

IFSL Beaufort Multi-Asset Blend Balanced Fund

Accumulation - GBP

Objective

The objective of the Fund is to increase the value of its investments over a minimum of five years, through a combination of capital growth, which is profit on an investment, and income, which is money paid out from an investment such as interest and dividends. The Fund is actively managed, which means the Investment Manager decides which investments to buy and when, and will invest at least 80% in other collective investment schemes, investment trusts and exchange traded Funds.

Performance Summary to 31st October 2020

The Fund performance figures are presented net of the Ongoing Charges Figure (OCF).

MAB Balanced vs ARC Sterling Steady Growth



	1 Month	3 Month	6 Month	1 Year	Since Inception*
MAB Balanced	-1.5%	0.5%	5.2%	2.1%	0.4%
ARC Sterling Steady Growth	-1.6%	0.5%	5.8%	-0.6%	-2.6%

* Since inception data is from the first full month of performance data (August 2019), in order to be comparable to the ARC benchmark. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance. Performance data calculated at 31/10/2020 and has been taken from Financial Express.

Holdings as at 31st October 2020

Fund	Asset Class	Percentage
BlackRock Global Property Securities	Property & Real Assets	7.4%
Fidelity Index US	US Equity	7.0%
Janus Henderson Horizon Strategic Bond	Fixed Income	6.0%
UBS China Fixed Income	Fixed Income	5.1%
Vanguard Global Bond Index Fund	Fixed Income	5.0%
MAN GLG High Yield Opps	Fixed Income	5.0%
Fidelity Index UK	UK Equity	5.0%
Fidelity Index Emerging Markets	Global Emerging Market Equity	4.9%
Sanlam Multi Strategy	Absolute Return	4.7%
Allianz FIM	Absolute Return	4.6%
Trium European Equity Market Neutral	Absolute Return	4.6%
Fidelity Index Japan	Japanese Equity	4.2%
Nikko AM Value	Japanese Equity	4.1%
Franklin UK Managers Focus	UK Equity	4.0%
Ninety One Asia Pacific Franchise	Global Emerging Market Equity	3.3%
Fidelity Index World	Global Developed Market Equity	3.1%
AQR Global Aggregate	Fixed Income	3.0%
Fidelity Index Europe ex UK	Europe Ex-UK Equity	2.9%
UBS US Equity	US Equity	2.9%
Cash	Cash	2.9%
Brown Advisory Global Leaders	Global Developed Market Equity	2.8%
Pzena Global Value	Global Developed Market Equity	2.8%
BMO UK Property	Property & Real Assets	2.4%
MAN GLG European Alpha	Europe Ex-UK Equity	1.6%
BlackRock Continental European	Europe Ex-UK Equity	0.7%
*Note: Due to rounding, Fund percentages may not add up to 100%		100%

Key Facts	
Fund AUM:	£55m
Fund NAV:	101.5p
Number of Holdings:	25
Portfolio Yield:	1.01%
Fund Manager:	Shane Balkham Cormac Nevin
Fund Launch Date:	22nd July 2019
Domicile:	United Kingdom
Base Currency:	Pound Sterling
Fund Type:	OEIC, NURS
Valuation Point:	12 O'Clock GMT
Ongoing Charges Figure	1%

Management Charges

Fund Charges:

Annual Management Charge (AMC): This represents the cost of investing in the underlying Fund Manager and covers the direct, day-to-day costs of managing the Fund.

Ongoing Charges Figure (OCF): The OCF includes the AMC described above, as well as additional administrative costs of holding a Fund including administrative, legal, audit, depository and regulatory costs. Transaction costs may be charged in addition to the OCF.

Asset Allocation

Fixed Income	24.1%
Absolute Return	14.0%
US Equity	9.8%
Property & Real Assets	9.8%
UK Equity	9.0%
Global Developed Market Equity	8.7%
Japanese Equity	8.3%
Global Emerging Market Equity	8.2%
Europe Ex-UK Equity	5.2%
Cash	2.9%
100%	



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Market Commentary

October continued the autumn trend of a volatile and mixed backdrop for markets, with the focus centred around the US Presidential Election. The month was bookended with televised debates between Donald Trump and Joe Biden, much of which was centred around the two political prongs of the campaign: the economy and the pandemic.

The US economy was suffering from a fiscal gridlock, with the Senate reluctant to vote on another stimulus package before the election and had the added complication of the President and many Republican Senators having contracted COVID-19. The markets abhor uncertainty, and this allowed fear to creep back into investors' sentiment.

The US markets were particularly volatile as the month ended, as polls continued to show the most likely outcome being a Biden win, with the Democrats also taking both houses of Congress. This could potentially mean significant change for the US, with an end to the dominance of the US technology stocks.

Uncertainty continued in the UK, with a complicated three-tier lockdown system rolled out across different regions. Ultimately, this approach of trying to keep the economy open and the coronavirus at bay has proved less than perfect, resulting in a full lockdown once again.

We remain diligent to the risks that we felt the fourth quarter would bring, with political pinch points around the globe and the continuing fallout from the pandemic.

We remain neutral on Equity risk and continue to monitor the risks and relationships within the Funds.

Performance Commentary

October was one of the strongest months for net inflows since inception, with +£5.3 million received. The Fund returned -1.5% for the month and has now returned +1.7% since launch on 23rd July 2019.

Our Tactical Asset Allocation (TAA) was unchanged for the month, as we remain neutral on Equities against Diversifiers. Within Equities we maintain a preference for Japanese and Emerging Market Equities in lieu of Europe Ex-UK Equities. Both our TAA and active fund selection have been strong positive contributors since launch.

While we did not make any fund changes during the month, we did increase our exposure to active funds, increasing from 57% to 60%, as our conviction in active management continues to increase relative to passive. The main asset classes in which these changes were made, were UK Equities and Global Developed Market Equities.

Platforms

You can also invest in this Fund via one of our Investment Partners: Parmenion, 7IM, Old Mutual, Standard Life, Transact.

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Shane has managed the Beaufort Investment Model Portfolios since inception in 2004.

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Performance Summary Notes - Performance Summary Notes - All figures are in GBP, Total Return and based upon performance net of underlying Fund charges and Investment Management charges

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