

Financial Services and Credit Guide



FM Financial Pty Ltd

FM Financial Pty Ltd (ABN 80 074 824 749) trading as 'FM Financial' and 'FM Albury' is an Authorised Representative (Authorised Representative number 247548) and credit representative (Credit Representative number 369104) of Hillross Financial Services Limited ("the Licensee").

References to "our", "we", "us", "me" and "I" refer to FM Financial Pty Ltd.

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

- who we are and how to contact us
- the advice and services we provide
- information about the Licensee
- our fees and how we are paid in connection with those services
- how we manage your private information
- how you can complain about a matter relating to us

Not Independent

Generally, we provide personal advice in line with the Licensee's Approved Product and Services List (APSL) which may include financial products and services associated with the Licensee. We may receive commissions from life insurance products we recommend and non-monetary benefits such as training and educational seminars from product providers. For these reasons, we are not considered independent, impartial, or unbiased.

Our contact details:

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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.

Our advice and services

We are authorised to provide personal or general financial advice on:

- Wealth Accumulation
- Personal insurance
- Superannuation strategies and retirement planning
- Retirement income streams, including pensions and annuities
- Budget and cash flow management
- Centrelink and other government benefits

We are authorised to provide advice on and arrange the following products:

- Superannuation
- Securities
- Retirement savings accounts
- Managed investment schemes including Investor Directed Portfolio Services (IDPS)
- Deposit and payment products, including basic deposit, non-basic deposit, and non-cash payment products
- Life Products – Investment life insurance
- Life Products – Life risk insurance (including life cover, income protection cover, total and permanent disability cover, and trauma cover)

Your adviser may also be authorised to advise on other specialist areas. These are listed in their adviser profiles.

Transaction services

In limited circumstances, we can arrange financial product transactions for you on your instruction without providing personal advice.

Instructing us

You can give us instructions by telephone, mail, email, or other methods, as agreed with your adviser.

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 can determine if our advice is still appropriate.

Credit services

In addition to financial services, we are also authorised to assist you with advising and implementing loan products and consumer leases.

Credit documents you may receive

When we provide credit assistance, we will conduct a preliminary assessment to determine the suitability of a particular product. This is normally documented and provided to you in a Credit Proposal. We will retain this document and you may request it by contacting our office within seven years of the assessment. We will only provide recommendations to apply for a particular credit contract with a certain lender or increase the credit limit of a particular credit contract where the contract meets your needs and objectives and is not unsuitable to your circumstances.

Lenders and lessors

The Licensee has a broad panel of lenders and lessors for your Accredited Mortgage Consultant (AMC) to choose from. The full list of approved lenders is available on request but is not an exhaustive list of lenders who offer credit of the nature you may seek.

As at November 2024, the lenders whose products are most commonly recommended by AMCs authorised by the Licensee are Westpac, Macquarie Bank, ANZ, AFG Home Loans, St George Bank, Bank SA.

Benefits we may receive from lenders and lessors

Subject to compliance with relevant laws, including relating to conflicted remuneration, lenders may offer incentives that are paid directly to the AMC. These may include indirect benefits, for example business lunches, tickets to sporting or cultural events, corporate promotional merchandise and other minor benefits.

Credit reports and valuations

We may be provided access to free services such as credit reports and valuations from our lenders. Details of any relevant services we may receive because of a recommendation we make to you, will be included in the Credit Proposal we provide to you.

Tiered Servicing Arrangements

Through your AMC's relationships with lenders, they may have access to tiered servicing arrangements. The benefits can include faster processing, better information or greater levels of assistance provided for obtaining loan approval. You will be advised of any tiered service arrangements that are in place with a particular lender that they have proposed at the time recommendations are made.

Access to these programs is not based solely on the volume of new or existing lending your AMC's customers have with each respective lender and does not entitle them to any additional commissions outside of what they have disclosed to you, any additional payments or preferential customer discounts.

Mortgage aggregators

Mortgage aggregators act as a gateway or interface between mortgage brokers and lenders by providing an IT platform through which brokers submit loan applications and deal with lenders. They also provide some ancillary services. We aggregate via Loan Market. The aggregator may invite AMCs to conferences and professional development events to hear industry updates and educational presentations by the aggregator and lender sponsors. The aggregator may subsidise some attendance costs, subject to compliance with relevant laws. The value will depend upon a range of factors, including the nature of the courses and events planned. Any benefits that we may receive that are related to a loan recommended to you which is regulated by the National Consumer Credit Protection Act 2009 (Cth), will be disclosed in our advice to you prior to application.

Privacy Collection Statement

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

As part of the advice journey, 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 analyse your needs, objectives and financial situation, so our recommendations may not be appropriate or suitable for you.

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

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

- We and the Licensee may use this information to provide financial and/or credit advice and services to you, including passing on your details to third parties such as product issuers;
- We may disclose your information to other financial advisers, brokers and those who are authorised by the Licensee to review clients' needs and circumstances from time to time, including other companies within Entireti;
- Your information may be disclosed to external service suppliers both here and overseas who supply administrative, financial or other services to assist us and Entireti to provide financial and/or credit advice and services to you. A list of countries where these service providers are located can be found in the Entireti Privacy Policy;
- Your information may be used to provide ongoing information about opportunities that may be useful or relevant to your financial needs through direct marketing (you can opt-out at any time); and
- Your information may be disclosed as required or authorised by law and to anyone authorised by you.
- We and the Licensee 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 we or the Licensee holds about you at any time to correct or update it as set out in the Entireti Privacy

Policy. The Entireti Privacy Policy also contains information about how to make a privacy complaint. For a copy of the Entireti Privacy Policy visit <http://www.entireti.com.au> or you can contact us.

Confidence in the quality of our advice

If at any time 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.
- Alternatively, you can contact the Licensee at:
 - Phone 1800 812 388
 - Email advicecomplaints@amp.com.au
 - Online at www.entireti.com.au
 - In writing to :

Attention: Advice Complaints Department

AMP Financial Planning Pty Limited / Charter Financial Planning Limited / Hillross Financial Services Limited
Level 10, 88 Phillip Street
Sydney NSW 2000 Australia

They will try to resolve your complaint quickly and fairly. They will provide you with a decision about 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.

Any issues about financial advice, investments, superannuation, insurance matters, or credit matters	Australian Financial Complaints Authority (AFCA) GPO Box 3, Melbourne VIC 3001 1800 931 678 www.afca.org.au info@afca.org.au
Any issue about your personal information	The Office of the Australian Information Commissioner GPO Box 5218, Sydney NSW 2001 1300 363 992 www.oaic.gov.au enquiries@oaic.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. The Licensee 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 also covers claims arising from the actions of former employees or representatives of the Licensee, even where subsequent to these actions, they have ceased to be employed by or act for the Licensee.

About the Licensee

Hillross Financial Services Limited ABN 77 003 323 055
Australian Financial Services and Australian Credit Licensee;
Licence No: 232705

Registered office is at Level 10, 88 Phillip Street, Sydney NSW 2000 Australia.

The Licensee has:

- Approved the distribution of this Guide
- Authorised us to provide advice and other services as described in this Guide.

About Mutual Advice Partners Pty Limited & Entireti Limited

The Licensee is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Mutual Advice Partners Pty Limited (MAP).

MAP is a subsidiary of Entireti Limited, a group that specialises in licensing and advice business services to financial planning practices and their clients.

AMP Limited holds a minority stake (currently 30%) in MAP.

We can provide advice on products and services from a wide range of financial product and service providers, some of which are related or associated with the Licensee.

If we recommend a product issued by AMP Limited 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.

The Licensee maintains an APSL, from a diversified selection of approved Australian and International fund providers, including companies related to the Licensee. These have been researched by external research houses as well as our in-house research team. The Licensee regularly reviews products and services to ensure they remain competitive with similar products that address similar client needs and objectives. Generally, we recommend products on the APSL. However, if appropriate for your needs, we may, subject to the Licensee's approval, recommend other products.

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

We will discuss and agree the actual fees with you before we proceed and where relevant the fees and commissions will be disclosed in the advice document provided to you. 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 one off or regular fees. We may also receive initial or ongoing commissions from certain product providers.

Licensee fees

Unless stated otherwise, all permissible revenue, including any advice and service fees and commissions will be paid to the Licensee. It will then pass on the amounts due to us through its payment system. The Licensee charges us 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.

Other costs

Other costs may apply in the process of providing our advice and services to you. We will agree all additional costs with you prior to incurring them.

The following table outlines the range of fee we charge and 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. All fees and charges include GST.

Fee type & Description
Initial fees Starting from \$3,300. Details of the services and fees will be set out within the agreement.
Annual advice and service fees You can elect to enter into a 12-month advice and services agreement as part of your financial planning strategy. The fee can range from a \$4,400 to \$7,700 for a Primary Service and from \$7,700 for a Premium Service. Details of the services and fees will be set out within the agreement.
Adhoc & Additional Services – Hourly Rates Senior Adviser or Accounting Professional - \$275 Paraplanner/ Portfolio Manager - \$180 Administration/Client Service Staff - \$80
SMSF Administration, Compliance & Audit Starting from \$3,000 per annum
Centrelink Management Services (only) Services relating to applying for new payments and/or assisting with general management of services, the fee can start from \$660 and \$1100 for more complex services.
Adhoc Transactional Services Including adhoc share transactions, withdrawals, and account maintenance. Fees start from \$75 and will be quoted upon request.
Commissions Insurance: Initial commissions: Up to 66% of the first year's premium for new policies implemented from 1 January 2020. We may receive commissions on increases or additions to existing policies of up to 130%. Ongoing commissions: Up to 33% of the insurance premium each following year. For example: 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 would receive an ongoing commission of up to \$330 pa.

Other benefits we may receive

In addition to the payments explained above we may receive other monetary and non-monetary benefits, support services or recognition from the Licensee to help us grow our business. These are not additional costs to you. They could include training, badging rights, technology and technology support, marketing, 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. From time to time, Entireti Limited may

facilitate access to the Licensee and us to be trained and educated by product issuers on their products.

Personal and professional development

The Licensee provides personal and professional development opportunities such as education and professional development programs, offered annually to qualifying practices.

Placement fees

From time to time the Licensee may 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 the Licensee. We may share in this fee based on the level of participation by our clients.

Other business interests and relationships

Aggregated CAR arrangements

FM Financial Pty Ltd owns a percentage of the equity interests in One Financial Group Pty Ltd which is also authorised by the Licensee to provide financial advice. When the licensee fee is determined for the practices in our aggregation, it will be done based on the total revenue and total number of advisers of all the practices in the aggregation.

Separately managed accounts (SMA)

A separately managed account (SMA) is an account where a responsible entity, based on advice from a professional investment manager, can make investment decisions on a client's portfolio and transact on those decisions without requiring the client's express consent each time. This means the responsible entity is responsible for the discretionary management of the client's investment portfolio.

We distribute the Private Portfolio Collection, which are administered by MyNorth, BT Panorama & HUB24.

We are not the investment manager.

The responsible entity appoints a professional investment manager to advise on the SMA portfolio's management. The responsible entity makes all investment decisions relating to the SMA portfolios.

For more information about how the product works and the roles and responsibilities of the key parties, please refer to the Private Portfolio Collection PDS which we provide to you if we recommend the SMA product to you.

Fees

Other than the fees disclosed under 'Our Fees' above, we do not receive any other remuneration in relation to the

Private Portfolio Collection.

Note

If you are no longer our client, the responsible entity may have the discretion to move your investments out of the Private Portfolio Collection.

ABNs and Australian financial services licences (AFSL)

Responsible entity	NMMT Limited ABN 42058835573, AFSL 244385
Investment manager	Mercer Investments (Australia) Limited, ABN 66008612397, AFSL 244385

Responsible entity	BT Funds Management ABN 63002916458, AFSL 233724
Investment manager	Mercer Investments (Australia) Limited, ABN 66008612397, AFSL 244385

Responsible entity	HUB24 Custodial Services Limited ABN 94073633664, AFSL 239122
Investment manager	Mercer Investments (Australia) Limited, ABN 66008612397, AFSL 244385

Financial and Credit Adviser Profiles

About Leanne Stokes

Leanne Stokes is an Authorised Representative (264719) and credit representative (368660) of the Licensee.

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Qualifications

- Diploma of Financial Planning
- Master of Business (Personal Financial Planning)

Professional Memberships

- FAAA – Financial Advice Association Australia

Professional Designations

- CFP – Certified Financial Planning (FAAA)

Advice and services I can provide

I am authorised to provide the services listed in the Our advice and services section of this Guide.

In addition to the areas listed in that section, I can also advise on:

- Margin lending facilities
- Self-managed super funds
- Aged Care

How am I paid?

I receive the following from our firm

- Salary
- Dividends
- Bonus

About Robert Holt

Robert Holt is an Authorised Representative (247588) and credit representative (368808) of the Licensee.

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Qualifications

- Diploma of Financial Planning

Professional Memberships

- FAAA – Financial Advice Association Australia

Advice and services I can provide

I am authorised to provide the services listed in the Our advice and services section of this Guide.

In addition to the areas listed in that section, I can also advise on:

- Self-managed super funds
- Aged Care
- Margin Lending

How am I paid?

I receive the following from our firm

- Salary
- Bonus

About Stephen Jones

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Qualifications

- Diploma of Financial Planning
- Bachelor of Business

Professional Memberships

- CPA – Certified Practising Accountants

Professional Designations

- CPA - Certified Practising Accountants
- FCPA – Fellow of CPA Australia

Advice and services I can provide

I am authorised to provide the services listed in the Our advice and services section of this Guide.

In addition to the areas listed in that section, I can also advise on:

- Self-managed super funds
- Aged Care
- Margin Lending

How am I paid?

I receive the following from our firm

- Equity in the form

Based on the above, the following contains my remuneration details

- ATM Consultants

My other business activities and relationships

In addition to providing the services listed in this guide, I have a relationship with ATM Consultants. Hillross has no involvement in these activities and is not responsible for any services, advice or products provided by this business. I control a percentage of the equity interests in the business providing the services listed above. As a result, I will benefit from fees, dividends or income received from the business's profits that may result from any payments or other benefits received in respect of the services provided to you

About Sam Harrington

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Qualifications

- Bachelor of Commerce

Advice and services I can provide

I am authorised to provide the services listed in the Our advice and services section of this Guide.

How am I paid?

I receive the following from our firm

- Salary
- Bonus

About Michael Bournazi

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Qualifications

- Diploma of Financial Planning
- Bachelor of Business (Accountancy)
- Bachelor of Business (Financial Planning)

Professional Memberships

- FAAA – Financial Advice Association Australia

Advice and services I can provide

I am authorised to provide the services listed in the Our advice and services section of this Guide.

In addition to the areas listed in that section, I can also advise on:

- Tax (financial) advice services

How am I paid?

I receive the following from our firm

- Salary
- Bonus