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MANAGER COMMENTARY

The beginning of 2022 has seen raised levels of market volatility, the likes of which have not been seen since the start of 2020 at a time when investors were as concerned about their physical health as they were about their portfolios. Amongst the volatility, there has been a significant divergence in the performance of the different asset classes. Equities have come off worst and, in particular, our exposure to growth equities has suffered due to the prospect of rising interest rates, which will lead to an increase in the cost of borrowing. An exception is the UK, where the market has significantly outperformed other foreign indices. This is due to the market's large weighting to the financial and energy sectors, which have produced positive returns. On the other hand, the US market and sustainable equities are skewed towards being more growth in style, which are naturally less likely to perform well in a rising rate environment.

January proved to be a difficult month for the Fund, with a return of minus 8.18%, underperforming its benchmark by almost 3.5%. The Fund's growth style factor was the biggest performance detractor, except for the US and Europe, where a more blended approach was implemented in the last quarter of 2021. Indeed, in Europe, the Fund's exposure outperformed the sector by 1.21%, and the US content was more or less in line, with less than 0.5% underperformance. Japan was the largest drag on the overall return, followed by emerging markets. These are two areas where the Fund has been overweight in the growth style of investments. However, your managers are in the process of taking a more balanced approach and are currently carrying out due diligence on potential new investments.

TOTAL

HOLDINGS AS AT 31/01/2022

US EQUITY		56.7%
Dodge & Cox US Stock Fund	14.4%	
Artemis US Extended Alpha	13.0%	
iShares Core S&P 500 ETF	11.5%	
Legg mason CB US Sustainable leaders	9.1%	
T. Rowe Price US Smaller Cos	7.0%	
Baillie Gifford US Growth Trust	1.7%	
EUROPEAN EQUITY		14.6%
LF Lightman European Fund I Inc	5.3%	
MI Chelverton European Select B Inc	4.8%	
Carmignac Euro Leaders	4.4%	
ASIA & EMERGING MARKETS EQUITY		13.0%
ASIA & EMERGING MARKETS EQUITY Goldman Sachs Emerging Market Equity Portfolio	4.1%	13.0%
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Goldman Sachs Emerging Market Equity Portfolio		13.0%
Goldman Sachs Emerging Market Equity Portfolio PGIM Emerging Markets	3.5%	13.0%
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Goldman Sachs Emerging Market Equity Portfolio PGIM Emerging Markets Matthews Asia Ex Japan Dividend Fidelity Asia Pacific Opps	3.5% 2.9%	
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OBJECTIVE

The objective of the sub-fund is to provide capital growth over the medium to long term. The fund will be actively managed to invest in a global portfolio of shares domiciled, incorporated or carrying out a significant part of their business outside of the UK.

PERFORMANCE

	3m	6m	ıyr	3yr inception	
Fund (B Acc)	-6.67	-3.06	0.18		-1.25
Comparator benchmark	-3.40	-1.49	6.13	26.38	3.65
	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021

Fund (B Acc)

Comparator benchmark

Source for all performance: FE analytics as at 31 January 2022. All figures are in GBP terms.

KEY FACTS

Authorised Corporate Director (ACD): Margetts Ltd Investment Adviser: Beckett Asset Management Ltd Managers: Samantha Owen, Tony Yousefian, Elliot Basford Comparator benchmark: IA Flexible Valuation point: 8.30am Launch date: 11 January 2021 Yield: TBC Distribution payment dates: 31 July and 31 January Ongoing Charges Figure (OCF) B ACC: 0.65% Fund size as at 31/01/2022: £201.90m

RISK WARNINGS AND IMPORTANT INFORMATION

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