

Press Release

Premier Pension Services' SIPP Survey finds that Service and not Cost is a key factor for IFAs

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9th November 2007: Premier Pension Services (PPS) recently completed a survey of some 3,000 Independent Financial Advisers (IFAs) that they deal with, in order to seek their views on the key drivers in the selection of a Self Invested Personal Pension (SIPP) provider.

Nigel Manley, Head of Self-Invested Pensions, PPS, says "It was very interesting to find that in the 'real' SIPP market price is not the determining factor. Where the IFA recommends a SIPP provider they overwhelmingly want to be reassured that they and their client will get the service levels they need."

PPS is a non-volume niche SIPP provider and values keeping close to our IFA partners. It is essential that our business development is aligned to the needs of the IFA and their client and not what we feel the market wants.

Manley continues, "The 'real' SIPP client will be an important high net worth client of the IFA where service delivery is far more important than price. The client who 'knows the price of everything but the value of nothing' should not fit this category and is probably in the wrong product!"

"Our survey revealed the acceptance of the value of service matched only by the need for the SIPP provider to offer flexibility in support of the member investment decisions. Flexibility and service must be linked and then for the 'real' SIPP client and their advisers we have the winning combination."

Notes to Editors

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