# FOCUSED GROWTH MIXED ASSETS

# BECKETT ASSET MANAGEMENT LIMITED

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#### **INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE**

To provide capital growth on a long term basis.

#### STRATEGY RISK PROFILE AND SUITABILITY

The portfolio seeks to achieve long term capital growth by investing in collectives that are primarily equity based and are invested across a range of geographical areas. The focus is on sectors, themes, regions and trends within the markets that offer the best long-term investment opportunity and returns.

The portfolio is managed with a high-risk tolerance, focused on the long term, consequently contain a high degree of volatility. As a result, it is only suitable for investors with a long-term time horizon (10 years plus) and whom have the ability to withstand large fluctuation in the value of their investments in the short to medium term. However, the high volatility is likely to be rewarded with the commensurate high return in the long run.

#### **MANAGEMENT**

The portfolio is managed by Beckett Asset Management's team of investment professionals: Samantha Owen, Tony Yousefian and Elliot Basford.

As well as deciding on asset allocation, the team also manages the underlying Blenheim range of funds. These are actively managed utilising a wide investment universe, in line with their investment objectives.

#### **BENCHMARK**

ARC Sterling Equity Risk Private Clients Index is a suitable benchmark. This index has a targeted volatility band of 80% - 110% relative to World Equities..

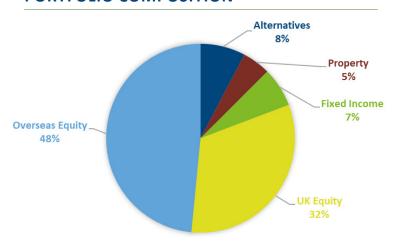
#### **INCOME YIELD**

Income is not a consideration for this portfolio. Any income produced is a by-product of the underlying holdings and will be incidental.

## **ONGOING CHARGES FIGURE (OCF)**

0.61%.

#### **PORTFOLIO COMPOSITION**



#### **PORTFOLIO CONSTITUENTS**

Blenheim Diversified Alternatives	8%
Blenheim Diversified Fixed Income	7%
Blenheim Diversified Property	5%
Blenheim UK Equity	32%
Blenheim Overseas Equity	48%

#### **MANAGER COMMENTARY**

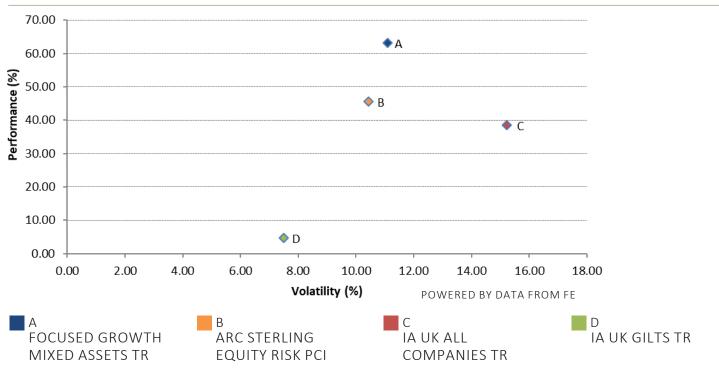
The rally that began in Spring 2020 is looking long in the tooth and, with the quarter ending, September weighed on returns as we saw a red month for many asset classes. September was a month to forget for the White House too. Squabbles threatened to foil the President's agenda along with health fears which sent stocks into a nosedive. We expect decisions made by law-makers in the coming weeks and months to carry significant impact into 2022 and beyond as key policy changes are implemented and digested by markets. We could see a reigning in of dominant technology platforms and increasing broader antitrust/market concentration scrutiny leading into the 2022 midterm elections.

The third quarter of 2021 has been another good quarter for this model which returned a positive 1.79%, (gross of adviser fee) and that compares very favourably with the ARC Sterling Equity Risk return of plus 1.05%.

It was particularly pleasing to see that all the constituents of the model contributed positively to the total return, especially in the face of a very difficult quarter for fixed income assets with US Treasury bond yields rising by some 14.6%. Rising bond yields means lower bond prices. However, the model's exposure to the Blenheim Diversified Fixed Income fund had a positive return of 0.89%, a vindication of the managers' ultra-cautious outlook for this asset class for the remainder of 2021 and whilst the inflation outlook remains uncertain. Other positive contributors to the performance were UK equities with a return of 3.4% followed by alternative assets which ended the quarter plus 1.58%.

Having reduced risk in the previous quarter, the overall model continues to be relatively defensively positioned but without compromising the potential upside participation in any market rally. Whilst the individual funds within the model are very actively managed, your managers broadly remain comfortable with the current asset allocation.

## **RETURN AND VOLATILITY 5 YEARS TO 30/09/2021**



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