

# BRIGHT IDEAS FOR SAVING POUNDS



## GET YOUR ISA WORKING HARDER FOR YOU!

Do you remember the day when the thought of a 1.05% p.a. rate of interest would have been disappointing? These days 1.05%\* pa is one of the best rates available for an 'Instant Access Cash ISA' but many aren't even getting that.

**However**, if you are prepared to take more of a risk with your money, a Stocks and Shares (S&S) ISA\*\* could offer the potential for higher returns. The reason for this is that a S&S ISA can invest in many different types of investments and asset types such as:

- UK and International Shares (equities)
- Fixed Interest – corporate and government bonds
- Property

By spreading and diversifying investments across these assets you can help reduce some of the risks that you might get from investing in a single asset type. Plus, any potential growth will be free of Capital Gains Tax and investment returns will be free of Income Tax.

This year's subscription limit in an ISA is £15,240 per individual and runs out on 5 April. It cannot be carried forward to use next year.

You can also transfer any existing ISA (Cash or S&S) without affecting your current year's subscriptions limits.

**If you would like to invest in an ISA for the current tax year, or review your existing ISA's, please don't hesitate to contact me.**

**In addition to ISA planning we also have a range of other income tax saving ideas that you need to implement before 5 April, so please do get in touch to see how we can help you!**

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*\*Cash ISA rate, moneyfacts.co.uk as at 14 February 2017.*

*\*\* Please bear in mind the longer investment timescales with a Stocks and Shares ISA and that the value can go down as well as up and you may not get back the full amount of your original investment.*