

Assessment of Value Report 2021

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A What is an assessment of value report?

This report provides an annual assessment of the overall value that the Handelsbanken Wealth & Asset Management funds offer to investors. The industry regulator, the Financial Conduct Authority (FCA) requires all asset managers with UK domiciled funds to carry out these assessments as part of its objective of strengthening fund governance.

The purpose of this report is to help you to assess the value that each of the funds provides. The level of value that the funds provide is determined by the assessment of seven criteria covering performance, costs and the quality of service.

If having read the report you require further help or information, please contact your Handelsbanken Wealth & Asset Management Client Director or your financial adviser.

We welcome any feedback or comments you may have on the content of this report so please do contact Handelsbanken Authorised Corporate Director at ACD@Handelsbanken.co.uk

What is in the Report?

This report provides an assessment of whether each of the funds is providing value to investors. The funds have been evaluated against the following seven criteria as defined by the FCA. These are:

1. Quality of service



2. Performance



3. OCF costs



4. Economies of scale



5. Comparable market rates



6. Comparable services



7. Share classes



This report allows us to demonstrate how we deliver value, and also to highlight the areas where we can do more to ensure our investors receive the high level of service and investment performance on which we pride ourselves.

How to navigate this report

On pages 5 and 6 you will find a table where we provide our assessment of value for each of the funds by share class. We also show our assessment conclusions for each share class against the seven FCA-defined criteria.



Tip: You can use the links in the table to access more detailed information for each fund and share class, which are on pages 19 -98.

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What the colours mean

We have used a traffic light system to summarise the results of our assessment of value. This lets you see at a glance if your share class is delivering good value both overall and against each of the individual assessment criteria.



Green

Delivering value; no actions are required.



Amber

Delivering value but could be improved in future; further review may be required.



Red

A thorough review of the relevant issues is required or already underway. The outcome including any actions required will be provided in the next Assessment of Value report.



Grey

Too new/insufficient data available to appropriately assess.

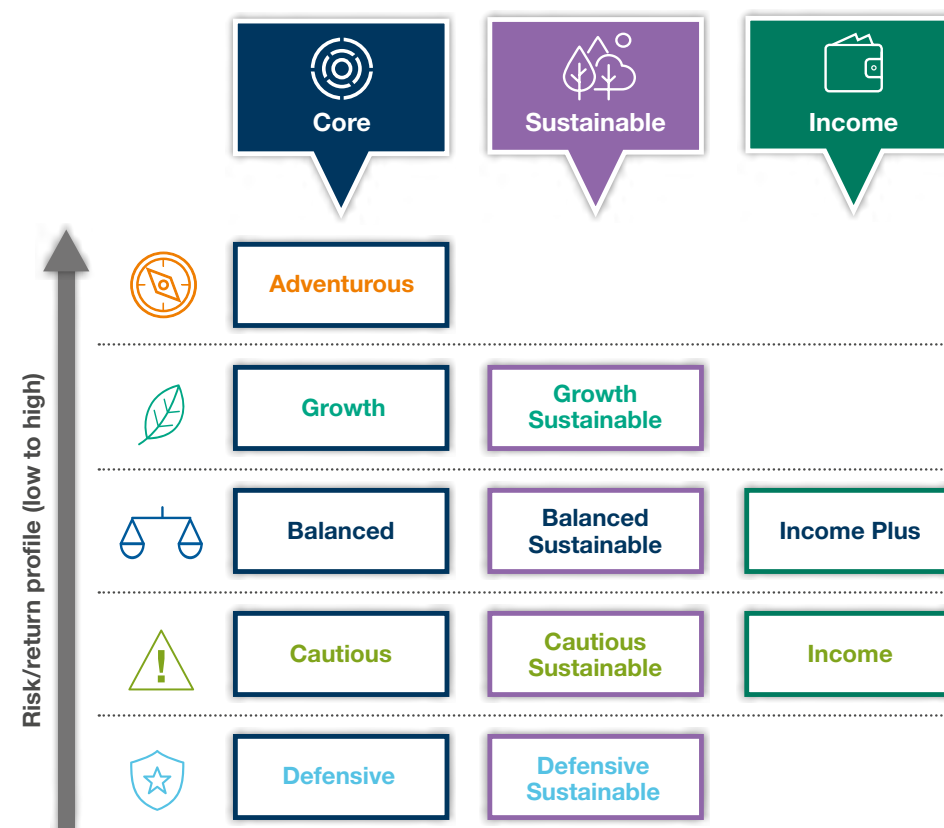
Fund name	Share class	Quality of service	Performance	OCF costs	Economies of scale	Comparable market rates	Comparable services	Share classes
Defensive Multi Asset Fund	B Acc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	B Inc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	C Acc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	C Inc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	D Acc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	D Inc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	H Acc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	H Inc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	I Acc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	I Inc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Cautious Multi Asset Fund	B Acc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	B Inc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	C Acc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	C Inc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	D Acc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	D Inc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	H Acc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	H Inc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	I Acc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	I Inc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Balanced Multi Asset Fund	B Acc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	B Inc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	C Acc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	C Inc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	D Acc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	D Inc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	H Acc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	H Inc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	I Acc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	I Inc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●

Fund name	Share class	Quality of service	Performance	OCF costs	Economies of scale	Comparable market rates	Comparable services	Share classes
Growth Multi Asset Fund	B Acc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	C Acc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	D Acc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	H Acc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	I Acc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	I Inc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Adventurous Fund	B Acc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	C Acc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	D Acc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	H Acc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	I Acc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Income Multi Asset Fund	B Acc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	B Inc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	C Acc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	C Inc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	D Acc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	D Inc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	H Acc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	H Inc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	I Acc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Income Plus Multi Asset Fund	B Acc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	B Inc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	C Acc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	C Inc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	D Acc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	D Inc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	H Acc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	H Inc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	I Acc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●

Fund name	Share class	Quality of service	Performance	OCF costs	Economies of scale	Comparable market rates	Comparable services	Share classes
Defensive Sustainable Multi Asset Fund	B Acc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	C Acc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	D Acc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	H Acc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	I Acc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Cautious Sustainable Multi Asset Fund	B Acc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	C Acc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	D Acc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	H Acc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	I Acc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Balanced Sustainable Multi Asset Fund	B Acc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	C Acc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	D Acc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	H Acc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	I Acc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Growth Sustainable Multi Asset Fund	B Acc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	C Acc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	D Acc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	H Acc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
	I Acc	●	●	●	●	●	●	●

A reminder of Handelsbanken Wealth & Asset Management's proposition

Handelsbanken Wealth & Asset Management has a long track record in global multi asset investing, and the funds focus on a blend of asset types in order to perform in a range of financial market conditions. The investment manager's objective is simple: to deliver investment returns above inflation over the long term. This is achieved through a range of multi asset investment funds (core, sustainable and income) designed to appeal to investors with different risk/return objectives. Each fund is therefore tailored to a specific risk/return profile with a different mix of assets, depending on whether it is high or low risk.



Each of the multi asset funds has a clear target return and aims to deliver a positive real return (that is after the effects of inflation are removed) over any given five-year period. The approach is always long-term, with a focus on providing consistent, low-volatility investment journeys. The investment manager is a top-down, active investor, who invests according to where they think we are in the economic cycle.

CPI+ benchmarks

The five actively managed funds making up the core investment range cater to a spectrum of different risk preferences and financial return targets. Four of the five aim to offer financial returns in excess of consumer price inflation (CPI) over any given five-year period, from CPI+1% to CPI+4%. The Adventurous fund, which is designed for the most pro-risk investors, aims specifically to beat the returns offered by the global stock market (represented by the MSCI All Country World Index (£) – net total return).

In the sustainable range, the four funds aim to offer financial returns in excess of consumer price inflation over any given five-year period, from CPI+1% to CPI+4%. These funds are actively managed within the same investment process as the core funds, with the addition of the sustainable credentials of a potential investment being assessed against the investment manager's Sustainable Investment Policy.

In the income range, there are two funds – the cautious Income Multi Asset Fund or the balanced Income Plus Multi Asset Fund which offer the option to withdraw or reinvest the income received. These funds' target return benchmarks are CPI + 2% or 3% per annum respectively over any given five-year period.

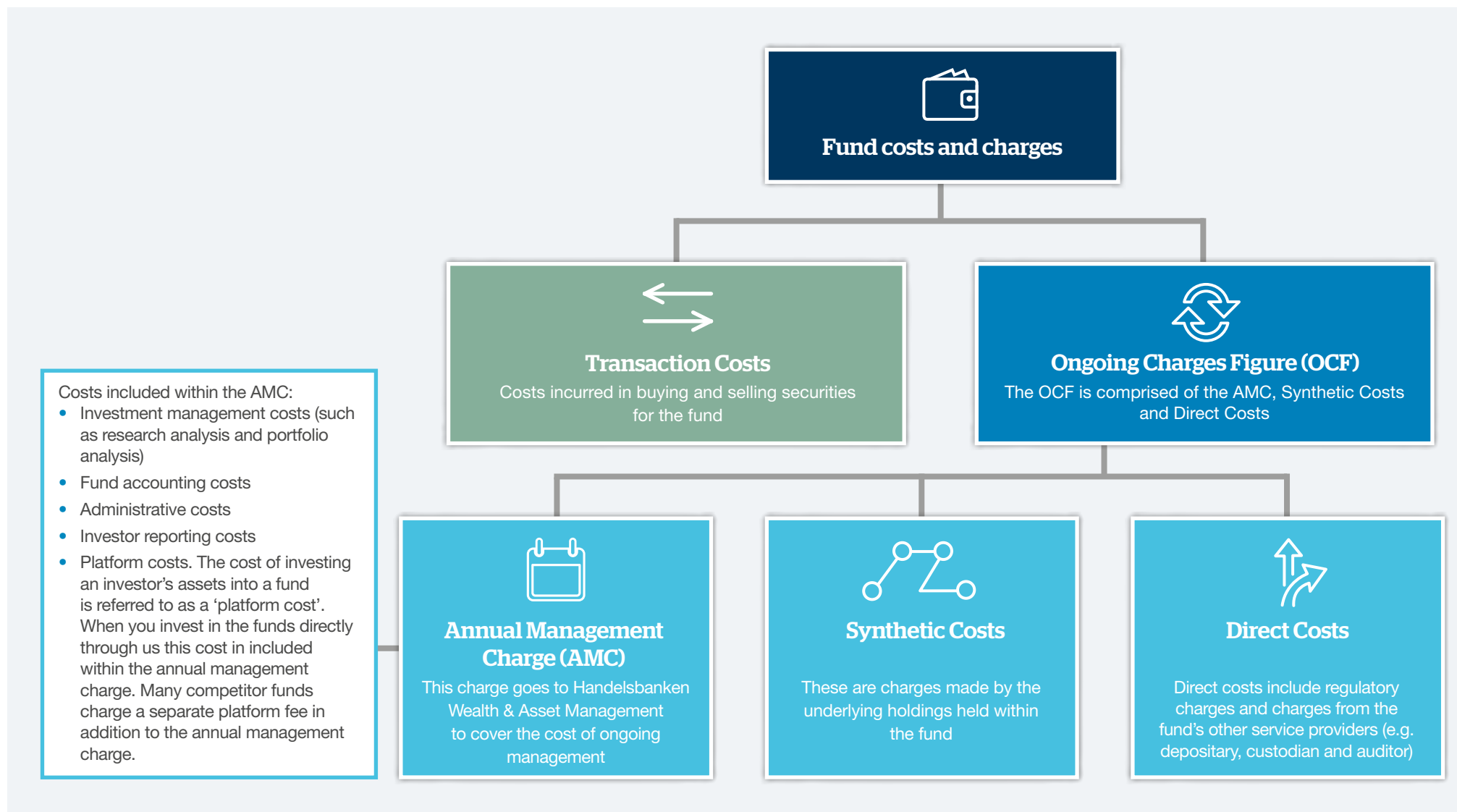
The CPI+X% benchmarks have been selected as the funds aim to achieve a return that is either 1%, 2%, 3% or 4% above the rate of UK inflation, and the Consumer Price Index is used to measure the rate of UK inflation. The funds will achieve their CPI+X% benchmarks if they deliver a total return that at the end of any five-year period is equivalent to achieving a total return of CPI plus their specified percent each year over that period, after all costs and charges have been taken. The MSCI All Country World Index (£) – net total return (MSCI ACWI) is the Adventurous fund's target return benchmark. The aim is to deliver a total return (the combination of income and capital growth) in excess of the MSCI All Country World Index (£) – net total return over any period of five years, after all costs and charges have been taken.

Share classes

Share class	Annual management charge	Who is it for?	Additional information
B	1.25%	These share classes are designed for advised and non-advised investors investing via Handelsbanken Wealth & Asset Management. These investors are typically clients of our funds' primary distributor, Handelsbanken Wealth & Asset Management.	An investor may be deemed suitable for the B or C or I or D share class based on the size of their investment. For example, investors with a large sum of money to invest are typically eligible for a share class with a lower annual management charge.
C	1.00%		
I	0.75%	These share classes were designed primarily for <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Institutional investors (such as insurance and pension providers) investing via Handelsbanken Wealth & Asset Management, and Retail investors investing via an external fund platform. These investors are typically advised by an external Independent Financial Adviser. Handelsbanken Wealth & Asset Management no longer allow these types of investors to make new investments into the funds. These share classes may also be suitable for some clients of Handelsbanken Wealth & Management, depending on the size of their investment.	Handelsbanken Wealth & Asset Management are responsible for deeming share class suitability for their clients.
D	0.50%		
H	0.30%	This share class is designed for employees of Handelsbanken Wealth & Asset Management and its parent company Handelsbanken Plc, and the employees' associated parties. This share class is not publicly available.	

What are the costs?

Our assessment of investment performance is based on the return of each share class after all costs and charges have been taken. These costs and charges include transaction costs and the ongoing charges figure.



**Ann Roughead**

Independent Chair of Handelsbanken ACD

C Introducing Handelsbanken Authorised Corporate Director

A message from the Chair – Ann Roughead

Dear Investor

As Independent Chair of the Board I am delighted to introduce our inaugural 2021 Assessment of Value report for the Handelsbanken Multi Asset Fund range. I have responsibility for overseeing the Handelsbanken UK fund range and one of my key roles is to ensure that our funds are meeting their objectives, providing value for our investors, and meeting their expectations. Ultimately, I want to be confident that we are providing good value for money, and am therefore pleased to share the results of our detailed analysis.

In November 2021, we took responsibility for fulfilling the Authorised Corporate Director role which was previously provided by Link Fund Solutions and as such, our review includes the period prior to us taking over those responsibilities. We provide details of these changes on page 16.

Regulatory background

In 2019, the Financial Conduct Authority (FCA) introduced a requirement for all investment companies to produce an Assessment of Value report to help investors better understand whether the products they are invested in represent value for money. In this report we assess value according to seven criteria

specified by the FCA. This is a relatively new process for the investment industry and while the FCA set out their high level expectations, the analysis and the criteria that ultimately determine whether a share class offers value for money, are defined by each individual company. With the guidance of the Investment Association and the FCA, in the future we expect a more consistent approach to be adopted and additional criteria, such as Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) to be incorporated. As such, we will refine and improve our Assessment of Value on a continual basis taking into consideration best industry practice and regulatory guidance.

Our independent oversight

Our three non-executive directors, Ann Roughead, Mike Martin and Wendy Mayall, are all independent directors who have no financial links with Handelsbanken ACD Limited or our parent company, Handelsbanken Wealth & Asset Management. They all bring extensive executive and non-executive experience to the Board, and have played an active role in this Assessment of Value. The two remaining Board members, Marc Wood and Peter McCree, neither are Handelsbanken Wealth & Asset Management fund managers. This helps to ensure there are no conflicts of interest when it comes to evaluating value, fund-by-fund, in the best interests of investors.

Looking back at 2021

2021 was a year of uncertainty and anticipation, of hopes for a return to a degree of normalcy following the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic in 2020. Coming out of the volatility of the previous year, investors sought signals as to which way the global economy was headed. The distribution of vaccines and the easing of lockdowns were followed by an economic rebound, despite the emergence of new variants. Even so, the economic recovery was accompanied by labour shortages, supply chain issues, and rising inflation.

Financial markets were reasonably resilient in 2021, however the income generated by some underlying funds was impacted by the pandemic during the first half of the year as companies cut, deferred or passed their dividends, with a knock-on impact to our own funds. We recognise that this was challenging for some of our income clients and are therefore pleased to see dividends being reinstated or increased by many companies. We expect this to support fund distribution levels over the next couple of years.

Overall, I am satisfied to see that the majority of our share classes are providing good value. However, the assessment has highlighted a small number of areas where we feel we can do better. For these areas, we have either already implemented additional improvements to enhance value for investors or we will be making the necessary adjustments over the coming year. Rest assured we are committed to working hard to improve the value of these funds in the future.

The results of the individual assessment for each share class, including any improvements, are set out in the individual fund pages.

I hope you find our first Assessment of Value Report informative and would be delighted to receive any comments or feedback you may have, so please do contact Handelsbanken Authorised Corporate Director at ACD@Handelsbanken.co.uk

Ann Roughead

Independent Chair of Handelsbanken ACD

Introducing the board



Ann Roughead

Independent Chair of Handelsbanken ACD and Chair of the Product Governance Committee

Ann is Chairman of Handelsbanken ACD, Non-Executive Director of Columbia Threadneedle Investment chairing the Independent Client Focus Group, and a member of Remco and Audit and Risk committees. She is a Non-Executive Director and Chair of Remco at CCLA, and is on the board of the Rock Trust, a Youth Homeless charity in Scotland. She is also an adviser to the Saphira Group. Ann has over thirty years' experience in the financial sector, and her previous board positions include BNY Mellon Investments, Lighthouse Group plc, Funds Rock Partners and the Rugby Players Association.

In her executive career Ann was CEO of LV Asset Management and CEO of Ellis Clowes & Company, a London-based Lloyds Insurance Broker. At Citi she was Chief Operating Officer of the Private Bank (Europe), Head of Smith Barney (Europe), Head of Investment for Citi's Retail Bank and Head of UK Wealth Management and Banking. She was also Head of European Product Development and Strategy for JP Morgan Asset Management. Ann is a qualified solicitor and was a member of the Ethics committee for 11 years and is now a member of Disciplinary Committees of the Chartered Institute of Securities and Investments.



Mike Martin

Independent Non-Executive Director of Handelsbanken ACD and Chair of the Audit, Risk & Compliance Committee

Mike has an extensive background in asset servicing. He is currently a Non-Executive Director at Euroclear Bank SA and also fulfils the roles of Chairman of the Risk Committee, member of the Audit Committee and Nominations & Governance Committee, and an official observer at the Risk Committee of Euroclear Group. In addition he is Chairman of the Consilium Sports Group which he co-founded and most recently he has been appointed Chair of True Potential Administration LLP and also acts as Chairman of the Audit, Risk & Compliance Committee and the TCF & Value Committee. This appointment was to lead an ACD through its FCA approval process.

Previous board positions were as Chairman of The Dundee United Football Company and his executive career was mainly spent at HSBC where Mike's last position was Global Head of Client Management Group covering asset services. Mike's previous role to this was as a Director at The WM Company which provides performance analytics and investment accounting.

Mike has excellent knowledge of asset servicing and currently sits on a number of audit and risk committees, including systematically important institutions, so will make a positive impact to the HACD's Board and Audit and Risk Committee.

**Wendy Mayall**

Independent Non-Executive Director of Handelsbanken ACD and Chair of the Investment Oversight Committee

Wendy is a former Chief Investment Officer and leading expert on investments. She has extensive experience and skills in complex investment strategies across all global asset classes in addition to her business management and development, and governance experience. These were gained at Thorn EMI where she started her career as an Investment Manager, followed by Rogers, Casey & Barksdale. She then co-founded research firm Stamford Associates, and was later CIO for Unilever UK pension scheme and Group CIO for Liverpool Victoria.

She is currently a Non-Executive Director for FTSE 100 Phoenix Group Holdings, a member of the Oversight Council for Quilter Investors and Chair of the Advisory Committee for Haven Green (an alternative investment manager). Wendy has also held a variety of Non-Executive roles including pension schemes, charities and investment funds.

**Peter McCree**

Executive Director of Handelsbanken ACD and Chief Operating Officer of Handelsbanken Wealth & Asset Management

Peter joined Handelsbanken Wealth & Asset Management in 2001 as Head of Settlement and Custody and was promoted to Chief Operating Officer in 2019. Peter is responsible for all actions and outcomes delivered by Business Support, Operations, IT Governance, and Change Management in line with company strategy, risk management controls and our regulatory obligations. He is also Executive Director (SMF3) of the Handelsbanken Wealth & Asset Management Board, member of the management group and chair of the CASS Governance Committee. Prior to joining Handelsbanken Wealth & Asset Management, Peter held positions at Dresdner RCM Global Investors UK Ltd and Kleinwort Benson Investment Management where he was responsible for settlement, trade processing and custody.

**Marc Wood**

Chief Executive Officer of Handelsbanken ACD and Head of Fund Governance & Oversight for Handelsbanken Wealth & Asset Management

Marc has extensive experience gained over 20 years within the investment management sector having held a number of senior leadership, executive and non-executive director positions. Marc joined Handelsbanken Wealth & Asset Management in June 2019 with a specific remit to create and manage an in-house authorised corporate director (ACD) to enhance the overall governance and oversight of the Handelsbanken Multi Asset Fund range. Marc has previously been Managing Director of a UK Host ACD and as such has in-depth knowledge and experience of the specific regulatory and legal requirements of an ACD. He has varied experience gained in a number of organisations including Legal & General Investment Management, F&C Asset Management, RBS and Fidelity covering specialist areas such as Trustee and Depositary Services, Investment Operations, Supplier Management and Oversight, Client Services, Distribution and CASS Oversight.



D Setting the scene

Graham Bishop, CIO, Handelsbanken Wealth & Asset Management, outlines the market environment

It's understandable that our clients are asking about inflation at the moment. Having grown accustomed to well-behaved, low inflation, we are now in a period of pricing pressures not seen since the 1980s.



Graham Bishop
Chief Investment Officer,
Handelsbanken Wealth &
Asset Management

Why is inflation so high?

Inflation is the product of a huge range of factors, and the COVID-19 pandemic created a perfect storm for pricing pressures to build – from supply chain disruptions to the release of pent-up, post-lockdown consumer demand. Importantly, we believe that most of the factors pushing prices upwards today are likely to fade over the medium term.

While this won't happen overnight (and inflation could settle a little higher than we've become used to) we believe that consumer demand should begin to stabilise in 2022, and supply volumes start to recoup. This should take some of the heat out of inflation data, though financial markets are likely to experience a few more digestion issues along the way.

What does this mean for the funds?

The funds aim to outperform their inflation-linked targets over any given five-year period, in order to strip out shorter-term market and economic noise. Over the course of 2017 to 2021, the economic landscape has played host to government and central bank stimulus, interest rate changes, higher demand, and supply chain issues. While more rigorous inflation is relatively recent, it is still hurting the funds' five-year performance numbers.

There's no getting away from the simple fact that inflation-linked performance targets are tough to beat, as (historically) inflation is very stable, with no exposure to financial markets and limited volatility. It is even tougher to beat when inflation is high. Nevertheless, we believe that these targets continue to keep us focused on finding solutions that will grow the real wealth of our clients over the long run.

Where has the past half-decade taken us?

The past five years have been nothing if not eventful. Taking a step back to assess the 2017-2021 journey for financial markets and the global economy, we find that it is helpful to chart our course through the economic cycle (also known as the global business cycle).

There are four phases in the economic cycle. The first is recession, marking a general decline in economic activity. The second is the 'early-cycle' phase, a time when policymakers intervene to set the scene for economic recovery. Third comes the 'mid-cycle' phase, an expansionary period, when new growth can be harnessed. The final phase – 'late-cycle' – is characterised by excess, and the use of borrowed money as finance.

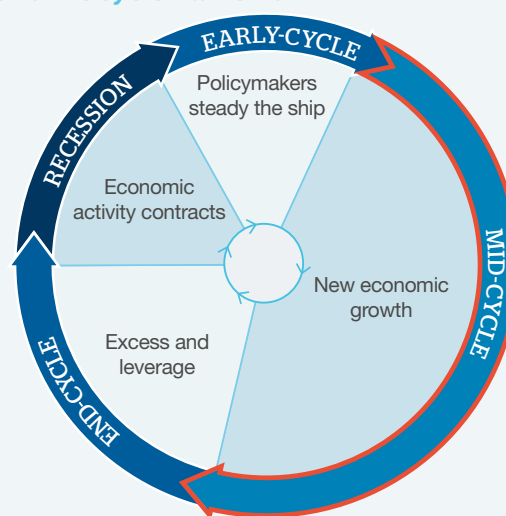
We believe that we began the 2017-2021 period in the mid-cycle phase, and have roughly returned to the mid-cycle again today, albeit in a rather different landscape. In the most recent cycle, we skipped over the late-cycle phase, leapfrogging from a period marked by mid-cycle features (2017-2019) into unexpected recession (caused by a natural disaster – COVID-19 – rather than financial system pressures) and straight into rapid early-cycle recovery (all in 2020). Finally, we headed back into the mid-cycle phase once more (2021).

What did this journey look like within the funds?

2017 was a decent year, and the funds held roughly the right amount of risk to find reward in financial markets. With hindsight, greater exposure to growth-focused areas of global stock markets would have been helpful to our performance, but 2017 still delivered a fairly solid year of returns.

By contrast, 2018 was a weaker year for the funds. We held an appropriate amount of risk for the market environment, but this was among the toughest years for financial markets

Economic cycle framework



Source Handelsbanken Wealth & Asset Management

since 1921. A global approach, diversified across a range of asset types, did not work well for anyone in 2018: an astonishing 90% of global assets failed to produce a positive return after accounting for inflation.

2019 marked a return to better performance for the funds, bolstered by our increased exposure to the US stock market. In particular, our positions in US software and technology businesses were strong.

The now infamous 2020 was a good year overall in performance terms, though headline numbers masked a year of extremes. Specialist protection strategies ('tail-risk hedging') within the funds provided a buffer, allowing us to keep hold of riskier asset types. They also generated cash payouts that let us buy into the right assets at the right time, at attractive prices.

An upbeat market mood rode through into 2021. Over the course of the year, we lowered fund risk levels slightly, taking profits in some of our corporate debt and stock market positions, but keeping the funds' high conviction themes in place.

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How have different types of assets fared?

The past five years have been kind to riskier asset types like shares. Fair winds from ultra-accommodative central banks have fuelled risk-taking among investors, pushing stock markets higher.

It's been a very different story for lower risk assets like government bonds. After 40 years of relative favour, the past five years have delivered two calendar years (2018 and 2020) of negative real returns for the assets traditionally known as investor 'safe havens'. Low yields on bonds (bond yields move inversely to bond prices) have created real challenges, especially for the lower risk funds, which hold a greater proportion of lower risk asset types like bonds. However, as central bank policies begin to normalise in the wake of the pandemic, bond markets should normalise too, and yields should begin to rise again. At some point, bonds should present a better reward-to-risk profile to investors once more.

Alternative asset types (which lie beyond traditional bond and stock markets) have delivered mixed performance for us in recent years. We have already mentioned our 'tail-risk hedging' position, which proved very important during the financial market lows of 2020. However, while we are yet to be rewarded for our exposure to other alternative assets, we believe we are well positioned to receive the full benefit of these diverse holdings in the future.

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E Our overall approach to assessing value

When developing the framework to measure whether the funds provide value, we considered how best to evaluate the key areas laid out in the FCA criteria. No single measure can provide a conclusive outcome but, when reviewed collectively, they provide a useful insight as to whether value has been delivered. As such, we decided not to weight individual criteria.

The FCA set a minimum of seven criteria we must consider and we chose not to add any others for this report. As part of the review process we analysed information already used by Handelsbanken Wealth & Asset Management for management information and governance of the funds. We do though, include an additional comment on each of the sustainable funds regarding their ability to meet their sustainable objectives. The analysis is completed at the share class level.

To simplify the assessment we have grouped the criteria into three categories:

Value category	What we considered	
Services	 Quality of service	<p>Our assessment considers the quality of service we provide to clients as well as the quality of services received by Handelsbanken ACD Limited in the running of the funds, such as fund administration, fund accounting, registration, custody and other services provided by external providers. As part of our assessment, we also seek feedback from investors on the quality of service they receive from us.</p>
Performance	 Performance	<p>Each fund has its own investment goals, known as objectives, which the fund manager aims to meet or exceed. A typical objective might be to outperform an index, achieve capital growth above a certain level, generate income, maintain a certain level of risk, or a combination of all of these. You can find each fund's specific objectives on the individual share class assessment pages beginning on page 18. Our assessment looked at the performance of the share classes over five years, and for those share classes with a less than five-year history, we have included commentary on their performance to date.</p>
Costs and charges	 Ongoing Charges Figure (OCF) Economies of scale Comparable market rates Comparable services Share classes	<p>All remaining criteria are reviewed under costs. Each criteria considers costs from a slightly different perspective, although we also take an holistic approach to our assessment to examine how best they serve investors. These include:</p> <p>OCF – the assessment considers the costs and charges (as detailed on page 8) of our funds to ensure that the fees and overall OCF remains reasonable for the services being provided.</p> <p>Economies of scale – we assess the extent to which any savings arising from the scale of a fund are reflected in value for our investors.</p> <p>Comparable market rates – we compare the charges for each of our share classes to those of their competitors, to determine whether relative value is being offered to our investors.</p> <p>Comparable services – we compare the charges for each of our share classes to those of similar mandates managed by Handelsbanken, to ascertain whether relative value is being offered to investors to ensure that no investor is paying materially more than others to access a very similar product.</p> <p>Share classes – our assessment considers the differences in charges between the share classes within the fund, including types of investors in each share class, the minimum investment amount and whether charges include a provision for payment of additional services (such as platform administration and ongoing service provided by a financial adviser).</p>



Services

Quality of service

Our assessment is based on whether we are delivering against each of the elements we regard as core to the quality of service provided as outlined below:

Fund operations

To ensure that we execute all operations of the fund efficiently and accurately, we assess whether key aspects of fund operations have met the standards set. For example:

- Can investors make informed decisions based on accurate, clear and fair fund documentation
- Are the fund daily prices published in a timely manner and accurate
- Are income payments made on time
- Do we respond to complaints promptly
- Are investor statements accurate and sent out in a timely manner
- Has the fund been managed in line with the prospectus and regulatory requirements

This information, in conjunction with Key Performance Indicators, allows us to build an overall picture of how well our business is operating and to understand where to focus our time and resources.

Investment process

The strength of the investment process for each fund is validated through a number of oversight and governance processes and committees. We also review our own governance around liquidity and risk management to ensure that the policies and procedures we have in place are robust and fit for purpose.

Client experience

As clients are Handelsbanken Wealth & Asset Management's

key focus, it is essential that their feedback is regularly sought. This includes items such as client reporting, communications and the online portal 'Client Centre'. In 2021, the business undertook an extensive customer experience feedback survey, achieving a net promoter score of 54% (a score of over 40% is seen as excellent in financial services). A net promoter score is the difference between the percentage of promoters (respondents who would recommend Handelsbanken Wealth & Asset Management) and the percentage of detractors (those who would not recommend Handelsbanken Wealth & Asset Management).

Authorised Corporate Director 'ACD'

The ACD has the legal responsibility for managing the Handelsbanken Multi Asset funds on a day to day basis, and we have therefore provided some insight into its role and responsibilities. The Board of Handelsbanken ACD is responsible for ensuring our funds are run in the best interests of investors and that each fund is managed in line with regulations and with the investment objectives and policies set out in its prospectus.

ACD structures

There are two main structures used for ACDs:

- The Internal structure, where the ACD is part of the same corporate group as the investment manager, but run separately by an independent management team and an independent board to ensure that there are no conflict of interests.
- The Independent structure (commonly referred to as a host ACD), where the ACD and investment manager are not part of the same corporate group.

Each structure has its own merits and conflicts that need to be managed and with our strong governance culture, we believe investors' interests are best served by Handelsbanken fulfilling these obligations. That is why during the latter course of 2021 the ACD function was moved to an internal structure with the main driver being to enhance the governance and oversight process compared with the previous host ACD structure (whereby Link Fund Solutions was the funds' ACD).

Oversight

The ACD delegates investment management activities to Handelsbanken Wealth & Asset Management and also outsources other functions such as the fund administration (fund accounting, custody, depositary and transfer agency). These delegated and outsourced organisations play an important role in safeguarding investors' money so it is important that their work is appropriately overseen and scrutinised. This happens in four key ways:

1. The ACD will ensure that the investment manager is fulfilling the roles expected of them, acting in investors' best interests.
2. The ACD's board scrutinises how funds are managed. At least 25% of a board's members must be totally independent, known as Independent Non-Executive Directors or INEDs and in our ACD, they form 60% of the Board members. These INEDs must be prepared to challenge whether the ACD is managing the fund in the best interests of investors. They are subject to robust regulatory requirements that ensure that governance and independence of the ACD is paramount. Each of our iNED's also chairs one of the governance committees (Investment Oversight, Product Governance and Audit, Risk & Compliance Committee) to further strengthen the independent challenge and oversight.
3. The Depositary has a legal duty to oversee the work of the ACD. The Depositary is independent from the ACD and has an important role in investor protection. It is responsible for the safekeeping of a fund's assets, which are held separately from those of the ACD in case the ACD becomes insolvent. The Depositary also has oversight responsibilities of the ACD's operations, ensuring each fund's investments are in line with the rules and the fund's investment objective, that the fund is valued correctly, and that the ACD has proper procedures to correctly process the buying and selling of units/shares by investors.
4. Auditors certify that each fund's report & accounts present a true and fair record of the fund, such as investment holdings (including valuation and change in valuation) and details of any that have been bought and sold in the period under review.

Brand

The integrity and strength of the Handelsbanken brand and the valued placed on this by investors.



Performance

We have analysed investment performance based on the returns generated by the share class considered on a net of costs, total return basis, i.e. after ongoing charges have been deducted and distributions re-invested. Since the investment returns delivered by a fund vary by share class, and as each carries their own specific charges, we analyse investment performance by share class.

As well as considering how investments have performed against the stated objectives, we have also considered other relevant factors such as performance versus peers and assessment against internal benchmarks. Additionally, we have taken into account the financial and macroeconomic environment and how this has impacted returns.

Where share classes do not have a complete five-year track record since launch, we have not assessed the share class using a traffic light rating, however fund manager commentary is included.



Costs and charges

Ongoing Charges Figure (OCF)

We have tight controls around cost management, including a budgeting process that monitors all of the company's costs. These can be split into two main categories:

The Annual Management Charge (AMC)

This covers the charge for the selection and management of the investments held by the funds and includes other costs such as Fund Accounting, Administration and Investor Reporting fees.

Additional operating expenses

These reflect the costs of the various services provided to the funds, for example, custody, audit, transfer agent and depositary charges. As part of bringing the Authorised Corporate Director function in-house, a review and renegotiation of costs took place to provide investors with the best possible service at the lowest cost.

Keeping our costs constantly under review means we can aim to increase value for money for our investors wherever possible.

Economies of scale

As investment funds grow, they can often benefit from economies of scale. It is our belief that our investors rather than investment managers should benefit from economies of scale, and this is always at the forefront of our minds.

Having established tiered agreements with our suppliers, we feel we have set out the path for future growth with our investors best placed to benefit. We will continue to monitor the impact of the growth in assets under management on the cost of services provided and will also continue this engagement with third-party suppliers to negotiate preferential terms.

Comparable market rates

How have we assessed comparable market rates?

Across our funds, we offer a range of different share classes to cater for different types of investors.

To see how comparable our charges are versus those of our peers, we assessed the fees we charge you at a share class level, and compared those with our equivalent peers. As the investment approach of funds in the Investment Association (IA) sector can vary considerably, we have selected a customised peer group representative of UK managers based on:

- Funds with a similar investment approach i.e. multi asset funds
- Funds with equivalent peer share classes
- Funds with a similar risk/reward profile

In order to do this work, we have used a rich and comprehensive industry data set in our analysis. This data is provided by Fitz Partners, an independent, specialist research company focused on fees and expense data for the asset management industry. This has enabled us to assess in greater depth how our fees compare to those of our peers.

Outside of this assessment, our Product team undertakes an internal assessment of charges which is based on our pricing framework and with a view to ensuring that our pricing is fair.

Comparable services

How have we assessed the Comparable Services available across the investment strategies we offer?

We have compared the fees we charge on similar products or services for different client types such as segregated client mandates with a similar investment objective and policy. For the funds where this is applicable, we evaluate the extent to which the fees are consistent, and where differences exist, whether they are justifiable and reasonable.

Share classes

How have we assessed share classes?

We offer a range of share classes to our investors, reflecting the different ways in which our investors choose to invest and the services they receive from us. These share classes can differ for various reasons, for example you could hold a share class that was set up specifically so that you could buy it through a financial adviser or fund platform.

By clearly defining the minimum investment amounts and eligibility criteria to access our various share classes, we aim to ensure that investors access the share class that is the most suitable for them. We have also considered whether share classes within each fund are appropriately priced, and whether investors are invested in the most appropriate share class that is available to them. Where a potentially better outcome may be applicable for an investor, we consider whether suitable action, such as offering the investor a free switch into an alternative class, has been taken within a reasonable period of time.



F Individual share class assessments



Green

Delivering value; no actions are required.



Amber

Delivering value but could be improved in future; further review may be required.



Red

A thorough review of the relevant issues is required or already underway. The outcome including any actions required will be provided in the next Assessment of Value report.



Grey

Too new/insufficient data available to appropriately assess.

Defensive Multi Asset Fund

Share class: B accumulation

Investment objective

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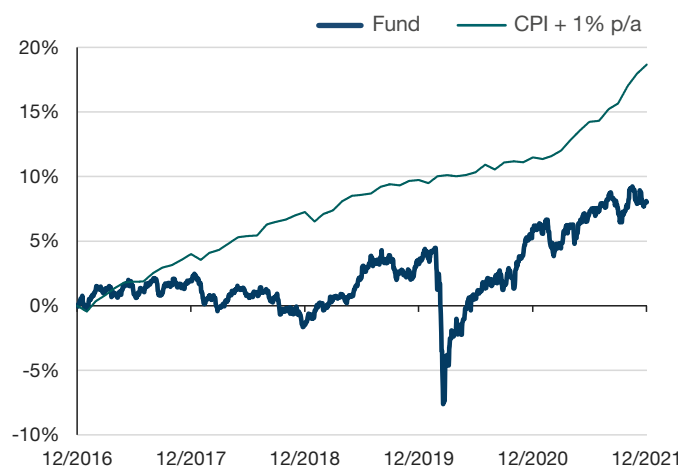
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Value assessment

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- ① Quality of service
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- ③ OCF costs
- ④ Economies of scale
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Conclusion

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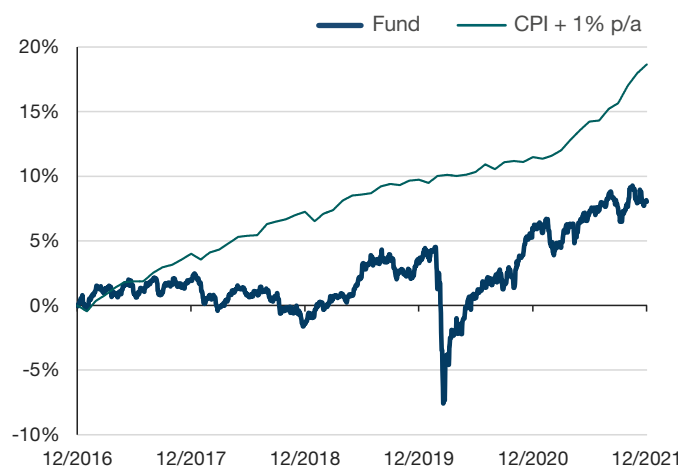
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Share class: C accumulation

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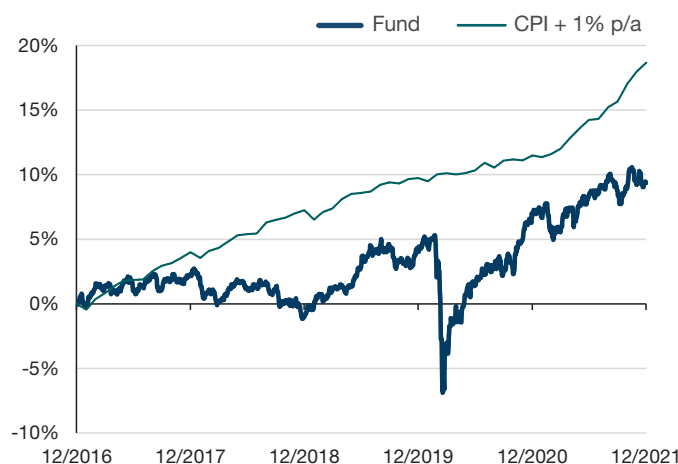
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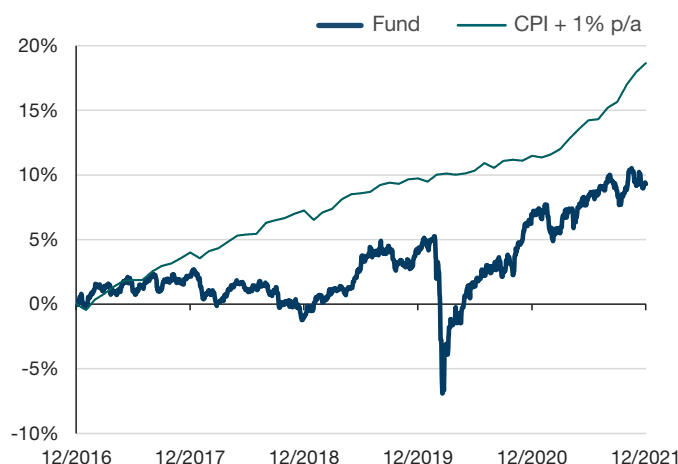
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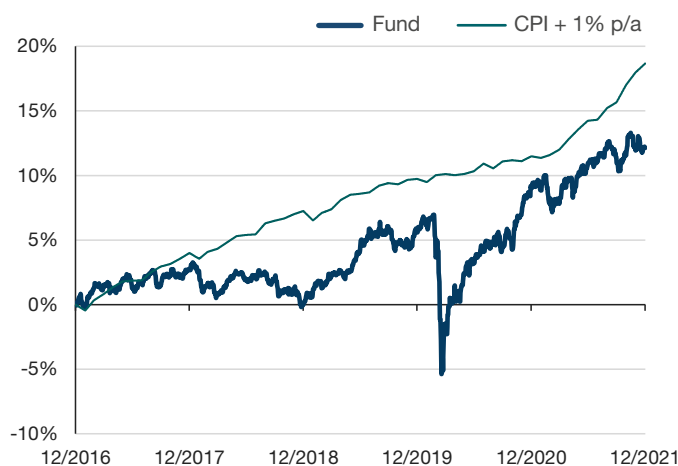
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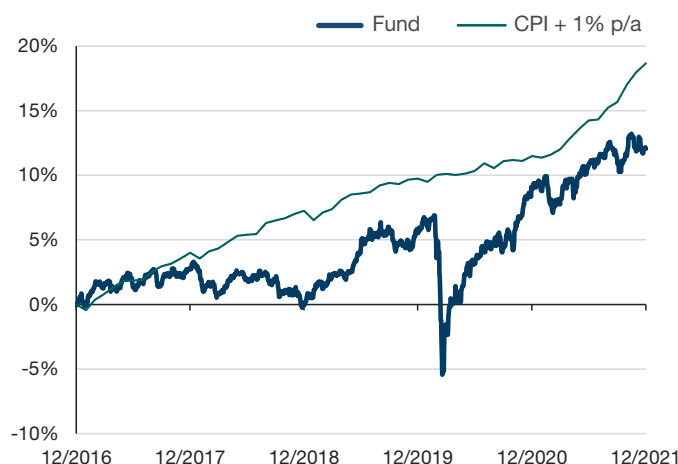
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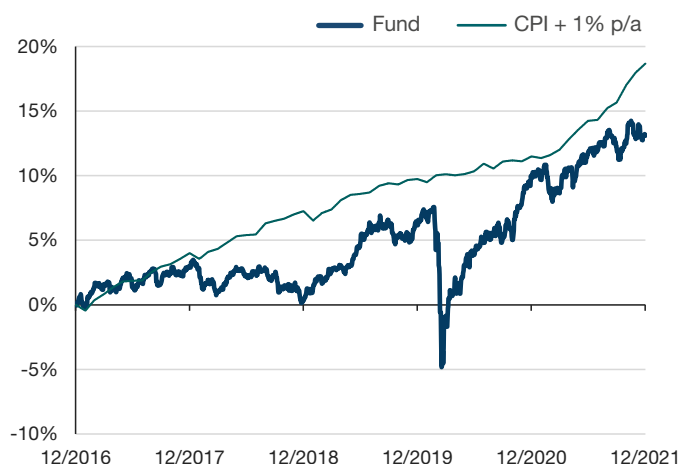
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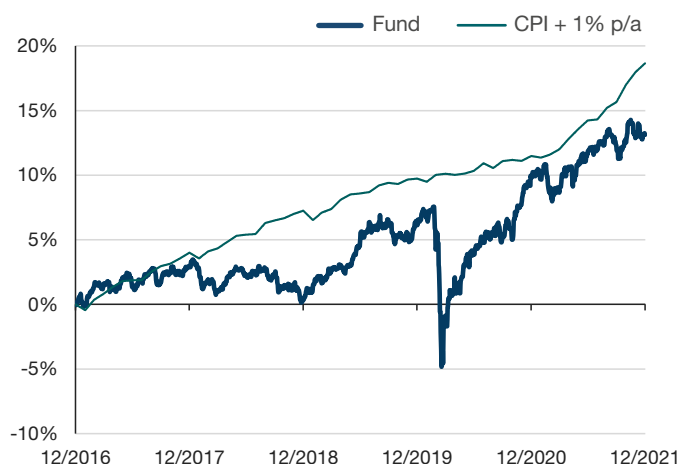
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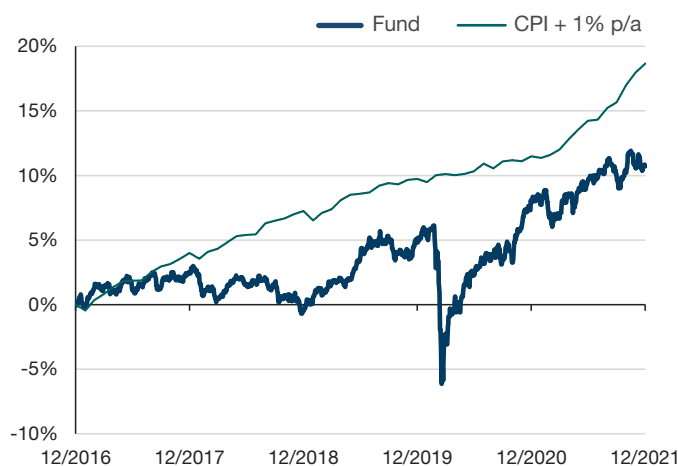
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Performance

(Cumulative returns 31 December 2016 – 31 December 2021)



Costs and charges

The OCF of 1.15% is above the peer group median and has been rated red. The costs of this share class will form part of the review this year.

Value assessment

Seven criteria ratings:

- ① Quality of service
- ② Performance
- ③ OCF costs
- ④ Economies of scale
- ⑤ Comparable market rates
- ⑥ Comparable services
- ⑦ Share classes

Conclusion

We have rated this share class as green across the majority of the assessment criteria. Although we have rated performance as red, we have confidence in the fund's investment strategy and in the Investment Manager's ability to deliver on its investment objective in the future. With comparable market rates rated as red, we will also review the OCF costs to ensure that they are appropriate and fair.

Next steps

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Defensive Multi Asset Fund

Share class: I income

Investment objective

To deliver a total return (the money made or lost on an investment from the combination of income and capital growth) that at the end of any five-year period is equivalent to achieving a return of the Consumer Price Index plus 1% each year over that period, after all costs and charges have been taken. There is no guarantee that the objective will be met or that a positive return will be delivered over any time period and you may get back less than you invest.

Fund manager commentary

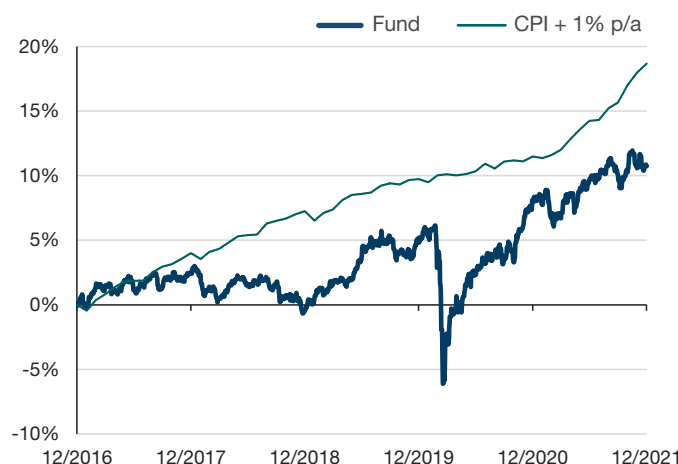
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Performance

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Costs and charges

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Value assessment

Seven criteria ratings:

- ① Quality of service
- ② Performance
- ③ OCF costs
- ④ Economies of scale
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- ⑥ Comparable services
- ⑦ Share classes

Conclusion

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Cautious Multi Asset Fund

Share class: B accumulation

Investment objective

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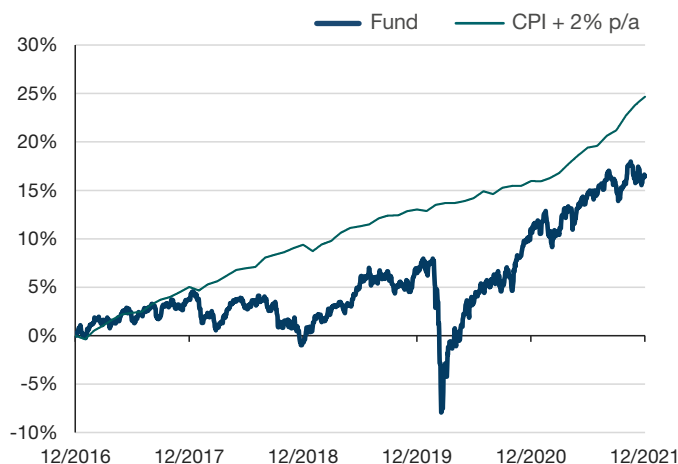
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Performance

(Cumulative returns 31 December 2016 – 31 December 2021)



Costs and charges

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Value assessment

Seven criteria ratings:

- ① Quality of service
- ② Performance
- ③ OCF costs
- ④ Economies of scale
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- ⑥ Comparable services
- ⑦ Share classes

Conclusion

We have rated this share class as green across the majority of the assessment criteria, although we have rated performance as amber. We have reviewed relevant data and we have confidence in the fund's investment strategy and in the Investment Manager's ability to deliver on its investment objective in the future.

Next steps

We will continue ongoing monitoring performance of the share class in line with our internal governance procedures and the Assessment of Value process.

Cautious Multi Asset Fund

Share class: B income

Investment objective

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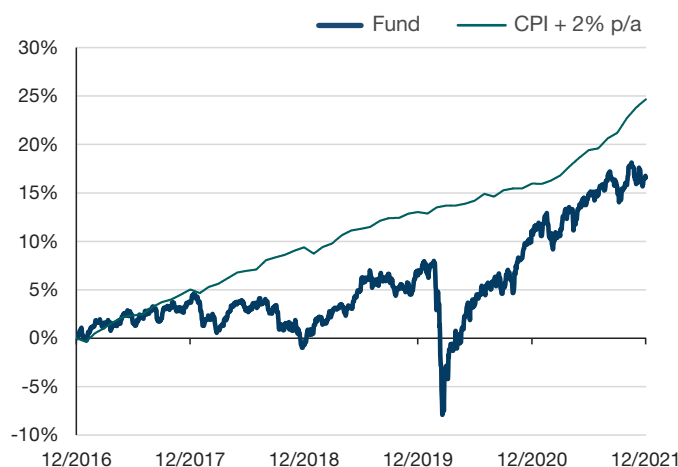
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Value assessment

Seven criteria ratings:

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- ② Performance
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Next steps

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Cautious Multi Asset Fund

Share class: C accumulation

Investment objective

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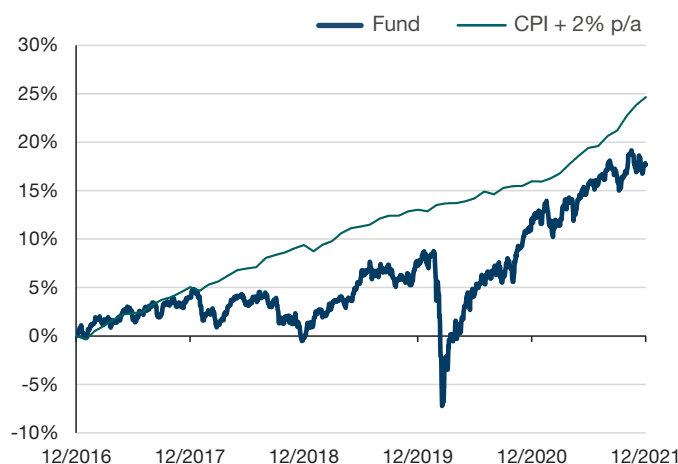
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Value assessment

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Cautious Multi Asset Fund

Share class: C income

Investment objective

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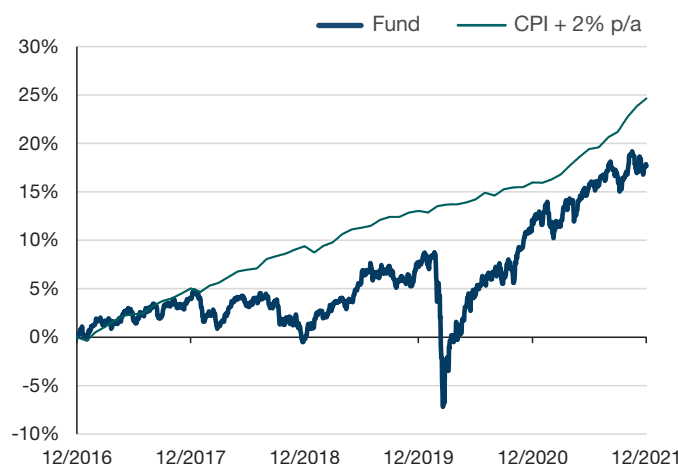
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Cautious Multi Asset Fund

Share class: D accumulation

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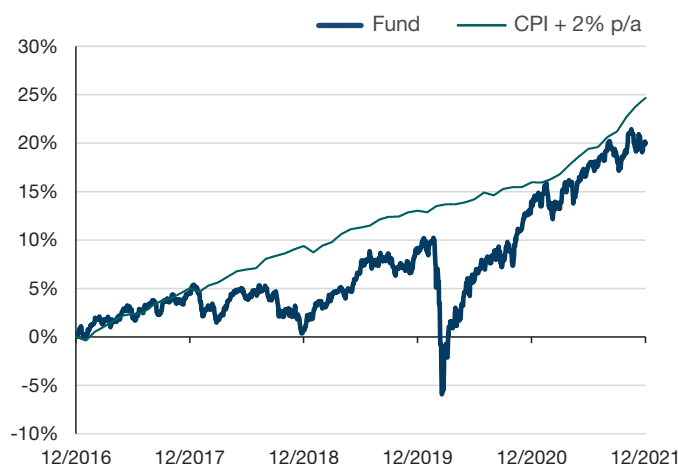
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Performance

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Costs and charges

The OCF of 0.84% is less than the median of the funds peer group and has been rated green. This will continue to be monitored.

Value assessment

Seven criteria ratings:

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Cautious Multi Asset Fund

Share class: D income

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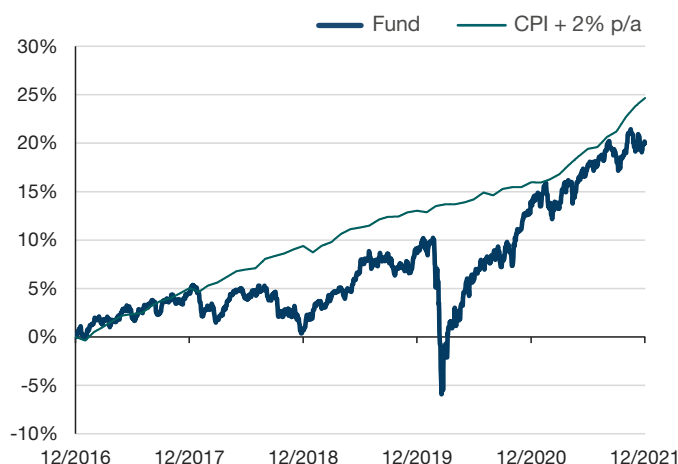
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Cautious Multi Asset Fund

Share class: H accumulation

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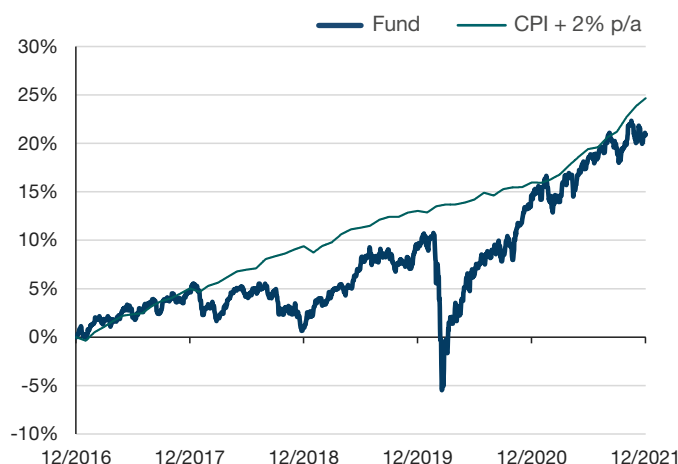
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Costs and charges

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Value assessment

Seven criteria ratings:

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Cautious Multi Asset Fund

Share class: H income

Investment objective

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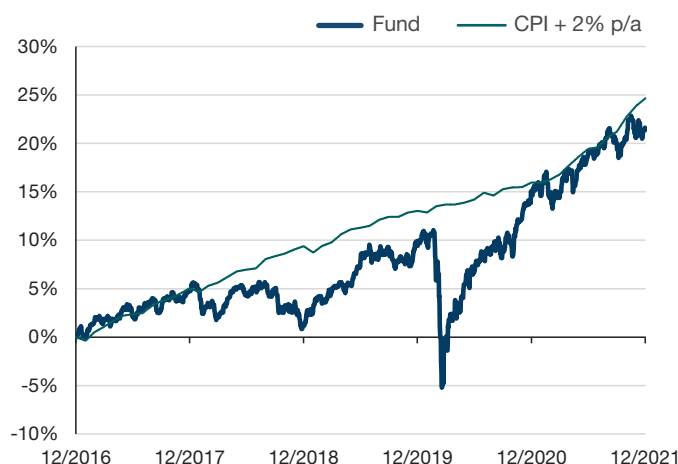
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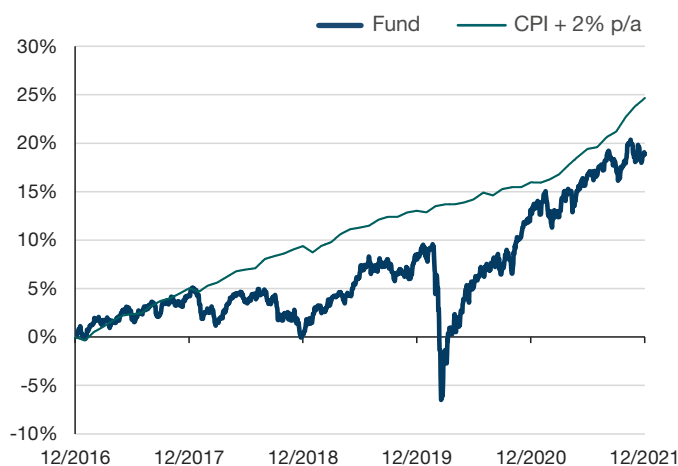
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Performance

(Cumulative returns 31 December 2016 – 31 December 2021)



Costs and charges

The OCF of 1.09% is marginally above the peer group median and has been rated amber. This will be closely monitored.

Value assessment

Seven criteria ratings:

- ① Quality of service
- ② Performance
- ③ OCF costs
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Cautious Multi Asset Fund

Share class: I income

Investment objective

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Fund manager commentary

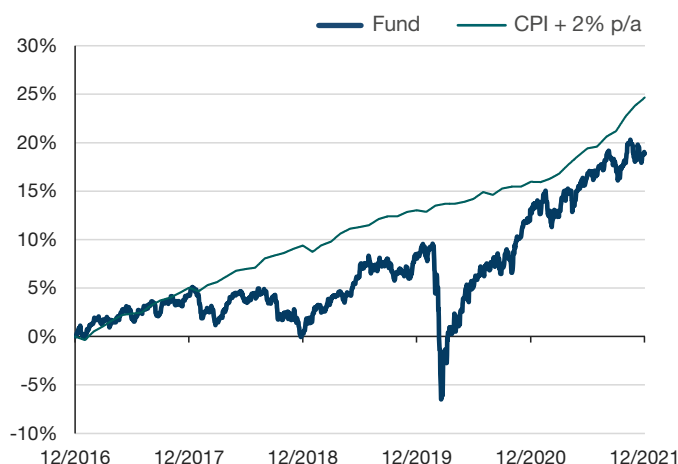
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Balanced Multi Asset Fund

Share class: B accumulation

Investment objective

To deliver a total return (the money made or lost on an investment from the combination of income and capital growth) that at the end of any five-year period is equivalent to achieving a return of the Consumer Price Index plus 3% each year over that period, after all costs and charges have been taken. There is no guarantee that the objective will be met or that a positive return will be delivered over any time period and you may get back less than you invest.

Fund manager commentary

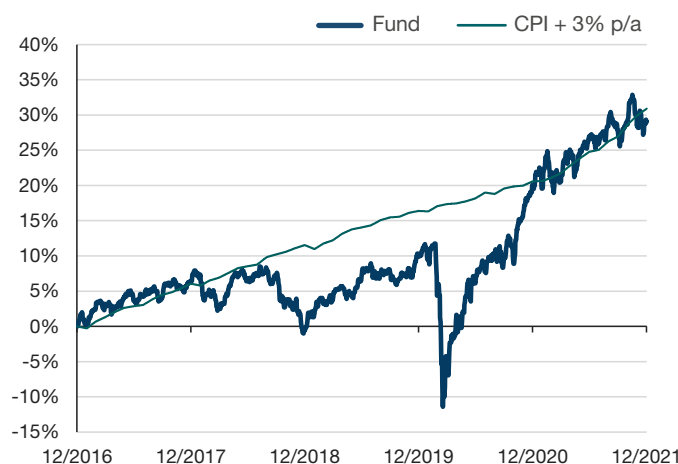
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Towards the end of the period under review, a burst of inflation also created new challenges. Inflation-linked targets can be tough to fulfil during periods of heightened pricing pressures, but they keep us tightly focused on finding investment solutions to grow the real-world value of our clients' wealth.

Performance

(Cumulative returns 31 December 2016 – 31 December 2021)



Costs and charges

The OCF of 1.72% is less than the median of the funds peer group and has been rated green. This share class is predominately for our Wealth clients and includes fees for the ongoing services that are provided. As we do not charge a Platform fee like most of our competitors, we have taken this into account for our assessment to ensure we are comparing our funds on a fair basis.

Value assessment

Seven criteria ratings:

- 1 Quality of service
- 2 Performance
- 3 OCF costs
- 4 Economies of scale
- 5 Comparable market rates
- 6 Comparable services
- 7 Share classes

Conclusion

We have rated this share class as green across all of the assessment criteria.

Next steps

We will continue ongoing monitoring of the share class in line with our internal governance procedures and the Assessment of Value process.

Balanced Multi Asset Fund

Share class: B income

Investment objective

To deliver a total return (the money made or lost on an investment from the combination of income and capital growth) that at the end of any five-year period is equivalent to achieving a return of the Consumer Price Index plus 3% each year over that period, after all costs and charges have been taken. There is no guarantee that the objective will be met or that a positive return will be delivered over any time period and you may get back less than you invest.

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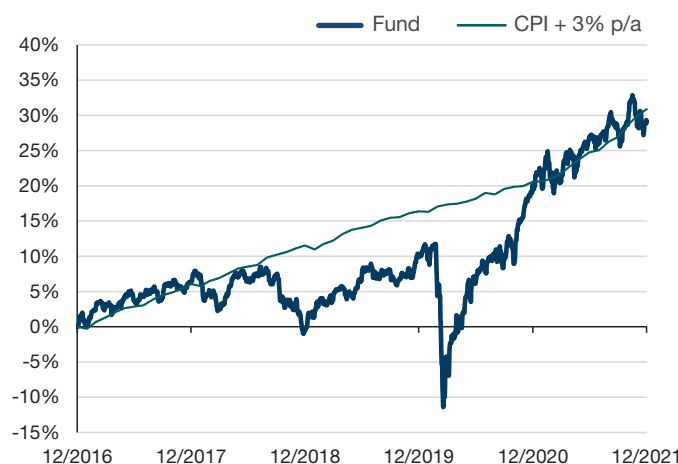
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Performance

(Cumulative returns 31 December 2016 – 31 December 2021)



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Value assessment

Seven criteria ratings:

- 1 Quality of service
- 2 Performance
- 3 OCF costs
- 4 Economies of scale
- 5 Comparable market rates
- 6 Comparable services
- 7 Share classes

Conclusion

We have rated this share class as green across all of the assessment criteria.

Next steps

We will continue ongoing monitoring of the share class in line with our internal governance procedures and the Assessment of Value process.

Balanced Multi Asset Fund

Share class: C accumulation

Investment objective

To deliver a total return (the money made or lost on an investment from the combination of income and capital growth) that at the end of any five-year period is equivalent to achieving a return of the Consumer Price Index plus 3% each year over that period, after all costs and charges have been taken. There is no guarantee that the objective will be met or that a positive return will be delivered over any time period and you may get back less than you invest.

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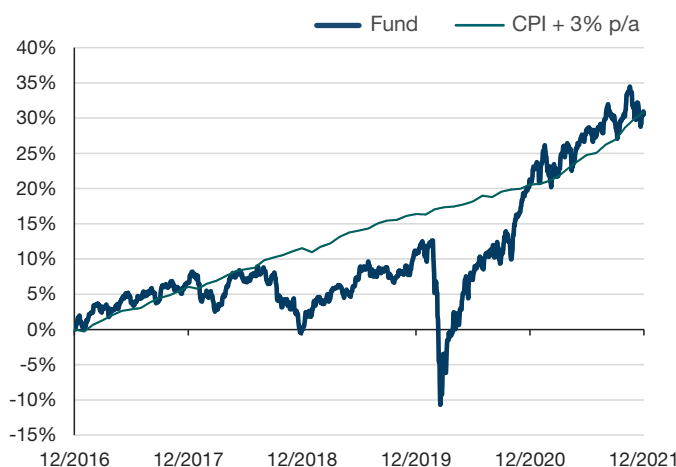
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Performance

(Cumulative returns 31 December 2016 – 31 December 2021)



Costs and charges

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Value assessment

Seven criteria ratings:

- 1 Quality of service
- 2 Performance
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- 7 Share classes

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Next steps

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Balanced Multi Asset Fund

Share class: C income

Investment objective

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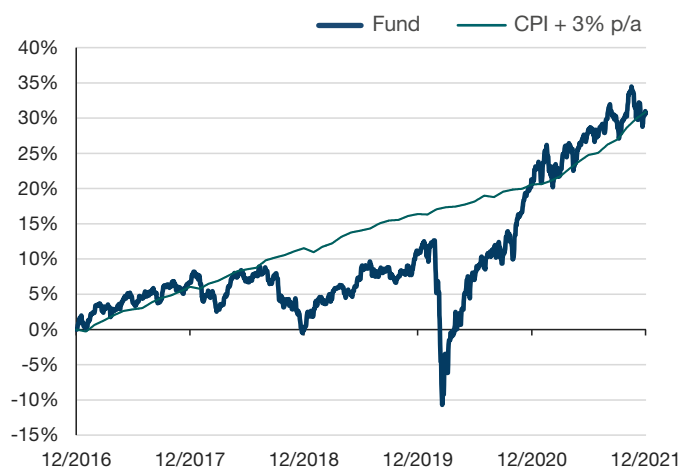
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Value assessment

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- 7 Share classes

Conclusion

We have rated this share class as green across all of the assessment criteria.

Next steps

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Balanced Multi Asset Fund

Share class: D accumulation

Investment objective

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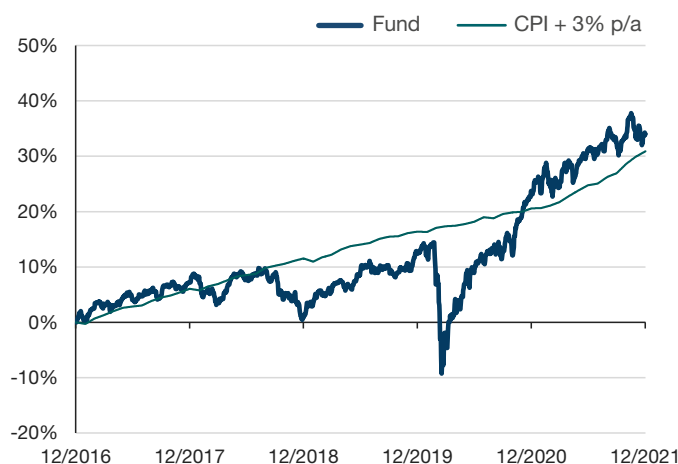
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Performance

(Cumulative returns 31 December 2016 – 31 December 2021)



Costs and charges

The OCF of 0.97% is marginally above the peer group median and has been rated amber. This will be closely monitored.

Value assessment

Seven criteria ratings:

- 1 Quality of service
- 2 Performance
- 3 OCF costs
- 4 Economies of scale
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- 6 Comparable services
- 7 Share classes

Conclusion

We have rated this share class as green across the majority of the assessment criteria. However, while we have rated comparable market rates as amber, we would note that the lowest cost doesn't necessarily lead to the best outcome for investors. We will though, review the fund costs to ensure that they are appropriate and fair.

Next steps

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Balanced Multi Asset Fund

Share class: D income

Investment objective

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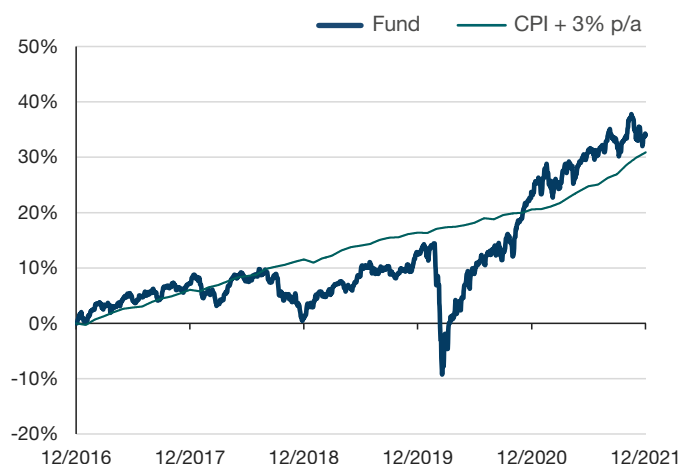
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Performance

(Cumulative returns 31 December 2016 – 31 December 2021)



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Value assessment

Seven criteria ratings:

- 1 Quality of service
- 2 Performance
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- 7 Share classes

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Next steps

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Balanced Multi Asset Fund

Share class: H accumulation

Investment objective

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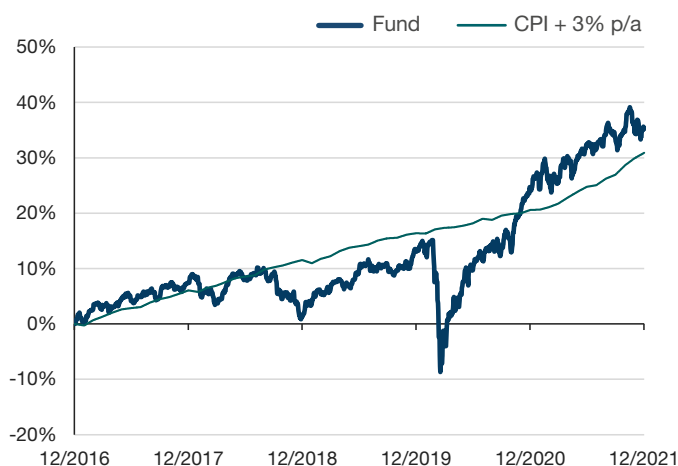
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Performance

(Cumulative returns 31 December 2016 – 31 December 2021)



Costs and charges

The OCF of 0.77% is less than the median of the funds peer group and has been rated green. This will continue to be monitored.

Value assessment

Seven criteria ratings:

- 1 Quality of service
- 2 Performance
- 3 OCF costs
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- 7 Share classes

Conclusion

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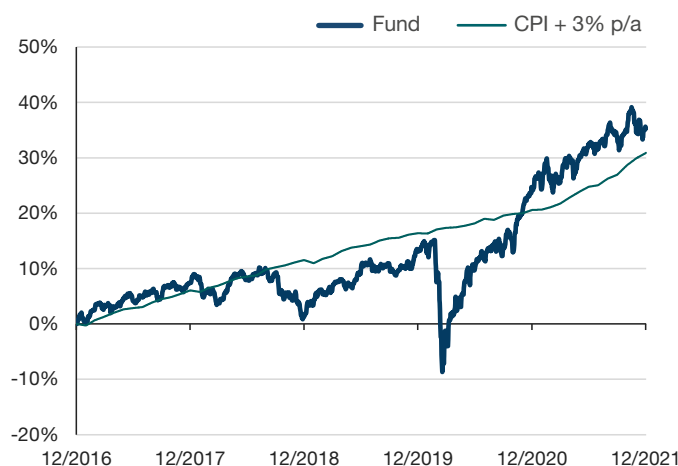
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Performance

(Cumulative returns 31 December 2016 – 31 December 2021)



Costs and charges

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Value assessment

Seven criteria ratings:

- 1 Quality of service
- 2 Performance
- 3 OCF costs
- 4 Economies of scale
- 5 Comparable market rates
- 6 Comparable services
- 7 Share classes

Conclusion

We have rated this share class as green across all of the assessment criteria.

Next steps

We will continue ongoing monitoring of the share class in line with our internal governance procedures and the Assessment of Value process.

Balanced Multi Asset Fund

Share class: I accumulation

Investment objective

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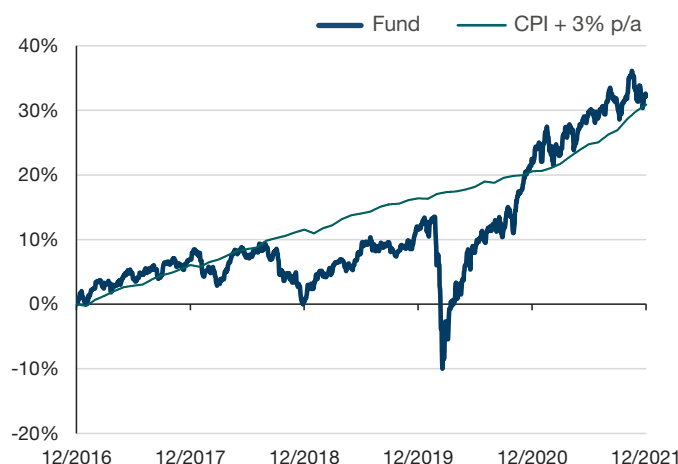
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Performance

(Cumulative returns 31 December 2016 – 31 December 2021)



Costs and charges

The OCF of 1.22% is above the peer group median and has been rated red. The costs of this share class will form part of the review this year.

Value assessment

Seven criteria ratings:

- ① Quality of service
- ② Performance
- ③ OCF costs
- ④ Economies of scale
- ⑤ Comparable market rates
- ⑥ Comparable services
- ⑦ Share classes

Conclusion

We have rated this share class as green across the majority of the assessment criteria. However, while we have rated comparable market rates as red, we would note that the lowest cost doesn't necessarily lead to the best outcome for investors; in this case the performance (net of costs) is rated as green. We will though, review the fund costs to ensure that they are appropriate and fair.

Next steps

We will continue ongoing monitoring of the share class in line with our internal governance procedures and the Assessment of Value process. We will specifically review the costs for this share class during 2022 and will provide the outcome of our review in the next Assessment of Value report.

Balanced Multi Asset Fund

Share class: I income

Investment objective

To deliver a total return (the money made or lost on an investment from the combination of income and capital growth) that at the end of any five-year period is equivalent to achieving a return of the Consumer Price Index plus 3% each year over that period, after all costs and charges have been taken. There is no guarantee that the objective will be met or that a positive return will be delivered over any time period and you may get back less than you invest.

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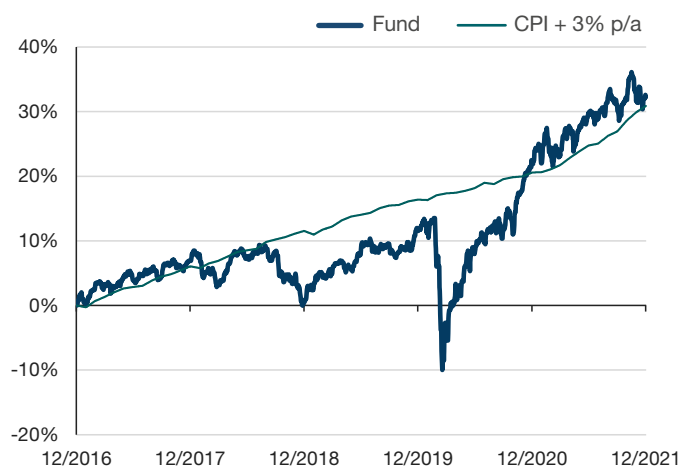
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Performance

(Cumulative returns 31 December 2016 – 31 December 2021)



Costs and charges

The OCF of 1.22% is above the peer group median and has been rated red. The costs of this share class will form part of the review this year.

Value assessment

Seven criteria ratings:

- ① Quality of service
- ② Performance
- ③ OCF costs
- ④ Economies of scale
- ⑤ Comparable market rates
- ⑥ Comparable services
- ⑦ Share classes

Conclusion

We have rated this share class as green across the majority of the assessment criteria. However, while we have rated comparable market rates as red, we would note that the lowest cost doesn't necessarily lead to the best outcome for investors; in this case the performance (net of costs) is rated as green. We will though, review the fund costs to ensure that they are appropriate and fair.

Next steps

We will continue ongoing monitoring of the share class in line with our internal governance procedures and the Assessment of Value process. We will specifically review the costs for this share class during 2022 and will provide the outcome of our review in the next Assessment of Value report.

Growth Multi Asset Fund

Share class: B accumulation

Investment objective

To deliver a total return (the money made or lost on an investment from the combination of income and capital growth) that at the end of any five-year period is equivalent to achieving a return of the Consumer Price Index plus 4% each year over that period, after all costs and charges have been taken. There is no guarantee that the objective will be met or that a positive return will be delivered over any time period and you may get back less than you invest.

Fund manager commentary

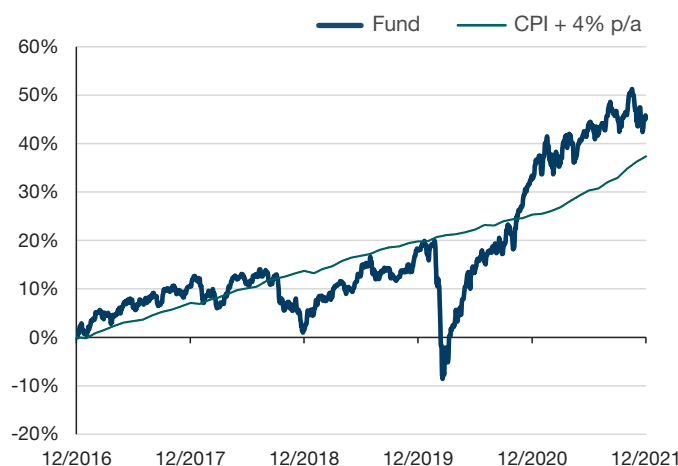
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Performance

(Cumulative returns 31 December 2016 – 31 December 2021)



Costs and charges

The OCF of 1.82% is less than the median of the funds peer group and has been rated green. This share class is predominately for our Wealth clients and includes fees for the ongoing services that are provided. As we do not charge a Platform fee like most of our competitors, we have taken this into account for our assessment to ensure we are comparing our funds on a fair basis.

Value assessment

Seven criteria ratings:

- ① Quality of service
- ② Performance
- ③ OCF costs
- ④ Economies of scale
- ⑤ Comparable market rates
- ⑥ Comparable services
- ⑦ Share classes

Conclusion

We have rated this share class as green across all of the assessment criteria.

Next steps

We will continue ongoing monitoring of the share class in line with our internal governance procedures and the Assessment of Value process.

Growth Multi Asset Fund

Share class: C accumulation

Investment objective

To deliver a total return (the money made or lost on an investment from the combination of income and capital growth) that at the end of any five-year period is equivalent to achieving a return of the Consumer Price Index plus 4% each year over that period, after all costs and charges have been taken. There is no guarantee that the objective will be met or that a positive return will be delivered over any time period and you may get back less than you invest.

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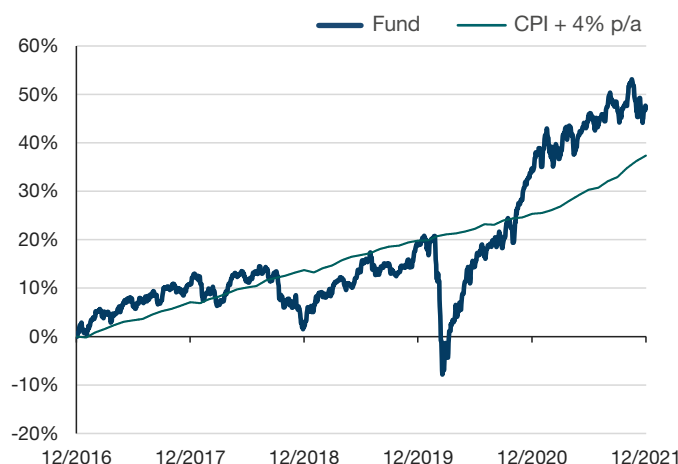
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Performance

(Cumulative returns 31 December 2016 – 31 December 2021)



Costs and charges

The OCF of 1.57% is less than the median of the funds peer group and has been rated green. This share class is predominately for our Wealth clients and includes fees for the ongoing services that are provided. As we do not charge a Platform fee like most of our competitors, we have taken this into account for our assessment to ensure we are comparing our funds on a fair basis.

Value assessment

Seven criteria ratings:

- ① Quality of service
- ② Performance
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- ⑦ Share classes

Conclusion

We have rated this share class as green across all of the assessment criteria.

Next steps

We will continue ongoing monitoring of the share class in line with our internal governance procedures and the Assessment of Value process.

Growth Multi Asset Fund

Share class: D accumulation

Investment objective

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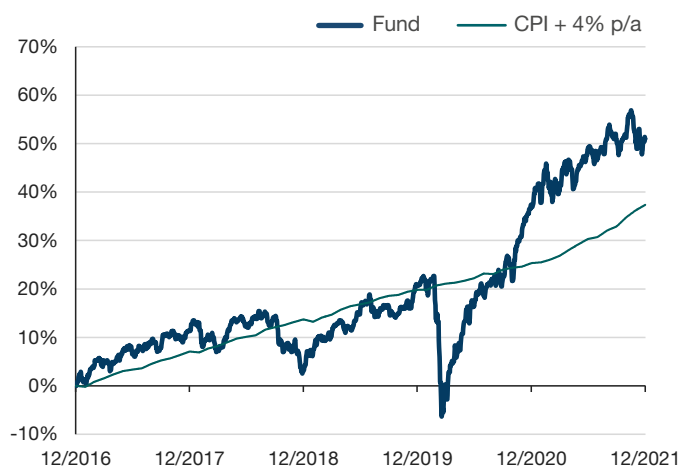
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Performance

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Costs and charges

The OCF of 1.07% is above the peer group median and has been rated red. The costs of this share class will form part of the review this year.

Value assessment

Seven criteria ratings:

- ① Quality of service
- ② Performance
- ③ OCF costs
- ④ Economies of scale
- ⑤ Comparable market rates
- ⑥ Comparable services
- ⑦ Share classes

Conclusion

We have rated this share class as green across the majority of the assessment criteria. However, while we have rated comparable market rates as red, we would note that the lowest cost doesn't necessarily lead to the best outcome for investors; in this case the performance (net of costs) is rated as green. We will though, review the fund costs to ensure that they are appropriate and fair.

Next steps

We will continue ongoing monitoring of the share class in line with our internal governance procedures and the Assessment of Value process. We will specifically review the costs for this share class during 2022 and will provide the outcome of our review in the next Assessment of Value report.

Growth Multi Asset Fund

Share class: H accumulation

Investment objective

To deliver a total return (the money made or lost on an investment from the combination of income and capital growth) that at the end of any five-year period is equivalent to achieving a return of the Consumer Price Index plus 4% each year over that period, after all costs and charges have been taken. There is no guarantee that the objective will be met or that a positive return will be delivered over any time period and you may get back less than you invest.

Fund manager commentary

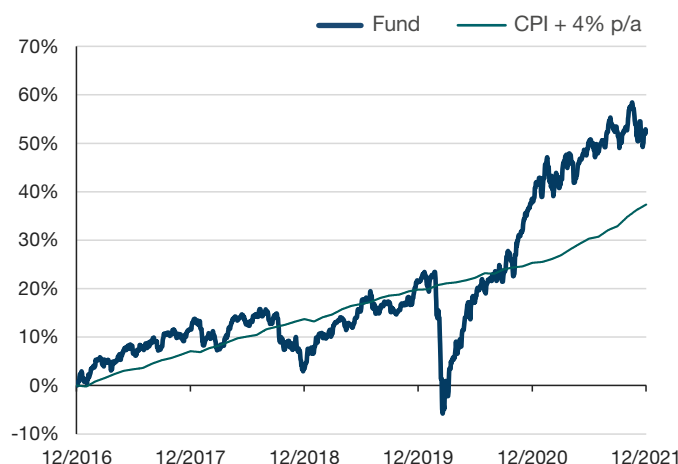
Riskier asset types like shares have fared well over the past five years (to the end of 2021), with policies from the world's leading central banks pushing investors into relatively higher risk areas of financial markets in search of attractive returns. The US market led the way in sterling terms, and the fund's exposure to US shares helped performance over this period. The fund also benefited from stock market positions in our high-conviction global themes, including technology, insurance and healthcare.

Among the fund's alternative holdings (i.e. beyond traditional bond and stock markets), our position in a specialist strategy designed to protect against the most severe market falls added positively to performance, kicking in during 2020's market lows.

Towards the end of the period under review, a burst of inflation also created new challenges. Inflation-linked targets can be tough to fulfil during periods of heightened pricing pressures, but they keep us tightly focused on finding investment solutions to grow the real-world value of our clients' wealth.

Performance

(Cumulative returns 31 December 2016 – 31 December 2021)



Costs and charges

The OCF of 0.87% is above the peer group median and has been rated red. The costs of this share class will form part of the review this year.

Value assessment

Seven criteria ratings:

- ① Quality of service
- ② Performance
- ③ OCF costs
- ④ Economies of scale
- ⑤ Comparable market rates
- ⑥ Comparable services
- ⑦ Share classes

Conclusion

We have rated this share class as green across the majority of the assessment criteria. However, while we have rated comparable market rates as red, we would note that the lowest cost doesn't necessarily lead to the best outcome for investors; in this case the performance (net of costs) is rated as green. We will though, review the fund costs to ensure that they are appropriate and fair.

Next steps

We will continue ongoing monitoring of the share class in line with our internal governance procedures and the Assessment of Value process. We will specifically review the costs for this share class during 2022 and will provide the outcome of our review in the next Assessment of Value report.

Growth Multi Asset Fund

Share class: I accumulation

Investment objective

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Fund manager commentary

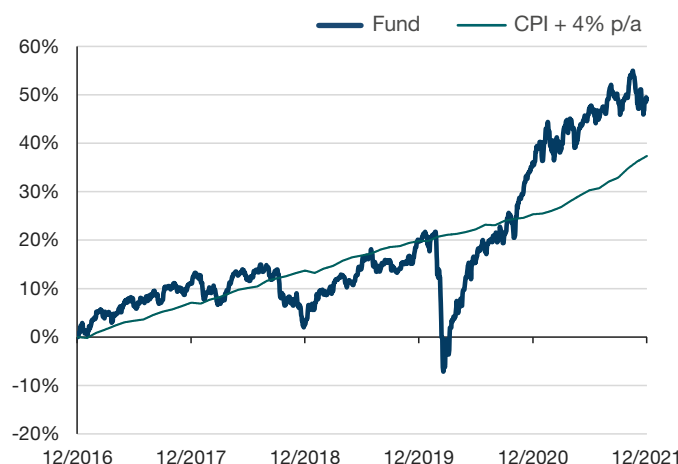
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Performance

(Cumulative returns 31 December 2016 – 31 December 2021)



Costs and charges

The OCF of 1.32% is above the peer group median and has been rated red. The costs of this share class will form part of the review this year.

Value assessment

Seven criteria ratings:

- ① Quality of service
- ② Performance
- ③ OCF costs
- ④ Economies of scale
- ⑤ Comparable market rates
- ⑥ Comparable services
- ⑦ Share classes

Conclusion

We have rated this share class as green across the majority of the assessment criteria. However, while we have rated comparable market rates as red, we would note that the lowest cost doesn't necessarily lead to the best outcome for investors; in this case the performance (net of costs) is rated as green. We will though, review the fund costs to ensure that they are appropriate and fair.

Next steps

We will continue ongoing monitoring of the share class in line with our internal governance procedures and the Assessment of Value process. We will specifically review the costs for this share class during 2022 and will provide the outcome of our review in the next Assessment of Value report.

Adventurous Fund

Share class: B accumulation

Investment objective

To deliver a total return (the money made or lost on an investment from the combination of income and capital growth) in excess of the MSCI All Country World Index (£) - Net total return over any period of five years, after all costs and charges have been taken. There is no guarantee that the objective will be met or that a positive return will be delivered over any time period and you may get back less than you invest.

Fund manager commentary

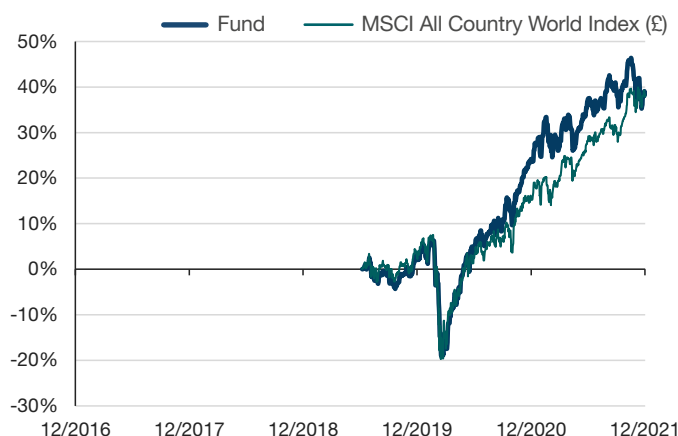
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In 2021, despite delivering strong financial returns, the fund's performance lagged behind global stock markets. The fund has a preference for smaller and mid-sized company shares with higher growth prospects, which gives it an automatic underweight to larger companies. This proved especially challenging in the second half of the year, when the shares of just five large US companies accounted for around two-fifths of the global index's returns. The US market also outperformed some of our other preferred areas, such as emerging markets and global thematic investments. However, we continue to believe that there are plenty of opportunities for share-price growth beyond giant US businesses, especially as these names increasingly fall under the eye of regulators in the US and tax policymakers globally.

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Performance

(Cumulative returns since inception 8 July 2019 – 31 December 2021)



We measure fund performance versus a target return benchmark over five-year periods. As this fund does not yet have a five-year history, performance is shown from 2019 – the year the fund was launched.

Costs and charges

The OCF of 1.97% is less than the median of the funds peer group and has been rated green. This share class is predominately for our Wealth clients and includes fees for the ongoing services that are provided. As we do not charge a Platform fee like most of our competitors, we have taken this into account for our assessment to ensure we are comparing our funds on a fair basis.

Value assessment

Seven criteria ratings:

- 1 Quality of service
- 2 Performance
- 3 OCF costs
- 4 Economies of scale
- 5 Comparable market rates
- 6 Comparable services
- 7 Share classes

Conclusion

We have rated this share class as green across the available assessment criteria.

Next steps

We will continue ongoing monitoring of the share class in line with our internal governance procedures and the Assessment of Value process.

Adventurous Fund

Share class: C accumulation

Investment objective

To deliver a total return (the money made or lost on an investment from the combination of income and capital growth) in excess of the MSCI All Country World Index (£) - Net total return over any period of five years, after all costs and charges have been taken. There is no guarantee that the objective will be met or that a positive return will be delivered over any time period and you may get back less than you invest.

Fund manager commentary

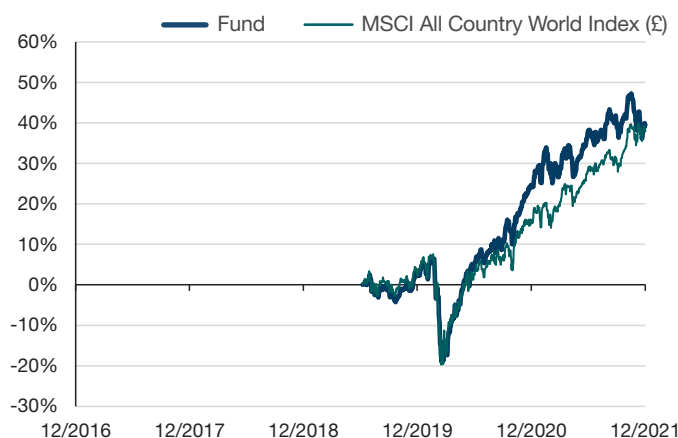
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Performance

(Cumulative returns since inception 8 July 2019 – 31 December 2021)



We measure fund performance versus a target return benchmark over five-year periods. As this fund does not yet have a five-year history, performance is shown from 2019 – the year the fund was launched.

Costs and charges

The OCF of 1.72% is less than the median of the funds peer group and has been rated green. This share class is predominately for our Wealth clients and includes fees for the ongoing services that are provided. As we do not charge a Platform fee like most of our competitors, we have taken this into account for our assessment to ensure we are comparing our funds on a fair basis.

Value assessment

Seven criteria ratings:

- 1 Quality of service
- 2 Performance
- 3 OCF costs
- 4 Economies of scale
- 5 Comparable market rates
- 6 Comparable services
- 7 Share classes

Conclusion

We have rated this share class as green across the available assessment criteria.

Next steps

We will continue ongoing monitoring of the share class in line with our internal governance procedures and the Assessment of Value process.

Adventurous Fund

Share class: D accumulation

Investment objective

To deliver a total return (the money made or lost on an investment from the combination of income and capital growth) in excess of the MSCI All Country World Index (£) - Net total return over any period of five years, after all costs and charges have been taken. There is no guarantee that the objective will be met or that a positive return will be delivered over any time period and you may get back less than you invest.

Fund manager commentary

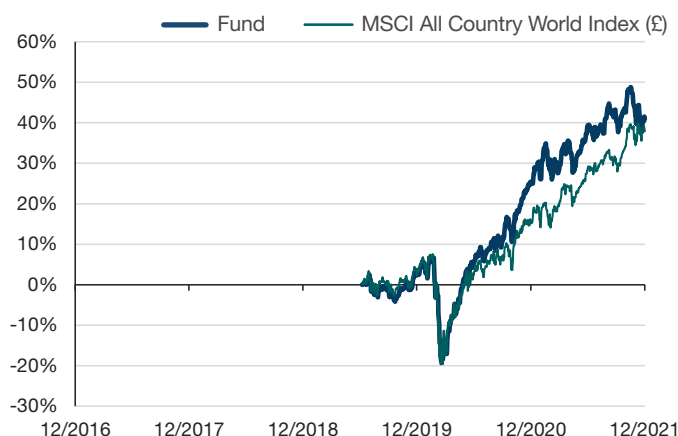
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Performance

(Cumulative returns since inception 8 July 2019 – 31 December 2021)



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Costs and charges

The OCF is 1.22% and we believe this cost is fair when considered against other share classes. We have not been able to compare this share class against a peer group due to the limited number of funds that have comparable charges but during the coming year we will work to identify an appropriate peer group.

Value assessment

Seven criteria ratings:

- 1 Quality of service
- 2 Performance
- 3 OCF costs
- 4 Economies of scale
- 5 Comparable market rates
- 6 Comparable services
- 7 Share classes

Conclusion

We have rated this share class as green across the available assessment criteria.

Next steps

We will continue ongoing monitoring of the share class in line with our internal governance procedures and the Assessment of Value process.

Adventurous Fund

Share class: H accumulation

Investment objective

To deliver a total return (the money made or lost on an investment from the combination of income and capital growth) in excess of the MSCI All Country World Index (£) - Net total return over any period of five years, after all costs and charges have been taken. There is no guarantee that the objective will be met or that a positive return will be delivered over any time period and you may get back less than you invest.

Fund manager commentary

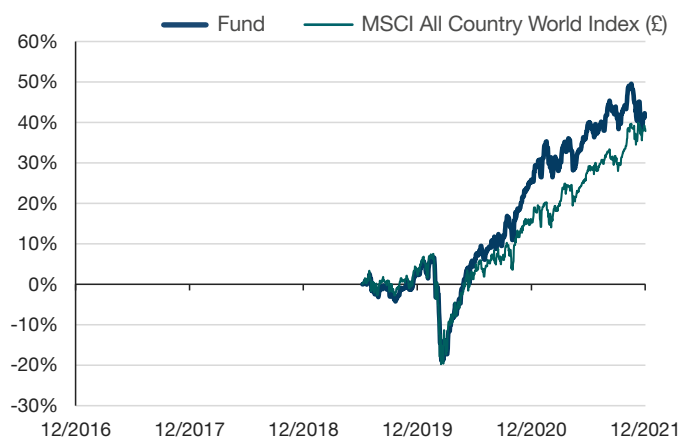
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Performance

(Cumulative returns since inception 8 July 2019 – 31 December 2021)



We measure fund performance versus a target return benchmark over five-year periods. As this fund does not yet have a five-year history, performance is shown from 2019 – the year the fund was launched.

Costs and charges

The OCF is 1.02% and we believe this cost is fair when considered against other share classes. We have not been able to compare this share class against a peer group due to the limited number of funds that have comparable charges but during the coming year we will work to identify an appropriate peer group.

Value assessment

Seven criteria ratings:

- 1 Quality of service
- 2 Performance
- 3 OCF costs
- 4 Economies of scale
- 5 Comparable market rates
- 6 Comparable services
- 7 Share classes

Conclusion

We have rated this share class as green across the available assessment criteria.

Next steps

We will continue ongoing monitoring of the share class in line with our internal governance procedures and the Assessment of Value process.

Adventurous Fund

Share class: I accumulation

Investment objective

To deliver a total return (the money made or lost on an investment from the combination of income and capital growth) in excess of the MSCI All Country World Index (£) - Net total return over any period of five years, after all costs and charges have been taken. There is no guarantee that the objective will be met or that a positive return will be delivered over any time period and you may get back less than you invest.

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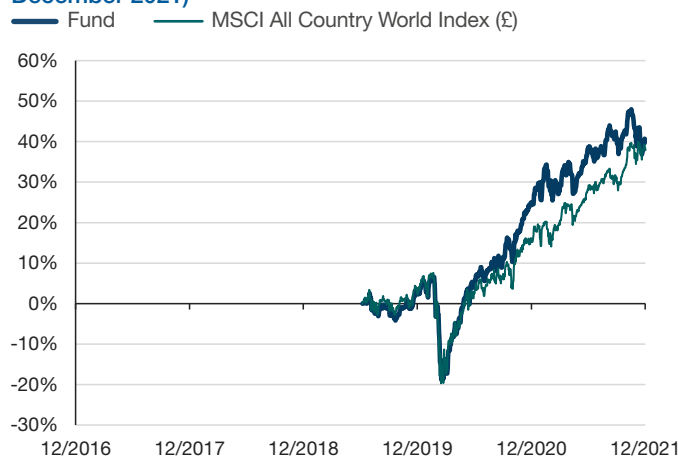
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Performance

(Cumulative returns since inception 8 July 2019 – 31 December 2021)



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Costs and charges

The OCF of 1.47% is above the peer group median and has been rated red. The costs of this share class will form part of the review this year.

Value assessment

Seven criteria ratings:

- 1 Quality of service
- 2 Performance
- 3 OCF costs
- 4 Economies of scale
- 5 Comparable market rates
- 6 Comparable services
- 7 Share classes

Conclusion

We have rated this share class as green across the majority of the assessment criteria. However, while we have rated comparable market rates as red we would note that the lowest cost doesn't necessarily lead to the best outcome for investors. We will though, review the fund costs to ensure that they are appropriate and fair.

Next steps

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Income Multi Asset Fund

Share class: B accumulation

Investment objective

To deliver a total return (the money made or lost on an investment from the combination of income and capital growth) that at the end of any five-year period is equivalent to achieving a return of the Consumer Price Index plus 2% each year over that period, after all costs and charges have been taken. The fund aims to generate a greater proportion of its total return from income rather than capital growth. There is no guarantee that the objective will be met or that a positive return will be delivered over any time period and you may get back less than you invest.

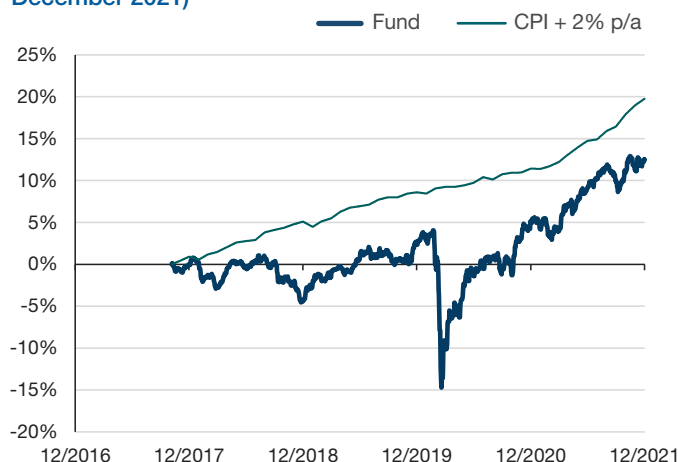
Fund manager commentary

Over the past five years, our stock market positions (global, US and UK) have driven the majority of returns within the fund. However, significant shifts in investor preferences saw the prices of high-yielding shares struggle to keep pace with other segments of the stock market over this period. On top of this, 2020's economic crash spawned the most extreme cuts to global dividends in history, though 2021 saw many dividend payments resumed.

Meanwhile in mainstream bond markets, having spent four decades in favour, the past five years have seen two calendar years (2018 and 2021) of negative real returns on nominal bonds. This has presented a very challenging environment for investment strategies skewed towards traditionally lower risk assets, like this fund. However, we feel that future returns from this area continue to improve as bond yields have risen. Among the fund's alternative holdings (i.e. beyond traditional bond and stock markets), some of our property holdings have added to performance, as well as our position in gold.

Performance

(Cumulative returns since inception 5 November 2017 – 31 December 2021)



We measure fund performance versus a target return benchmark over five-year periods. As this share class does not have a five-year history, performance is shown from 2017 – the year the share class was launched.

Costs and charges

The OCF of 1.72% is less than the median of the funds peer group and has been rated green. This will continue to be monitored.

Value assessment

Seven criteria ratings:

- ① Quality of service
- ② Performance
- ③ OCF costs
- ④ Economies of scale
- ⑤ Comparable market rates
- ⑥ Comparable services
- ⑦ Share classes

Conclusion

We have rated this share class as green across the available assessment criteria.

Next steps

We will continue ongoing monitoring of the share class in line with our internal governance procedures and the Assessment of Value process.

Income Multi Asset Fund

Share class: B income

Investment objective

To deliver a total return (the money made or lost on an investment from the combination of income and capital growth) that at the end of any five-year period is equivalent to achieving a return of the Consumer Price Index plus 2% each year over that period, after all costs and charges have been taken. The fund aims to generate a greater proportion of its total return from income rather than capital growth. There is no guarantee that the objective will be met or that a positive return will be delivered over any time period and you may get back less than you invest.

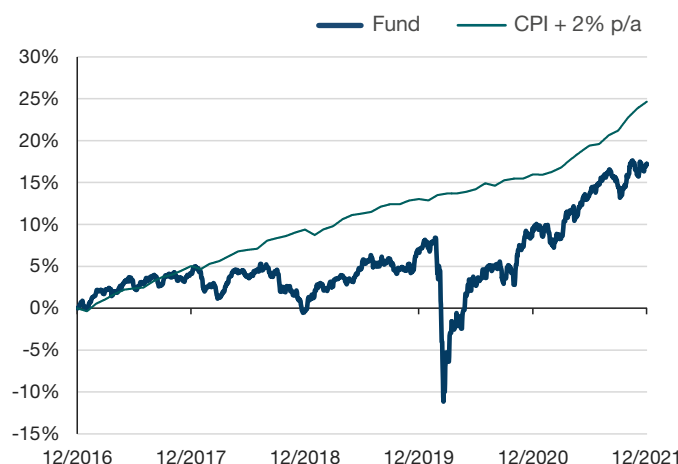
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Performance

(Cumulative returns 31 December 2016 – 31 December 2021)



Costs and charges

The OCF of 1.72% is less than the median of the funds peer group and has been rated green. This share class is predominately for our Wealth clients and includes fees for the ongoing services that are provided. As we do not charge a Platform fee like most of our competitors, we have taken this into account for our assessment to ensure we are comparing our funds on a fair basis.

Value assessment

Seven criteria ratings:

- ① Quality of service
- ② Performance
- ③ OCF costs
- ④ Economies of scale
- ⑤ Comparable market rates
- ⑥ Comparable services
- ⑦ Share classes

Conclusion

We have rated this share class as green across the majority of the assessment criteria, although we have rated performance as red. We acknowledge that funds may underperform depending on market conditions and we have confidence in this fund's investment strategy and in the Investment Manager's ability to deliver on its investment objective in the future. We will however, actively monitor the share class performance to ensure it is meeting its objective.

Next steps

We will continue ongoing monitoring of the share class in line with our internal governance procedures and the Assessment of Value process. We will specifically review performance in the context of market conditions during 2022 and will provide the outcome of our review in the next Assessment of Value report.

Income Multi Asset Fund

Share class: C accumulation

Investment objective

To deliver a total return (the money made or lost on an investment from the combination of income and capital growth) that at the end of any five-year period is equivalent to achieving a return of the Consumer Price Index plus 2% each year over that period, after all costs and charges have been taken. The fund aims to generate a greater proportion of its total return from income rather than capital growth. There is no guarantee that the objective will be met or that a positive return will be delivered over any time period and you may get back less than you invest.

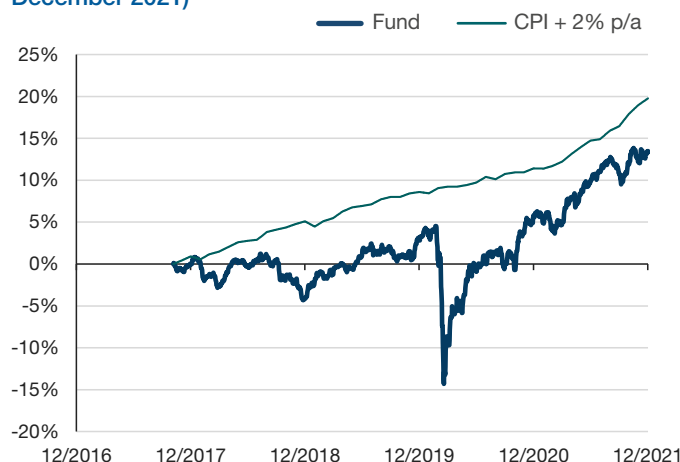
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Performance

(Cumulative returns since inception 5 November 2017 – 31 December 2021)



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Costs and charges

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Value assessment

Seven criteria ratings:

- ① Quality of service
- ② Performance
- ③ OCF costs
- ④ Economies of scale
- ⑤ Comparable market rates
- ⑥ Comparable services
- ⑦ Share classes

Conclusion

We have rated this share class as green across the available assessment criteria.

Next steps

We will continue ongoing monitoring of the share class in line with our internal governance procedures and the Assessment of Value process.

Income Multi Asset Fund

Share class: C income

Investment objective

To deliver a total return (the money made or lost on an investment from the combination of income and capital growth) that at the end of any five-year period is equivalent to achieving a return of the Consumer Price Index plus 2% each year over that period, after all costs and charges have been taken. The fund aims to generate a greater proportion of its total return from income rather than capital growth. There is no guarantee that the objective will be met or that a positive return will be delivered over any time period and you may get back less than you invest.

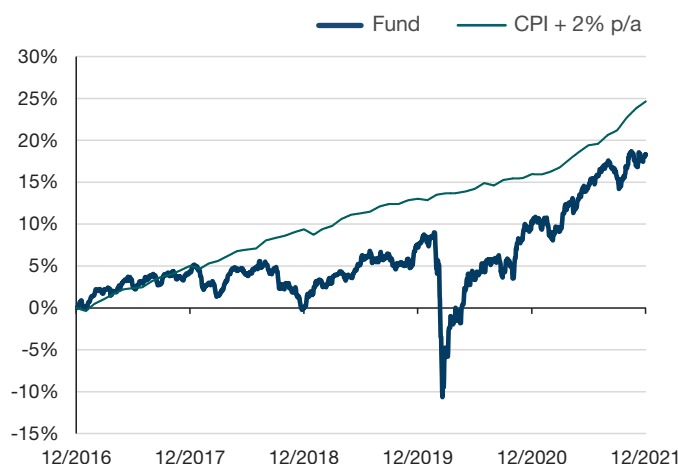
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Performance

(Cumulative returns 31 December 2016 – 31 December 2021)



Costs and charges

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Value assessment

Seven criteria ratings:

- ① Quality of service
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- ④ Economies of scale
- ⑤ Comparable market rates
- ⑥ Comparable services
- ⑦ Share classes

Conclusion

We have rated this share class as green across the majority of the assessment criteria, although we have rated performance as red. We acknowledge that funds may underperform depending on market conditions and we have confidence in this fund's investment strategy and in the Investment Manager's ability to deliver on its investment objective in the future. We will however, actively monitor the share class performance to ensure it is meeting its objective.

Next steps

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Income Multi Asset Fund

Share class: D accumulation

Investment objective

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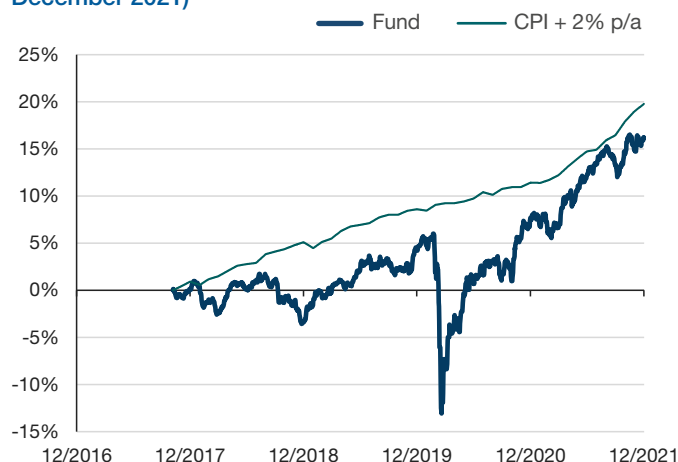
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Performance

(Cumulative returns since inception 5 November 2017 – 31 December 2021)



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Costs and charges

The OCF of 0.97% is above the peer group median and has been rated red. The costs of this share class will form part of the review this year.

Value assessment

Seven criteria ratings:

- ① Quality of service
- ② Performance
- ③ OCF costs
- ④ Economies of scale
- ⑤ Comparable market rates
- ⑥ Comparable services
- ⑦ Share classes

Conclusion

We have rated this share class as green across the majority of the assessment criteria. However, while we have rated comparable market rates as red we would note that the lowest cost doesn't necessarily lead to the best outcome for investors. We will though, review the fund costs to ensure that they are appropriate and fair.

Next steps

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Income Multi Asset Fund

Share class: D income

Investment objective

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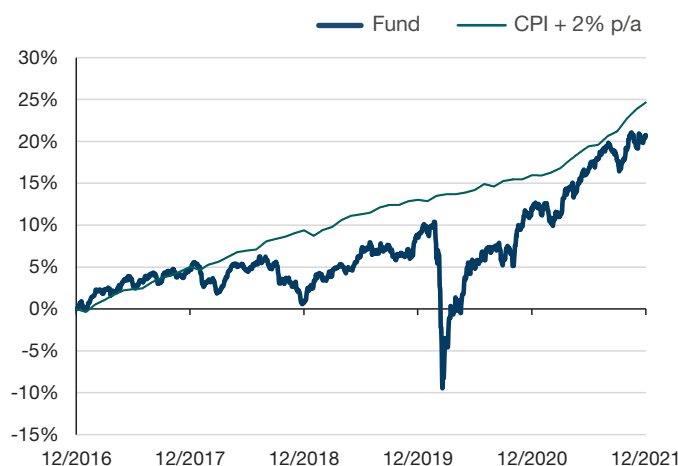
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Value assessment

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Conclusion

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Next steps

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Income Multi Asset Fund

Share class: H accumulation

Investment objective

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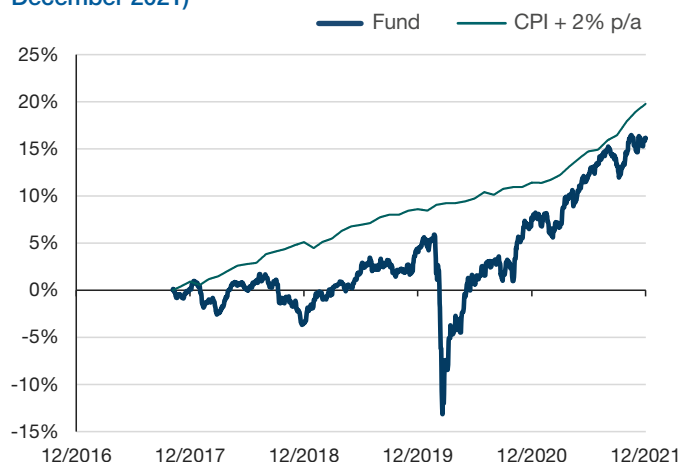
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Costs and charges

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Value assessment

Seven criteria ratings:

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- ② Performance
- ③ OCF costs
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- ⑥ Comparable services
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Conclusion

We have rated this share class as green across the available assessment criteria.

Next steps

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Income Multi Asset Fund

Share class: H income

Investment objective

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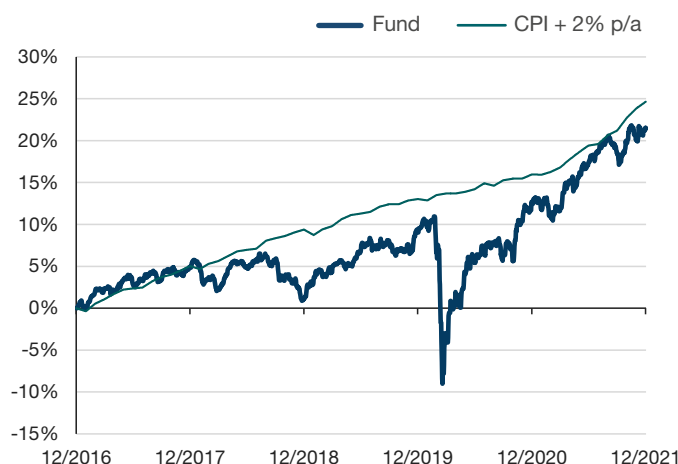
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Conclusion

We have rated this share class as green across the majority of the assessment criteria, although we have rated performance as amber. We have reviewed relevant data and we have confidence in the fund's investment strategy and in the Investment Manager's ability to deliver on its investment objective in the future.

Next steps

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Share class: I accumulation

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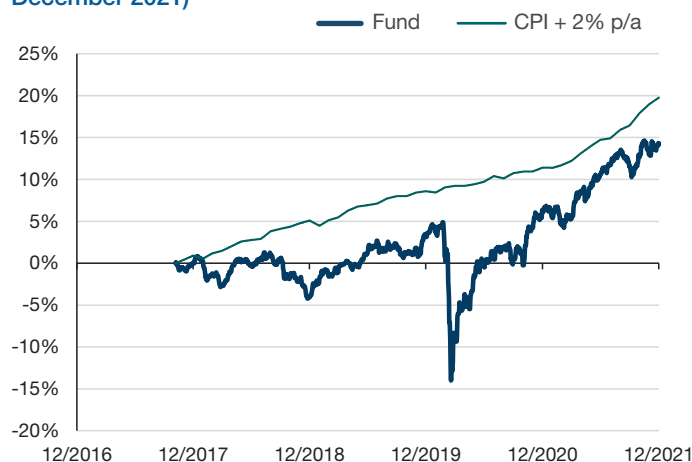
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Costs and charges

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Value assessment

Seven criteria ratings:

- 1 Quality of service
- 2 Performance
- 3 OCF costs
- 4 Economies of scale
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Income Multi Asset Fund

Share class: I income

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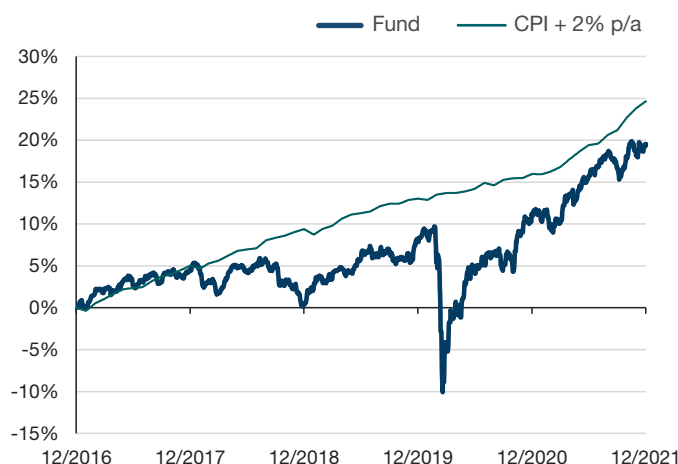
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Value assessment

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Income Plus Multi Asset Fund

Share class: B accumulation

Investment objective

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Performance

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Costs and charges

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Value assessment

Seven criteria ratings:

- ① Quality of service
- ② Performance
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Conclusion

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Income Plus Multi Asset Fund

Share class: B income

Investment objective

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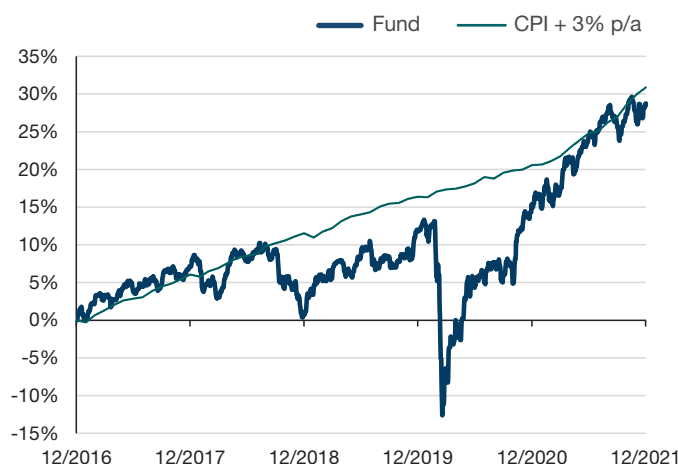
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Conclusion

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Income Plus Multi Asset Fund

Share class: C accumulation

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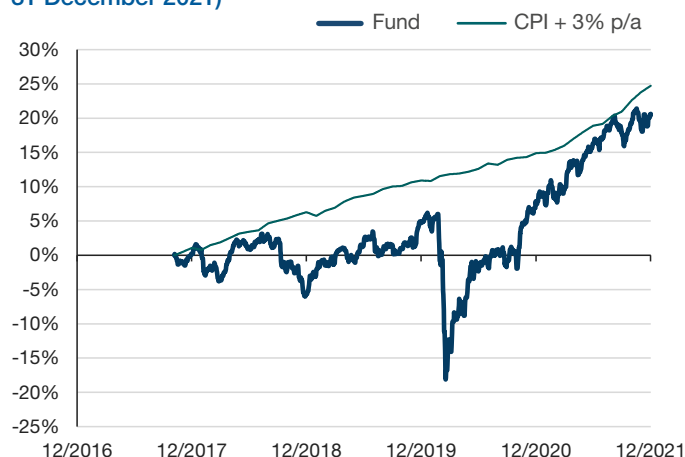
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Value assessment

Seven criteria ratings:

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Conclusion

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Next steps

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Income Plus Multi Asset Fund

Share class: C income

Investment objective

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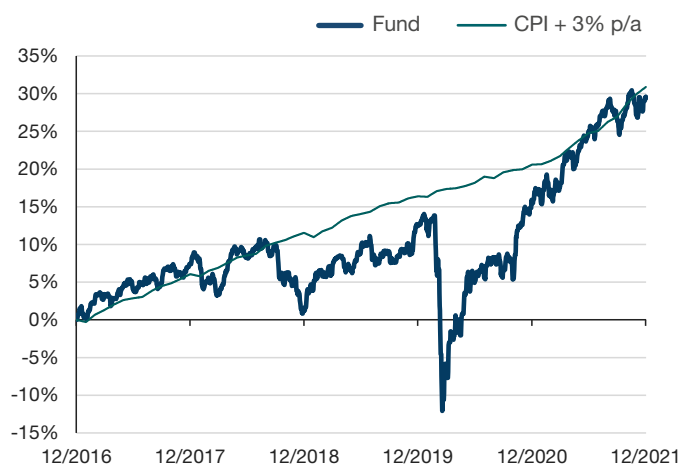
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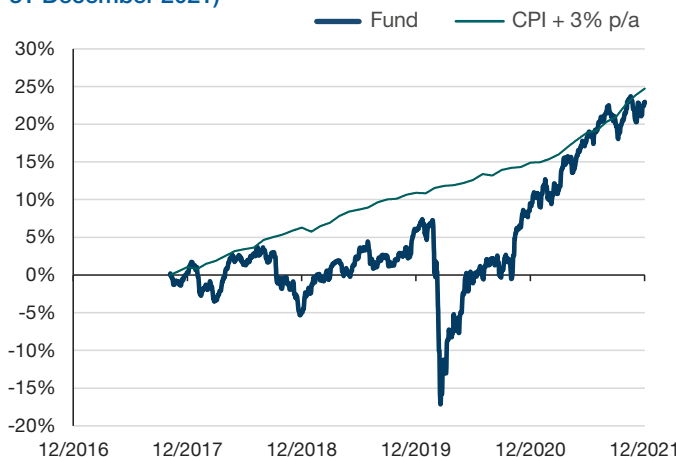
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Costs and charges

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Value assessment

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Income Plus Multi Asset Fund

Share class: D income

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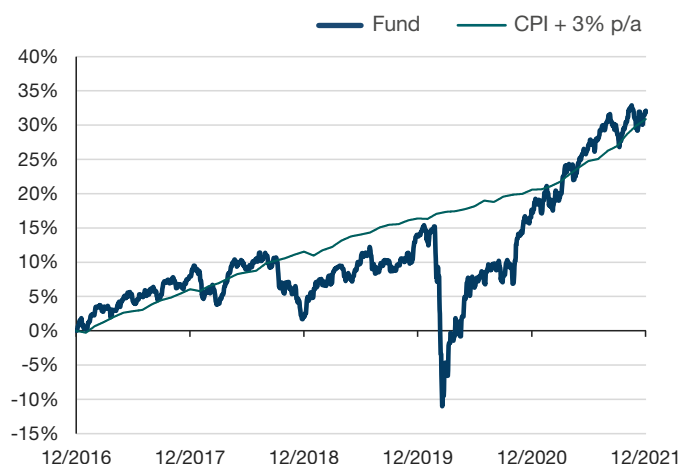
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Share class: H accumulation

Investment objective

To deliver a total return (the money made or lost on an investment from the combination of income and capital growth) that at the end of any five-year period is equivalent to achieving a return of the Consumer Price Index plus 3% each year over that period, after all costs and charges have been taken. The fund aims to generate a greater proportion of its total return from income rather than capital growth. There is no guarantee that the objective will be met or that a positive return will be delivered over any time period and you may get back less than you invest.

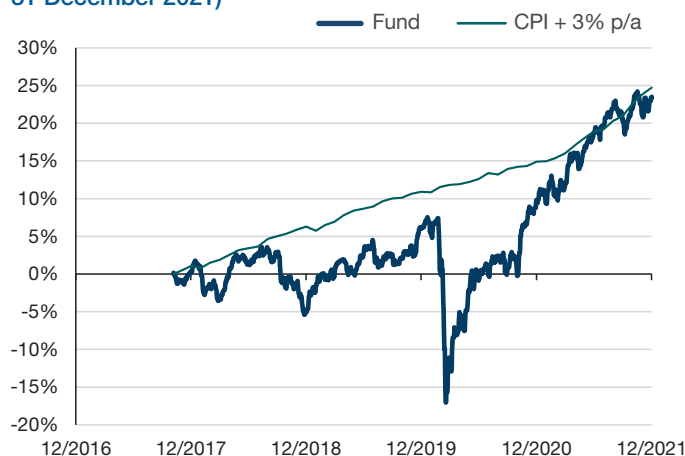
Fund manager commentary

Over the past five years, our stock market positions (global, US and UK) have driven the majority of returns within the fund. However, high-yielding share prices have struggled to keep pace with other segments of the stock market over this period. Investors have been willing to pay handsomely for shares in 'growth' businesses (which rarely return cash to shareholders), while shares in 'value' companies (much more likely to offer high dividend payouts) have been comparatively unloved. On top of this, 2020's economic crash spawned the most extreme cuts to global dividends in history, though 2021 saw many dividend payments resumed.

In mainstream bond markets, having spent four decades in favour, the past five years have seen two calendar years (2018 and 2021) of negative real returns on nominal bonds. However, we feel that future returns from this area continue to improve as bond yields have risen. Among the fund's alternative holdings (i.e. beyond traditional bond and stock markets), some of our property holdings have added to performance, as well as our position in gold.

Performance

(Cumulative returns since inception 5 November 2017 – 31 December 2021)



We measure fund performance versus a target return benchmark over five-year periods. As this share class does not have a five-year history, performance is shown from 2017 – the year the share class was launched.

Costs and charges

The OCF of 0.80% is less than the median of the funds peer group and has been rated green. This will continue to be monitored.

Value assessment

Seven criteria ratings:

- ① Quality of service
- ② Performance
- ③ OCF costs
- ④ Economies of scale
- ⑤ Comparable market rates
- ⑥ Comparable services
- ⑦ Share classes

Conclusion

We have rated this share class as green across the available assessment criteria.

Next steps

We will continue ongoing monitoring of the share class in line with our internal governance procedures and the Assessment of Value process.

Income Plus Multi Asset Fund

Share class: H income

Investment objective

To deliver a total return (the money made or lost on an investment from the combination of income and capital growth) that at the end of any five-year period is equivalent to achieving a return of the Consumer Price Index plus 3% each year over that period, after all costs and charges have been taken. The fund aims to generate a greater proportion of its total return from income rather than capital growth. There is no guarantee that the objective will be met or that a positive return will be delivered over any time period and you may get back less than you invest.

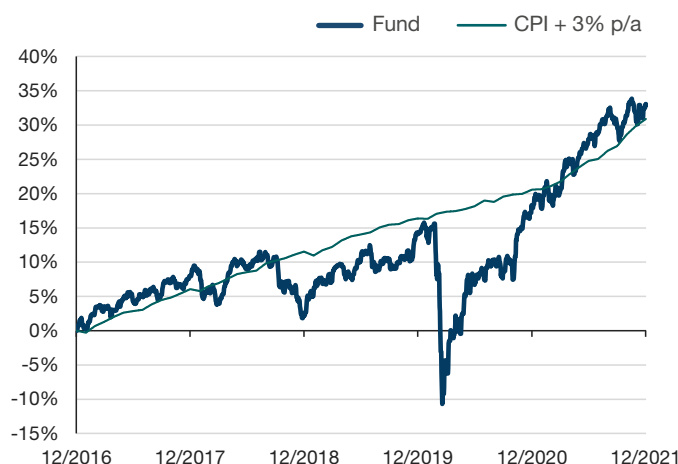
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Performance

(Cumulative returns 31 December 2016 – 31 December 2021)



Costs and charges

The OCF of 0.80% is less than the median of the funds peer group and has been rated green. This will continue to be monitored.

Value assessment

Seven criteria ratings:

- 1 Quality of service
- 2 Performance
- 3 OCF costs
- 4 Economies of scale
- 5 Comparable market rates
- 6 Comparable services
- 7 Share classes

Conclusion

We have rated this share class as green across all of the assessment criteria.

Next steps

We will continue ongoing monitoring of the share class in line with our internal governance procedures and the Assessment of Value process.

Income Plus Multi Asset Fund

Share class: I accumulation

Investment objective

To deliver a total return (the money made or lost on an investment from the combination of income and capital growth) that at the end of any five-year period is equivalent to achieving a return of the Consumer Price Index plus 3% each year over that period, after all costs and charges have been taken. The fund aims to generate a greater proportion of its total return from income rather than capital growth. There is no guarantee that the objective will be met or that a positive return will be delivered over any time period and you may get back less than you invest.

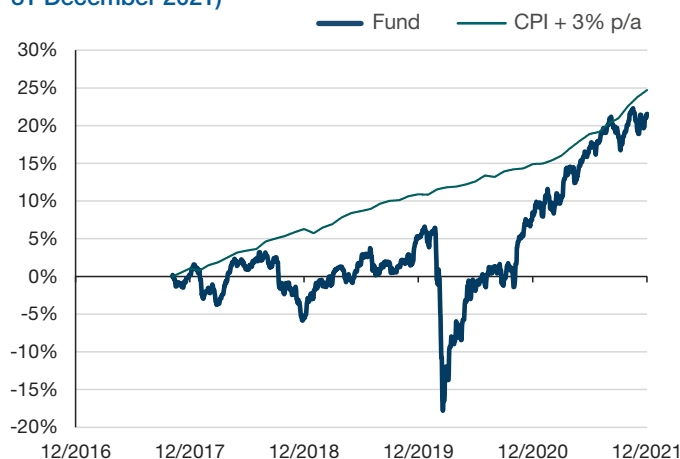
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Performance

(Cumulative returns since inception 5 November 2017 – 31 December 2021)



We measure fund performance versus a target return benchmark over five-year periods. As this share class does not have a five-year history, performance is shown from 2017 – the year the share class was launched.

Costs and charges

The OCF of 1.25% is above the peer group median and has been rated red. The costs of this share class will form part of the review this year.

Value assessment

Seven criteria ratings:

- 1 Quality of service
- 2 Performance
- 3 OCF costs
- 4 Economies of scale
- 5 Comparable market rates
- 6 Comparable services
- 7 Share classes

Conclusion

We have rated this share class as green across the majority of the assessment criteria. However, while we have rated comparable market rates as red we would note that the lowest cost doesn't necessarily lead to the best outcome for investors. We will though, review the fund costs to ensure that they are appropriate and fair.

Next steps

We will continue ongoing monitoring of the share class in line with our internal governance procedures and the Assessment of Value process. We will specifically review the costs for this share class during 2022 and will provide the outcome of our review in the next Assessment of Value report.

Income Plus Multi Asset Fund

Share class: I income

Investment objective

To deliver a total return (the money made or lost on an investment from the combination of income and capital growth) that at the end of any five-year period is equivalent to achieving a return of the Consumer Price Index plus 3% each year over that period, after all costs and charges have been taken. The fund aims to generate a greater proportion of its total return from income rather than capital growth. There is no guarantee that the objective will be met or that a positive return will be delivered over any time period and you may get back less than you invest.

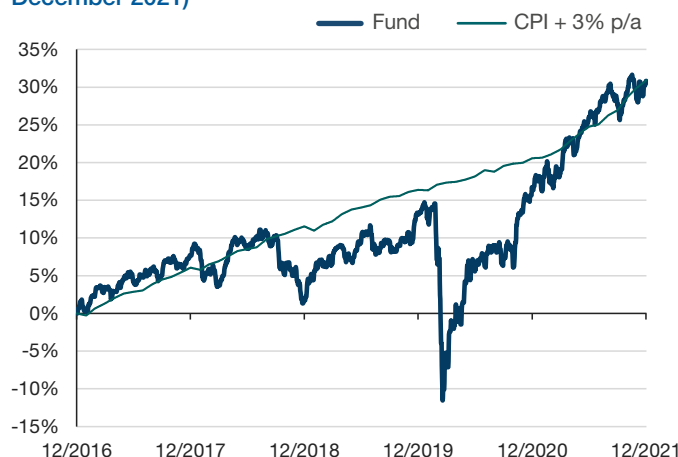
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Performance

(Cumulative returns since inception 8 July 2019 – 31 December 2021)



We measure fund performance versus a target return benchmark over five-year periods. As this fund does not yet have a five-year history, performance is shown from 2019 – the year the fund was launched.

Costs and charges

The OCF of 1.25% is above the peer group median and has been rated red. The costs of this share class will form part of the review this year.

Value assessment

Seven criteria ratings:

- ① Quality of service
- ② Performance
- ③ OCF costs
- ④ Economies of scale
- ⑤ Comparable market rates
- ⑥ Comparable services
- ⑦ Share classes

Conclusion

We have rated this share class as green across the majority of the assessment criteria. Although we have rated performance as amber, we have confidence in the fund's investment strategy and in the Investment Manager's ability to deliver on its investment objective in the future. With comparable market rates rated as red, we will also review the OCF costs to ensure that they are appropriate and fair.

Next steps

We will continue ongoing monitoring of the share class in line with our internal governance procedures and the Assessment of Value process. We will monitor the ongoing performance and will review the fund costs to ensure that they are appropriate and fair. We will specifically review the costs for this share class during 2022 and will provide the outcome of our review in the next Assessment of Value report.

Defensive Sustainable Multi Asset Fund

Share class: B accumulation

Investment objective

To deliver a total return (the money made or lost on an investment from the combination of income and capital growth) that at the end of any five-year period is equivalent to achieving a total return of the Consumer Price Index plus 1% each year over that period, after all costs and charges have been taken. There is no guarantee that the objective will be met or that a positive return will be delivered over any time period and you may get back less than you invest.

Fund manager commentary

The fund was launched in 2019 – a great year for stock markets generally, with all major regions generating double-digit returns. The fund's first full calendar year – 2020 – was decidedly eventful, and our exposure to stock market indices tracking the best companies (based on an analysis of their environmental, social and governance credentials), added positively to performance, particularly in the UK market. Within the fund's exposure to 'alternative' asset types (beyond traditional bond and equity markets), renewables, social housing and specialist healthcare property produced robust performance versus the broader market.

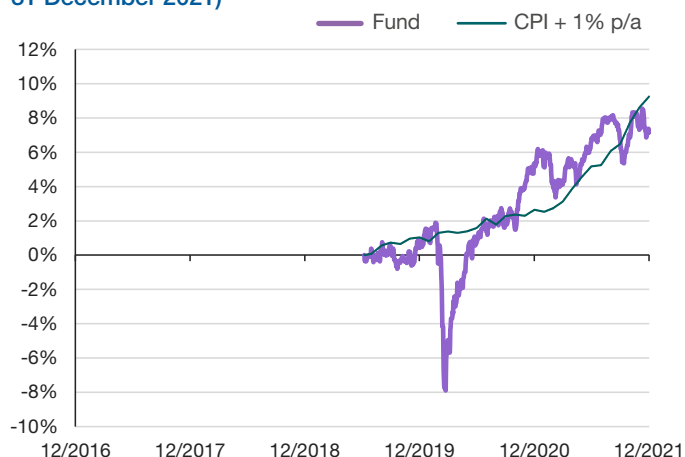
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Performance

(Cumulative returns since inception 8 July 2019 – 31 December 2021)



We measure fund performance versus a target return benchmark over five-year periods. As this fund does not yet have a five-year history, performance is shown from 2019 – the year the fund was launched.

Costs and charges

The OCF of 1.78% is less than the median of the funds peer group and has been rated green. This share class is predominately for our Wealth clients and includes fees for the ongoing services that are provided. As we do not charge a Platform fee like most of our competitors, we have taken this into account for our assessment to ensure we are comparing our funds on a fair basis.

Value assessment

Seven criteria ratings:

- ① Quality of service
- ② Performance
- ③ OCF costs
- ④ Economies of scale
- ⑤ Comparable market rates
- ⑥ Comparable services
- ⑦ Share classes

Conclusion

We have rated this share class as green across the available assessment criteria.

Next steps

We will continue ongoing monitoring of the share class in line with our internal governance procedures and the Assessment of Value process.

Defensive Sustainable Multi Asset Fund

Share class: C accumulation

Investment objective

To deliver a total return (the money made or lost on an investment from the combination of income and capital growth) that at the end of any five-year period is equivalent to achieving a total return of the Consumer Price Index plus 1% each year over that period, after all costs and charges have been taken. There is no guarantee that the objective will be met or that a positive return will be delivered over any time period and you may get back less than you invest.

Fund manager commentary

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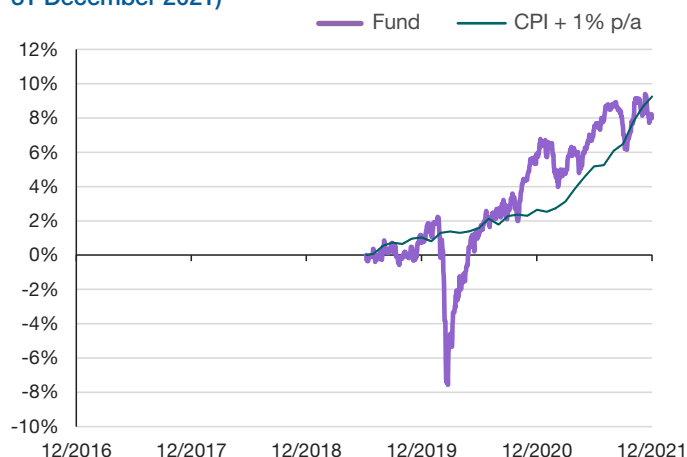
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Performance

(Cumulative returns since inception 8 July 2019 – 31 December 2021)



We measure fund performance versus a target return benchmark over five-year periods. As this fund does not yet have a five-year history, performance is shown from 2019 – the year the fund was launched.

Costs and charges

The OCF of 1.53% is less than the median of the funds peer group and has been rated green. This share class is predominately for our Wealth clients and includes fees for the ongoing services that are provided. As we do not charge a Platform fee like most of our competitors, we have taken this into account for our assessment to ensure we are comparing our funds on a fair basis.

Value assessment

Seven criteria ratings:

- 1 Quality of service
- 2 Performance
- 3 OCF costs
- 4 Economies of scale
- 5 Comparable market rates
- 6 Comparable services
- 7 Share classes

Conclusion

We have rated this share class as green across the available assessment criteria.

Next steps

We will continue ongoing monitoring of the share class in line with our internal governance procedures and the Assessment of Value process.

Defensive Sustainable Multi Asset Fund

Share class: D accumulation

Investment objective

To deliver a total return (the money made or lost on an investment from the combination of income and capital growth) that at the end of any five-year period is equivalent to achieving a total return of the Consumer Price Index plus 1% each year over that period, after all costs and charges have been taken. There is no guarantee that the objective will be met or that a positive return will be delivered over any time period and you may get back less than you invest.

Fund manager commentary

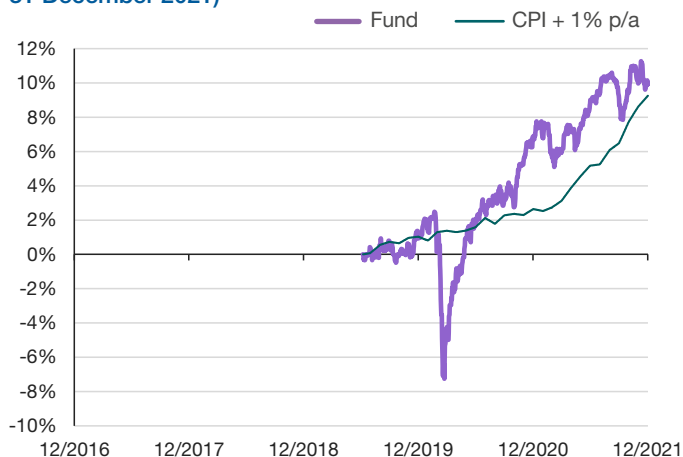
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Performance

(Cumulative returns since inception 8 July 2019 – 31 December 2021)



We measure fund performance versus a target return benchmark over five-year periods. As this fund does not yet have a five-year history, performance is shown from 2019 – the year the fund was launched.

Costs and charges

The OCF of 1.03% is above the peer group median and has been rated red. The costs of this share class will form part of the review this year.

Value assessment

Seven criteria ratings:

- ① Quality of service
- ② Performance
- ③ OCF costs
- ④ Economies of scale
- ⑤ Comparable market rates
- ⑥ Comparable services
- ⑦ Share classes

Conclusion

We have rated this share class as green across the majority of the assessment criteria. However, while we have rated comparable market rates as red we would note that the lowest cost doesn't necessarily lead to the best outcome for investors. We will though, review the fund costs to ensure that they are appropriate and fair.

Next steps

We will continue ongoing monitoring of the share class in line with our internal governance procedures and the Assessment of Value process. We will specifically review the costs for this share class during 2022 and will provide the outcome of our review in the next Assessment of Value report.

Defensive Sustainable Multi Asset Fund

Share class: H accumulation

Investment objective

To deliver a total return (the money made or lost on an investment from the combination of income and capital growth) that at the end of any five-year period is equivalent to achieving a total return of the Consumer Price Index plus 1% each year over that period, after all costs and charges have been taken. There is no guarantee that the objective will be met or that a positive return will be delivered over any time period and you may get back less than you invest.

Fund manager commentary

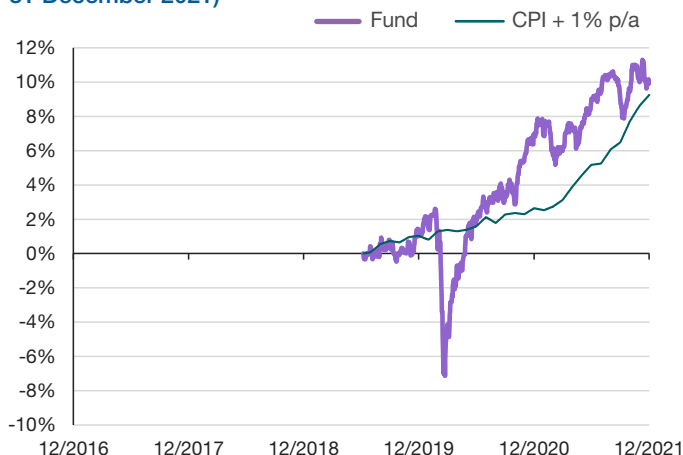
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Performance

(Cumulative returns since inception 8 July 2019 – 31 December 2021)



We measure fund performance versus a target return benchmark over five-year periods. As this fund does not yet have a five-year history, performance is shown from 2019 – the year the fund was launched.

Costs and charges

The OCF of 0.83% is above the peer group median and has been rated red. The costs of this share class will form part of the review this year.

Value assessment

Seven criteria ratings:

- ① Quality of service
- ② Performance
- ③ OCF costs
- ④ Economies of scale
- ⑤ Comparable market rates
- ⑥ Comparable services
- ⑦ Share classes

Conclusion

We have rated this share class as green across the majority of the assessment criteria. However, while we have rated comparable market rates as red we would note that the lowest cost doesn't necessarily lead to the best outcome for investors. We will though, review the fund costs to ensure that they are appropriate and fair.

Next steps

We will continue ongoing monitoring of the share class in line with our internal governance procedures and the Assessment of Value process. We will specifically review the costs for this share class during 2022 and will provide the outcome of our review in the next Assessment of Value report.

Defensive Sustainable Multi Asset Fund

Share class: I accumulation

Investment objective

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Fund manager commentary

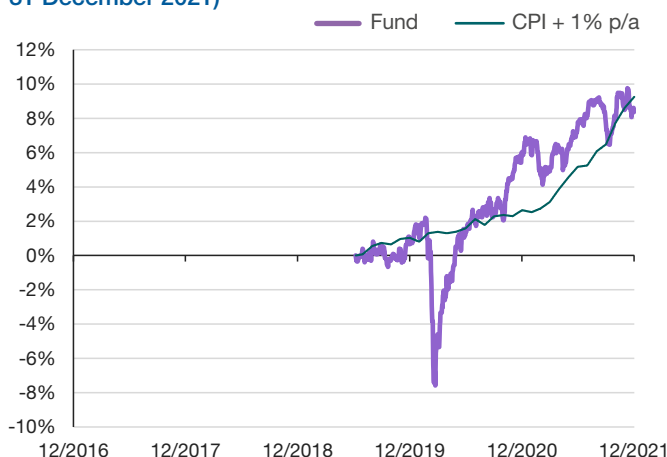
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Performance

(Cumulative returns since inception 8 July 2019 – 31 December 2021)



We measure fund performance versus a target return benchmark over five-year periods. As this fund does not yet have a five-year history, performance is shown from 2019 – the year the fund was launched.

Costs and charges

The OCF of 1.28% is above the peer group median and has been rated red. The costs of this share class will form part of the review this year.

Value assessment

Seven criteria ratings:

- ① Quality of service
- ② Performance
- ③ OCF costs
- ④ Economies of scale
- ⑤ Comparable market rates
- ⑥ Comparable services
- ⑦ Share classes

Conclusion

We have rated this share class as green across the majority of the assessment criteria. However, while we have rated comparable market rates as red we would note that the lowest cost doesn't necessarily lead to the best outcome for investors. We will though, review the fund costs to ensure that they are appropriate and fair.

Next steps

We will continue ongoing monitoring of the share class in line with our internal governance procedures and the Assessment of Value process. We will specifically review the costs for this share class during 2022 and will provide the outcome of our review in the next Assessment of Value report.

Cautious Sustainable Multi Asset Fund

Share class: B accumulation

Investment objective

To deliver a total return (the money made or lost on an investment from the combination of income and capital growth) that at the end of any five-year period is equivalent to achieving a total return of the Consumer Price Index plus 2% each year over that period, after all costs and charges have been taken. There is no guarantee that the objective will be met or that a positive return will be delivered over any time period and you may get back less than you invest.

Fund manager commentary

The fund was launched in 2019 – a great year for stock markets generally, with all major regions generating double-digit returns. The fund's first full calendar year – 2020 – was decidedly eventful, and our exposure to stock market indices tracking the best companies (based on an analysis of their environmental, social and governance credentials), added positively to performance, particularly in the UK market. Within the fund's exposure to 'alternative' asset types (beyond traditional bond and equity markets), renewables, social housing and specialist healthcare property produced robust performance versus the broader market.

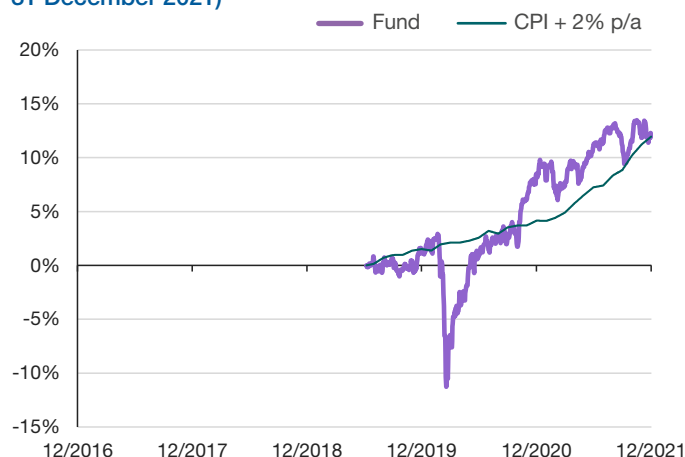
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Performance

(Cumulative returns since inception 8 July 2019 – 31 December 2021)



We measure fund performance versus a target return benchmark over five-year periods. As this fund does not yet have a five-year history, performance is shown from 2019 – the year the fund was launched.

Costs and charges

The OCF of 1.71% is less than the median of the funds peer group and has been rated green. This share class is predominately for our Wealth clients and includes fees for the ongoing services that are provided. As we do not charge a Platform fee like most of our competitors, we have taken this into account for our assessment to ensure we are comparing our funds on a fair basis.

Value assessment

Seven criteria ratings:

- ① Quality of service
- ② Performance
- ③ OCF costs
- ④ Economies of scale
- ⑤ Comparable market rates
- ⑥ Comparable services
- ⑦ Share classes

Conclusion

We have rated this share class as green across the available assessment criteria.

Next steps

We will continue ongoing monitoring of the share class in line with our internal governance procedures and the Assessment of Value process.

Cautious Sustainable Multi Asset Fund

Share class: C accumulation

Investment objective

To deliver a total return (the money made or lost on an investment from the combination of income and capital growth) that at the end of any five-year period is equivalent to achieving a total return of the Consumer Price Index plus 2% each year over that period, after all costs and charges have been taken. There is no guarantee that the objective will be met or that a positive return will be delivered over any time period and you may get back less than you invest.

Fund manager commentary

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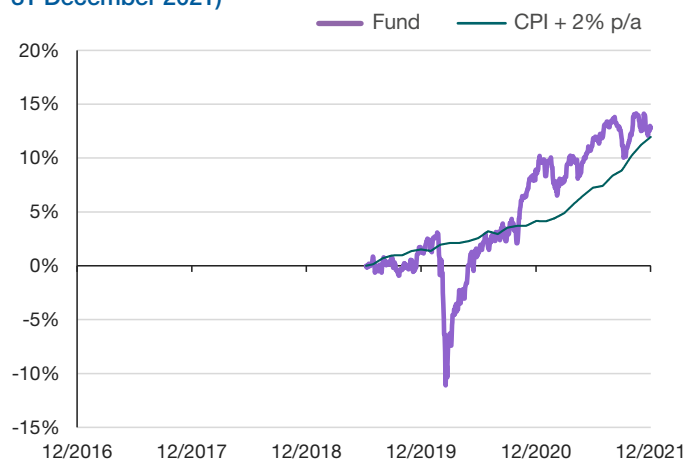
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Performance

(Cumulative returns since inception 8 July 2019 – 31 December 2021)



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Costs and charges

The OCF of 1.46% is less than the median of the funds peer group and has been rated green. This share class is predominately for our Wealth clients and includes fees for the ongoing services that are provided. As we do not charge a Platform fee like most of our competitors, we have taken this into account for our assessment to ensure we are comparing our funds on a fair basis.

Value assessment

Seven criteria ratings:

- ① Quality of service
- ② Performance
- ③ OCF costs
- ④ Economies of scale
- ⑤ Comparable market rates
- ⑥ Comparable services
- ⑦ Share classes

Conclusion

We have rated this share class as green across the available assessment criteria.

Next steps

We will continue ongoing monitoring of the share class in line with our internal governance procedures and the Assessment of Value process.

Cautious Sustainable Multi Asset Fund

Share class: D accumulation

Investment objective

To deliver a total return (the money made or lost on an investment from the combination of income and capital growth) that at the end of any five-year period is equivalent to achieving a total return of the Consumer Price Index plus 2% each year over that period, after all costs and charges have been taken. There is no guarantee that the objective will be met or that a positive return will be delivered over any time period and you may get back less than you invest.

Fund manager commentary

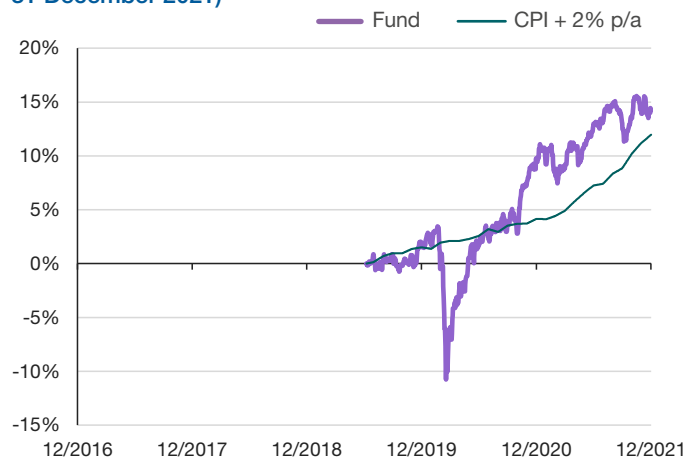
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Performance

(Cumulative returns since inception 8 July 2019 – 31 December 2021)



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Costs and charges

The OCF of 0.96% is above the peer group median and has been rated red. The costs of this share class will form part of the review this year.

Value assessment

Seven criteria ratings:

- ① Quality of service
- ② Performance
- ③ OCF costs
- ④ Economies of scale
- ⑤ Comparable market rates
- ⑥ Comparable services
- ⑦ Share classes

Conclusion

We have rated this share class as green across the majority of the assessment criteria. However, while we have rated comparable market rates as red we would note that the lowest cost doesn't necessarily lead to the best outcome for investors. We will though, review the fund costs to ensure that they are appropriate and fair.

Next steps

We will continue ongoing monitoring of the share class in line with our internal governance procedures and the Assessment of Value process. We will specifically review the costs for this share class during 2022 and will provide the outcome of our review in the next Assessment of Value report.

Cautious Sustainable Multi Asset Fund

Share class: H accumulation

Investment objective

To deliver a total return (the money made or lost on an investment from the combination of income and capital growth) that at the end of any five-year period is equivalent to achieving a total return of the Consumer Price Index plus 2% each year over that period, after all costs and charges have been taken. There is no guarantee that the objective will be met or that a positive return will be delivered over any time period and you may get back less than you invest.

Fund manager commentary

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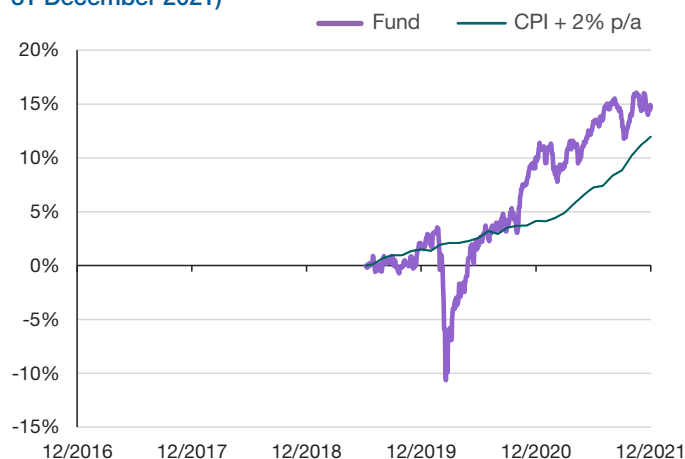
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Performance

(Cumulative returns since inception 8 July 2019 – 31 December 2021)



We measure fund performance versus a target return benchmark over five-year periods. As this fund does not yet have a five-year history, performance is shown from 2019 – the year the fund was launched.

Costs and charges

The OCF of 0.76% is less than the median of the funds peer group and has been rated green. This will continue to be monitored.

Value assessment

Seven criteria ratings:

- ① Quality of service
- ② Performance
- ③ OCF costs
- ④ Economies of scale
- ⑤ Comparable market rates
- ⑥ Comparable services
- ⑦ Share classes

Conclusion

We have rated this share class as green across the available assessment criteria.

Next steps

We will continue ongoing monitoring of the share class in line with our internal governance procedures and the Assessment of Value process.

Cautious Sustainable Multi Asset Fund

Share class: I accumulation

Investment objective

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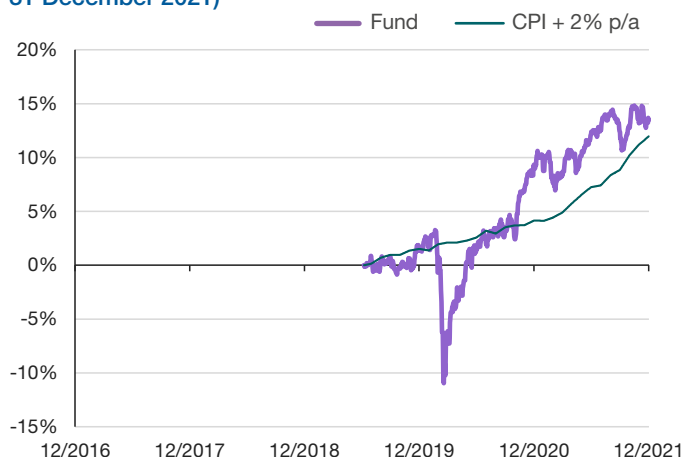
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Performance

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Costs and charges

The OCF of 1.21% is above the peer group median and has been rated red. The costs of this share class will form part of the review this year.

Value assessment

Seven criteria ratings:

- ① Quality of service
- ② Performance
- ③ OCF costs
- ④ Economies of scale
- ⑤ Comparable market rates
- ⑥ Comparable services
- ⑦ Share classes

Conclusion

We have rated this share class as green across the majority of the assessment criteria. However, while we have rated comparable market rates as red we would note that the lowest cost doesn't necessarily lead to the best outcome for investors. We will though, review the fund costs to ensure that they are appropriate and fair.

Next steps

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Balanced Sustainable Multi Asset Fund

Share class: B accumulation

Investment objective

To deliver a total return (the money made or lost on an investment from the combination of income and capital growth) that at the end of any five-year period is equivalent to achieving a total return of the Consumer Price Index plus 3% each year over that period, after all costs and charges have been taken. There is no guarantee that the objective will be met or that a positive return will be delivered over any time period and you may get back less than you invest.

Fund manager commentary

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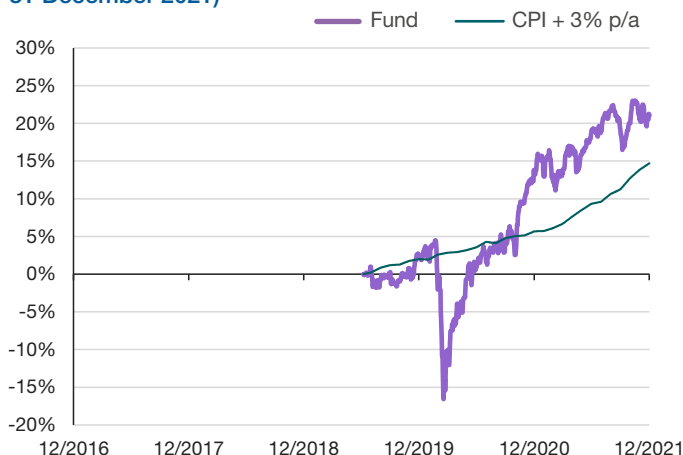
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Performance

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Costs and charges

The OCF of 1.78% is less than the median of the funds peer group and has been rated green. This share class is predominately for our Wealth clients and includes fees for the ongoing services that are provided. As we do not charge a Platform fee like most of our competitors, we have taken this into account for our assessment to ensure we are comparing our funds on a fair basis.

Value assessment

Seven criteria ratings:

- ① Quality of service
- ② Performance
- ③ OCF costs
- ④ Economies of scale
- ⑤ Comparable market rates
- ⑥ Comparable services
- ⑦ Share classes

Conclusion

We have rated this share class as green across the available assessment criteria.

Next steps

We will continue ongoing monitoring of the share class in line with our internal governance procedures and the Assessment of Value process.

Balanced Sustainable Multi Asset Fund

Share class: C accumulation

Investment objective

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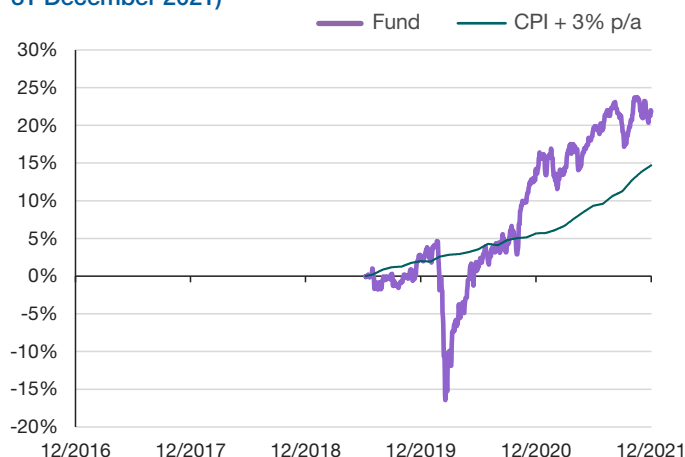
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Costs and charges

The OCF of 1.53% is less than the median of the funds peer group and has been rated green. This share class is predominately for our Wealth clients and includes fees for the ongoing services that are provided. As we do not charge a Platform fee like most of our competitors, we have taken this into account for our assessment to ensure we are comparing our funds on a fair basis.

Value assessment

Seven criteria ratings:

- ① Quality of service
- ② Performance
- ③ OCF costs
- ④ Economies of scale
- ⑤ Comparable market rates
- ⑥ Comparable services
- ⑦ Share classes

Conclusion

We have rated this share class as green across the available assessment criteria.

Next steps

We will continue ongoing monitoring of the share class in line with our internal governance procedures and the Assessment of Value process.

Balanced Sustainable Multi Asset Fund

Share class: D accumulation

Investment objective

To deliver a total return (the money made or lost on an investment from the combination of income and capital growth) that at the end of any five-year period is equivalent to achieving a total return of the Consumer Price Index plus 3% each year over that period, after all costs and charges have been taken. There is no guarantee that the objective will be met or that a positive return will be delivered over any time period and you may get back less than you invest.

Fund manager commentary

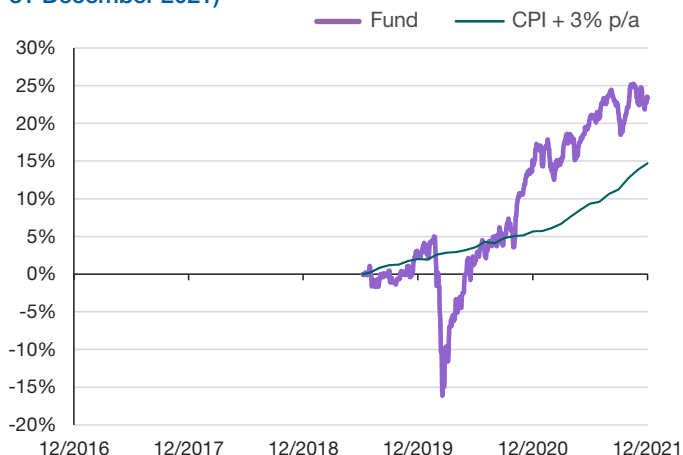
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Performance

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Costs and charges

The OCF of 1.03% is marginally above the peer group median and has been rated amber. This will be closely monitored.

Value assessment

Seven criteria ratings:

- ① Quality of service
- ② Performance
- ③ OCF costs
- ④ Economies of scale
- ⑤ Comparable market rates
- ⑥ Comparable services
- ⑦ Share classes

Conclusion

We have rated this share class as green across the majority of the assessment criteria. However, while we have rated comparable market rates as amber, we would note that the lowest cost doesn't necessarily lead to the best outcome for investors. We will though, review the fund costs to ensure that they are appropriate and fair.

Next steps

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Balanced Sustainable Multi Asset Fund

Share class: H accumulation

Investment objective

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Fund manager commentary

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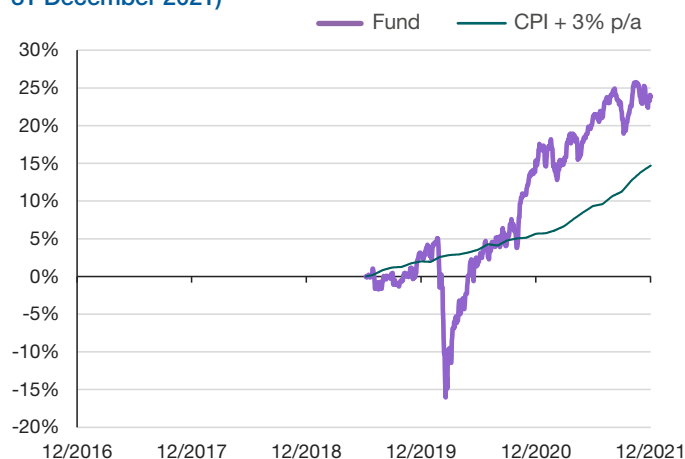
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Performance

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Costs and charges

The OCF of 0.83% is less than the median of the funds peer group and has been rated green. This will continue to be monitored.

Value assessment

Seven criteria ratings:

- ① Quality of service
- ② Performance
- ③ OCF costs
- ④ Economies of scale
- ⑤ Comparable market rates
- ⑥ Comparable services
- ⑦ Share classes

Conclusion

We have rated this share class as green across the available assessment criteria.

Next steps

We will continue ongoing monitoring of the share class in line with our internal governance procedures and the Assessment of Value process.

Balanced Sustainable Multi Asset Fund

Share class: I accumulation

Investment objective

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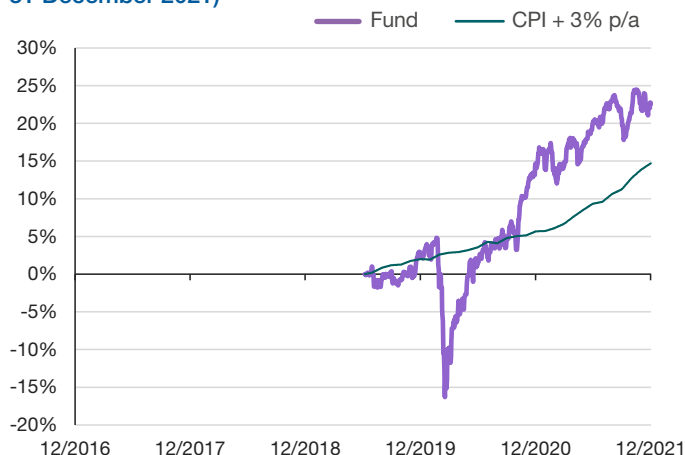
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Performance

(Cumulative returns since inception 8 July 2019 – 31 December 2021)



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Costs and charges

The OCF of 1.28% is above the peer group median and has been rated red. The costs of this share class will form part of the review this year.

Value assessment

Seven criteria ratings:

- ① Quality of service
- ② Performance
- ③ OCF costs
- ④ Economies of scale
- ⑤ Comparable market rates
- ⑥ Comparable services
- ⑦ Share classes

Conclusion

We have rated this share class as green across the majority of the assessment criteria. However, while we have rated comparable market rates as red we would note that the lowest cost doesn't necessarily lead to the best outcome for investors. We will though, review the fund costs to ensure that they are appropriate and fair.

Next steps

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Growth Sustainable Multi Asset Fund

Share class: B accumulation

Investment objective

To deliver a total return (the money made or lost on an investment from the combination of income and capital growth) that at the end of any five-year period is equivalent to achieving a total return of the Consumer Price Index plus 4% each year over that period, after all costs and charges have been taken. There is no guarantee that the objective will be met or that a positive return will be delivered over any time period and you may get back less than you invest.

Fund manager commentary

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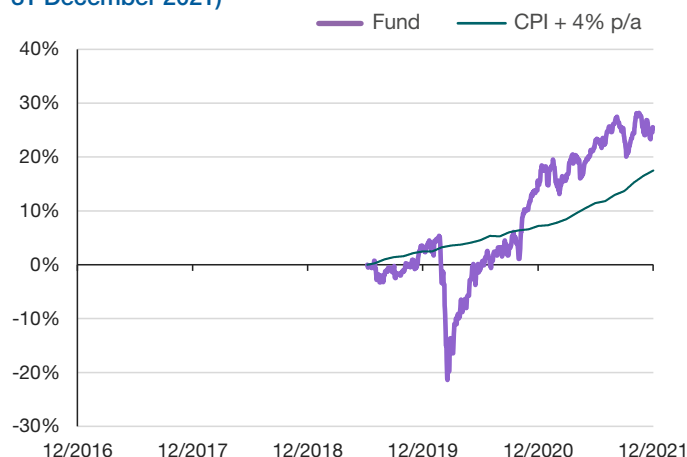
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Performance

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Costs and charges

The OCF of 1.86% is less than the median of the funds peer group and has been rated green. This share class is predominately for our Wealth clients and includes fees for the ongoing services that are provided. As we do not charge a Platform fee like most of our competitors, we have taken this into account for our assessment to ensure we are comparing our funds on a fair basis.

Value assessment

Seven criteria ratings:

- ① Quality of service
- ② Performance
- ③ OCF costs
- ④ Economies of scale
- ⑤ Comparable market rates
- ⑥ Comparable services
- ⑦ Share classes

Conclusion

We have rated this share class as green across the available assessment criteria.

Next steps

We will continue ongoing monitoring of the share class in line with our internal governance procedures and the Assessment of Value process.

Growth Sustainable Multi Asset Fund

Share class: C accumulation

Investment objective

To deliver a total return (the money made or lost on an investment from the combination of income and capital growth) that at the end of any five-year period is equivalent to achieving a total return of the Consumer Price Index plus 4% each year over that period, after all costs and charges have been taken. There is no guarantee that the objective will be met or that a positive return will be delivered over any time period and you may get back less than you invest.

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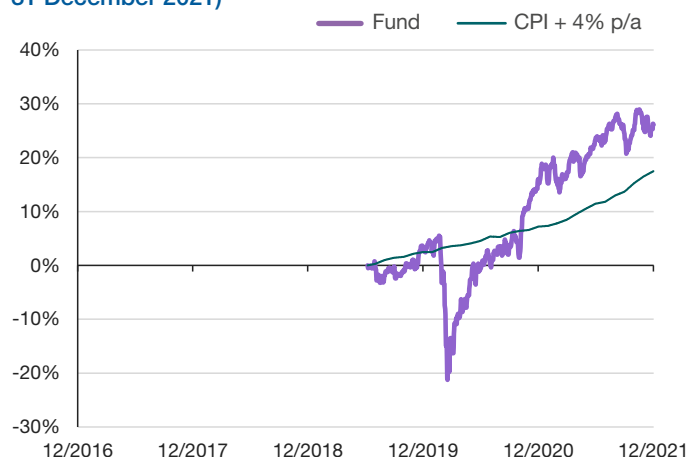
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Costs and charges

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Value assessment

Seven criteria ratings:

- ① Quality of service
- ② Performance
- ③ OCF costs
- ④ Economies of scale
- ⑤ Comparable market rates
- ⑥ Comparable services
- ⑦ Share classes

Conclusion

We have rated this share class as green across the available assessment criteria.

Next steps

We will continue ongoing monitoring of the share class in line with our internal governance procedures and the Assessment of Value process.

Growth Sustainable Multi Asset Fund

Share class: D accumulation

Investment objective

To deliver a total return (the money made or lost on an investment from the combination of income and capital growth) that at the end of any five-year period is equivalent to achieving a total return of the Consumer Price Index plus 4% each year over that period, after all costs and charges have been taken. There is no guarantee that the objective will be met or that a positive return will be delivered over any time period and you may get back less than you invest.

Fund manager commentary

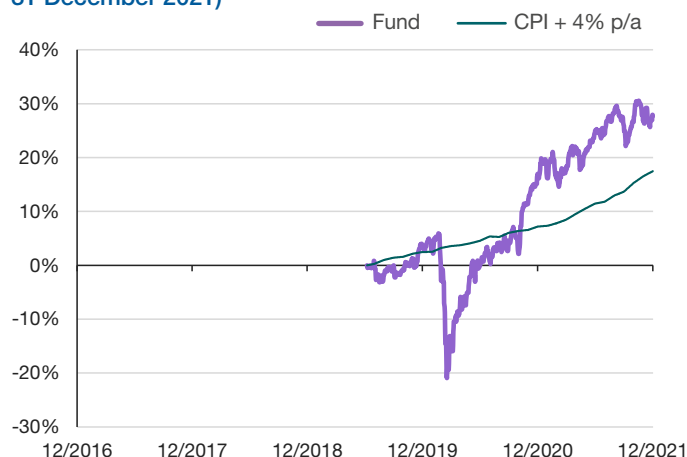
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Costs and charges

The OCF of 1.11% is above the peer group median and has been rated red. The costs of this share class will form part of the review this year.

Value assessment

Seven criteria ratings:

- ① Quality of service
- ② Performance
- ③ OCF costs
- ④ Economies of scale
- ⑤ Comparable market rates
- ⑥ Comparable services
- ⑦ Share classes

Conclusion

We have rated this share class as green across the majority of the assessment criteria. However, while we have rated comparable market rates as red we would note that the lowest cost doesn't necessarily lead to the best outcome for investors. We will though, review the fund costs to ensure that they are appropriate and fair.

Next steps

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Growth Sustainable Multi Asset Fund

Share class: H accumulation

Investment objective

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Fund manager commentary

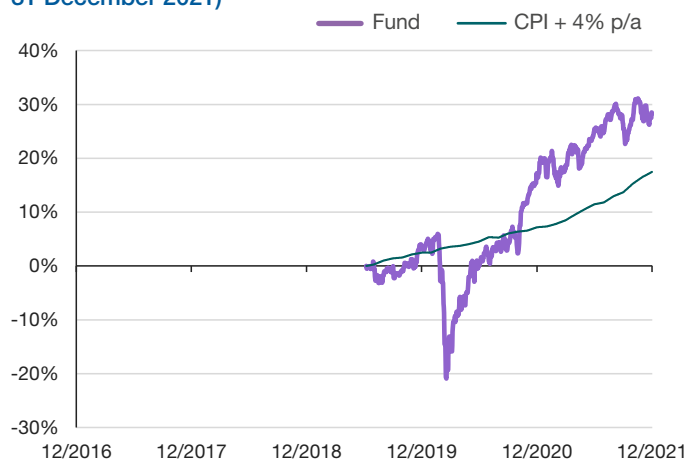
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We measure fund performance versus a target return benchmark over five-year periods. As this fund does not yet have a five-year history, performance is shown from 2019 – the year the fund was launched.

Costs and charges

The OCF of 0.91% is above the peer group median and has been rated red. The costs of this share class will form part of the review this year.

Value assessment

Seven criteria ratings:

- ① Quality of service
- ② Performance
- ③ OCF costs
- ④ Economies of scale
- ⑤ Comparable market rates
- ⑥ Comparable services
- ⑦ Share classes

Conclusion

We have rated this share class as green across the majority of the assessment criteria. However, while we have rated comparable market rates as red we would note that the lowest cost doesn't necessarily lead to the best outcome for investors. We will though, review the fund costs to ensure that they are appropriate and fair.

Next steps

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Growth Sustainable Multi Asset Fund

Share class: I accumulation

Investment objective

To deliver a total return (the money made or lost on an investment from the combination of income and capital growth) that at the end of any five-year period is equivalent to achieving a total return of the Consumer Price Index plus 4% each year over that period, after all costs and charges have been taken. There is no guarantee that the objective will be met or that a positive return will be delivered over any time period and you may get back less than you invest.

Fund manager commentary

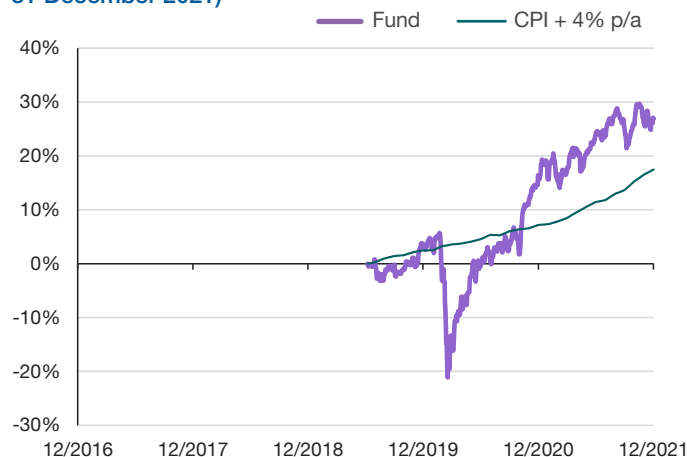
The fund was launched in 2019 – a great year for stock markets generally, with all major regions generating double-digit returns. The fund's first full calendar year – 2020 – was decidedly eventful, and our exposure to stock market indices tracking the best companies (based on an analysis of their environmental, social and governance credentials), added positively to performance, particularly in the UK market. Within the fund's exposure to 'alternative' asset types (beyond traditional bond and equity markets), renewables, social housing and specialist healthcare property produced robust performance versus the broader market.

In 2021, within the fund's allocation to shares, a number of impact strategies continued to perform well following a very strong 2020. Bonds, including green bonds and social bonds, saw losses over the year. Alternative asset types offered broadly flat performance overall, with gains from renewables and care homes roughly offsetting losses in social housing.

We are optimistic about the outlook for sustainable investing, but aware that market preferences are changeable by nature. As such, we continue to focus on our robust investment process and long-term goals.

Performance

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Costs and charges

The OCF of 1.36% is above the peer group median and has been rated red. The costs of this share class will form part of the review this year.

Value assessment

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G Glossary of terms

Key investment terms

Active

Where the fund manager uses their expertise to pick investments to achieve the fund's objectives rather than copy the investments in a market index.

Alternatives

Different types of investments outside of company shares, bonds and cash. They may include, but are not limited to, property, gold and infrastructure.

AMC

Annual Management Charge on funds, typically a percentage of the value of the investment.

Assets

Anything having commercial or exchange value that is owned by a business, institution or individual.

Asset allocation

Apportioning a portfolio's assets to achieve a defined level of risk tolerance and investment goals.

Bond

An investment in the debt of a government or corporation, where investors receive a fixed rate of interest over a specified time period, at the end of which the initial amount is repaid.

Consumer Price Index (CPI)

A measure of inflation constructed by using the price of a basket of goods and services.

Diversification

Holding different types of assets in a portfolio to spread the risk.

Economic cycle

The fluctuation between an economy's periods of expansion (growth) and contraction (recession).

Equity

Shares in a company.

Fixed income

A sector of investments which offer fixed rates of interest over a specified time period, at the end of which the initial amount is repaid. This may include, but is not limited to, government bonds and corporate debt.

Handelsbanken ACD

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Index

A representative portfolio of shares which helps to track market trends and performance.

Inflation

The rate at which the price of goods and services rises.

Liquidity

The degree to which an investment can be quickly bought or sold on a market without affecting its price.

Multi asset investing

Investing in different types of assets such as company shares, bonds, property or cash amongst others.

Platform

Software used to manage investments through a financial intermediary.

Return

The money made or lost on an investment.

Real return

The return from an investment after the effects of inflation are removed.

Risk

The level of risk in a portfolio is essentially the probability for loss.

Safe-haven assets

Assets that investors perceive to be relatively safe from suffering a loss in times of market turmoil.

Sector

An investment category used to define the primary business of a company, such as technology, energy or healthcare.

Share/stock

A stake representing part ownership of a company.

Synthetic costs

These are charges made by the underlying funds held within Handelsbanken Wealth & Asset Management's funds.

Volatility

The degree to which the price of a given asset rapidly changes. The higher the volatility, the riskier the asset tends to be.

Yield

The income from an investment, usually stated as a percentage of the value of that investment.

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