



# **Further Advance**

BarclaysResidentialMortgage|OpenPlanFlexibleMortgage|WoolwichTraditionalMortgage|April 2023

# Our approach to meeting the Products & Services Outcome and Price & Value Outcome – information for distributors of the product

This summary document is provided to you to fulfil our responsibilities under PRIN 2A.4.15R and PRIN 2A.3.12 R (2). It is designed to support you to comply with your responsibilities under PRIN 2A.3.16 R and PRIN 2A.4.16 R.

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# 1. Summary of our assessment

We have assessed that:

- Our **Further Advance** product range continues to meet the needs, characteristics, and objectives of customers in the identified target market
- The intended distribution strategy remains appropriate for the target market
- The Product provides fair value to customers in the target market (i.e. the total benefits are proportionate to total costs)

# 2. Product characteristics and benefits

The products are designed to meet the needs of the target group and allows customers to borrow additional funds against their property for defined purposes within policy. This product is available on Barclays Residential Mortgage (BRM), OpenPlan Flexible Mortgage (OPFM) and Woolwich Traditional Mortgage. The product features and criteria are designed to support these needs.

- Customers can borrow up to a limit of 85% of the property value, or 80% if consolidating any debt. This limit includes the current mortgage balance, including any reserve facility (OPFM only), plus any additional borrowing
- The term of the Further Advance can exceed the remaining term of the main mortgage account, however it must not exceed a maximum term of 40 years (25 years for Interest Only) from the origination of the mortgage
- Further Advance is available on Capital & Interest, Interest Only and Part & Part basis
- A range of interest rate options are available including fixed rates that give customers certainty
  of repayments over a fixed period, and tracker rates that follow movements in the Bank of
  England Base Rate (BEBR)
- Flexible options are available that allow customers to overpay their mortgage balance, change the term of the mortgage, and port the rate with the main mortgage to a new property. Subject to individual mortgage product and lending policies
- Customers can have more than one Further Advance
- A minimum loan size of £5,000

Full eligibility criteria can be accessed on our intermediary website via this link.

# 3. Target market assessment and distribution strategy

This target market assessment matrix segments the target customers for the product, recognising their different needs to enable you to tailor the services you provide when you distribute the product.

#### **Customer circumstances**

Existing Barclays mortgage customers who want to access the value in their property up to 85%, or 80% if consolidating any debt.

Rate switch (Product Transfer)\*

## **Distribution strategy**

Available through direct and Intermediary channels \*\*

Available through advised sale and self-serve process (non-advised and execution only basis)\*

#### Customer needs and objectives

- Customers who require access to additional funds for a variety of reasons including home improvements or consolidating debts
- borrowing over an extended period in order to reduce monthly payments even though this may result in paying more interest over the lifetime of the mortgage
- Existing customers looking for a new rate. Early Repayment Charges (ERCs) may be applicable

- Networks and their Appointed Representatives
- Mortgage clubs
- Directly authorised mortgage intermediaries

All intermediaries must be registered with us.

The product is not designed for customers who:

- Have an Offset Mortgage
- Do not meet the eligibility criteria or pass our affordability assessment at the point of application
- Do not meet our credit, lending or property criteria
- Want to fund any demolish and re-build scenarios

## 4. Customers with characteristics of vulnerability

Barclays recognises that all customers and clients could, at any time, face personal circumstances which may result in them being susceptible to detriment.

Our definition of a customer in a vulnerable circumstance is any existing or potential customers who, due to their personal circumstances e.g. financial difficulty, long term medical conditions, or other personal circumstances, are especially susceptible to detriment. The overall treatment of these customers is guided by relevant sections within the Barclays Customer Engagement Standard.

We have in place a framework to achieve good outcomes for vulnerable customers, which includes:

- All colleagues in Barclays UK are required to complete annually refreshed mandatory vulnerability training as part of an annual training programme
- Barclays UK has a common framework of vulnerability indicators to enable customers to disclose vulnerabilities and notify us of their support needs, enabling colleagues to support customers in circumstances of vulnerability and make appropriate adjustments
- Suitable customer service provision and communications
- Flexible policies, where appropriate, to support vulnerable customers

<sup>\*</sup>Barclays does not accept non-advised applications through intermediaries

<sup>\*\*</sup>Intermediary distribution through:

- If clients experience short or long term financial difficulty they can access support and advice through our dedicated and specialist teams.
- Performance monitoring to ensure we are meeting the needs of customers with characteristics of vulnerability

You should continue to comply with your obligations to ensure that you treat customers in vulnerable circumstances fairly.

Please contact us if you need any further information about how we support the needs of all our customers in relation to the Product or need further support regarding an individual customer circumstance.

# 5. Our assessment of value

We have completed a comprehensive and robust assessment of **Further Advance** to assess whether it provides fair value to customers.

Our fair value assessment has considered the following:

Benefits	Price	Costs	Limitations
See Section	The interest rate, fees	The fixed costs of	Further
2 for product	and charges that	providing mortgages,	Advance
characteristi	customers pay for the	including the cost of	provides a range
cs and	product; and non-	providing an in-house	of interest rate
benefits	financial costs	advised service to	options, but the
	associated with	customers, and the	range is not
	operating the product	administrative costs	totally
		of underwriting and	exhaustive e.g.
	The range of rate/fee/	administeringthe	there may not
	loan-to-value(LTV)	product including	be a product
	options for customers	broker procuration	available for a
	which will determine	fees	customers
	the interest rate of the		specific LTV
	product	The cost of customers	•
	·	exiting the product	Customers can
	The variety of initial	earlier in the term than	borrow up to
	product terms that	expected	85% of the
	may be available	·	property value,
	depending on the LTV	Any additional variable	or the reduced
	of the mortgage,	funding costs (swaps)	LTV of 80% if
	usually from 2 year to	arising from external	consolidating
	10 year, these products	factors	any debt
	will have differing		•
	interestrates	Additional costs such	
		as Final Repayment	
	Price, determined	Charges are assessed	
	based on a minimum	regularly and passed	
	level of profitability as	onto customers at	
	set out in the Barclays	cost	
	internal pricing		
	standard	The level of capital	
		consumed and	
	In assessing the fair	impairment increases	
	value of this product	as the LTV increases	
	Barclays has		
	considered procuration	Our internal fair	
	fees paid by Barclays to	pricing principles	
	mortgage		
	intermediaries, and an		

average of the fees that customers are charged by mortgage intermediaries for advising and arranging the mortgage, based on information passed to Barclays by intermediaries in the last 12 months. Intermediaries that do charge such fees will need to separately assess whether these represent fair value, including whether they could affect the overall fair value of the product to the customer, and continue to comply with Barclays Terms and Conditions for Mortgage Intermediaries in relation to intermediary fees

Our assessment concluded that the Product continues to deliver fair value for customers in the target market for the Product.

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