is a direct result of our error. This reimbursement may occur outside your Chip Pension, due to the tax treatment of such corrections.

1.11 We will not be responsible to you:

- if you suffer a loss because the value of your assets fall
- if you suffer a loss because you fail to comply with these SIPP Terms or with any applicable legal requirement or because of any action which we take or refrain from taking in order to ensure that we comply with your instructions
- for any action which we take or refrain from taking in order to ensure that we comply with Applicable Law
- if we delay or fail to execute a transaction because of market conditions which may prevent us from being able to execute it in accordance with our order execution policy or Applicable Law
- if you suffer a loss that was not reasonably foreseeable by you or us when accepting your Application for the Chip Pension or is not otherwise a natural result of the breach
- if you suffer any loss or damage as a result of an external event or something else that is unavoidable and outside our reasonable control, or as a result of any steps which we reasonably take in response to such (including the unavailability of our systems)
- for any deals on your Chip Pension made by any person you have authorised to deal on your scheme (such as a financial adviser) that are placed incorrectly or without your authority
- for the performance of any third party (for example, any broker required to execute a transaction), unless otherwise stated in these SIPP Terms.

In this clause, the word "loss" includes but is not limited to any liability to tax or penalty under tax law.

1.12 The responsibilities in this section also apply to the Nominee and the Trustee. We are responsible for their respective actions or omissions.

2. Your Responsibilities

2.1 By opening your Chip Pension, you agree that you will not take part in activity that may be considered to be market abuse. If we believe that your Chip Pension is being used to engage in market abuse, we reserve the right to take such action as we deem to be appropriate.

3. Chip Pension Establishment

3.1 You can generally open a Chip Pension if you are an individual aged 18 years or over and aged under 50 years. You can generally maintain a Chip Pension if you are aged above 50 years. If you are aged 75 years and over, you may maintain a Chip Pension, however you will be unable to claim tax relief on any contributions into your pension.

3.2 The submission of your application does not constitute our acceptance of your Chip Pension which we may decline entirely at our discretion. These SIPP Terms come into force when we accept your application.

3.3 We will confirm when we have accepted your application and you will become a member of the Scheme as long as you have supplied all relevant information about any tax relief and other information requested as part of the application process.

4. Making Payments and Contributions to the Chip Pension

4.1 You may make contributions to your Chip Pension either on an ad-hoc or regular basis. These contributions can be done through a transfer of money via bank transfer or other payment method made available by us from time to time. For clarity we do not accept employer contributions into the Chip Pension.

4.2 Personal contributions will normally be treated as having been paid net of basic rate tax which we will claim on your behalf from HMRC. The tax reclaim process normally takes between 6 to 12 weeks, during this time the money being reclaimed is not available for investment until we receive cleared funds from HMRC.

4.3 Tax relief is granted at your highest marginal rate of income tax. If you are a higher rate taxpayer, you will need to reclaim the additional tax relief through your self-assessment tax return.

4.4 You must tell the Administration Company if you are not entitled to tax relief on all or part of the contributions. If you need more information on contribution rules and limits, you may wish to contact a financial adviser.

4.5 If you make contributions to your Chip Pension which, when combined with other contributions to other UK pension schemes, exceed the amount on which you are entitled to tax relief, we may agree to refund the excess contributions to you provided there is sufficient money in your Chip Pension to make the refund to you and repay any amounts due to HMRC. Any investment loss or growth in respect of a refunded contribution will be deemed to be outside the Scheme. A contribution cannot be refunded simply because it takes contributions over the Annual Allowance. Before we refund any excess contributions, we will require evidence that the payment will be authorised under the tax rules. Any excess tax relief already received from HMRC must be returned to HMRC within the timescale specified by HMRC. We are not responsible for any interest levied by HMRC on a refund of overpaid tax relief. See clause 4.11 below about the Annual Allowance.

4.6 A refund of excess contributions can be requested at any time before the end of the sixth tax year following the tax year in which they were made. The maximum refund available will be the value of the excess contribution(s). A refund might be delayed if there is insufficient cash in your Chip Pension.

4.7 We can refund a contribution when we receive a valid request for a contribution which was:

- paid in genuine error (as defined by HMRC) and was not intended to be paid
- a member contribution where the member has insufficient earnings to attract tax relief on the contribution paid.

4.8 Where there is insufficient money in your Chip Pension to pay amounts due to us, HMRC or to pay benefits or other payments due, we may require you to pay further funds into your Chip Pension account or dispose of assets to meet the amount due. We are entitled to direct that assets are disposed of within your Chip Pension on a proportional basis sufficient to repay us or HMRC if the amount remains unpaid after 30 days. If you have taken benefits or transferred out of the Scheme or there is insufficient money in your Chip Pension you remain liable for any losses or costs incurred by us.

4.10 If we receive a Contribution payment and we are not provided sufficient information to identify that this is intended to be for your benefit, then this may be returned to the payer.

4.11 You should read the Chip Pension Key Features document for more information about how to make contributions, tax rules and eligibility restrictions including Lump Sum Allowances, money purchase Annual Allowance and tapered Annual Allowance. We will not be responsible for ensuring that your contributions remain below the Annual Allowance, money purchase Annual Allowance and tapered Annual Allowance. We will display in-app if you attempt contributions which may exceed your available Annual Allowance or (if applicable) money purchase Annual Allowance, however it is your responsibility to ensure the Annual Allowance is adhered to with any Pension products you may hold elsewhere, and unique to your salary and/or tax situation.

4.12 If you have incurred an Annual Allowance tax charge or money purchase Annual Allowance charge, you are responsible for paying them to HMRC. In the case of the Annual Allowance, you can also pay a share of the tax charge from your Chip Pension as long as the amount due to HMRC is at least £2,000. The maximum amount you can pay in this way must not exceed the encashment value of your Chip Pension after allowing for all fees, charges and other deductions. If you are a member of more than one pension scheme, the amount paid from your Chip Pension should not in any case be more than a share in accordance with HMRC's rules. To arrange the payment, you must tell us in writing that you wish to do so.

5. Pension Input Period

5.1 Your pension input period is a period of time defined by HMRC to measure your contributions paid. Your first pension input period starts when we accept your first contribution and ends the following 5 April. Subsequent pension input periods will be aligned with the tax year.

5.2 The 'Annual Allowance' is defined by HMRC and limits the amount of tax relief available on pension savings in a pension input period. If the total of all pension savings made by you (or for you) exceed the annual allowance, you may be liable to a tax charge.

6. Transferring Existing Pensions to Us

6.1 We may make available the option to request to transfer all or part of your pensions from other UK registered pension schemes into your Chip Pension. We may, at our discretion, accept the transfer request. We will not accept a transfer from a pension with Safeguarded Rights (as defined in Section 48(8) of the Pension Schemes Act 2015).

6.2 We may, at our discretion, accept transfers of benefits from other Authorised Schemes, subject to the Trust Deed. Benefits comprising uncrystallised (and crystallised benefits in due course) can be accepted and will all be separately identified within your Chip Pension.

6.3 It is your responsibility to ensure a transfer of pension benefits is in your best interests. You should consider taking advice from a suitably qualified financial adviser. We do not provide advice. Our acceptance of a transfer is in no way an endorsement of the suitability for you of the transfer.

6.4 We reserve the right to reasonably refuse or refund a transfer (whether in part or whole).

6.5 Where you request a cash transfer or in-specie transfer of approved investments from an existing pension you take responsibility for initiating all transfer instructions. The Administration Company does not accept responsibility for delays in receiving transfers.

6.6 We can decline a transfer of any of the investments to be transferred. This will be limited to investments we are unable to hold. We will inform you if this is the case.

6.7 You agree that we may obtain any information we believe is necessary from your previous pension scheme to comply with Applicable Law.

7. Right to Cancel Your Product

7.1 You may change your mind and cancel your Chip Pension by contacting us via the in-app chat or emailing us at hello@getchip.uk within 30 days from the date of opening the Chip Pension. If you cancel your Chip Pension within the cancellation period, you may not get back the full amount you invested. We will pay back your initial contribution made within this period, less any fall in value of investments you have made due to market movements.

7.2 Where you have transferred into the Chip Pension from another Authorised Scheme, you may change your mind and cancel the transfer by contacting us via the in-app chat or emailing us at hello@getchip.uk within 30 days from the date of requesting the transfer. If your Transferring Authorised Scheme has already released the transfer value, they may refuse to take your transfer back. You will need to choose an alternative Authorised Scheme to receive the transfer value. We'll pay back your transfer, less any fall in value of investments you have made due to market movements and any charges that have been paid to Chip Financial Investments Limited.

7.3 These SIPP Terms will apply until your membership of the Scheme ceases or your Chip Pension is closed. Termination of these SIPP Terms shall not affect accrued rights, existing commitments or any contractual provision intended to survive termination. We reserve the right to close your Chip Pension if you have not made any contributions or a transfer of benefits from another Authorised Scheme, within six months of the date of your application.

8. Cash Management and Interest

8.1 The custodian will hold contributions paid, and cash transfers made into your Chip Pension in a pooled client account in accordance with the Trust Deed and Applicable Law. Any Cash held by the custodian will be held as client money and managed in accordance with the FCA Rules. Further details can be found in the Custody Terms.

8.2 Any interest received by the Custodian will be paid to and retained by Chip Financial (Investments) Ltd and will not be paid to you.

8.3 Residual balances ending up in uninvested cash will be auto-invested into the pension fund on a regular basis.

9. Your Assets

9.1 The Assets within your Chip Pension will be held in the name of the nominee on behalf of the custodian. The Trustee remains the beneficial owner.

9.2 Chip Pension permitted investment range is currently restricted to the cash and assets meeting the FCA's definition of "standard investments" all of which must be capable of being held by the custodian and administered by us. Broadly speaking this means an asset has to be an FCA authorised or recognised collective investment scheme or a listed security and capable of being valued on a regular basis and sold within 30 days.

9.3 Any investment income, including interest, or capital gains from your investments will be held by the custodian on your behalf and will form part of the assets and, therefore, value of your Chip Pension.

9.4 All investment instructions are made by you to Chip Financial (Investments) Limited, and neither Chip Financial (Investments) Limited, Seccl Custody Limited nor Digital Pension Trustee Limited shall be responsible for any investment decision.

9.5 The FCA requires that we offer you a single default investment option that is designed to meet the needs of typical non-advised SIPP customers, and you'll be put into this investment option if you don't make alternative choices. The provision of a default fund shouldn't be considered advice and may change. You will be presented with details of the default fund during opening your Chip Pension so that you can decide.

9.6 The Administration Company has discretion to direct the Trustee to dispose of an Asset without consultation with you or your prior agreement when the following situation occurs:

- the continued retention of an Asset would be unlawful
- the continued retention of the Asset would impose tax or other costs which your [Chip Pension] may not be able to meet
- the Asset needs to be disposed of to meet any tax liability or other liabilities or costs (including our own) (see section 4.8)
- where there are insufficient funds in your [Chip Pension] to pay amounts due to us, HMRC or to pay benefits or other payments due (see sections 4.8 and 9.5)
- to comply with a court order.

10. Chip Pension Statements

10.1 We will provide you with a number of statements: an annual pensions statement, quarterly valuation statements and any other such statements required by Applicable Law, showing you a summary and valuation of all your Chip Pension Assets and every transaction executed for you in the previous reporting period. Your valuation statements will be made available for you to view in app. You agree to tell us of any discrepancy or issues with these valuation statements in a reasonable timeframe. In the absence of any such notification, we will be entitled to assume that the valuation is an accurate reflection of your Chip Pension.

11. Transfers Out

11.1 We, on behalf of the Trustee, have discretion over whether to accept your request to transfer out the value of your Chip Pension to another Authorised Scheme.

11.2 We will not transfer out benefits in accordance with these SIPP Terms unless we are satisfied as to each of the following:

- We have proper authority and approval to make the transfer out
- All outstanding fees, charges and liabilities have been settled
- Making the transfer out is not likely to prejudice any protected benefits or be unlawful or be made to an unrecognised or unregistered pension scheme or be made to a scheme suspected of being involved in any kind of investment scam or pensions liberation.

11.3 We will not transfer out benefits to Recognised Overseas Pension Schemes (ROPS).

11.4 In some circumstances, it may be necessary for us to delay a transfer out, particularly where we are unable to realise or re-register some of the assets, particularly assets that are not readily realisable. Such circumstances could lead to you having to defer transferring out or taking benefits.

11.5 In the event that you are transferring out in order to access benefits for your pension you may be required to discuss your options with, Pension Wise from MoneyHelper <https://www.moneyhelper.org.uk/en/pensions-and-retirement/pension-wise>.

11.6 If we receive an income payment, a dividend or other cash amount relating to your Chip Pension, after you have transferred out from your Chip Pension, we will ensure that such payments will be sent onto the receiving Authorised Scheme in accordance with the strict requirements set out in Applicable Law.

11.7 In the limited circumstances permitted by Applicable Law, such as the winding up of the Scheme, we shall be entitled to transfer out the value of your Chip Pension without your consent or instructions.

12. Chip Pension Charges

12.1 Charges apply to your Chip Pension in relation to your membership of the Scheme.

12.2 You authorise the deduction and retention of all charges, applicable tax and reasonable expenses from your Chip Pension account. All charges shown below are exclusive of Value Added Tax ("VAT") unless stated otherwise. You agree that charges can be rounded up to the nearest whole £1.

12.3 We will charge the following product charge, based on the value of your Chip Pension.

- For the portion of your Chip Pension in accumulation: 0.45%. This is subject to a minimum of £0.01 per calendar month, and will roll over to the following month until the minimum is met.
- The above charges are for pensions administration, fund manager fees are not included.
- Other costs, including taxes, may arise which are not paid via us or imposed by us.
- Fees are subject to VAT at the prevailing rate.

12.4 Where permitted by Applicable Law, we are entitled to recover costs not stipulated in but incurred by us in the administration of your Chip Pension. These costs include, but are not limited to, any losses, claims or liabilities involved with acquiring, valuing or disposing of any Assets; administration costs involved with complying with any court orders; disbursements or other charges or commissions levied by any investment or other professional advisers in line with the Terms and Conditions agreed with them; any tax charges, industry levies, duties or liabilities.

12.5 We will provide you with an annual illustration showing the effect of costs and charges on the return of your Chip Pension.

12.6 All charges, fees and expenses due are deducted from your Chip Pension account. Where there are insufficient funds within your Chip Pension account, we may require you to add funds or dispose of assets to meet the amount due. We are entitled to direct the disposal of Chip Pension assets proportionately if the amount remains unpaid after 30 days.

12.7 Where amounts due to us remain outstanding for more than 30 days, we are entitled to add interest to the sum outstanding at a rate of 3% AER above the Bank of England's base rate.

12.8 We are entitled to increase charges each year with effect from 1st May in line with the increase in the Average Weekly Earnings Index plus 1% which is published by the Government Office of National Statistics for the twelve-month period ending 30th September of the preceding year. Where charges are increased in line with this clause no notice will be given.

12.9 We also have the right to increase charges in certain circumstances, as outlined in the Chip Group Terms of Business.

13. Closing Your Chip Pension

13.1 If you decide to close your Chip Pension, or your entire Chip account, you cannot automatically withdraw the value. The assets or cash held in your Chip Pension can only be transferred out to another Authorised Scheme in accordance with these SIPP Terms and the Trust Deed.

13.2 We may close your Chip Pension on giving you notification, if (i) we cease to act as Administration Company and a suitable replacement cannot be found, or (ii) it becomes impractical to continue to administer your Chip Pension in accordance with any Applicable Law.

13.3 If we close your Chip Pension on these grounds, we will give you at least 90 days' notice of the closure and will explain your options for transferring out to another Authorised Scheme.

14. Complaints About Your Chip Pension

14.1 If you have a complaint about any element of the Chip Pension please contact us at contact@getchip.uk or in the ways outlined in the Chip Group Terms of Business.

14.2 Your complaint will be handled by a person of appropriate competence and experience and we will endeavour to resolve any complaint as soon as possible.

14.3 The Pensions Ombudsman may investigate and determine certain complaints or disputes about pensions that are referred to the Ombudsman in accordance with legislation, and may be contacted at:

10 South Colonnade Canary Wharf, London E14 4PU

Telephone: 0800 917 4487 (call charges will vary)

Email: helpline@pensions-ombudsman.org.uk

Website: www.pensions-ombudsman.org.uk

15. Changing or Ending These Terms

15.1 You agree to us transferring all or any of our rights and obligations under these SIPP Terms to any one or more appropriate Seccl companies or any third parties which are appropriately regulated and authorised under Applicable Law. These obligations include the appointments of Seccl Custody Limited as the Administration Company and the appointment of Digital Pension Trustees Limited as the Trustee. If we do this, we will give you at least 90 days' advance written notice of the transfer. In each case, we shall cease to have any responsibilities to you or your Chip Pension from the time that the change takes effect to the extent that those obligations applied to our appointment. The new administration company, or trustee will take on our obligations to provide the services under these SIPP Terms in our place. We will not transfer our rights and obligations unless we are satisfied that you will not be in a worse position or receive a poorer service.

15.2 We may make reasonable and appropriate changes to these SIPP Terms at any time whilst your Chip Pension is open as follows:

- to meet any current or future change in law, including rules established by the FCA, HMRC or The Pensions Regulator, or regulation, guidance or regulatory approach
- to make these SIPP Terms easier to understand, including to correct any inaccuracies, omissions, errors or ambiguities
- to take account of any reorganisation of the Chip Group of companies, or a transfer of rights as outlined in the Chip Group Terms of Business
- to reflect any improvements to the services which we offer under these Terms & Conditions, or changes to our systems, our processes and procedures, market practice or customer requirements
- to reflect any changes to terms agreed between us and any third parties which are relevant to your Chip Pension
- other than as described in 12.9 above, we may also make reasonable increases to our charges to reflect any changes to the costs that we incur

15.3 If we do make any changes to the SIPP Terms, the latest version will always be available on our website or in-app and you should refer to them regularly. Where we reasonably consider that changes are material or detrimental to you we will give you a minimum of one month's notice of the proposed change and our reasons for making the change, unless we are required to make the change sooner (in which case we will give as much notice as we reasonably can).

15.4 Notwithstanding clause 17.3, changes that are necessary due to reasons outside of our control (e.g., a change in legislation/regulation/tax or interest rates or resulting from an act of a third party) may take effect on reasonable written notice and changes which are immaterial and not to your detriment may take effect immediately and without notice.

15.5 In either case, if you are not happy with any change we make or plan to make to the SIPP Terms, you can transfer to an Authorised Scheme of your choosing. We will not charge you a fee for this if a fee ever becomes due.

16. Chip Pension Benefits

Please note, currently drawdown benefits are unavailable for the Chip Pension. You must transfer to a provider who allows you to access these benefits in order to access the funds in your pension at retirement age.

16.1 We only allow you to take benefits from your Chip Pension with the support and advice from a Financial Adviser. If you do not have this support, we will be unable to allow you to take benefits from your Chip Pension. You can of course transfer your Chip Pension to another Authorised Scheme and we will not charge you for this transfer.

16.2 If you are 50 or over, the Government has launched a free and impartial service to help you understand what your choices are and how they work, this can be accessed online, over the telephone by calling 0800 138 3944 or face to face - see www.moneyhelper.org.uk/en/pensions-and-retirement/pension-wise.

16.3 It is strongly recommended that prior to accessing your pension benefits you seek advice from a suitably qualified financial adviser or obtain guidance from Pension Wise.

16.4 You can take benefits from your Pension from the Normal Minimum Pension Age by instructing and contacting the Scheme Administrator to:

- pay you one or more uncrystallised funds pension lump sums;
- buy a lifetime annuity from an annuity provider in your name with all or part of your Pension and pay you any pension commencement lump sum ("PCLS") where allowable;
- commence drawdown pension (flexi-access drawdown)
- commence drawdown pension (flexi-access drawdown) with all or part of your Pension or the balance after taking any Pension Commencement Lump Sum ("PCLS").

16.5 You may be able to take benefits early if:

- you have transitional rights to a protected pension age, and you satisfy the conditions in the Trust Deed. A protected pension age was generally available for people who paid into a pension before 6 April 2006 and had a right to take their pension benefits at an earlier age than the current rules allow; or
- we are satisfied that you are, and will continue to be, incapable of carrying on your occupation because of physical or mental impairment (in this case you must provide medical evidence to show that you have become incapable of carrying on that occupation and will continue to be incapable of returning to it).

16.6 Any uncrystallised fund (this being a pension fund that has not yet been accessed for retirement income) can be used to pay a tax-free lump sum and then any remainder can be used to provide taxable retirement income. Alternatively, one or more UFPLSs can normally be paid. An UFPLS is a cash sum taken from a pension pot that has not paid out any retirement income. For each withdrawal usually the first 25% (or up to the available lump sum allowance, if lower) will be tax-free and the rest will be taxed at your appropriate tax rate as a pension under PAYE.

16.7 At the point you wish to take benefits you will be required to complete an application/questionnaire, available by emailing, sipp@seccl.tech. You are entitled to a 30-day cancellation period, for the first instance of taking benefits, effective from the date you receive a cancellation notice. Where you receive payment of benefits to which you are entitled and subsequently exercise your right to cancel you will be required to return the payments received back to the Pension. Failure to do so will be deemed as overriding your cancellation instruction.

16.8 With the exception of your PCLS/tax-free lump sum, payments made by us to you from your Pension will be made net of tax under PAYE and can be paid at regular intervals. We will normally offer payment on a monthly, quarterly or annual basis. Payments are conditional on there being sufficient cleared funds available in your Pension. We may request that you dispose of Assets within your Pension on a proportional basis to ensure there are funds available if the amount remains unpaid after 30 days.

16.9 Payment to you by means of flexi-access drawdown ("FAD") can involve a payment of a tax-free PCLS with any income being taxable as income. FAD is an option to use your retirement fund to provide retirement income.

16.10 We will not pay benefits in accordance with these SIPP Terms unless we are satisfied as to each of the following:

- you have received financial advice;
- we have proper authority to pay the benefits;
- we are in receipt of all the necessary information required by regulations;
- we have received all the fees due to us;
- all liabilities and costs have been satisfied by your Pension; and
- all outstanding transfers have been received by your Pension.

16.11 Where you take benefits flexibly, your Annual Allowance will reduce. For details of this and how it could impact your retirement savings plans please speak with your Adviser.

16.12 When you commence taking benefits from your Pension, there are two lump sum allowances available the Lump Sum Allowance (LSA) and the Lump Sum and death Benefits Allowance (LSDBA). For most people, the lump sum allowance (LSA) will limit the tax-free cash available from your pension to £268,275. In most cases, the lump sum and death benefit allowance (LSDBA) will limit the total amount of tax-free cash available in your lifetime and when you die to £1,073,100. Before the 2023/24 tax year, the lifetime allowance was the limit on the amount of benefits you could take across all pension schemes before additional tax charges would apply. From 2023/24 the tax charge ceased to apply and from 6 April 2024 the lifetime allowance no longer applies. The lifetime allowance still limits tax-free lump sum entitlement. If you hold any forms of previous lifetime allowance protection, you will keep the lump sum entitlement from it. When you commence taking benefits from your Pension we will calculate your available tax-free lump sum based on the information you provide. You must provide us with the information necessary for us to calculate the available lump sum allowance. This information includes details of any protections from the previous lifetime allowance that you have, and all lump sums previously taken. If the requested tax-free lump sum exceeds your available allowance the payment will be restricted to the available allowance.

16.13 If you took benefits before 6 April 2024 your lump sum allowance is reduced by 25% of the previously used lifetime allowance. Meaning if 100% of lifetime allowance was used, the lump sum allowance would be Nil. This is known as the "default transitional reduction". However, where the actual amount of tax-free lump sums received were lower than the default amount, you can apply to the scheme administrator of any registered pension scheme that you are a member of, for a "transitional tax-free amount certificate". The certificate will confirm the "Lump sum transitional tax-free amount" – the total of all the PCLS and tax-free amounts of UFPLS that has been paid before 6 April 2024. And "Lump sum and death benefit transitional tax-free amount" – the total tax-free amount of lump sums paid, including serious ill health lump sums and lump sum death benefits paid before 6 April 2024.

To apply for a "transitional tax-free amount certificate" from us, you (or your personal representatives) will need to provide complete evidence to the pension scheme of previous amounts received. The application for a "transitional tax-free amount certificate" must be made before any request to take benefits from 6 April 2024. The scheme administrator has 3 months under the regulations to issue the certificate or confirm why it cannot be issued. We will only refuse to issue the certificate if incomplete evidence has been received to allow the calculations to be completed. Once a certificate has been issued it cannot be cancelled if the member finds that their available lump sum allowances under the standard calculation would have been more beneficial.

16.14 In addition to the benefits listed above you have the option to purchase an annuity for life at any time from the Normal Minimum Pension Age. We do not provide annuities so your choice of annuity must be selected from a UK Insurance company.

17. Death Benefits

17.1 On your death the payments we make, and how these are taxed, will depend on:

- the Trust Deed;
- your age at the time of death; and
- how we exercise our discretion.

17.2 Upon being notified of your death, in order to settle any death Benefits payable under your Chip Pension your beneficiaries or legal representatives should send a copy of your death certificate (either original or certified copy) to your financial adviser who will forward it to us.

17.3 On receipt of your death certificate, we will restrict all investment and freeze the portfolio until an instruction is received from the appointed representatives.

17.4 We may, at our complete discretion, decide who should receive a lump sum death benefit and if in what proportion. The list of your potential beneficiaries include any one or more of your beneficiaries, dependents, nominees or successors.

17.5 Where you have made a nomination, we will take your wishes into account but are not bound by them. This will include the ability to establish a new Chip Pension for a new Scheme member.

17.6 By exercising our discretion in favour of a dependent, nominee (such nominee must have been nominated by you), or other beneficiary, that dependent, nominee or beneficiary (as applicable) may choose for the Benefits to be paid in one or more of the following ways:

- a lump sum death benefit;
- income from income drawdown via transfer to another provider); or
- the purchase of an annuity.

17.7 We shall deduct any tax from the lump sum for which the Scheme may be liable. All nominees must be selected via our online process.

17.8 On your death the value of your Chip Pension can be used to provide a lump sum or an ongoing income or used to buy an annuity. If death occurs before your 75th birthday, then lump sum payments from your Chip Pension and income from any new provider will generally not be subject to tax as long as it is possible to make a payment within the two years from the date we are notified of your death. If death occurs on or after your 75th birthday, then any lump sum payments are generally subject to tax.

17.9 Lump sum death benefits received by your dependant or nominee successor will be tested against your available allowance. Where lump sum death benefits are paid in respect of a deceased dependant, nominee or successor, these will be tested against the nominee's or successor's available lump sum and death benefit allowance. The benefit will not be tested against the original member's or beneficiary's allowance.

18. Additional Chip Pension Definitions

In addition to the main definitions in part 1 of Section A, the following words and expressions in this Section C have the meanings appearing below:

Act the Finance Act 2004 covering pension schemes and defining the rules by which we can operate.

Annual Allowance the amount set by HMRC that you, your employer and any third party can pay to all your pension(s) each tax year before additional tax charges may apply.

Application your application for and any associated information regarding the [Chip Pension].

Authorised Scheme a "UK registered pension scheme" or a "qualifying recognised pension scheme", such terms as defined in the Act.

Benefit any payment made from your [Chip Pension] to you or person(s) legally entitled to receive such payments.

Contribution a payment by you, an individual on your behalf and/or an employer into your [Chip Pension].

FCA Rules the FCA's Handbook of rules and guidance, as amended or replaced from time to time and including, where relevant, any directly applicable EU regulation.

Lifetime Allowance was the maximum amount set by HMRC that an individual could save within registered pension schemes in their lifetime without incurring an additional tax charge up until 5 April 2024, after which it was abolished.

Lump sum allowance (LSA) the tax-free cash limit you can get from your pension(s) currently set at £268,275 from 6 April 2024.

Lumps sum and death benefit allowance (LSDBA) the total amount of tax-free cash you can get in your lifetime and when you die set at £1,073,100 from 6 April 2024.

Member a person admitted to membership of the Scheme, having made an Application to do so and who has not thereafter left the Scheme, and Membership should be read accordingly.

Normal Minimum Pension Age the earliest age at which tax law normally permits Benefits to be paid to pension scheme members without penalty other than in circumstances of ill health. Currently, it is age 55 and will rise to 57 from 6 April 2028.

Personal Pension the personal pension holding Cash and Assets individually for you and for your benefit that enables you to make Contributions to and take Benefits from the Scheme.

Scheme the registered pension scheme known as the "Seccl Personal Pension" which has been established by the Trust Deed and registered with HMRC in accordance with Chapter 2 of Part 4 of the Finance Act 2004.

Scheme Administrator Seccl Custody Limited or any successor that maybe appointed from time to time who is the appointed administrator of the Scheme.

The Pensions Regulator the UK regulator of workplace pensions, which also has certain roles in relation to personal pensions.

Trust Deed in relation to Seccl Personal Pension, the Trust Deed and rules for the Scheme as may be amended or supplemented from time to time.

Transfer the transfer of assets to the Scheme from another Authorised Scheme.

Transfer Out the transfer from us of the value of all or part of your [Chip Pension] to another Authorised Scheme.

Trustee Digital Pension Trustees Limited in its capacity as trustee for the Scheme.

Unauthorised Payment a payment which is not authorised under the Act.

Uncrystallised Funds Pension Lump Sum (UFPLS) allows you to withdraw some or all of your uncrystallised funds as a lump sum. Within the limitations of available lump sum allowance, 25% (or up to the available lump sum allowance if lower) of the UFPLS will be paid tax free, with the balance taxed as pension income at the point of withdrawal.