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## ALDERMORE REACTS TO THE CHANCELLOR'S BUDGET

Commenting on the Chancellor's Budget, Ewan Edwards, Head of Savings at Aldermore said:

"The UK now has more than four million self-employed workers and with as many as one-in-three (33%) Britons considering becoming self-employed over the next two years, we would like to see more policies that back Britain's entrepreneurs. We believe the creation of two new initiatives, an **Entrepreneur ISA** and the **Small Business Savings Allowance** which would provide support for future small businesses and the **Small Business Savings Allowance** helping existing businesses to become more resilient. This is an important issue and we look forward to continued engagement with the Government."

| Entrepreneur ISA   | The Small Business Savings Allowance   |
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| <p><b>Launch</b> – Encourage entrepreneurship and the creation of small businesses, something the Government wishes to promote. As many as one in three employed people are looking to become self-employed. The addressable market currently sits at 4.57m.</p> <p><b>Turn your idea into reality</b> – build the capital you need with market leading rates in a tax free wrapper of up to 20,000 per year.</p> <p><b>You're in control</b> – deposit between £50 and £200 per month for a guaranteed 25% matched government bonus (up to a maximum of £3,000).</p> <p><b>Purpose: To launch a business</b><br/>We understand that setting up a business can be hard; that's why we are championing the Entrepreneur ISA. Providing tax relief on business capital and up to and up to £3,000 of government support we help individuals make business ideas a reality.</p> | <p><b>Growth</b> – Targets a large proportion of small businesses and would support economic growth post-Brexit. The addressable market shows at 1.5m self-employed people and 75% of those canvassed were supported of an ISA designed to help people grow their business.</p> <p><b>Your Business ambitions supported with the new personal Business Savings Allowance (BSA).</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Up to 4,000 a year of income from Savings is tax free for all Ltd Companies, Sole Traders and Partnerships with a turnover of less than £250,000.</li> <li>• Savings income includes account interest from bank and building society business accounts but also includes interest distributions (not dividends) from many.</li> </ul> <p><b>Purpose: To grow your business</b><br/>The Small Business Allowance proposal is the business equivalent of the Personal Savings Allowance for business.</p> |

**Above: An outline to how the Entrepreneur ISA and The Small Business Saving Allowance could work**

As part of Aldermore's campaign we have today launched our [Support More Entrepreneurs](#) campaign. We are asking Britons to sign our petition and encourage the Government to do more for Britain's small businesses.

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**Notes to Editors:**

The research was conducted by Toluna via an online panel between 28<sup>th</sup> March and 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2017. The sample consisted of 1,174 UK residents, including 317 entrepreneurs, self-employed people and business owners.

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