EPIM Brunel Equity Focused Portfolio Factsheet

As of 31/12/2024





Overview:

The portfolio is managed by Eden Park Investment Management supported by investment expertise from Hymans Robertson Investment Services LLP (HRIS). HRIS adopts a long-term strategic approach to asset allocation and has a robust and independent approach to fund selection

The portfolio is usually rebalanced every 6 months, although we also retain the right to accelerate, postpone or cancel a scheduled rebalancing at our discretion.

The portfolio is appropriate for retail and professional clients seeking to achieve growth and/or income. The model portfolio is not deemed appropriate for clients that have no ability to sustain a capital loss, are completely risk averse, have low or no financial resilience, are looking for guaranteed returns (or a guaranteed return of capital), have an investment time horizon of less than five years or wish to access the service on an execution only basis or a non-advised basis.

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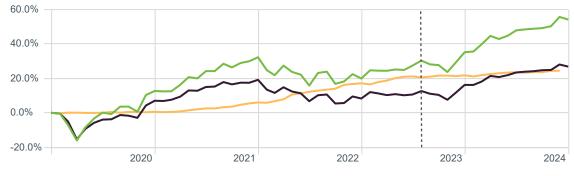
Name	EPIM Brunel Equity Focused Portfolio
Benchmark	IA Flexible Investment
Inception Date	03/07/2023
Ongoing Charge Figure (OCF)	0.22%
DFM Fee	0.25%
Estimated Transaction Cost	0.10%
Number of Fund Holdings	15

Portfolio Objective:

The objective is to achieve capital growth over the long-term. The portfolio will seek to achieve its objective through investing in a range of funds. The portfolio can invest up to 100% in equities. The portfolio is appropriate for clients that are prepared to risk significant amounts of capital in pursuit of long-term returns.

Portfolio Returns





- IA Flexible Investment

Performance Calculation:

Performance is as at the return date of the factsheet. Expressed in percentage terms, the performance is calculated by taking the change in monthly net asset values, reinvesting all income and capital-gains, and dividing by the starting net asset value. The total returns include fees and other costs taken out of fund assets, but exclude the DFM fee. (Including fees in the total returns will reduce the illustrated performance).

*Performance prior to inception date is simulated past performance based on back-tested data (represented by any performance prior to the dotted line marker in the graph).

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Cumulative Portfolio Returns

	3 Months	6 Months	1 Year	3 Years*	5 Years*	Since Inception
EPIM Brunel Equity Focused Portfolio	3.32	4.25	14.04	16.55	54.21	20.99
IA Flexible Investment	1.67	2.76	9.15	6.45	26.86	14.66

-UK CPI

Market Commentary

The last quarter of 2024 wrapped up a year of important elections, with president-elect Trump winning the US election and speculation over the new administration's intended policies impacting markets. Central banks' interest rate cutting cycles have begun but the re-emergence of inflationary pressures has caused them to re-evaluate the pace of cuts.

Following Trump's election victory in November, markets saw a host of "Trump trades" priced into markets, with investors tilting into sectors and regions that they believed would be positively impacted from a Trump administration. The overall result on the US equity market in Q4 2024, which was also boosted by a stronger dollar, was a 10% gain, outperforming global equity markets which returned 5.9% over the quarter. UK equities lagged (-0.4%) with the inflationary impact of the UK budget now baked-in but the targeted economic growth still uncertain. European equities also underperformed (-4.0%) with the prospect of European companies facing tariffs imposed by the US being priced in.

Despite the Federal Reserve (Fed) cutting their target rate twice over the quarter, the Fed signalled a slower rate of cuts moving forward into 2025 which pushed bond yields up and prices down. The Bank of England only cut once, in November, and decided to keep rates at 4.75% in December. An uplift to inflation expectations, partially driven by the Budget, led to more caution. For bond markets, global investment grade corporate bonds ended the quarter down 1% whilst high-yield bonds returned 0.4%, helped by being less sensitive to rising bond yields. UK gilts returned -3.1% over the quarter as investors digested the large increase in borrowing announced in October's Budget.

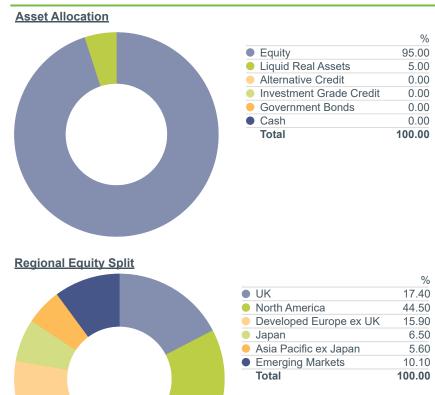
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Portfolio Holdings





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