

Changes to UK Investment Funds – from 7th August 2019



Investment objective & policy changes – Standard Life Wealth Bridge Fund (to be renamed Aberdeen Standard Capital Bridge Fund)

Investment objective		Investment policy	
Existing	Proposed	Existing	Proposed
<p><u>Investment Objective and Policies of the Scheme</u></p> <p>The investment objective of the Scheme is to achieve capital growth through investment principally in UK and international securities. The Scheme may also invest in warrants, deposits, approved money market instruments, collective investment schemes, derivative instruments and forward transactions.</p>	<p>To generate growth over the <i>long term</i> (5 years or more) by investing in a diversified portfolio of equities (company shares) and <i>bonds</i> (loans to governments or companies).</p> <p><i>Performance Target:</i> To exceed the ARC Private Client Indices (PCI) Steady Growth Net Return Index per annum after charges over rolling 3 year periods. The <i>Performance Target</i> is the level of performance the management team hopes to achieve for the fund. There is however no certainty or promise that it will be achieved.</p> <p>The Manager believes this is an appropriate target for the fund since it reflects the risk and return profile that private clients expect and</p>	<p>See existing investment objective.</p>	<p>Portfolio Securities</p> <p>The fund invests at least 70% in global equities, corporate investment grade <i>bonds</i> and government <i>bonds</i> issued anywhere in the world.</p> <p>The fund may hold other securities and asset classes (e.g. supranational and other types of <i>bonds</i> and listed real estate) issued anywhere in the world.</p> <p>The fund may also invest in other funds (including those managed by Aberdeen Standard Investments), <i>money-market instruments</i>, and <i>cash</i>.</p> <p>Management Process</p>

aligns with the investment policy of the fund.

The management team use their discretion (*active management*) to identify holdings based on an analysis of global economic and market conditions (for example, interest rates and inflation) and analysis of a company's prospects and creditworthiness compared to that of the market.

They focus on selecting companies and *bonds*, and ensuring that the allocation of assets meets the fund's objectives.

In seeking to achieve the *Performance Target*, a composite index, details of which are provided below, is used as a reference point for portfolio construction and as a basis for setting risk *constraints*. The expected variation ("tracking error") between the returns of the fund and the composite index, is not ordinarily expected exceed 4%. Due to the fund's risk *constraints*, the intention is that the fund's performance profile will not deviate significantly from that of the composite index over the *longer term*.

Composite Index: 30% FTSE All-Share Index, 45% FTSE World ex UK Index, 10% FTSE Actuaries UK Conventional Gilts All Stocks Index, 10% ICE BofAML Sterling Non-Gilts Index , 5% 1 Month GBP LIBOR Index.

Derivatives and Techniques

The fund may use *derivatives* to reduce risk, reduce cost and/or generate additional income or growth consistent with the risk profile of the fund (often referred to as “*Efficient Portfolio Management*”).

Derivative usage in the fund is expected to be limited. Where derivatives are used, this would mainly be to manage expected changes in interest rates, companies share prices, currencies or creditworthiness of corporations or governments.

The fund may also invest in other funds which may use derivatives extensively although these investments shall be in line with fund’s overall risk profile.