



## Estate Planning:

**Mrs A** is widowed. Her husband died 12 yrs ago and no gifts made on his death. Everything was left to Mrs A.

Her estate is worth £824,000. She does not wish to gift assets away as she feels she might need the capital. **Life assurance in trust can be set up using a Whole of life plan for the taxable amount of £89,600.**

**Mr B** is single and has an estate of £600,000. He has a share portfolio of £300,000. He has been a keen investor in the stock market. He does not wish to gift any capital away or into trusts and doesn't wish to pay any monthly life assurance costs. **We can arrange his share portfolio to be re structured through share schemes such as AIM shares or Forestry schemes.** These qualify for business property relief after two years and then do not form part of his estate on death. Please note, these investments may carry a greater degree of risk and may not be suitable for everyone and will depend upon an individual's circumstances.

**Mr & Mrs C** have an estate of £800,000. £400,000 is made up of savings and investments which they require an income from. They do not wish to gift the capital away nor can they afford to pay life assurance costs. **We can invest the capital through a Discounted Gift Trust which enables them to continue to receive an income but the capital is outside of the estate.** Part of the capital is outside of their estate from day one and the remainder leaves the estate over the next seven years.

**Mrs D** is widowed with an estate of £900,000. She wishes to gift her children £300,000 now so that she can see them enjoy the money while she is alive. **We can set up a seven year term assurance policy in trust for a taxable amount of £120,000.** After seven years the gift is outside Mrs D's estate and the term assurance policy stops.

**Mr E** has an estate worth £312,000. £100,000 is made up from savings and investments. At present, there is no inheritance tax liability as his estate is equal to the nil rate band. However, if Mr E's assets grow at a greater rate than the nil rate band increases, there could be a potential future liability. **We can set up a loan trust for £100,000.** This means that all growth from the £100,000 is outside of Mr E's estate and Mr E can withdraw the initial £100,000 at any time.