## DEFENSIVE BALANCED MIXED ASSETS

### BECKETT ASSET MANAGEMENT LIMITED

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#### **DESCRIPTION**

This portfolio seeks to achieve a combination of investment income and longer-term capital growth, using a fund of funds approach to investment.

The portfolio adopts a multi asset approach to investment and invests in a blend of different asset classes, which will include Global Equities as well as Fixed Interest, Property, Absolute Return and Cash.

The portfolio is comprised of a blend of actively managed Blenheim funds appropriate to the risk and reward objectives of the portfolios.

The portfolio is managed on a discretionary basis.

This portfolio is particularly suited to those investors seeking a combination of income and longer-term capital growth (5 years plus). Investors should be prepared to accept a moderate level of investment risk.

#### **MANAGEMENT**

The portfolio is managed by Beckett Asset Management's team of investment professionals.

As well as deciding on the Asset Allocation, the team also manages the underlying building blocks for the portfolio with all assets having been carefully analysed to identify fund managers who can sustain enhanced returns while diversifying risk.

#### **BENCHMARK**

The performance of the portfolio will be measured against the ARC Sterling Balanced Asset PCI over the medium to long term.

This benchmark has a targeted standard volatility band of 40%- 60% relative risk to world equities.

#### **INCOME YIELD**

Income yield of this portfolio is currently c. 2.44% December 2020.

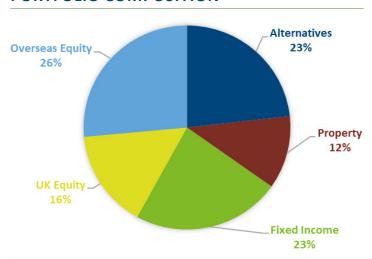
#### ONGOING CHARGES FIGURE (OCF)

Projected OCF of 0.69%. OCF does not include any further transactional costs incurred by the funds held or any performance fee that may be levied by them.

# RISK CONTROLS AND INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO CHARACTERISTICS

- The strategy will have a minimum or maximum exposure as defined. The maximum equity exposure is restricted to 60% of the fund and the current weighting is 42%.
- This strategy is limited in the amount it can invest in overseas assets which can be positively or negatively impacted by changes in the relative valuation of currencies if the currency is not hedged.
- The policy of the strategy is to be managed on a fully "invested" basis.

#### **PORTFOLIO COMPOSITION**



PLEASE NOTE: PORTFOLIO COMPOSITION SHOWN IS AS DECEMBER 2020. ASSET ALLOCATIONS MAY CHANGE OVER TIME.

#### **PORTFOLIO CONSTITUENTS**

Blenheim Diversified Alternatives	23%
Blenheim Fixed Income	23%
Blenheim Diversified Property	12%
Blenheim UK Equity	16%
Blenheim Overseas Equity	26%

#### MANAGER COMMENTARY

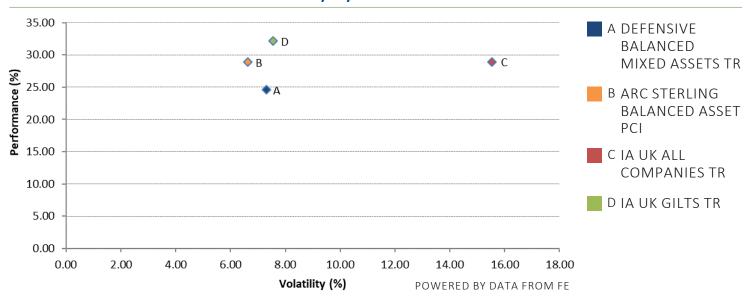
The bulk of portfolio gains for the calendar year were made in the last few weeks of 2020, post the Pfizer vaccine announcement on 9th Nov 2020, yet our home market still finished the year firmly in the red. Therefore, we are thrilled to be able to report positive returns for this strategy for the calendar year 2020.

We now have Multiple Covid vaccines, a resolution of US election despite the shocking images from Capitol Hill, strong corporate earnings and a robust Chinese rebound. China appears to again be firing on all cylinders which in turns supports the rest of Asia and boosted commodity prices.

One could argue valuations and sentiment both remain quite high, but the prospects of a near term correction look limited as business cycle indicators look positive for risk assets. While interest rates remain on the floor as Central banks around the globe remain committed to providing support and Fixed Income valuations still look high, all else being equal, it justifies paying a higher price for equity. We are cognisant though, and the portfolio positioning reflects this, that economic growth could disappoint causing markets to cough and splutter. Known factors that could contribute to this include the virus could mutating or vaccination rates disappointing and global trade tensions could flare up again under the new US presidency.

We will be incorporating the new Blenheim funds at the next rebalance. These funds have been constructed to give all investors access to our best ideas and benefit from economies of scale. We have blended these funds to deliver the risk and reward objectives of this strategy. The weighting to each of these funds can be found in the table overleaf. A factsheet showing all of the underlying holdings of each Blenheim fund is also available.

#### **RETURN AND VOLATILITY 5 YEARS TO 31/12/2020**



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