



Loan Charge Update - Personal Statement
Individual who has settled - Form 2(b)

Loan scheme(s) used / operator(s)

Garraway

Approximate liability (nearest £5K)

£160,000

Settlement total figure

£160,000

If your loan has been subject to recall demands :

Who is demanding repayment ?

Further demands from HMRC

And for how much in £

How many months/years using loan arrangements

6 Years

Other Money paid (APNs, Penalties)

£37,000

Table with 3 columns: Date of Settlement, Settlement period (years/months), % of net income per month. Row 1: 05/04/2019, 6 Years, % of net income per month.

The impact of settlement on you financially

My monthly repayments are £2,482 which I pay in addition to the one-off APN payment of £37,000 made previously. The need to maintain a level of income that is rarely supported in the area of the market I specialise in has meant I have had to work extended hours, evenings and weekends to ensure my company could invoice enough to be able to then pay me. I do not have enough financial capacity to contribute to a mortgage deposit, pension or any savings. This will mean that I am unlikely to be able to afford a mortgage even after I complete payment to HMRC as I will be too old to be considered for a 25 year mortgage.

The personal impact (financially and in other ways) if HMRC enforce the Loan Charge as laid down in the legislation

The initial contact letters from HMRC had a devastating impact on my mental health and led to a breakdown from which I am still trying to recover. I take prescribed anti-depressants daily and live in a constant state of overwhelming anxiety compounded by a diagnosis of asburgers. To afford the HMRC repayments in addition to other pre-existing commitments (child maintenance, rent, bills etc) I have had to effectively put my life on hold and it will remain in a similar state until the repayments finish in a few years. I have given up hope of owning my own property. I will be too old to get a 25 year mortgage once payments are complete plus I am unable to save towards a deposit. My stomach churns when I consider retirement as I will not be able to contribute to private pension for several more years. Perhaps the most mentally-impacting aspects of this whole thing has been lack of action from the Government and the opposition. Despite multiple opportunities to debate and vote upon amendments, each has passed without effective change. In addition, stories in the press stating that fraudulently claimed covid support payments would not be pursued feels overwhelmingly unfair. I am fully supportive of the loan charge applying from Royal assent but it does not seem right that people are being retrospectively punished.