## DEFENSIVE MIXED ASSETS PORTFOLIO

### BECKETT ASSET MANAGEMENT LIMITED

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#### **DEFENSIVE MIXED ASSETS PORTFOLIO COMMENTARY**

The recovery in the equity markets that started in the middle of second quarter continued a pace in the third quarter before stopping to take a breath in September. During this period, specifically in August, the S & P 500 had its best month ever since 1984 with a gain of 5.35%, for UK (sterling) investors. The actual gain for the index was higher as Sterling strengthened by some 2.3% against the Dollar.

During the third quarter, the model performed positively. Our careful fund manager selection also added value, in particular in the UK; specifically, the model's exposure to the Chelverton UK Growth fund that made a gain of 10.42% versus the UK market (as measured by the top 100 largest companies) which went down by 4.43% in the same period. (source FE)

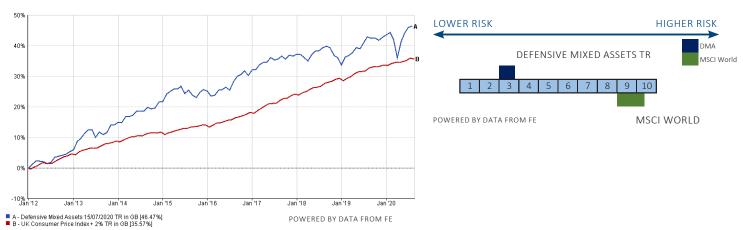
We remain comfortable with our overall asset allocation and fund manager selection and no changes are planned. However, we will continue to diligently manage the model to ensure its suitability for the ever changing financial and economic conditions.

#### MODEL PORTFOLIO RETURN AND VOLATILITY

The chart below represents the performance of the Defensive Mixed Assets model versus its benchmark of UK CPI + 2% from inception of the model to the last available UK CPI print. The graphic to the right of the bar chart highlights the range of three year realised volatility for the model since inception along with that of Global Equities, represented by the MSCI World index.

#### SINCE INCEPTION PERFORMANCE\*

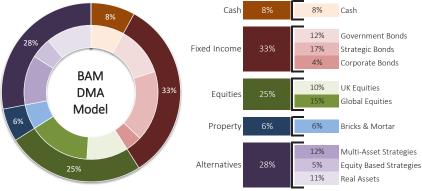
#### **3 YEAR ROLLING VOLATILITY RANGE SINCE INCEPTION**



<sup>\*</sup>Performance since inception of Defensive Mixed Assets model to the latest available UK CPI print

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#### **PORTFOLIO COMPOSITION**



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

#### STRATEGY DESCRIPTION

This strategy primarily seeks to achieve a return in excess of inflation over a 3 year rolling time horizon, using the UK Consumer Price Index (CPI) plus 2% as its benchmark. The strategy uses a fund of funds approach to investment and invests in a blend of different asset classes, which will include Equities as well as Fixed Interest, Property, Absolute Return and Cash. The strategy is comprised of funds that invest across a range of geographical areas. The funds are selected on a discretionary basis from a number of top fund management houses.

This strategy is particularly suited to those investors seeking a real return (in excess of UK CPI) over a three year rolling time horizon, with lower volatility than Global Equities over the medium to long-term (5 years plus). Investors should be prepared to accept a cautious level of investment risk.

#### **INCOME YIELD**

The Income yield of this strategy is not targeted and any income received will be reinvested.

#### STRATEGY BENCHMARK

The performance of the strategy will target a return of the UK Consumer Price index + 2% over rolling three year periods.

#### **ONGOING FUND CHARGES (OCF)**

In the region of 0.69% but subject to change depending on the underlying funds and platform. 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 STRATEGY CHARACTERISTICS

• The strategy will always have a minimum and a maximum exposure as defined below. The Maximum equity exposure is restricted to 25% of the fund and is currently 25%.

Country/Asset Class	Minimum Exposure	Maximum Exposure	Current Exposure	Diff
Fixed Income	10%	50%	33%	-
UK Equities	5%	25%	10%	-
Global Equities	5%	25%	15%	-
Property	0%	20%	6%	-
Multi Asset Abs Return	5%	30%	12%	-
Equity Based Abs Return	0%	10%	5%	-
Real Assets	0%	15%	11%	-
Cash	5%	20%	8%	-

- At least 45% of the fund must be fixed income investments (for example, corporate and Government bonds) and/or "cash" investments. "Cash" can include investment and certificates of deposit and may be within absolute / managed funds.
- 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 strategy will hold a minimum of 3 different fund holdings and a maximum of 20.
- No individual holding will account for more than 17% of the strategy.
- No investment house will have more than 3 funds represented within the strategy.
- In addition to mainstream Unit Trust / OEIC funds, the strategies may also invest, where appropriate, in: Boutique investment house funds, Alternative investment funds (FAIFS), Investment Trusts, Structured Products, Tracker-type investments and ETFs.

#### **DMA PORTFOLIO CONSTITUENTS**

FIXED INCOME		Diff
Artemis Strategic Bond	9%	-
Royal London Short Duration Credit	5%	-
Shares Overseas Government Bond Tracker	5%	-
Shares UK Gilts All Stocks Tracker	3%	-
Allianz Strategic Bond	11%	-
UK EQUITY		
Threadneedle UK Equity Income	5%	-
Chelverton UK Growth	5%	-
GLOBAL EQUITIES		
Legg Mason Clearbridge Infrastructure Income	5%	-
BMO Global Responsible	10%	-
PROPERTY		
BMO UK Property Feeder	6%	-
ALTERNATIVES		
Architas Diversified Real Assets	5%	-
TIME Commercial Long Income	6%	_
FSL Brooks Defensive Capital	6%	-
SVS Churchhouse Texax Absolute Return Strategy	6%	-
Artemis US Absolute Return	5%	-
	8%	

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