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INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT

## EF BALANCED GROWTH PORTFOLIO

## SEPTEMBER 2024

## PORTFOLIO DEFINITION

#### Balanced Growth

The portfolio aims to provide long-term capital growth with the lower risk element offering some protection against equity market volatility. It aims to grow the investment above inflation over the long term.

Returns are achieved through a broad spectrum of investments from lower risk to higher risk. It is predominantly invested in medium risk investments with only modest exposure to lower risk and higher risk based investments. It is mainly equity focused with only modest exposure to fixed interest and alternative investment strategies.

#### MARKET UPDATE

Equity markets around the globe briefly declined at the start of August, following the publication of less encouraging US economic data, which raised concerns there is a chance the US may be heading for recession. At the same time, the Bank of Japan announced its biggest increase in interest rates for over 17 years. This added to the volatility as 'carry traders', who borrow in a low-interest rate currency (such as the Japanese Yen) and invest in a higher yielding currency, tried to exit their positions as the Yen strengthened.

Over the rest of the month, most markets recovered much of their lost ground following several developments. This included the Bank of Japan ruling out a further rise in interest rates while markets were volatile. There were also more positive labour market releases as well as data showing that the US service sector returned to growth in July.

The US Federal Open Market Committee did not have a scheduled meeting during August, but it now looks almost certain to start cutting rates in September. The Bank of England did meet in August, where it announced its first cut to interest rates since 2020. Expectations of significant rate cuts helped our bond holdings as well as the Invesco S&P 500 High Dividend Low Volatility ETF (+2.4% over August) as it has a high allocation to 'bond proxy' equity sectors that tend to do well when interest rates fall.

By the end of August, most of the holdings in the portfolio had increased in value. It is pleasing to see that the portfolio held up well against the early bout of volatility, yet still participated in the recovery to end the month with a positive return.

CUMULATIVE PERFORMANCE %						
PORTFOLIO	3 MONTHS	12 MONTHS	3 YEARS	5 YEARS	SINCE LAUNCH **	
EF CIM Balanced Growth *	2.14	12.83	8.19	31.36	142.91	
Bank of England Base Rate	1.26	5.22	9.88	10.48	14.69	
UK All Shares	2.40	16.98	24.35	37.89	142.43	
UK Consumer Price Index	-0.07	1.90	19.36	23.43	41.44	

#### DISCRETE ANNUAL PERFORMANCE %

PORTFOLIO	31ST AUG 2024	31ST AUG 2023	31ST AUG 2022	31ST AUG 2021	31ST AUG 2020
EF CIM Balanced Growth *	12.83	0.83	-4.91	19.80	1.35
Bank of England Base Rate	5.22	3.77	0.63	0.10	0.45
UK All Shares	16.98	5.23	1.01	26.95	-12.65
UK Consumer Price Index	1.90	6.66	9.81	3.22	0.18
VK Consumer Price Index			9.81	3.22	0.18

Source FE Analytics 31st August 2024

\*\* Launch Date 1st February 2012

#### PERFORMANCE GRAPH



#### Risk Range

The Portfolio Manager will actively manage the portfolio within target risk parameters for each profile. Please refer to Ermin Fosse for more information.



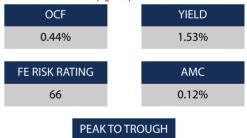
#### Ten largest fund holdings (%)

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Vanguard Global Emerging Markets	13.1
Liontrust European Dynamic	13.0
iShares Edge MSCI World Min Vol	12.1
Amundi IS Prime Japan ETF	11.9
Invesco S&P 500 High Div Low Vol ETF	11.4
Fidelity Index UK	10.8
Man Alternative Style Risk Premia	9.2
JPM Glb HY Corp Bond Multi-Factor Hedged	4.7
Vanguard Global Credit Bond Inst Hedged	4.6
Amundi Index Global Agg Hedged ETF	3.7
Assets in top ten holdings	94.5

#### Ten largest asset class exposures (%)

North American Equities	20.5
European Equities	14.6
Japan Equities	13.2
UK Equities	11.0
Other Alternatives	9.2
Asia Pacific ex Japan Equities	8.6
Government Bonds	6.1
Corporate Bonds	5.7
High Yield Bonds	4.7
Emerging Market Equities	2.9

Cash includes cash held in underlying funds plus GBP held in model



 OCF - An Ongoing Charge Figure (OCF) is made up of the underlying fund manager's charge and a variety of other operating costs.

-20.81%

- YIELD A Yield is income produced by the portfolio.
- FE RISK RATING A measure of risk relative to the leading 100 UK shares (which has a score of 100). For example, a score of 50 indicates the strategy has previously exhibited half of the volatility of this index.
- AMC The annual fee that CIM charge to manage the portfolio.
- PEAK TO TROUGH- is also known as Maximum Drawdown. This represents the worst possible return over a period (July 2012 to August 2024) - for example, buying at the maximum price over the period and selling at the worst price.

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## CHIEF INVESTMENT OFFICER

#### JONATHAN PROUT

Jonathan is a graduate of the University of Warwick and holds a number of certificates and qualifications in investment analysis financial

modeling, statistical analysis and quantitative finance. Prior to joining Chetwood, Jonathan held senior roles in major financial institutions, managing global investment strategies for over 20 years.



## PORTFOLIO DIRECTOR

MIKE EVANS Mike is a graduate of Exeter University, where he studied Mathematics with Accounting. He has over 17 years' experience of working in the investment industry, and is a Chartered Financial Analyst

(CFA). He has also passed the Investment Management Certificate (IMC).



## PORTFOLIO MANAGER

CHRIS FLINN Chris joined Chetwood in 2022 as an Assistant Investment Manager. He has 5 years' experience of providing day-today oversight of Discretionary clients and fund research. Chris holds the CISI Investment Advice Diploma and the

Investment Management Certificate (IMC)



## PORTFOLIO ANALYST

KAYLEIGH CLACE Kayleigh joined the team in July 2022 as a graduate of the University of Exeter, where she achieved a Master of Science with Honours in Mathematics with Finance degree.



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We combine our proven process with a deep passion for investments and a commitment to constantly improve the portfolio returns we can generate. Our investment edge is our ability to maximise our client's participation in the growth of markets whilst reducing the downside risk.

#### INVESTMENT STRATEGY

The aim of the Balanced Growth Portfolio is to grow the value of your original investment over the long term with an investment horizon of at least 5 years. The portfolio seeks to have an emphasis on global equity markets with a capital preservation consideration. The strategy is actively managed and aims to outperform its respective benchmark. The portfolio may be more suitable for clients that are looking for capital accumulation.

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