## **EPIM Brunel Cautious Portfolio Factsheet**

### As of 31/03/2025





### 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.

Key Information
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Name	EPIM Brunel Cautious Portfolio
Benchmark	IA Mixed Investment 0-35% Shares
Inception Date	01/06/2019
Ongoing Charge Figure (OCF)	0.24%
DFM Fee	0.25%
Estimated Transaction Cost	0.05%
Number of Fund Holdings	27

## 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 35% in equities. The portfolio is appropriate for clients looking to make a positive return on their initial outlay, but for whom capital preservation also remains as a key priority.

### Portfolio Returns





## 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 figures are shown in pound sterling. Performance may deviate by platform and deviate from performance provided by the platform.

Any performance shown prior to 3 July 2023 is based on the portfolio when it was managed by a different provider. All performance after 3 July 2023 is based on the asset allocation provided by HRIS. Performance data prior to 3 July 2023 provided by RBC Brewin Dolphin.

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## **Cumulative Portfolio Returns**

	3 Months	6 Months	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	Since Inception
EPIM Brunel Cautious Portfolio	0.20	1.04	4.58	7.57	23.22	19.01
IA Mixed Investment 0-35% Shares	0.53	0.19	3.43	3.09	15.93	10.82

# Market Commentary

Fears of a global trade war emerged in Q1 2025 as President Trump's foreign and tariff policies increased market volatility. Over the quarter, the Bank of England cut interest rates by 0.25% while the US Federal Reserve kept rates unchanged, preferring to take a wait-and-see approach to the impact of tariffs on prices.

Over the quarter, Trump initially announced the US would impose a series of tariffs on Canada, Mexico and China. He later announced tariffs globally on steel, aluminium and vehicles, indicating no country is exempt from US trade policies. The speed and extent of the proposed tariffs caught investors by surprise, sparking widespread uncertainty in global equity markets, which ended the quarter down 4%. Falling consumer sentiment and concerns of a US economic slowdown exacerbated the decline for the US equity market which returned -7.1% over Q1. US technology stocks, such as Tesla and Nvidia, key drivers of performance over the previous years, were hit particularly hard over the quarter as the high valuations of these stocks made them vulnerable to a downturn. Europe was the best performing equity region over the quarter (7.6%) following announcements of large government spending, given the expectation of a lower reliance on the US in the future.

Bond markets had a positive quarter, with uncertainty nudging investors to move into less risky assets, such as corporate and government bonds which returned 0.6% and 0.5%, respectively. High yield bonds also had a positive quarter, returning 1.2%. The dollar weakened over the quarter as falling confidence in the US seeped into markets. This will have negatively impacted returns on US equities for UK investors.

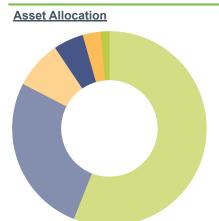
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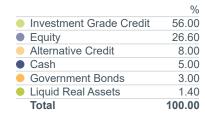
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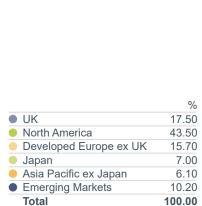
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## **Portfolio Holdings**

	Portfolio Weighting %
Vanguard Glb Corp Bd ldx £ H Acc	17.55
Vanguard Glb S/T Bd Idx £ H Acc	14.21
L&G Short Dated £ Corporate Bd Idx C Acc	8.41
Vanguard UK Invm Grd Bd Idx £ Acc	5.40
Vanguard FTSE UK All Shr Idx Unit Tr£Acc	4.20
M&G Corporate Bond GBP I Acc	4.05
L&G Fut Wld ESG Tilted & OptdDevldxC£Acc	4.04
Schroder Sus Multi-Factor Eq I Acc GBP	3.48
MI TwentyFour AM Monument Bond L Acc	3.19
RLBF II Royal London Shrt Dur Crdt Z Acc	3.19
L&G All Stocks Gilt Index I Acc	3.00
M&G Emerging Markets Bond GBP I Acc	2.80
Vanguard ESG Scrn Dev Wrld AllCpEqldxAcc	2.64
iShares Continen Eurp Eq Idx (UK) D Acc	2.52
BlackRock ICS Sterling Liq Premier Acc	2.50
L&G Cash Trust I Acc	2.50
MI TwentyFour AM Dynamic Bond I Acc	2.40
Fidelity Emerg Mkts R Acc	2.24
Fidelity Index US P Acc	1.68
JPM Global High Yield Bond C Grs Acc	1.44
Baillie Gifford Global Alpha Gr B Acc	1.40
L&G Global Infrastructure Index C Acc	1.40
Veritas Global Focus GBP Acc NAV	1.40
PIMCO GIS GIb Hi Yld Bd Instl GBP H Acc	1.36
iShares Japan Equity Index (UK) D Acc	1.00
iShares Pacific ex Jpn Eq Idx (UK) D Acc	1.00
Vanguard Glb Small-Cp ldx £ Acc	1.00



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