



Performance Report for Quarter Ending 30 June 2021

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The second quarter was marked by the rise of the Delta variant of Covid, not least in the UK, and by widely divergent decisions on lockdown easing and tightening around the world. Lockdown rules in the UK and, more specifically, in England, ensured a phased reopening over the course of the quarter, meaning that Brunel staff were able to start returning to the office. However, a delay to the final stage of opening – initially slated for June, but then postponed to July – made the return more staggered than first planned.

Despite the ongoing challenges, we continued to roll out new funds. In April, Brunel launched its Private Debt portfolio with Aksia, a dedicated, bespoke portfolio of funds targeting corporate direct lending strategies in Europe and North America. Our clients committed £945m to the fund, which has a strong focus on Responsible Investment. "Aksia is delighted to be working with Brunel Pension Partnership, an acknowledged thought leader in responsible investment, to customise a direct lending portfolio for its LGPS clients," said Valérie Bénard, Head of Aksia Europe.

On the listed markets side, Brunel launched its first fixed income portfolios: Passive Gilts and Passive Index-Linked Gilts. "These portfolios give our clients and their members access to the low-cost benefits of index-tracking investing," said David Cox, Head of Listed Markets at Brunel. "They also deliver to clients the benefits of high liquidity, which can be important in managing pension cashflows effectively." The announcement comes ahead of further fixed income fund launches due in July.

The challenge of finding indices that fully account for Responsible Investment concerns was a particular focus through the quarter, culminating in the announcement – at the start of July – that Brunel and FTSE Russell had launched new Paris-aligned benchmarks, a major step forward for the industry. "We placed great emphasis on developing indices that not only met current needs, but also have scope to evolve in response to rapid industry developments, so that we continue to deliver on our clients' investment objectives," said Faith Ward. "The project, led by David Cox, Brunel's Head of Listed Markets, has drawn on the time and expertise of teams and individuals across the partnership."

In May, Brunel published three reports that track our progress across our ambitions in Responsible Investment (RI). The 2021 Responsible Investment & Stewardship Outcomes Report demonstrated our performance against our own RI principles and policies. Among other highlights, it showed that we had engaged on 3,101 RI issues at 881 companies, and that companies held in our portfolios now had a higher percentage of women on boards. We also published our first Climate Change Action Plan Report (TCFD reporting), to demonstrate the value we attach to companies making TCFD disclosures, and to encourage other companies to do likewise. Our second Carbon Metrics report, meanwhile, showed that the Brunel Aggregate Portfolio had a carbon efficiency of 22% versus the benchmark, up from 15.4% the previous year. Our leadership on RI was demonstrated and recognised in other ways, too. In June, Helen Price led our involvement as one of sixty launch firms partnering with The Diversity Project to help tackle the underrepresentation of ethnic minorities in finance. At the end of June, Faith Ward was named Personality of the Year by Environmental Finance, a very well-deserved accolade.

Throughout the quarter, Brunel continued to review its working practices and how it could elicit the views of staff and support them in managing their work through unusual times. To this end, Brunel's HR department launched new staff surveys, and Laura Chappell wrote an Op-Ed for Professional Pensions on how, since the advent of Covid, there is even more onus on CEOs to place mental health at the top of corporate agendas.

Executive Summary

Performance of Pension Fund

The fund delivered absolute performance of 5.8% over the quarter in GBP terms. This was ahead of the benchmark return of 5.2%. Total fund returns for the year to June were 17.4%, which were ahead of the benchmark return of 17.2%.

Key points from last quarter:

- 5.8% Absolute Net Performance Q1
- 0.6% Relative Net Performance vs Benchmark Q1
- 17.4% Absolute Net Performance 1Y
- 0.2% Relative Net Performance vs Benchmark 1Y

Fund-specific Events

- Oxfordshire invested in three fixed income portfolios that were launched this quarter: Multi Asset Credit (MAC), Sterling Corporate Bond (SCB) and Index-Linked Gilts. The MAC and SCB were still in flight at quarter end.

It was another strong quarter for emerging markets, a trend reflected in fund performance, which posted a 4.6% return. This lagged the benchmark by 0.4% - sector and regional allocations accounted for the small shortfall, especially underweights in Energy and India.

The Global High Alpha Equity sub-fund benefited from positive stock selection in what was already a strong quarter for global equities, outperforming the benchmark by 1.6%. Stock selection was particularly strong in Health Care and Financials.

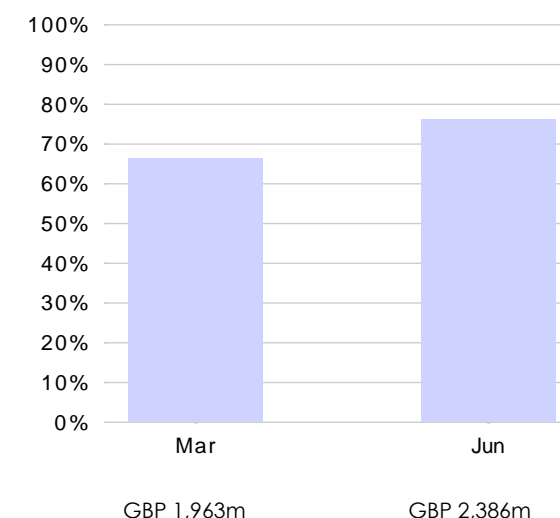
An exceptional quarter saw the Sustainable Equities sub-fund return 8.5%, ahead of the benchmark return of 7.4%. Among the managers, RBC benefited from stock selection in Communication Services and among IT large caps, while Ownership's Health Care holdings performed strongly.

The Active UK sub-fund returned 5.2% largely in line with the broader UK equity rally. Underperformance of 0.4% versus the benchmark, largely driven by the fund's overweight to Financials and underweight to Health Care. Stock selection was marginally positive, however.

Total Fund Valuation

| | Total (GBPm) |
|---------------------------|--------------|
| 31 Mar 2021 | 2,956 |
| 30 Jun 2021 | 3,129 |
| Net cash inflow (outflow) | 2 |

Assets Transitioned to Brunel



Market Summary – Listed Markets

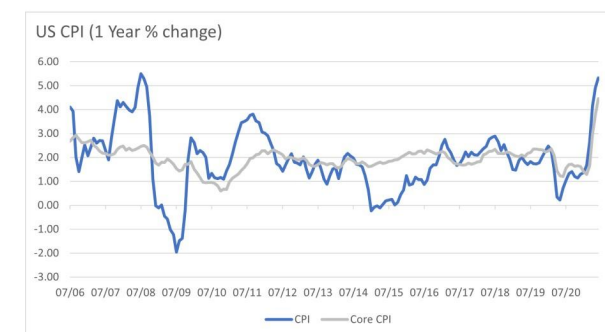
Future expectations of inflation dominated much of the financial press and the market movements we saw over the quarter.

In terms of global equity, April saw a resurgence in Growth/Quality stocks after the Value rally that had characterised much of Q1. The value rally earlier in the year was largely due to the re-opening of the parts of the economy most affected by the Covid pandemic and resulting lockdowns.

As we moved into May, we saw investors err on the side of caution as they debated a potential rise in inflation and, more importantly, if inflation was a longer-term market trend that would see an increase in interest rates from their current all-time lows. We saw a pickup in the yield of the US 10-year Treasury as an increase in inflation devalues bonds. We also saw de-risking in the global equity markets as the MSCI All Country World Index (ACWI) returned -1.03% for the month of May, led lower by Growth stocks, which suffer more than their Value counterparts in a rising interest rate environment. This dynamic was covered in depth in the 'Value vs Growth' paper the Brunel team published late last year. On the other hand, we saw gains in the commodity markets and precious metals: Brent crude and gold increased in price by 3.5% and 7.6%, respectively. Gold is often seen as a safe haven asset in times of inflation.

June confirmed the validity of Inflation expectations, as US year-on-year consumer price inflation (CPI) reached 5%, the highest it has been for 13 years. If we look more closely at the headline CPI figures, we can see that they started from a relatively low base. The price of a barrel of crude oil was \$41 last year compared with \$75 today. There have also been secondary effects in sectors affected during the pandemic, notably used cars and trucks, where the decline in new car production has increased the price of the secondary market. These technicalities led the Federal Reserve (Fed) to describe the current effects as "transitory". This suggested interest rates would remain low for the foreseeable future, which encouraged investors to return to the market. Through June, we saw an increase in the performance of large cap/Growth stocks, driven mostly by the IT sector, which provided a total return of 9.1% for the month, while the MSCI ACWI returned 4.29%.

After an interesting few months, in which inflation expectations dominated headlines, the MSCI ACWI returned 7.4% in GBP terms over the quarter; the MSCI Growth index returned 9.9%; and the equivalent Value index returned 4.9%. Over a one-year period, the MSCI ACWI has returned 25.1%, while the Growth index and Value index have returned 25.2% and 24.6%, respectively. The rally in cyclical Value stocks, year to date, has been enough to put Value on an equal footing with Growth stocks over the 12-month period to the end of June.



Market Summary – Listed Markets

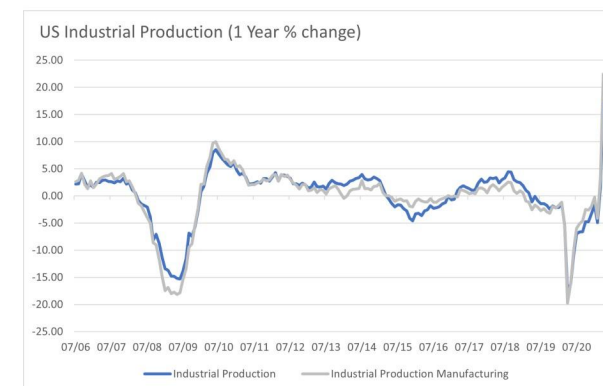
On a regional basis, much of the MSCI ACWI performance can be attributed to the US, albeit with a weight of 60% of the index, it provided a total return of 8.8%. The MSCI Emerging markets index returned 5% over the quarter and the FTSE All Share returned 5.8%

As discussed previously, the argument for transitory inflation assumes that the economic markers used in the CPI calculation were adversely affected by the pandemic and that, as the economy re-opens, the effect will decline over time. However, we should, for balance, discuss the opposing argument.

The last year-and-a-half has seen a huge amount of stimulus enter the market; unlike in the aftermath of the Great Financial Crisis, this stimulus has benefitted households directly, rather than shoring up the capital requirements of retail banks. At the time of writing, the June CPI numbers for the US have just been released at 5.4% and the core inflation rate, which excludes volatile goods such as oil, has risen 4.5%. The stimulus currently also shows no sign of abating, the US is still on course to deliver its \$1.9 trillion stimulus package. There have been discussions around the potential for central banks to control any rise in inflation by easing back on their bond purchasing schemes. However, bond purchasing still remains significant in the US, UK and Europe.

With all this additional capital, many believe prices will continue to rise. A data provider, EPFR, noted that global equity funds saw inflows of \$580bn in the first six months of this year at that rate, equity funds in 2021 will record more inflows than the last 20 years combined.

Last quarter, we mentioned that predicting the path of inflation, policy withdrawal and eventual rate tightening is difficult under the current environment. This is likely to be a debate that will continue over the next few months; the market is certainly not behaving as one would expect. An increase in inflation historically led to an increase in yields; however, at the time of writing, the 5.4% increase in US inflation has perversely led to a decrease in yields, leading to further debate over the nature of the current market and whether inflation really could be transitory.



Market Summary – Head of Private Markets

Overview

The continuing concern around the rapid spread of the Delta variant of Covid, as well as the supply chain challenges facing manufacturers around the world, tempered investors' enthusiasm in the last quarter. As Covid infection rates started to climb again, even in countries where the vaccine rollout is well underway, investors grew more fearful of further economically-damaging regional restrictions and a slow reopening of international travel.

Economic indicators continue to show clear signs of recovery, but the supply issues caused by the pandemic have made life particularly difficult for manufacturers in Europe and North America, slowing production and pushing up costs. Accessing labour has also proved an inflationary factor in some regions.

Central banks continue to view these problems as temporary, recognising that the post-pandemic recovery may cause a temporary spike in inflation. However, they remain confident that prices are not set to rise permanently, which would necessitate a tightening of global monetary policy.

Infrastructure

As investors looked beyond the pandemic, market conditions improved. The aggregate value of deals in Q2 of 2021 (\$98bn) represented a rise of 71% compared to Q2 2020 (\$57bn). Renewable Energy was again by far the largest contributing sector, based on the number of deals – a consistent trend dating back to 2016, if not earlier. Interest in the asset class is being fuelled by politics and regulation, prompting expectations of the re-emergence of inflation; Infrastructure has historically served as a partial hedge against inflation. It remains to be seen whether returns can hold up under intense competition for assets and given supply chain constraints are pushing up key raw material costs globally.

\$32 billion of capital was raised by all private infrastructure funds closed in Q2 2021. The total number of unlisted infrastructure funds seeking to raise new capital as of July 2021 is up 25% from the start of the year, with a record 328 funds targeting \$238bn. The US and Europe remained the dominant geographic focus.

Noteworthy events and trends during the quarter included the IEA publishing its Net-Zero Energy (NZE) Scenario analysis and the Biden administration in the United States continuing to push for an Infrastructure plan. Biden's government, which has committed to an energy transition and to rapid decarbonisation, managed to gain bi-partisan agreement for a \$1 trillion package to upgrade roads, bridges and broadband networks over the next eight years. The IEA issued a stark warning in its report. To keep the world from catastrophic overheating, a new clean energy revolution must take place at breakneck speed, involving unprecedented co-operation. Its NZE scenario looks a tall order on every front: political, technical, financial and, mostly important of all, behavioural.

Market Summary – Head of Private Markets

Private Equity

Investment sentiment and activity remained strong in Q2 2021. The valuation of assets remained high. Hence, GPs focused more on operational improvements to create value in their portfolio companies, as well as on finding pockets of opportunities in niche sectors. In addition, some GPs are executing more add-on acquisitions at lower prices to bring down the blended average acquisition multiple. Interest in technology companies remained strong and there is a trend towards GPs digitising their portfolio companies in order to improve efficiency and to achieve higher multiples as they position for exit. The fundraising market is bifurcated into a market between the “haves” and “have nots”. Fundraising for established platforms is moving quickly, while less proven GPs are struggling to gain the attention of the investor community. In addition, sector expertise has become increasingly important for GPs as the market continues to evolve.

Private Debt

Q2 was another record-breaking quarter for private equity activity, driven by continued economic recovery and ample dry powder. Private debt activity is expected to mirror private equity activity and initial signs from bellwether managers seem to support that assertion. Dealmaking was particularly frenetic in sectors such as software, cyber security and healthcare.

High yield bond and leveraged loan spreads continued to compress through Q2, continuing the same trend seen in Q1. We did not see the same compression of pricing for new loans in the direct lending market. The pricing of senior and unitranche middle market loans remained relatively stable through the first half of 2021.

There were several notable large fund raisings achieved by leading European direct lending managers. ICG raised €9bn, Ares €11bn and Arcmont is on track to raise €6bn.

Property

Direct investment in industrial assets remained strong, with occupier demand for last-mile delivery hubs particularly acute. A shortage of labour and a sharp increase in construction costs has slowed development supply this year, applying further upward pressure to rental levels.

Some pricing in the UK retail market recovered over the quarter, as investors looked to acquire retail parks anchored by supermarkets or discount operators. Retail rents overall, however, continued to be negotiated downwards by tenants.

Offices, where rent payments have been solid throughout the pandemic, began to see employees returning and initial projections for much lower space requirements by occupiers have moderated over the last few months, though biased towards sustainable buildings which promote employees' wellbeing.

Responsible Investment & Stewardship Review

Paris-Aligned Benchmarks

Following extensive work with several index providers, we supported the launch of a new suite of climate benchmarks that will form FTSE Russell's Paris-aligned climate benchmarks for global equity markets.

The launch will help us offer clients the Net Zero-aligned portfolios they have asked for and provide a path for the wider industry. We placed great emphasis on developing indices that not only met current needs, but also have scope to evolve in response to rapid industry developments, so that we continue to deliver on our clients' investment objectives.

The new index series reflects both FTSE Russell's expertise in index design and Brunel's expertise in climate investing. The framework provides a tilt exposure. Exposure to any given index constituent rises or falls according to several exposure objectives, covering fossil fuel reserves, carbon reserves and green revenues, as well as forward-looking alignment with Paris goals. The tilt is designed to ensure that the fund is on track to achieve Paris alignment.

The Paris-aligned Benchmark series meets the minimum requirement of the EU's Paris-aligned benchmarks by achieving a 50% reduction in carbon emissions over a ten-year period. It also integrates the Transition Pathway Initiative's analysis of how the world's largest and most carbon-exposed companies are managing the climate transition.

"Brunel Pension Partnership brings a huge amount of expertise in climate investing and were consulted on the construction of FTSE Russell's new EU Climate Benchmarks Index Series," said Aled Jones, Head of Sustainable Investment, EMEA, FTSE Russell. "This led to the inclusion of recently-issued guidance from the IIGCC Net Zero Investment Framework to limit investor exposure to Thermal Coal and Oil Sands. Other features involved limiting the active weight of banking sector constituents to no more than their underlying index weight, a move that reflects the sector's funding role for large carbon emitters as a contributory factor to climate change."

More details are available on the [FTSE Russell website](#). In the next section, we consider two educational RI initiatives that Brunel has recently been involved in.

Responsible Investment & Stewardship Review

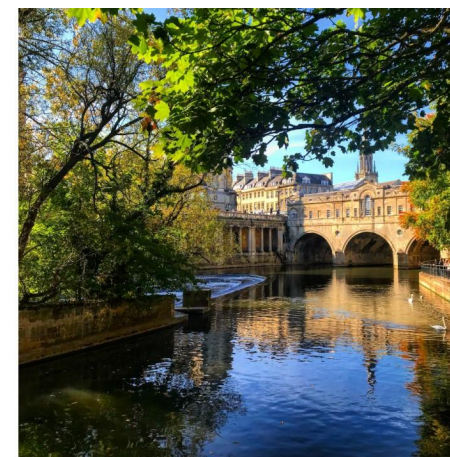
Bath University Practice Track - Biodiversity

Brunel participated in Bath University's Practice Track initiative to provide a consultancy project for MSc students. The project allows students to increase their experience by working for UK businesses, whilst applying their knowledge, skills and research experience to deliver recommendations on a real business issue. We asked students to research biodiversity and posed the following question:

How can Brunel Pension Partnership integrate the findings of *The Economics of Biodiversity: The Dasgupta Review* into their investment decisions? Topics to consider include:

- What are the first steps pension funds should take when considering biodiversity?
- Which Sectors should be prioritised?
- What challenges remain?
- What are the key questions which we should be posing to companies?

Following four weeks of research, students presented their findings to Brunel and members of the RI subgroup. The research was a useful foundation to build from. The feedback from the students was overwhelmingly positive. For many, it was their first exposure to the investment industry, and several commented that they now have a greater appreciation and understanding of sustainability to take into their future careers. We will continue to work with the University of Bath and to explore future project opportunities to inspire the next generation.



The Skills Workshop

Covid-19 and lockdown offered us all a stark reminder of the social and economic inequalities that continue to blight our society, not least racial inequality. Finance has a particular problem. Research published by KPMG in 2019 showed that some 41% of financial services employees had parents working in the same sector – against a national average of 12% across other sectors.

The diversity project, in partnership with #TalkAboutBlack and the CFA UK, launched a new programme: 'The Skills Workshop'. This is a six-month programme of virtual workshops that aims to help university-aged students with financial literacy, application preparation, workplace confidence, access to organisations and networking. It will provide students with the insight, knowledge and direction to help start their financial careers. Brunel is one of sixty launch firms involved in the initiative, which is open to all students with a particular interest in increasing social mobility and tackling the underrepresentation of ethnic minorities in the industry. We will be providing insight into what asset owners do at the [virtual careers fair on 28 October](#).



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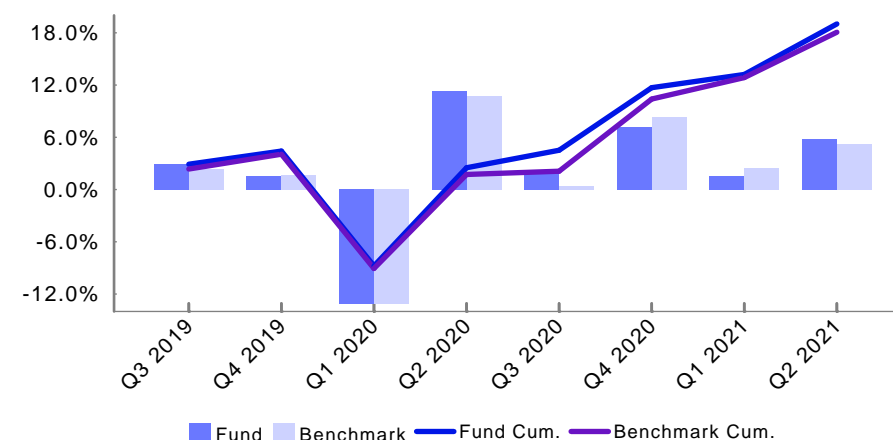
Find out more: www.diversityproject.com/theskillsworkshop

Summary of Pension Fund Performance

Performance of Fund Against Benchmark (Annualised Performance)

| Period | Fund | Strategic BM | Excess |
|-----------------|-------|--------------|--------|
| 3 Month | 5.8% | 5.2% | 0.6% |
| Fiscal YTD | 5.8% | 5.2% | 0.6% |
| 1 Year | 17.4% | 17.2% | 0.3% |
| 3 Years | 7.6% | 7.2% | 0.4% |
| 5 Years | 9.8% | 9.2% | 0.7% |
| 10 Years | 8.9% | 8.6% | 0.3% |
| Since Inception | 7.7% | 7.9% | -0.2% |

Rolling Quarter Total Fund (Net of Manager Fees)



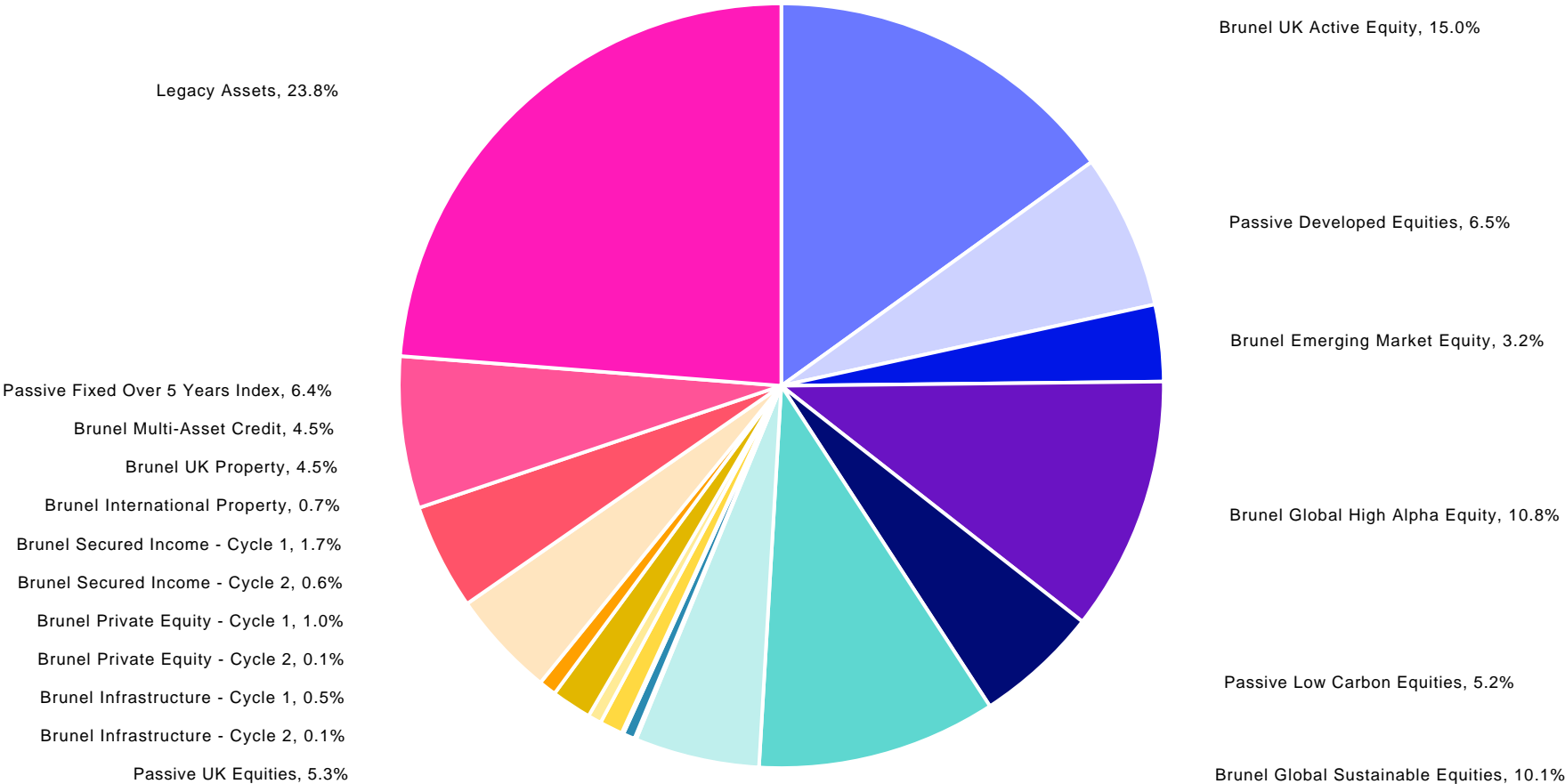
Key drivers of performance

Over the first quarter, the fund delivered a positive absolute return but lagged behind its strategic benchmark. Highlights during the period were:

- Global Emerging Markets added 4.6% in the quarter and posted a one-year return of 28.7%; one-year performance was ahead of benchmark by 2.3%.
- Global High Alpha returned 9.3% increase over the past quarter, taking the one-year performance to 32.2%; this was 7.3% ahead of the MSCI TR World benchmark.
- Global Sustainable Equities returned 8.4% for the quarter, exceeding its benchmark by 1.1%.
- The UK Active portfolio was up 5.2% in the quarter and +20.1% for the one-year period. Since-inception performance was broadly in line with benchmark.

Asset Allocation of Pension Fund

Asset Allocation Split



Legacy Manager Performance

Legacy Manager Performance – 3 Year

| | Annualised Return | Risk (Standard Deviation) | Benchmark Return | Benchmark Standard Deviation |
|----------------------------|-------------------|---------------------------|------------------|------------------------------|
| Cash | 0.5% | 0.1% | 0.5% | 0.1% |
| Infrastructure | 8.6% | 12.2% | 4.4% | 0.1% |
| Insight Diversified Growth | 4.6% | 7.7% | 4.4% | 0.1% |
| LGIM Fixed Income | 5.3% | 6.9% | 4.3% | 6.9% |
| Pooled Property | 4.9% | 10.2% | 3.0% | 3.2% |
| Private Equity | 17.0% | 9.8% | 10.8% | 19.5% |
| Oxfordshire County Council | 7.6% | 10.1% | 7.2% | 9.6% |

Brunel Portfolios Overview

| Portfolio | Benchmark | AUM (GBPm) | Perf. 3 Month | Excess 3 Month | Perf. 1 Year | Excess 1 Year | Perf. 3 Year | Excess 3 Year | Perf. 5 Year | Excess 5 Year | Perf. SII* | Excess SII* | Initial Investment |
|------------------------------------|---|---------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|---------------|----------------|-----------------------|
| Brunel Emerging Market Equity | MSCI EM TR Gross | 101 | 4.6% | -0.4% | 28.7% | 2.3% | | | | | 15.6% | 0.5% | 13 Nov 2019 |
| Brunel Global High Alpha Equity | MSCI World TR Gross | 337 | 9.3% | 1.6% | 32.2% | 7.3% | | | | | 26.7% | 10.1% | 15 Nov 2019 |
| Brunel Global Sustainable Equities | MSCI AC World GBP Index | 317 | 8.4% | 1.1% | | | | | | | 18.8% | -2.2% | 30 Sep 2020 |
| Brunel Multi-Asset Credit | SONIA + 4% | 140 | | | | | | | | | 0.2% | -0.1% | 01 Jun 2021 |
| Brunel UK Active Equity | FTSE All Share ex Investment Trusts | 471 | 5.2% | -0.4% | 20.1% | -0.8% | | | | | 5.0% | -0.0% | 21 Nov 2018 |
| Passive Developed Equities | FTSE World Developed | 205 | 7.5% | -0.0% | 25.0% | -0.1% | | | | | 13.1% | -0.0% | 11 Jul 2018 |
| Passive Fixed Over 5 Years Index | FTSE Actuaries UK Index Linked Gilts Over 5 Years Index | 201 | | | | | | | | | -1.5% | 0.0% | 10 Jun 2021 |
| Passive Low Carbon Equities | MSCI World Low Carbon | 164 | 7.7% | -0.1% | 24.9% | -0.2% | | | | | 31.3% | -0.3% | 15 May 2020 |

*Since Initial Investment

Performance based on tradeable NAV

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|---------------------|----------------|---------------|------------------|-------------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|---------------|----------------|-----------------------|
| Passive UK Equities | FTSE All Share | 165 | 5.6% | 0.0% | 21.7% | 0.3% | | | | | 1.9% | 0.0% | 11 Jul 2018 |

*Since Initial Investment

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Passive Developed Equities

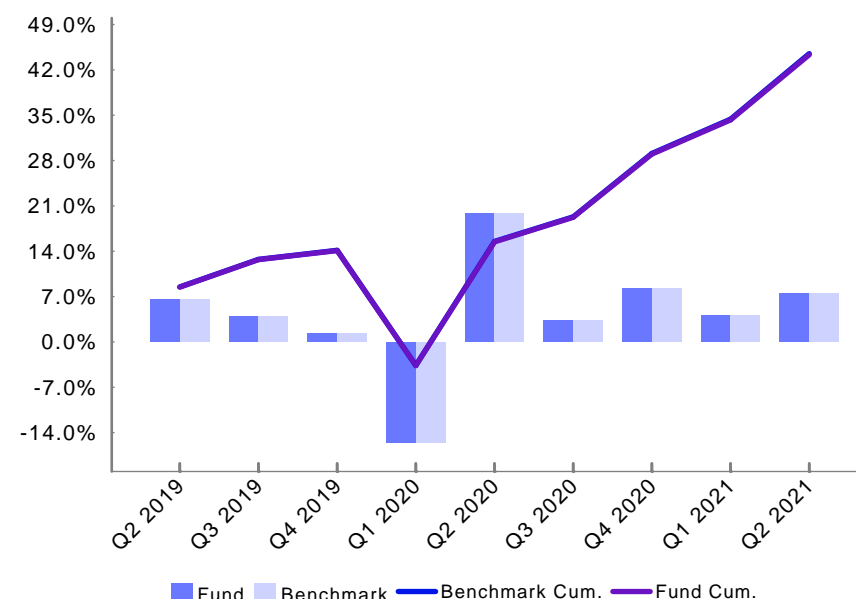
Overview

| | Description |
|------------------------------------|---|
| Portfolio Objective: | Provide exposure to FTSE Developed World using a low cost highly liquid approach. |
| Investment Strategy & Key Drivers: | Geographically diversified range of equities. |
| Liquidity: | High |
| Risk/Volatility: | High absolute risk with very low tracking error. |
| Total Fund Value: | £2,111,251,813 |

Performance to Quarter End

| Ann. Performance | Fund | BM | Excess |
|------------------|-------|-------|--------|
| 3 Month | 7.5% | 7.5% | 0.0% |
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| 5 Years | | | |
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Rolling Performance*



* Partial returns shown in first quarter

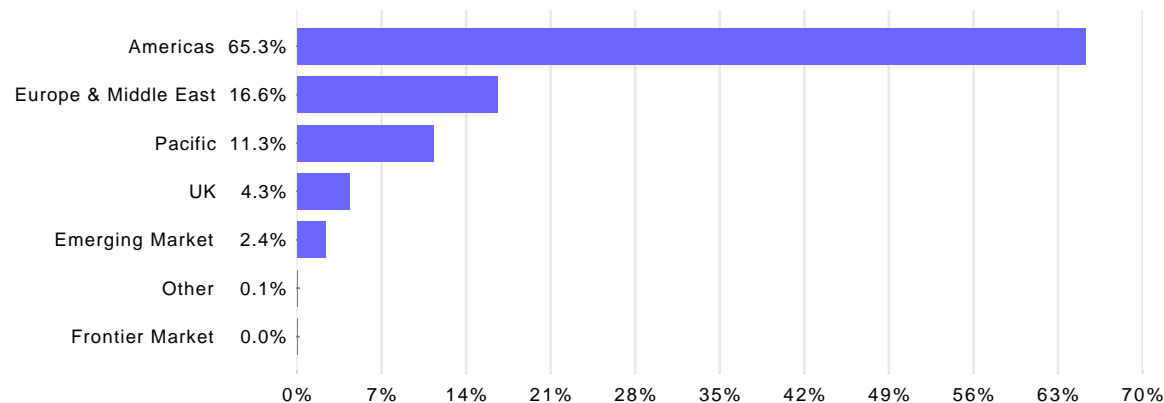
- In Q2 2021, global equity markets continued their rebound from Q1, with lockdowns easing significantly in many developed markets, and many of these countries poised to reopen their economies more fully over Q3. The benchmark FTSE Developed World Index was up 7.53% over this period, and up 25.03% over the year to 30 June 2021. The Passive Developed Equities product closely replicated the performance of the benchmark over both periods.
- The value of sterling relative to other global currencies did not move significantly over the quarter. GBP appreciated marginally against the US dollar and Japanese yen over Q2, up 0.13% and 0.59% respectively, but fell 0.77% against the euro. As a consequence, the hedged product performed in line with the unhedged product, with 7.47% outperformance over the quarter.
- Like Q1 2021, all sectors performed positively over the quarter, in sterling terms. On this occasion Technology, Real Estate, Health Care and Energy were the main beneficiaries. The performance of Utilities remained positive, although it significantly lagged the broader benchmark, alongside Telecoms.

Passive Developed Equities – Region & Sector Exposure

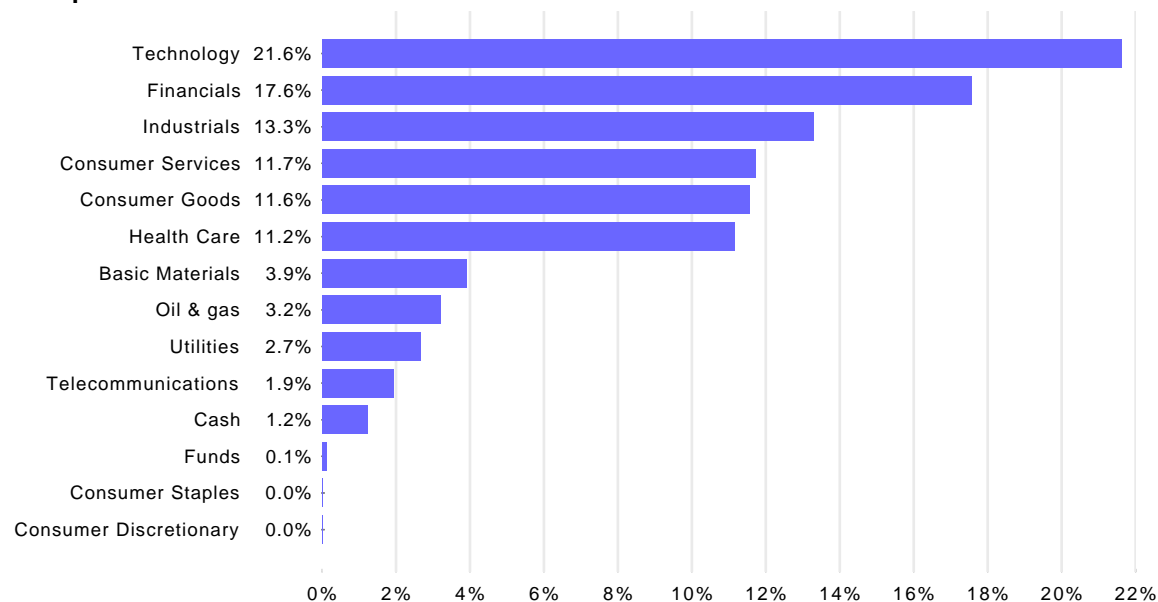
Top 20 Holdings

| | Mkt. Val.(GBP) |
|-----------------------------|----------------|
| APPLE INC | 100,410,863 |
| MICROSOFT CORP | 95,339,647 |
| AMAZON.COM INC | 69,632,167 |
| FACEBOOK INC-CLASS A | 38,791,980 |
| ALPHABET INC-CL A | 34,221,315 |
| ALPHABET INC-CL C | 33,155,202 |
| TESLA INC | 24,578,281 |
| NVIDIA CORP | 22,344,098 |
| JPMORGAN CHASE & CO | 21,850,607 |
| JOHNSON & JOHNSON | 20,152,835 |
| VISA INC-CLASS A SHARES | 18,493,193 |
| UNITEDHEALTH GROUP INC | 17,603,047 |
| BERKSHIRE HATHAWAY INC-CL B | 16,926,059 |
| NESTLE SA-REG | 16,214,172 |
| HOME DEPOT INC | 16,004,797 |
| PAYPAL HOLDINGS INC | 15,982,090 |
| SAMSUNG ELECTRONICS CO LTD | 15,904,373 |
| PROCTER & GAMBLE CO/THE | 15,336,872 |
| MASTERCARD INC - A | 14,937,447 |
| WALT DISNEY CO/THE | 14,909,690 |

Regional Exposure



Sector Exposure



Passive Developed Equities – Responsible Investment

Top 10 ESG Contributors to Overall Score

| | Insight | Momentum |
|--------------------------------|---------|----------|
| 1. ASML HOLDING NV | 66.0 | 81.2 |
| 2. NEXTERA ENERGY INC | 70.3 | 38.7 |
| 3. TEXAS INSTRUMENTS INC | 64.9 | 82.2 |
| 4. ACCENTURE PLC | 63.3 | 71.0 |
| 5. NESTLE SA | 58.9 | 43.2 |
| 6. HONEYWELL INTERNATIONAL INC | 64.8 | 50.0 |
| 7. TOYOTA MOTOR CORP | 61.5 | 45.9 |
| 8. NVIDIA CORP | 57.5 | 32.4 |
| 9. LINDE PLC | 64.3 | 63.8 |
| 10. SCHNEIDER ELECTRIC SE | 71.7 | 46.2 |

* From Q4 onwards we have moved to the latest and enhanced version of Truvalue Labs data. Please see supplementary note on the Client portal for more detail.

| Weighted Average ESG Score | 2021 Q1 | 2021 Q2 |
|----------------------------|---------|---------|
| Portfolio | 53.7 | 54.2 |
| Passive Dev Equities | 53.7 | 54.2 |

TruValue Labs & SASB

Bottom 10 ESG Detractors to Overall Score

| | Insight | Momentum |
|------------------------|---------|----------|
| 1. AT&T INC | 44.4 | 46.8 |
| 2. NETFLIX INC | 44.9 | 67.2 |
| 3. VISA INC | 48.1 | 33.9 |
| 4. JPMORGAN CHASE & CO | 48.6 | 68.2 |
| 5. JOHNSON & JOHNSON | 43.7 | 81.7 |
| 6. AMAZON.COM INC | 50.2 | 60.9 |
| 7. FACEBOOK INC | 42.7 | 63.2 |
| 8. ALPHABET INC | 46.0 | 59.8 |
| 9. MICROSOFT CORP | 47.8 | 32.0 |
| 10. APPLE INC | 47.1 | 51.4 |

* Position 1 is the top contributor/detractor.



Weighted Average Carbon Intensity (WACI)



Source: Trucost

Extractive Exposure

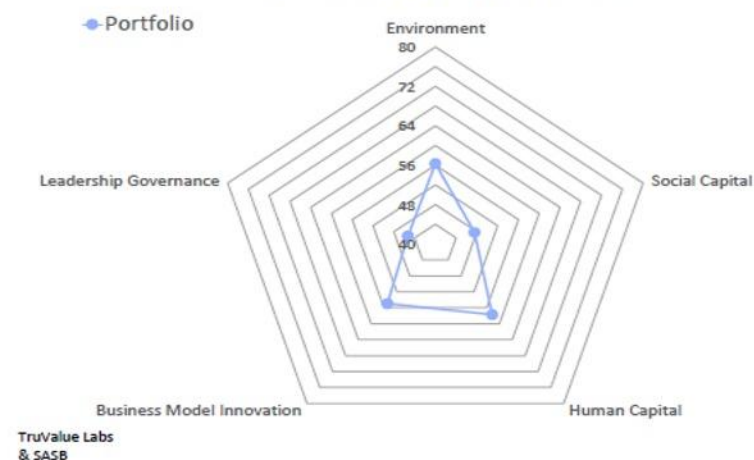
| | Total Extractive Exposure ¹ | | Extractive Industries (VOH) ² | |
|----------------|--|-----|--|-----|
| | Q1 | Q2 | Q1 | Q2 |
| Portfolio | 2.9 | 2.6 | 7.6 | 7.2 |
| Passive Dev EQ | 2.9 | 2.6 | 7.6 | 7.2 |

1 Extractive revenue exposure as share (%) of total revenue.

2 Value of holdings (VOH)-companies who derive revenues from extractives.

Source: Trucost

Absolute Weighted ESG Scores



Brunel Assessment:

- Texas Instruments (Semiconductors) has introduced a new automotive battery monitor and balancer that reports high-accuracy voltage measurements to the microcontroller of Electric Vehicles (EV), helping to revolutionise EV battery technology.
- Microsoft (Technology) was victim to several sophisticated widespread hacks, the US government and Western allies claim these have originated from Russia and China. Microsoft launched a new product, Cloud for Sustainability, to help companies track their carbon emissions.
- Linde (Chemicals) partnered with South Korea's Hyosung to start construction of the world's largest liquified hydrogen plant set for full-scale operation from May 2023.
- Visa (Software & IT services) is facing a new lawsuit from small business owners claiming Visa and Mastercard have been engaging in price-fixing. Visa announced a commitment to reach net-zero emissions by 2040.

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The carbon intensity of the benchmark (and index tracking Portfolio) remained largely unchanged this quarter.

Passive Low Carbon Equities

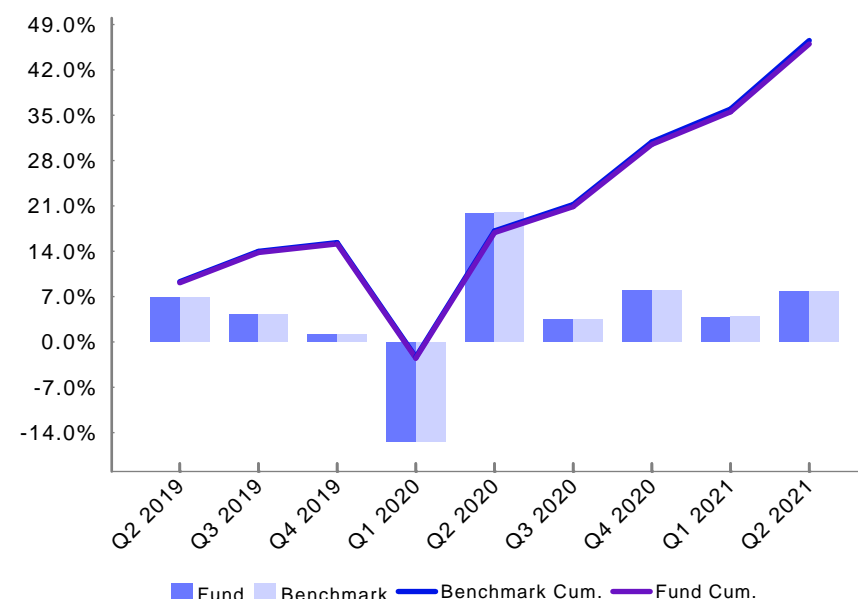
Overview

| | Description |
|------------------------------------|---|
| Portfolio Objective: | Provide exposure to equity returns and global economy with low exposure to carbon emissions and fossil fuels. |
| Investment Strategy & Key Drivers: | Portfolio is invested in global equities in accordance with Low Carbon index. |
| Liquidity: | High |
| Risk/Volatility: | High absolute risk with very low tracking error. |
| Total Fund Value: | £1,289,795,379 |

Performance to Quarter End

| Ann. Performance | Fund | BM | Excess |
|------------------|-------|-------|--------|
| 3 Month | 7.7% | 7.8% | 0.0% |
| Fiscal YTD | 7.7% | 7.8% | 0.0% |
| 1 Year | 24.9% | 25.1% | -0.2% |
| 3 Years | | | |
| 5 Years | | | |
| 10 Years | | | |
| Since Inception | 13.6% | 13.7% | -0.1% |

Rolling Performance*



* Partial returns shown in first quarter

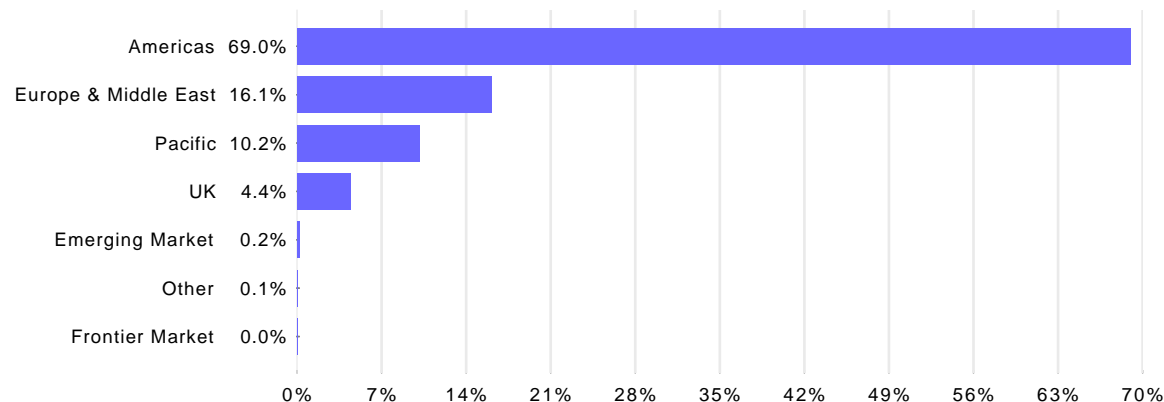
- The Passive Low Carbon portfolio recorded a return of 7.74% during Q2 2021, in line with the MSCI World Low Carbon Target Index, which returned 7.79%.
- The MSCI World Low Carbon Target performed in line with the MSCI World index, which returned 7.74% over the quarter. On a sectoral basis, there was a small positive contribution from a relative underweight to the Utilities sector, mostly offset by small detractions across other sectors.
- Over the previous 12 months, the Passive Low Carbon portfolio returned 24.9%.
- The MSCI Low Carbon Index performed in line with the MSCI World Index, rising 24.9% over the 12-month period. Positive contributions from Energy stocks, an underweight to the Utilities sector and an overweight to the Financials sector were mostly offset by poorly-performing stocks in the Materials sector.

Passive Low Carbon Equities – Region & Sector Exposure

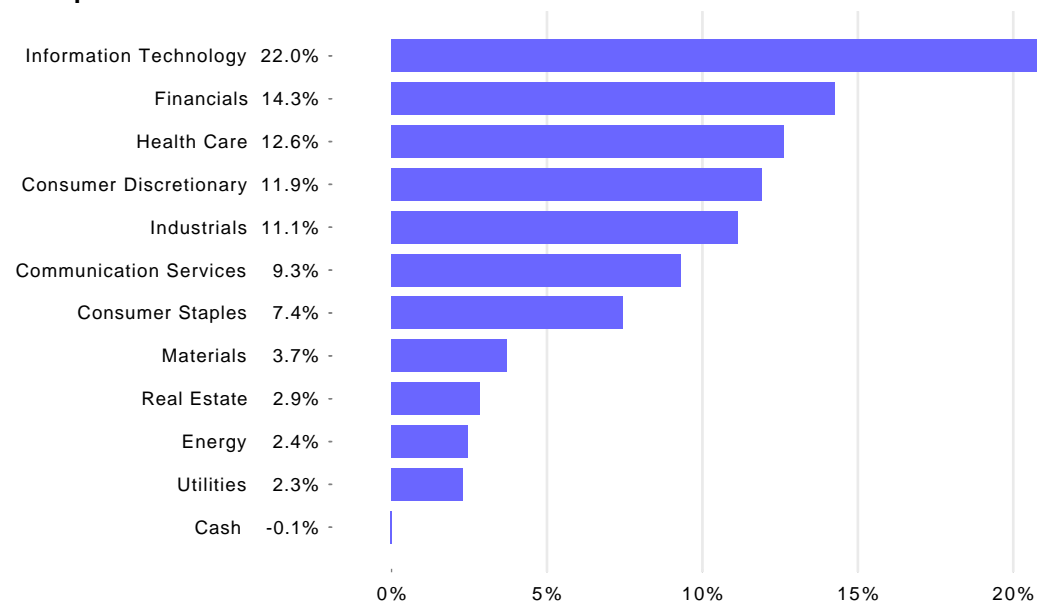
Top 20 Holdings

| | Mkt. Val.(GBP) |
|-----------------------------|----------------|
| APPLE INC | 75,320,140 |
| MICROSOFT CORP | 63,318,543 |
| AMAZON.COM INC | 48,349,285 |
| FACEBOOK INC-CLASS A | 27,433,310 |
| ALPHABET INC-CL C | 24,217,201 |
| ALPHABET INC-CL A | 23,880,659 |
| TESLA INC | 17,278,309 |
| NVIDIA CORP | 16,328,361 |
| JPMORGAN CHASE & CO | 15,321,316 |
| JOHNSON & JOHNSON | 14,615,349 |
| VISA INC-CLASS A SHARES | 13,452,296 |
| BERKSHIRE HATHAWAY INC-CL B | 12,395,961 |
| UNITEDHEALTH GROUP INC | 12,309,289 |
| NESTLE SA-REG | 11,869,673 |
| PROCTER & GAMBLE CO/THE | 11,451,313 |
| HOME DEPOT INC | 11,267,975 |
| MASTERCARD INC - A | 10,821,746 |
| PAYPAL HOLDINGS INC | 10,438,190 |
| BANK OF AMERICA CORP | 10,416,728 |
| WALT DISNEY CO/THE | 10,249,909 |

Regional Exposure



Sector Exposure



Passive Low Carbon Equities – Responsible Investment

Top 10 ESG Contributors to Overall Score

| | Insight | Momentum |
|--------------------------------|---------|----------|
| 1. ASML HOLDING NV | 66.0 | 81.2 |
| 2. NEXTERA ENERGY INC | 70.3 | 38.7 |
| 3. TEXAS INSTRUMENTS INC | 64.9 | 82.2 |
| 4. ACCENTURE PLC | 63.3 | 71.0 |
| 5. HONEYWELL INTERNATIONAL INC | 64.8 | 50.0 |
| 6. NESTLE SA | 58.9 | 43.2 |
| 7. SCHNEIDER ELECTRIC SE | 71.7 | 46.2 |
| 8. NVIDIA CORP | 57.5 | 32.4 |
| 9. SIEMENS AG | 65.0 | 70.9 |
| 10. PROCTER & GAMBLE CO/THE | 58.4 | 65.2 |

Bottom 10 ESG Detractors to Overall Score

| | Insight | Momentum |
|------------------------|---------|----------|
| 1. NETFLIX INC | 44.9 | 67.2 |
| 2. AT&T INC | 44.4 | 46.8 |
| 3. VISA INC | 48.1 | 33.9 |
| 4. JPMORGAN CHASE & CO | 48.6 | 68.2 |
| 5. JOHNSON & JOHNSON | 43.7 | 81.7 |
| 6. AMAZON.COM INC | 50.2 | 60.9 |
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| 8. ALPHABET INC | 46.0 | 59.8 |
| 9. MICROSOFT CORP | 47.8 | 32.0 |
| 10. APPLE INC | 47.1 | 51.4 |

*From Q4 onwards we have moved to the latest and enhanced version of Truvalue Labs data. Please see supplementary note on the Client portal for more detail.

| Weighted Average ESG Score | 2021 Q1 | 2021 Q2 |
|----------------------------|---------|---------|
| Portfolio | 53.5 | 54.1 |
| Passive Dev Equities | 53.7 | 54.2 |

* Position 1 is the top contributor/detractor.



TruValue Labs & SASB

Brunel Assessment:

- Texas Instruments (Semiconductors) has introduced a new automotive battery monitor and balancer that reports high-accuracy voltage measurements to the microcontroller of Electric Vehicles (EV), helping to revolutionise EV battery technology.
- Visa (Software & IT services) are facing a new lawsuit from small business owners claiming Visa and Mastercard have been engaging in price-fixing. Visa announced a commitment to reach net-zero emissions by 2040.
- Microsoft (Technology) was victim to several sophisticated widespread hacks, the U.S. government and Western allies claim these have originated from Russia and China. Microsoft launched a new product, Cloud for Sustainability, to help companies track their carbon emissions.
- Alphabet (Technology & Communications) is facing its fifth government antitrust lawsuit, as governments continue their crackdown into Big-Tech competition.

100% of the bottom 10 ESG detractors are covered by engagement or specific voting activities.

The benchmark is the MSCI Developed World so that carbon reductions achieved to create the Brunel Passive Low Carbon Portfolio can be monitored. Carbon intensity of the Portfolio is half that of the MSCI Developed World Index.

Weighted Average Carbon Intensity (WACI)



Source: Trucost

Extractive Exposure

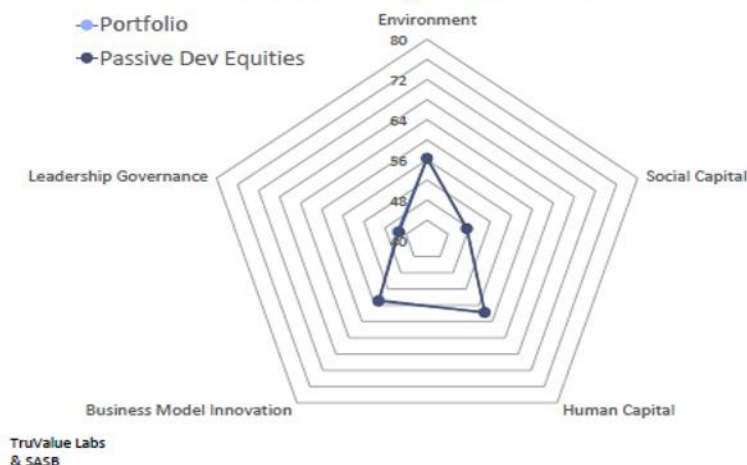
| | Total Extractive Exposure ¹ | | Extractive Industries (VOH) ² | |
|----------------|--|-----|--|-----|
| | Q1 | Q2 | Q1 | Q2 |
| Portfolio | 2.4 | 2.0 | 4.3 | 4.3 |
| Passive Dev EQ | 2.9 | 2.6 | 7.6 | 7.2 |

¹ Extractive revenue exposure as share (%) of total revenue.

² Value of holdings (VOH)-companies who derive revenues from extractives.

Source: Trucost

Absolute Weighted ESG Scores



TruValue Labs & SASB

Passive UK Equities

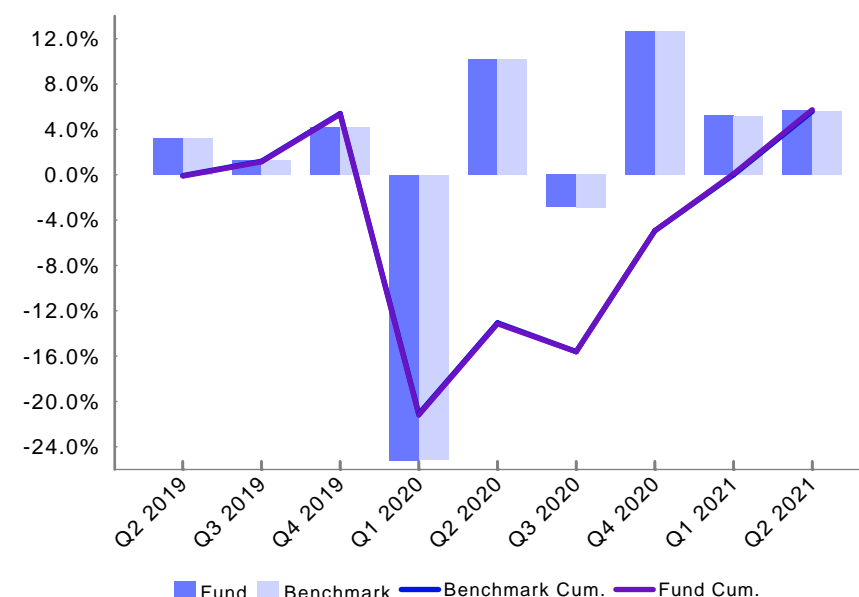
Overview

| | Description |
|------------------------------------|--|
| Portfolio Objective: | Provide exposure to FTSE All Share using a low cost highly liquid approach. |
| Investment Strategy & Key Drivers: | Invest passively in securities underlying the FTSE All Share. Provide long term growth |
| Liquidity: | High |
| Risk/Volatility: | High absolute risk with very low tracking error. |
| Total Fund Value: | £869,967,515 |

Performance to Quarter End

| Ann. Performance | Fund | BM | Excess |
|------------------|-------|-------|--------|
| 3 Month | 5.6% | 5.6% | 0.0% |
| Fiscal YTD | 5.6% | 5.6% | 0.0% |
| 1 Year | 21.7% | 21.5% | 0.3% |
| 3 Years | | | |
| 5 Years | | | |
| 10 Years | | | |
| Since Inception | 1.9% | 1.8% | 0.0% |

Rolling Performance*



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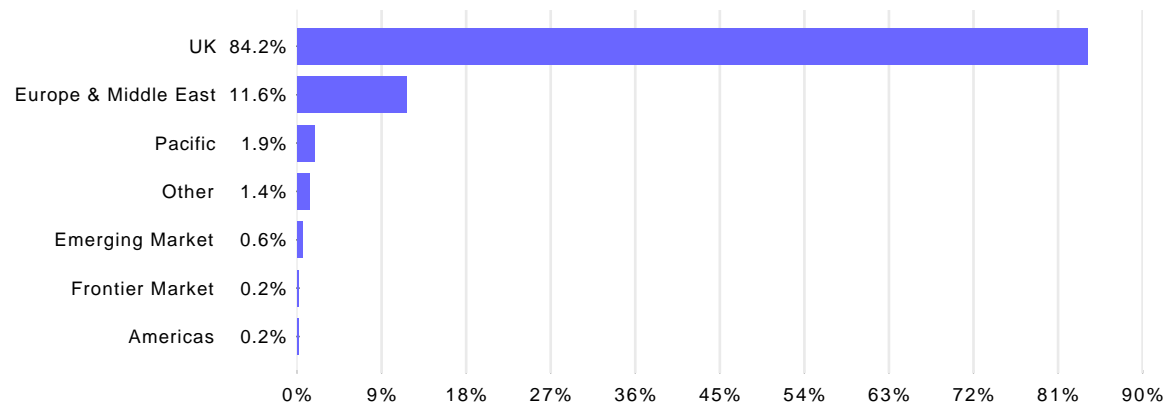
- The UK stock market performed positively in Q2 2022, with the benchmark FTSE All-Share Index returning 5.61% through the period. The Brunel Passive UK Equities product performed in line with the benchmark at 5.65%.
- Despite continued debate over the threat of inflation, potential policy reactions and concerns around the Delta variant of coronavirus, positive performance continued over Q2 across all sectors of the FTSE All-Share, aside from Consumer Discretionary, which was down 0.65%. However, whilst Basic Materials and Energy led last quarter's positive performance, this quarter it was the turn of Health Care and Technology, up 15.84% and 11.08% respectively.
- The sector composition of the FTSE All-Share was a considerable boost when compared to its US and European peers in the initial rebound of Q1, as many cyclical sectors with significant weight in the FTSE All-Share drove performance. In Q2, the reduced weighting of Technology companies provided a drag when compared to peers, as this sector performed strongly.

Passive UK Equities – Region & Sector Exposure

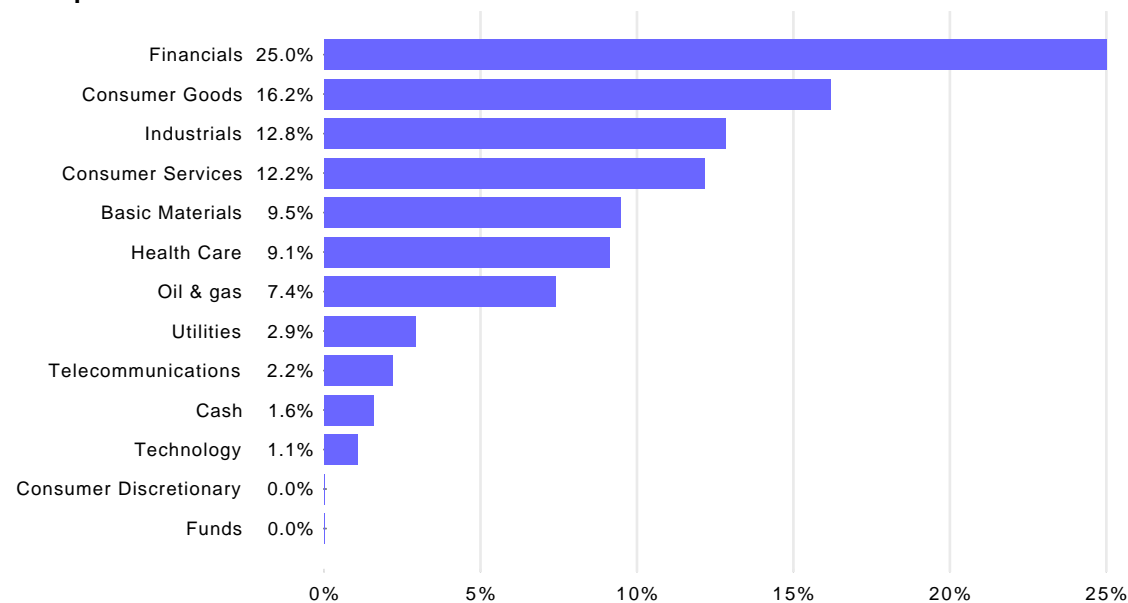
Top 20 Holdings

| | Mkt. Val.(GBP) |
|------------------------------|----------------|
| ASTRAZENECA PLC | 40,787,873 |
| UNILEVER PLC | 39,449,569 |
| HSBC HOLDINGS PLC | 30,503,983 |
| DIAGEO PLC | 28,434,081 |
| GLAXOSMITHKLINE PLC | 25,100,276 |
| RIO TINTO PLC | 23,133,333 |
| BRITISH AMERICAN TOBACCO PLC | 22,867,161 |
| BP PLC | 22,424,735 |
| ROYAL DUTCH SHELL PLC-A SHS | 21,309,190 |
| ROYAL DUTCH SHELL PLC-B SHS | 18,507,431 |
| BHP GROUP PLC | 15,843,760 |
| RECKITT BENCKISER GROUP PLC | 14,494,721 |
| GLENCORE PLC | 13,127,795 |
| PRUDENTIAL PLC | 12,845,584 |
| RELX PLC | 12,772,503 |
| ANGLO AMERICAN PLC | 12,634,252 |
| VODAFONE GROUP PLC | 11,907,898 |
| LLOYDS BANKING GROUP PLC | 11,845,120 |
| NATIONAL GRID PLC | 11,703,357 |
| BARCLAYS PLC | 10,372,807 |

Regional Exposure



Sector Exposure



Passive UK Equities – Responsible Investment

Top 10 ESG Contributors to Overall Score

| | Insight | Momentum |
|------------------------------|---------|----------|
| 1. UNILEVER PLC | 60.0 | 70.3 |
| 2. DIAGEO PLC | 60.7 | 71.5 |
| 3. NATIONAL GRID PLC | 65.9 | 31.6 |
| 4. BP PLC | 59.9 | 73.6 |
| 5. SSE PLC | 69.5 | 73.7 |
| 6. CRODA INTERNATIONAL PLC | 71.3 | 36.6 |
| 7. LEGAL & GENERAL GROUP PLC | 63.6 | 67.8 |
| 8. MONDI PLC | 69.2 | 76.4 |
| 9. COMPASS GROUP PLC | 60.3 | 60.2 |
| 10. ADMIRAL GROUP PLC | 73.2 | 12.1 |

Bottom 10 ESG Detractors to Overall Score

| | Insight | Momentum |
|---------------------------------|---------|----------|
| 1. RELX PLC | 51.6 | 56.7 |
| 2. FLUTTER ENTERTAINMENT PLC | 48.0 | 70.0 |
| 3. GLENORE PLC | 51.3 | 72.1 |
| 4. BARCLAYS PLC | 46.8 | 73.2 |
| 5. RECKITT BENCKISER GROUP PLC | 47.6 | 79.5 |
| 6. EXPERIAN PLC | 41.4 | 44.4 |
| 7. BRITISH AMERICAN TOBACCO PLC | 49.7 | 60.2 |
| 8. GLAXOSMITHKLINE PLC | 46.0 | 59.8 |
| 9. HSBC HOLDINGS PLC | 46.8 | 63.2 |
| 10. ASTRAZENECA PLC | 48.9 | 28.5 |

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| Weighted Average ESG Score | 2021 Q1 | 2021 Q2 |
|----------------------------|---------|---------|
| Portfolio | 55.3 | 56.1 |
| Passive UK Equities | 55.3 | 56.1 |

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* Position 1 is the top contributor/detractor.



Brunel Assessment:

- Admiral Group (Insurance), named '2021 UK's best workplace for females' and was also named 'great place to work' for 21st consecutive year. Admiral adapted its mental health strategy to support employees throughout the pandemic.
- Mondi (Resource Transformation) have secured large partnerships to replace plastic packaging with their award winning recyclable alternatives, they have become a member of the Alliance for Water Stewardship, and have partnered with IUFRO to identify science-based solutions to tackle the impact of climate change on forests.
- Croda International (Chemicals), which uses smart science to create, make and sell speciality chemicals that improve lives, has recently been ranked first in the Most Sustainable International Company rankings by Barron's, a leading source of financial news for the American Stock Exchange.
- Glencore (Mining), majors a pilot blockchain solution for end-to-end traceability for cobalt. A deal has been signed with China Huaneng to fit carbon capture. Glencore has brought out BHP and Anglo to become the sole owner of Cerrejon thermal coal mine in Colombia. It plans to become a net-zero emission company by 2050 and has set a goal of managing the depletion of its coal mines by the mid-2040s, rather than selling them.

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Weighted Average Carbon Intensity (WACI)



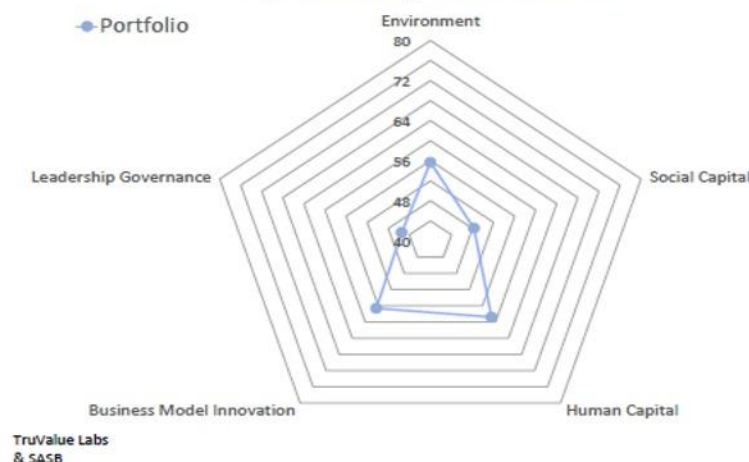
Source: Trucost

Extractive Exposure

| | Total Extractive Exposure ¹ | | Extractive Industries (VOH) ² | |
|---------------|--|-----|--|------|
| | Q1 | Q2 | Q1 | Q2 |
| Portfolio | 5.0 | 3.6 | 16.3 | 14.3 |
| Passive UK EQ | 5.0 | 3.6 | 16.3 | 14.3 |

1 Extractive revenue exposure as share (%) of total revenue.
2 Value of holdings (VOH)-companies who derive revenues from extractives.
Source: Trucost

Absolute Weighted ESG Scores



TruValue Labs & SASB

Passive Fixed Over 5 Years Index

Overview

Performance to Quarter End

| | Description | Ann. Performance | Fund | BM | Excess |
|------------------------------------|--|------------------|-------|-------|--------|
| Portfolio Objective: | To provide exposure to Index linked Gilts in a low cost and highly liquid approach. | 3 Month | | | |
| | | Fiscal YTD | | | |
| Investment Strategy & Key Drivers: | Invest passively in the securities underlying the FTSE-A UK index linked gilts over 5 years. | 1 Year | | | |
| | | 3 Years | | | |
| Liquidity: | High | 5 Years | | | |
| | | 10 Years | | | |
| Risk/Volatility: | Absolute risk low to medium with very low relative risk. | Since Inception | -1.5% | -1.5% | 0.0% |
| Total Fund Value: | £1,135,372,997 | | | | |

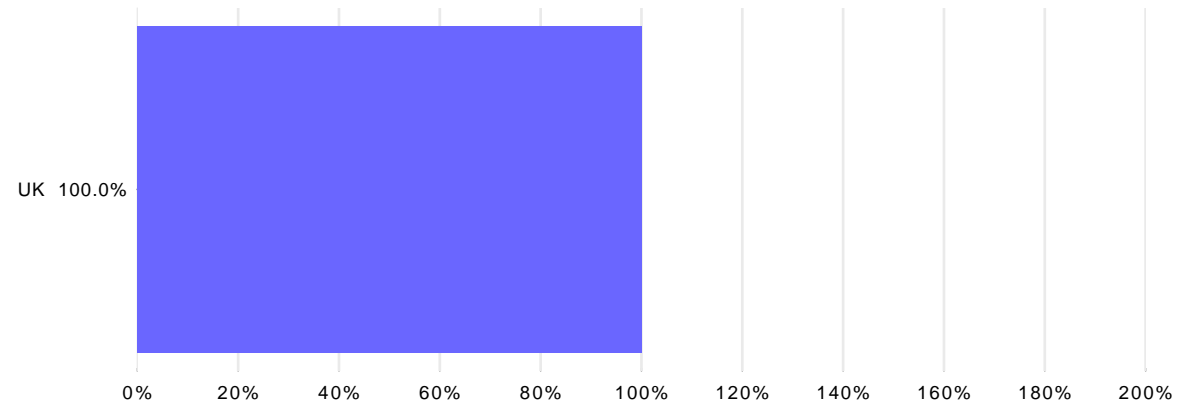
The Passive Fixed Over 5 Year Index Linked Gilt fund launched in the final month of the reporting period and returned -1.52% over the subsequent period.

Passive Fixed Over 5 Years Index – Region & Sector Exposure

Top 20 Holdings

| | Mkt. Val.(GBP) |
|---------------------|----------------|
| UKTI 0 1/8 03/22/68 | 67,042,645 |
| UKTI 1 1/4 11/22/55 | 65,485,285 |
| UKTI 0 3/8 03/22/62 | 64,153,709 |
| UKTI 0 1/2 03/22/50 | 55,298,318 |
| UKTI 0 3/4 11/22/47 | 53,934,474 |
| UKTI 1 1/8 11/22/37 | 53,078,577 |
| UKTI 0 5/8 03/22/40 | 52,591,352 |
| UKTI 0 1/8 03/22/44 | 51,036,486 |
| UKTI 0 5/8 11/22/42 | 50,680,179 |
| UKTI 1 1/4 11/22/32 | 49,419,980 |
| UKTI 0 1/4 03/22/52 | 48,909,135 |
| UKTI 0 3/4 03/22/34 | 45,333,380 |
| UKTI 1 1/4 11/22/27 | 45,095,665 |
| UKTI 0 1/8 03/22/58 | 44,841,947 |
| UKTI 0 1/8 03/22/46 | 43,258,164 |
| UKTI 2 01/26/35 | 42,614,718 |
| UKTI 0 1/8 03/22/29 | 40,159,009 |
| UKTI 0 1/8 08/10/28 | 38,289,622 |
| UKTI 0 1/8 08/10/48 | 37,683,428 |
| UKTI 0 1/8 11/22/65 | 37,186,333 |

Regional Exposure



Brunel Emerging Market Equity

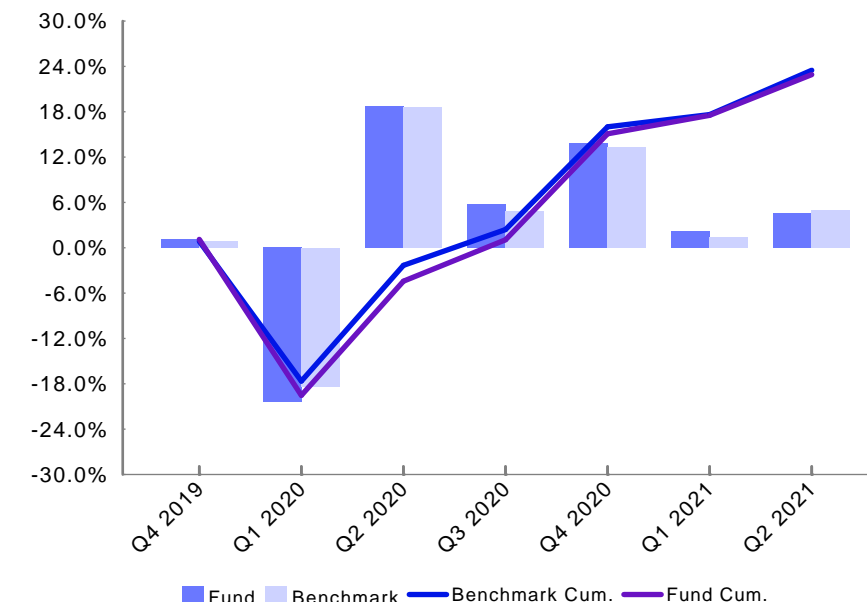
Overview

| | Description |
|------------------------------------|---|
| Portfolio Objective: | Provide exposure to emerging market equities, targeting excess returns and enhanced risk control from leading managers. |
| Investment Strategy & Key Drivers: | A geographically diverse portfolio, typically expected to achieve higher long-term growth rates than developed economies. |
| Liquidity: | Managed liquidity. Less exposure to more illiquid assets |
| Risk/Volatility: | High absolute risk with moderate to high relative risk, around 5% tracking error. |
| Total Fund Value: | £1,604,019,874 |

Performance to Quarter End

| | Ann. Performance | Fund | BM | Excess |
|-----------------|------------------|-------|-------|--------|
| 3 Month | | 4.6% | 5.0% | -0.4% |
| Fiscal YTD | | 4.6% | 5.0% | -0.4% |
| 1 Year | | 28.6% | 26.4% | 2.2% |
| 3 Years | | | | |
| 5 Years | | | | |
| 10 Years | | | | |
| Since Inception | | 13.4% | 13.7% | -0.3% |

Rolling Performance*



* Partial returns shown in first quarter

It was another positive quarter of performance for emerging market equities. MSCI Emerging Markets, a proxy for emerging equities, returned +5.0% in GBP terms. This capped an impressive year for emerging markets, with trailing year returns of +26.4%.

Country dispersion was mixed over the quarter. China continued to lag other emerging markets after minor relapses in Covid cases, returning a modest +2.2% in Q2 2021. Brazil and Russia were amongst the most impressive over the quarter, returning +22.8% and +14.2% respectively. Both countries saw significant currency appreciation vs the US dollar; the Russian rouble was particularly successful as a result of rate rise expectations and stronger oil prices – the currency rose 13%. The quarter's country laggards included smaller Latin America countries like Chile and Peru, which fell by 13.8% and 8.9% respectively. Chile's stock market dived after voters backed hard-left independent candidates to write the country's new constitution, which represented a radical change from the traditional parties of the left and right.

Most sectors made positive returns in Q2 2021, the only exception was Real Estate, which depreciated 6%. Energy continued to outperform most sectors, mostly due to supportive oil prices. WTI Oil appreciated by an impressive 24% in GBP terms, mainly due to a significant shift in supply and demand dynamics.

Brunel Emerging Market Equity

Continued Commentary

Increased demand was a direct result of progress in global Covid vaccine rollout. Furthermore, prices were stimulated by Opec+ producers agreeing to only release a very modest amount of supply, which was not anticipated by the market.

Investment styles diverged significantly over the quarter. The most successful style was defensive securities, proxied by MSCI Emerging Markets Defensive Sectors, which outperformed the broader market index by +3.6%. On the flip side, prime value - which represents high quality companies trading at cheap valuations - struggled; this style underperformed the broader market by -2.5% over the quarter. Common styles like broad Value, Growth and Quality were largely in line with the market over Q2 2021.

The portfolio made a positive return over the quarter but lagged the benchmark on a relative basis. Total return was 4.6%, which was 0.4% behind the benchmark on a net-of-fees basis. Managers experienced very mixed performance; Genesis, Wellington and Ninety-One had relative returns of -0.1%, +0.5% and -1.3% respectively. It could be argued that allocations to sectors and countries were material last quarter, in particular, the underweight positioning in Energy and India were detrimental to relative performance. Stock selection remains the driving force behind returns in the longer term.

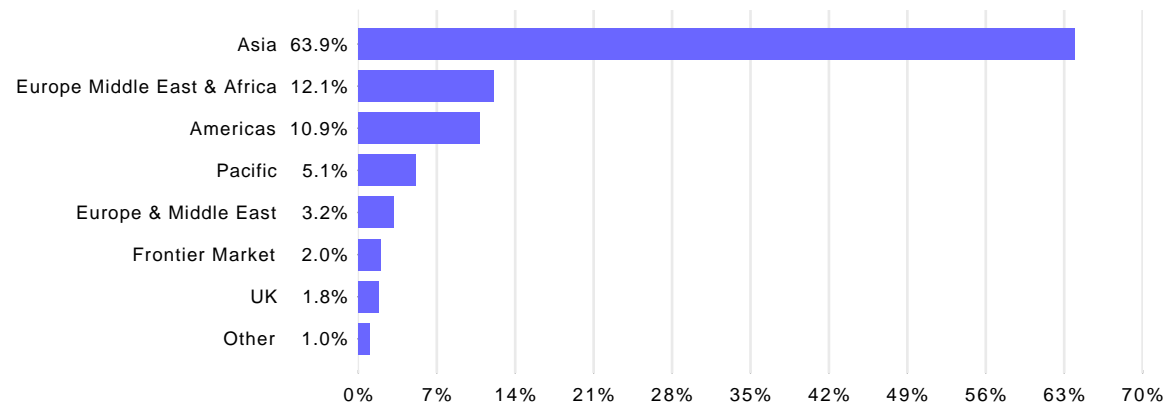
- Relative performance was impacted by un-held names over the quarter. High-growth names bounced significantly from mid-May onwards. Examples include NIO, an electric vehicle producer, which appreciated by over 30%. The portfolio does not hold NIO, but the benchmark has a weighting of 0.6%, which resulted in a significant detractor from the portfolio's relative performance. Chinese education stocks also detracted from performance, as the Chinese government announced a crackdown on outside-hours education companies to rein in unfair pricing and bad practices. Companies like TAL Education and New Oriental suffered significantly, falling by 53% and 42% respectively. The portfolio maintains a collective overweight position of +0.42% vs benchmark in these two companies.
- Country allocation detracted significantly, accounting for almost all of the portfolio's relative under performance. The 6% underweight to India caused a drag on performance after the country returned 6.9%, almost 2% more than the benchmark. Brazil was also a significant detractor; it had a hugely impressive quarter, rallying 22.8%, partially driven by currency appreciation after its central bank raised interest rates to 4.25% to combat runaway inflation. The fund is currently 2% underweight. On the positive side, the underweight to China benefited the portfolio once again. Relapses in Covid cases in China caused it to underperform the benchmark by 2.7%; the 5% underweight resulted in a positive impact on relative performance.
- Sector allocation also hindered relative performance last quarter. Overall sector allocation impacts were more than the total underperformance. Energy was responsible for 50% of this alone. Oil price rises caused Energy to return 12.4% last quarter, comfortably in excess of the 5.0% broader market return. The fund has been underweight Energy since inception, with a current underweight of 3% causing a drag on performance.
- Since-inception performance has slipped further behind benchmark as a result of the latest quarter's performance. Net-of-fees annualised portfolio return is now 13.4%, which is 0.3% behind benchmark. The portfolio remains ahead of benchmark on a gross-of-fees basis, with an annualised return of 14.0%, which is 0.3% ahead of benchmark.

Brunel Emerging Market Equity – Region & Sector Exposure

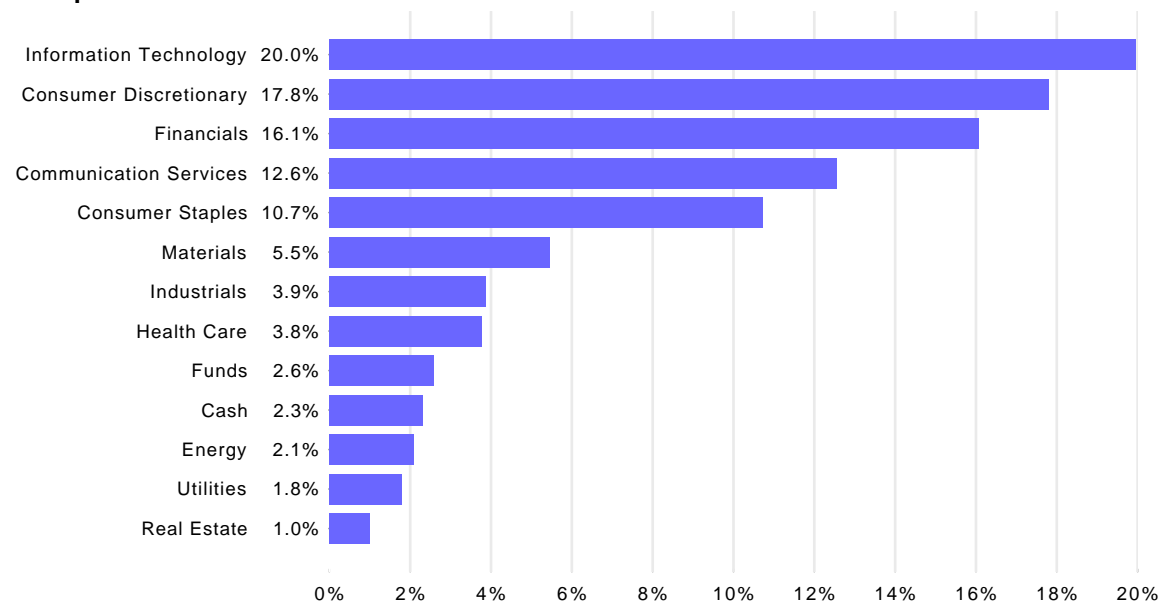
Top 20 Holdings

| | Mkt. Val.(GBP) |
|------------------------------|----------------|
| TAIWAN SEMICONDUCTOR MANUFAC | 115,011,938 |
| TENCENT HOLDINGS LTD | 101,004,205 |
| SAMSUNG ELECTRONICS CO LTD | 63,018,219 |
| ALIBABA GROUP HOLDING-SP ADR | 48,395,454 |
| ISHARES MSCI INDIA ETF | 40,457,588 |
| SBERBANK PJSC -SPONSORED ADR | 35,396,528 |
| ALIBABA GROUP HOLDING LTD | 28,897,984 |
| AIA GROUP LTD | 28,203,267 |
| INFOSYS LTD-SP ADR | 25,638,661 |
| NASPERS LTD-N SHS | 20,479,209 |
| HDFC BANK LTD-ADR | 18,347,400 |
| SAMSUNG ELECTRONICS-PREF | 16,736,292 |
| MEDIATEK INC | 16,605,278 |
| WULIANGYE YIBIN CO LTD-A | 16,364,822 |
| YANDEX NV-A | 15,959,412 |
| BID CORP LTD | 15,913,003 |
| COUNTRY GARDEN SERVICES HOLD | 14,928,172 |
| CHINA CONSTRUCTION BANK-H | 14,623,158 |
| CHINA LONGYUAN POWER GROUP-H | 14,240,562 |

Regional Exposure



Sector Exposure



Brunel Emerging Market Equity – Responsible Investment

Top 10 ESG Contributors to Overall Score

| | Insight | Momentum |
|--|---------|----------|
| 1. TAIWAN SEMICONDUCTOR MANUFACTURING | 59.0 | 29.2 |
| 2. CHINA LONGYUAN POWER GROUP CORP LTD | 69.2 | 43.6 |
| 3. AIA GROUP LTD | 60.1 | 83.2 |
| 4. CONTEMPORARY AMPEREX TECHNOLOGY CO | 66.2 | 46.3 |
| 5. MEDIATEK INC | 62.7 | 65.7 |
| 6. DELTA ELECTRONICS INC | 74.6 | 24.9 |
| 7. OTP BANK NYRT | 67.7 | 78.7 |
| 8. INFOSYS LTD | 58.1 | 79.5 |
| 9. HEINEKEN NV | 61.7 | 70.9 |
| 10. XPENG INC | 63.7 | 19.2 |

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| Weighted Average ESG Score | 2021 Q1 | 2021 Q2 |
|----------------------------|---------|---------|
| Portfolio | 53.6 | 54.2 |
| MSCI EM | 53.7 | 54.4 |

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Bottom 10 ESG Detractors to Overall Score

| | Insight | Momentum |
|--|---------|----------|
| 1. ICICI BANK LTD | 45.6 | 63.7 |
| 2. REALTEK SEMICONDUCTOR CORP | 28.7 | 69.0 |
| 3. PETROLEO BRASILEIRO SA | 39.0 | 61.3 |
| 4. NETEASE INC | 43.7 | 75.2 |
| 5. NEW ORIENTAL EDUCATION & TECHNOLOGY | 25.1 | 78.8 |
| 6. YANDEX NV | 42.4 | 19.2 |
| 7. ANTA SPORTS PRODUCTS LTD | 36.5 | 21.1 |
| 8. SAMSUNG ELECTRONICS CO LTD | 49.4 | 73.3 |
| 9. ALIBABA GROUP HOLDING LTD | 47.2 | 24.3 |
| 10. TENCENT HOLDINGS LTD | 46.6 | 35.8 |

* Position 1 is the top contributor/detractor.



Weighted Average Carbon Intensity (WACI)



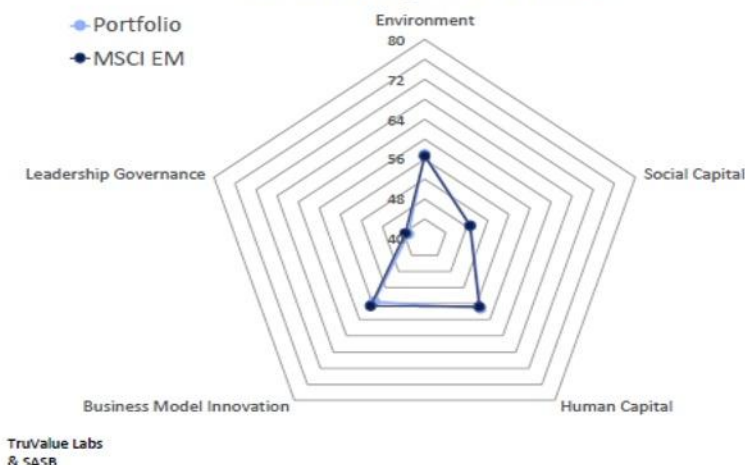
Source: Trucost

Extractive Exposure

| | Total Extractive Exposure ¹ | | Extractive Industries (VOH) ² | |
|-----------|--|-----|--|-----|
| | Q1 | Q2 | Q1 | Q2 |
| Portfolio | 2.3 | 2.2 | 3.8 | 5.2 |
| MSCI EM | 3.4 | 3.7 | 8.2 | 8.6 |

1 Extractive revenue exposure as share (%) of total revenue.
2 Value of holdings (VOH)-companies who derive revenues from extractives.
Source: Trucost

Absolute Weighted ESG Scores



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Brunel Assessment:

- Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing (Semiconductors) production continues to be impacted by the country's worst drought in 56 years. No significant rain has fallen in more than 360 days, causing reservoirs to run dangerously low and water to be rationed.
- Anta Group (Sportswear) has announced its 24-month 'Lead to Win' plan, which involves investing ¥4bn in R&D and launching more high-end products. The plan will aim to grow the business by 18-25% over the next five years.
- Heineken (Food & Beverage) announced new ESG commitments as part of its 'Providing a Better World' strategy. The company aims to become carbon neutral in production by 2025 and across its entire value chain by 2040.
- Alibaba (E-commerce) has been hit by multiple fines as China's State Administration for Market Regulation (SAMA) tackles antitrust behaviour. Earlier this year, SAMA fined 12 companies, including Tencent, for pricing irregularities. A deeper investigation into Alibaba resulted in a record \$2.75 billion anti-monopoly fine from China.

70% of the bottom 10 ESG detractors are covered by engagement or specific voting activities.

The weighted average carbon intensity of the portfolio saw a slight uptick over the quarter, as a position in Gazprom was added to. The portfolio remains below its benchmark, the MSCI Emerging Markets, for both extractives revenue exposures and extractive industries value of holdings.

Brunel Global High Alpha Equity

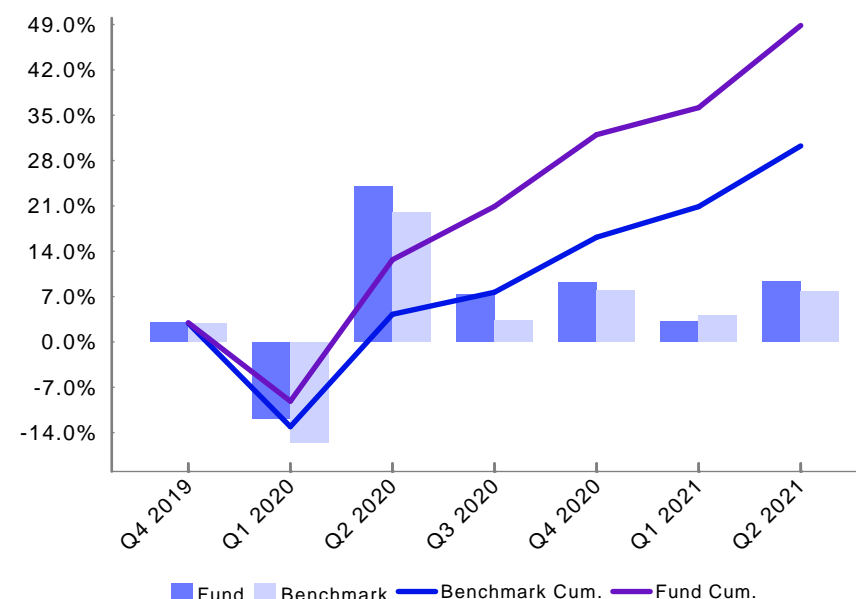
Overview

| | Description |
|------------------------------------|--|
| Portfolio Objective: | Provide global equity market exposure together with excess returns from accessing leading managers. |
| Investment Strategy & Key Drivers: | High conviction, concentrated portfolios with strong style/factor biases invested in a unconstrained manner. |
| Liquidity: | Managed liquidity. Less exposure to more illiquid assets. |
| Risk/Volatility: | High absolute risk with moderate to high relative risk, around 5-6% tracking error. |
| Total Fund Value: | £3,565,795,616 |

Performance to Quarter End

| | Ann. Performance | Fund | BM | Excess |
|-----------------|------------------|-------|-------|--------|
| 3 Month | | 9.3% | 7.8% | 1.6% |
| Fiscal YTD | | 9.3% | 7.8% | 1.6% |
| 1 Year | | 32.1% | 24.9% | 7.2% |
| 3 Years | | | | |
| 5 Years | | | | |
| 10 Years | | | | |
| Since Inception | | 28.9% | 18.4% | 10.5% |

Rolling Performance*



* Partial returns shown in first quarter

This quarter witnessed the continuance of the global equity rally, with US and global indices hitting new highs, despite short-lived hiatuses in May and June. Global developed equities (as proxied by the MSCI World index) delivered a 7.8% return, outperforming the MSCI Emerging Markets index by 2.8% in GBP terms. Within developed markets, the US and Europe ex UK outperformed, while Japan lagged. On a style basis, Quality and Growth outperformed Value over the quarter, whilst on a sector basis the best performers were IT, Real Estate and Consumer Services, with Utilities the poorest-performing sector.

The portfolio returned 9.3% over the quarter, outperforming the benchmark by 1.6%, almost entirely driven by stock selection.

- Stock selection was particularly strong in Health Care, with overweights in the likes of BioNTech, Moderna and Genmab (which returned 104%, 79% and 24% respectively). Other overweights to add strongly to relative performance included quality Financials names such as MSCI and Moody's, which performed well after underperforming last the previous quarter. In contrast, the second quarter saw challenges to some of the off-benchmark Chinese names, in particular, Tal Education (-53%), KE Holdings (-17%), and Pinduoduo (-5%) – see further comments on China below.
- Sector allocation was marginally beneficial over the quarter, mainly as a result of a zero allocation to Utilities, the worst-performing sector over the quarter.
- On a country allocation basis, the portfolio's overweight to China detracted (0.4%) whilst the underweight to the US had a small negative impact.

Continued Commentary

Four of the five managers outperformed the index this quarter. Harris underperformed following a significant outperformance over the previous two quarters. Fiera provided the largest contribution to fund returns, reflecting its large allocation within the fund and their strong outperformance (+2.6%) during the quarter. Baillie Gifford was the highest performing manager this quarter, as its growth style was rewarded. Manager performance continues to reflect the different investment styles of the managers.

Since inception, the portfolio has outperformed the index by 10.5% on an annualised basis, outperforming in five of the six full quarters. Attribution analysis shows that this outperformance was largely a result of positive stock selection, which reflects the approach of employing fundamental managers chosen for their ability to select concentrated portfolios of high conviction names.

As a developed market portfolio, exposure to China is limited as part of the off-benchmark allowance, and the allocation to China currently stands at 5%. Nevertheless, the growing influence of China (both through direct investment and, indirectly, through complex global supply chains), offers a source of opportunity and risk for global managers. As noted above, the quarter saw some China-related governance risks play out, as Tal Education was among the private education sector companies impacted by the Chinese government's decision to cap fees and operating times of the private education sector, citing the pressure on children. After quarter-end, China's cyber security regulator clamped down on three Chinese tech companies (not held in the portfolio) that had listed in the US in June, launching investigations and, in some cases, stopping them registering new users. Both instances are examples of regulatory risks that can be greater when investing in Chinese companies. Whilst the direct allocation to China remains a small part of the fund, Brunel is working with our investment managers to understand their approaches to China, and how they will continue to seek to address the related opportunities and risks.

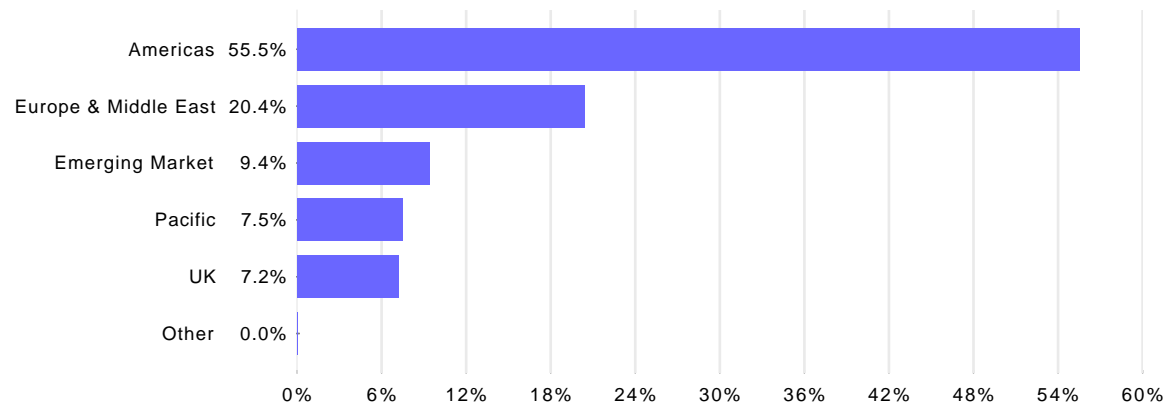
During the quarter, £67m was redeemed from the portfolio.

Brunel Global High Alpha Equity – Region & Sector Exposure

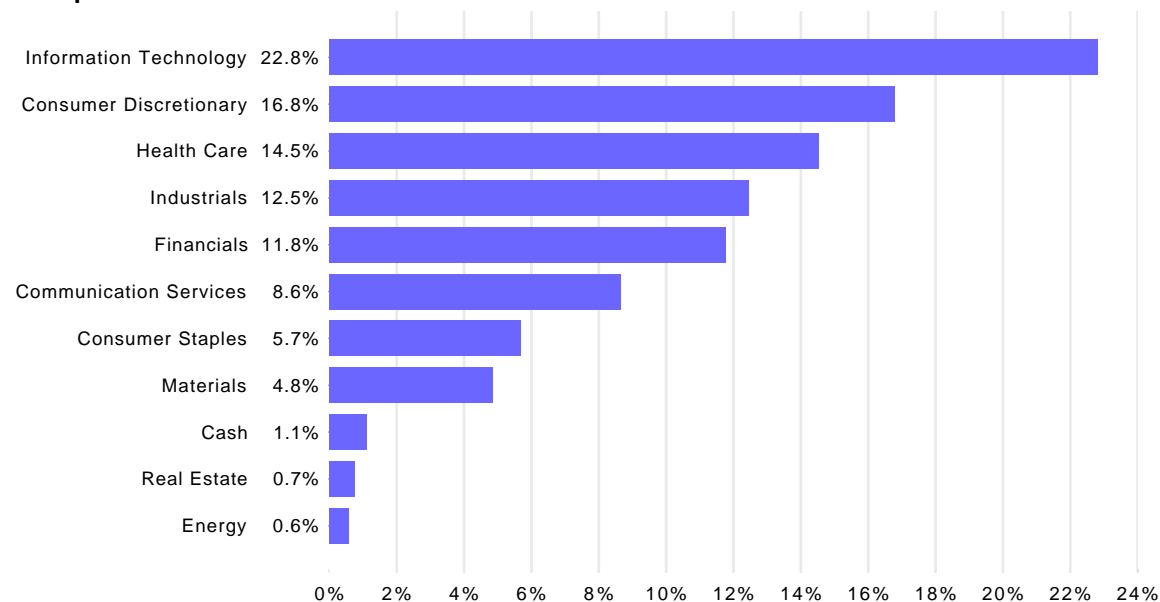
Top 20 Holdings

| | Mkt. Val.(GBP) |
|------------------------------|----------------|
| MICROSOFT CORP | 145,188,069 |
| ALPHABET INC-CL A | 108,567,447 |
| MASTERCARD INC - A | 95,644,378 |
| MOODY'S CORP | 79,409,003 |
| AMAZON.COM INC | 73,886,972 |
| TAIWAN SEMICONDUCTOR-SP ADR | 71,442,281 |
| NESTLE SA-REG | 66,356,776 |
| KEYENCE CORP | 65,088,729 |
| TJX COMPANIES INC | 59,311,455 |
| ASML HOLDING NV | 58,462,807 |
| SCHWAB (CHARLES) CORP | 54,437,895 |
| NIKE INC -CL B | 54,395,377 |
| ALIBABA GROUP HOLDING-SP ADR | 52,910,748 |
| CAPGEMINI SE | 45,092,602 |
| TENCENT HOLDINGS LTD | 44,722,333 |
| APTIV PLC | 43,705,376 |
| FACEBOOK INC-CLASS A | 42,833,176 |
| UNITEDHEALTH GROUP INC | 40,851,148 |
| JOHNSON & JOHNSON | 38,592,347 |
| MSCI INC | 38,370,340 |

Regional Exposure



Sector Exposure



Brunel Global High Alpha Equity – Responsible Investment

Top 10 ESG Contributors to Overall Score

| | Insight | Momentum |
|---------------------------------------|---------|----------|
| 1. ASML HOLDING NV | 66.0 | 81.2 |
| 2. RECRUIT HOLDINGS CO LTD | 65.8 | 50.0 |
| 3. CAPGEMINI SE | 62.1 | 49.5 |
| 4. EUROFINS SCIENTIFIC SE | 67.7 | 81.0 |
| 5. METTLER-TOLEDO INTERNATIONAL INC | 65.6 | 76.1 |
| 6. TAIWAN SEMICONDUCTOR MANUFACTURING | 59.0 | 29.2 |
| 7. CARRIER GLOBAL CORP | 65.7 | 83.4 |
| 8. MURATA MANUFACTURING CO LTD | 65.0 | 77.3 |
| 9. NESTLE SA | 58.9 | 43.2 |
| 10. ADMIRAL GROUP PLC | 73.2 | 12.1 |

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| Weighted Average ESG Score | 2021 Q1 | 2021 Q2 |
|----------------------------|---------|---------|
| Portfolio | 54.1 | 54.4 |
| MSCI World | 53.7 | 54.2 |

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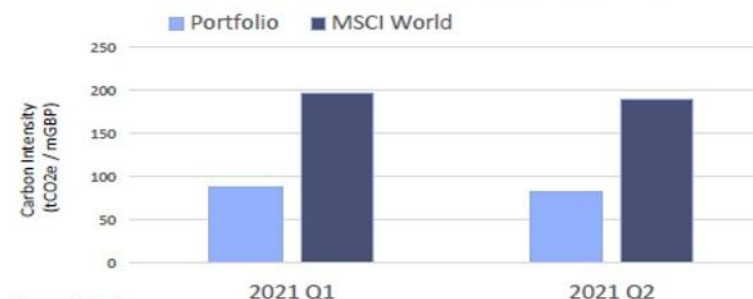
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| | Insight | Momentum |
|------------------------------|---------|----------|
| 1. TENCENT HOLDINGS LTD | 46.6 | 35.8 |
| 2. AUTOZONE INC | 43.6 | 84.7 |
| 3. CHARLES SCHWAB CORP/THE | 47.0 | 68.2 |
| 4. ALIBABA GROUP HOLDING LTD | 47.2 | 24.3 |
| 5. JOHNSON & JOHNSON | 43.7 | 81.7 |
| 6. FACEBOOK INC | 42.7 | 63.2 |
| 7. NIKE INC | 44.7 | 45.2 |
| 8. ALPHABET INC | 46.0 | 59.8 |
| 9. MICROSOFT CORP | 47.8 | 32.0 |
| 10. TJX COS INC/THE | 35.9 | 13.9 |

* Position 1 is the top contributor/detractor.



Weighted Average Carbon Intensity (WACI)



Source: Trucost

Extractive Exposure

| | Total Extractive Exposure ¹ | | Extractive Industries (VOH) ² | |
|------------|--|-----|--|-----|
| | Q1 | Q2 | Q1 | Q2 |
| Portfolio | 1.5 | 1.4 | 3.2 | 3.0 |
| MSCI World | 3.0 | 2.8 | 7.6 | 7.1 |

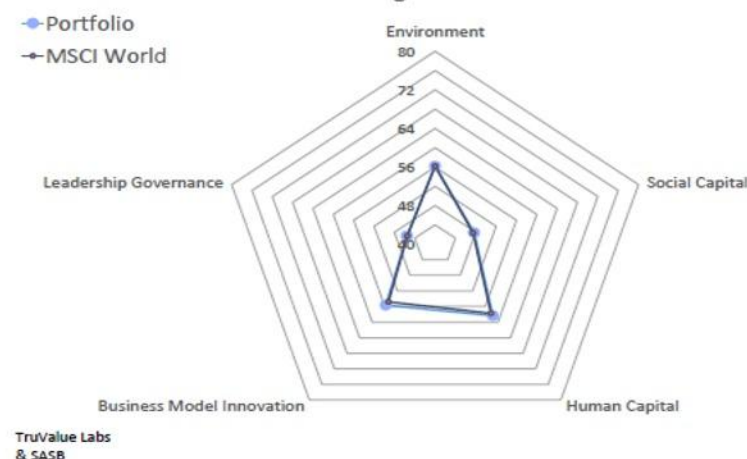
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- TJX (Consumer goods) is facing a lawsuit for breaching California's Consumer Privacy Act by sharing customers' data with third-party software firms. The suit claims arbitration terms were buried in hard-to-find fine print on their website.
- Mettler-Toledo (Health Care) has partnered with Everything Product Cloud to further the digitalisation of food safety. Their software tracks inspection data in real time, providing enhanced transparency and traceability of products manufactured.

90% of the bottom 10 ESG detractors are covered by engagement or specific voting activities. The portfolio continues to have a carbon intensity significantly lower than its benchmark. Revenues from extractive activity and the extractives value of holdings are half that of its benchmark.

Absolute Weighted ESG Scores



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Brunel Global Sustainable Equities

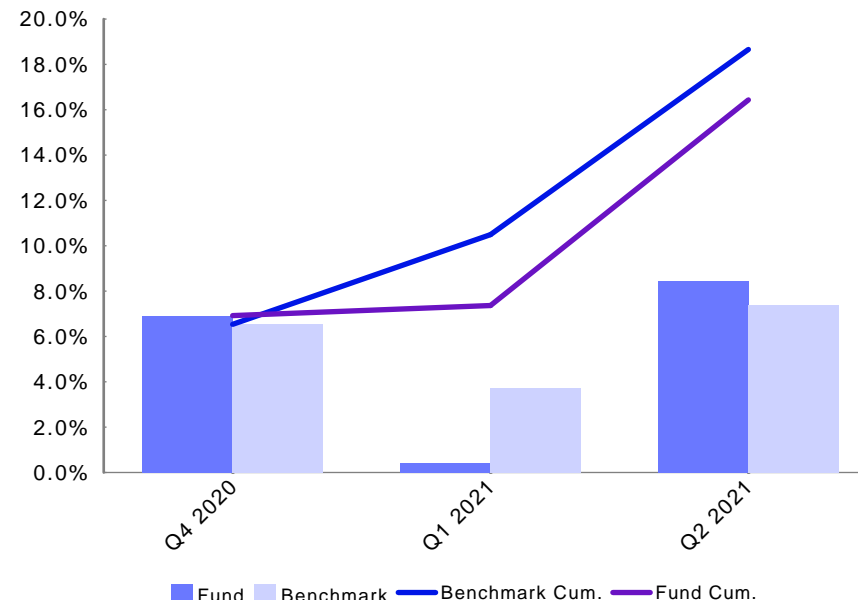
Overview

| | Description |
|------------------------------------|---|
| Portfolio Objective: | To provide exposure to global sustainable equities markets, including excess returns from manager skill and ESG considerations. |
| Investment Strategy & Key Drivers: | Actively managed, diversified by sector and geography. Consideration for a companies Environmental & Social sustainability. |
| Liquidity: | Managed Liquidity. |
| Risk/Volatility: | High, representing an equity portfolio. |
| Total Fund Value: | £2,022,059,559 |

Performance to Quarter End

| | Ann. Performance | Fund | BM | Excess |
|-----------------|------------------|-------|-------|--------|
| 3 Month | | 8.4% | 7.4% | 1.1% |
| Fiscal YTD | | 8.4% | 7.4% | 1.1% |
| 1 Year | | | | |
| 3 Years | | | | |
| 5 Years | | | | |
| 10 Years | | | | |
| Since Inception | | 16.4% | 18.7% | -2.2% |

Rolling Performance*



* Partial returns shown in first quarter

The Global Sustainable Equity portfolio launched on 19 October. Since the inception of the fund, the MSCI ACWI index has returned 18.6%, whilst the portfolio has returned 16.4% on a net-of-fees basis. Over the quarter, the fund returned 8.5% on a net basis, outperforming the MSCI ACWI, which returned 7.4%.

- During the quarter, there was a resurgence for Growth and Quality stocks after the Value rally of Q1 2021. However, the market did cool slightly through May, as inflation fears led investors to err on the side of caution and take some risk off the table. The ACWI returned -1% over the month, with the Growth index returning -2.6% for the month. Investors took a more optimistic view throughout June after the US Fed described the current inflation figures as “transitory”, expressing a desire not to increase interest rates for the time being. This led the market to finish the quarter up 7.3% – the Brunel Global Sustainable Equity fund outperformed by 1.1%.

- Since the launch of the portfolio, there have been notable Value headwinds, as the economy began to reopen and give renewed optimism to the Cyclical Value parts of the market. However, we take comfort in the fact that all three managers have been able to provide differing sources of alpha since

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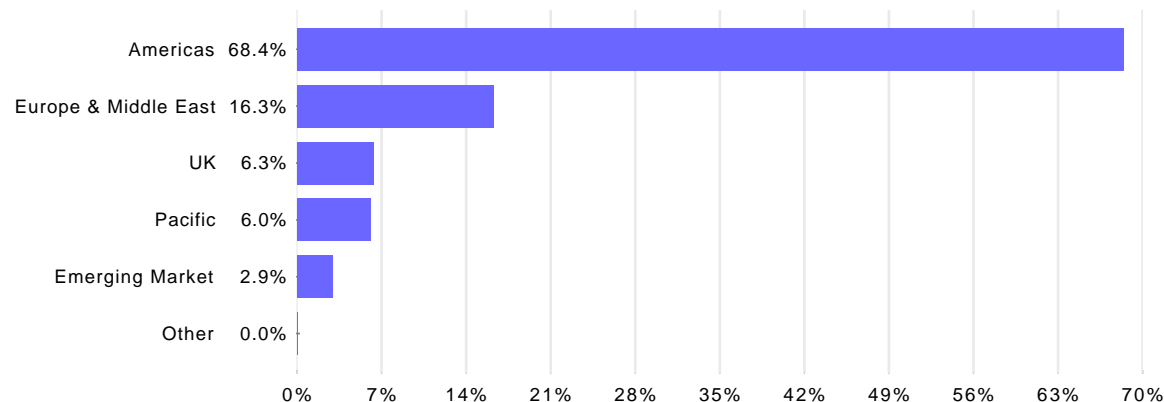
- Over the quarter, we have seen the broad sustainable managers outperform the market, RBC and Ownership returning 9.5% and 8.8% respectively. However, Nordea's Climate & Environment thematic strategy provided a return of 6.5%, underperforming the MSCI ACWI. Nordea's underperformance can be largely attributed to performance in June, when we saw Large Cap/Growth/technology stocks, outperform the other sections of the market. This was particularly notable in Nordea's small/midcap stock selection in the IT sector and overweight to the Industrials sector. However, over the quarter, we saw RBC add value through the selection of Communication Services and large cap IT holdings, whilst Ownership was able to add value through Health Care stock selection. The stock selection exhibited by Ownership and RBC led to an overall outperformance from the fund.
- The fund continues to demonstrate the characteristics that were outlined during the original construction phase of the portfolio. The Sustainalytics scores remain superior to that of the MSCI ACWI benchmark and we continue to see a carbon intensity reduction of 26% in comparison to the broader index.

Brunel Global Sustainable Equities – Region & Sector Exposure

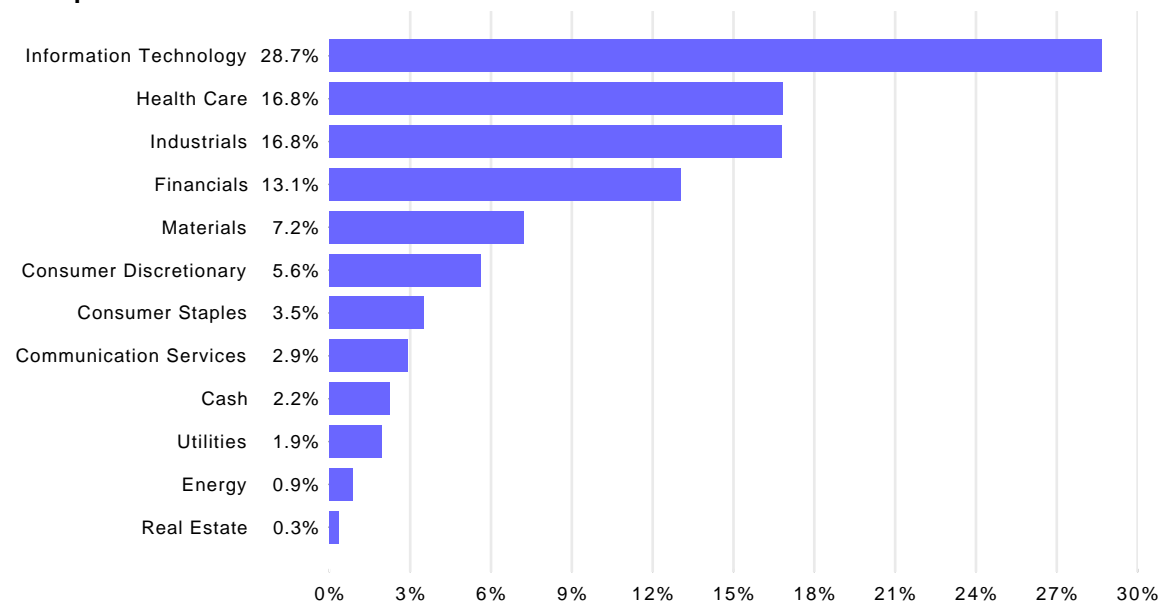
Top 20 Holdings

| | Mkt. Val.(GBP) |
|------------------------------|----------------|
| MARKETAXESS HOLDINGS INC | 58,392,271 |
| MASTERCARD INC - A | 52,263,467 |
| ADYEN NV | 51,815,371 |
| ANSYS INC | 46,513,735 |
| MICROSOFT CORP | 41,951,109 |
| INTUIT INC | 41,908,850 |
| WORKDAY INC-CLASS A | 40,905,482 |
| ALPHABET INC-CL A | 40,375,041 |
| EDWARDS LIFESCIENCES CORP | 38,937,217 |
| PAYPAL HOLDINGS INC | 37,767,704 |
| BIO-TECHNE CORP | 37,661,022 |
| TRADEWEB MARKETS INC-CLASS A | 37,431,474 |
| ILLUMINA INC | 37,341,461 |
| MASIMO CORP | 36,167,707 |
| ECOLAB INC | 35,329,866 |
| ROCHE HOLDING AG-GENUSSCHEIN | 34,778,508 |
| PTC INC | 32,877,045 |
| DEUTSCHE POST AG-REG | 31,852,742 |
| UNITEDHEALTH GROUP INC | 30,340,639 |
| INTERCONTINENTAL EXCHANGE IN | 29,178,205 |

Regional Exposure



Sector Exposure



Brunel Global Sustainable Equities – Responsible Investment

Top 10 ESG Contributors to Overall Score

| | Insight | Momentum |
|------------------------------|---------|----------|
| 1. ECOLAB INC | 71.5 | 55.9 |
| 2. MASIMO CORP | 68.1 | 65.9 |
| 3. ORSTED AS | 72.3 | 38.1 |
| 4. FORTIVE CORP | 67.9 | 24.6 |
| 5. CRODA INTERNATIONAL PLC | 71.3 | 36.6 |
| 6. PTC INC | 65.3 | 38.0 |
| 7. EDWARDS LIFESCIENCES CORP | 64.1 | 81.3 |
| 8. FIRST REPUBLIC BANK/CA | 65.3 | 82.6 |
| 9. WORKDAY INC | 63.3 | 18.1 |
| 10. TERADYNE INC | 74.1 | 38.5 |

Bottom 10 ESG Detractors to Overall Score

| | Insight | Momentum |
|----------------------------------|---------|----------|
| 1. BLACKSTONE GROUP INC/THE | 51.0 | 35.9 |
| 2. AMAZON.COM INC | 50.2 | 60.9 |
| 3. INTERCONTINENTAL EXCHANGE INC | 49.5 | 72.9 |
| 4. ROCHE HOLDING AG | 50.5 | 40.5 |
| 5. ILLUMINA INC | 51.0 | 44.9 |
| 6. PAYPAL HOLDINGS INC | 49.7 | 70.2 |
| 7. INTUIT INC | 50.4 | 24.5 |
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| Weighted Average ESG Score | 2021 Q1 | 2021 Q2 |
|----------------------------|---------|---------|
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| MSCI ACWI | 53.7 | 54.2 |

* Position 1 is the top contributor/detractor.



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Brunel Assessment:

- Microsoft (Technology) was victim to several sophisticated widespread hacks, the U.S. government and Western allies claim these have originated from Russia and China. Microsoft launched a new product, Cloud for Sustainability, to help companies track their carbon emissions.
- TJX (Consumer goods) are facing a lawsuit for breaching California's Consumer Privacy Act by sharing customer data with third-party software firms. The suit claims arbitration terms were buried in hard-to-find fine print on their website.
- Croda International (Chemicals) has committed to Net Zero and having a 1.5°C Science Based Target. Croda has committed to reduce Scope 1 and 2 emissions by 46% from a 2018 baseline, as well as reduce its upstream Scope 3 emissions by 13.5% through collaboration within its supply chain.
- Workday (IT & Software Services) has introduced a new enterprise cloud application for HR leaders to advance belonging and diversity initiatives. The offering will measure relative performance and outcomes across talent acquisition and development to identify the highest opportunities for positive change.

80% of the bottom 10 ESG detractors are covered by engagement or specific voting activities.

As expected from this Sustainable Portfolio, the carbon intensity and exposure to extractive industries are significantly below benchmark. The Portfolio has considerably higher ESG scores compared to its Benchmark across Environment, Social and Human Capital categories.

Weighted Average Carbon Intensity (WACI)



Source: Trucost

Extractive Exposure

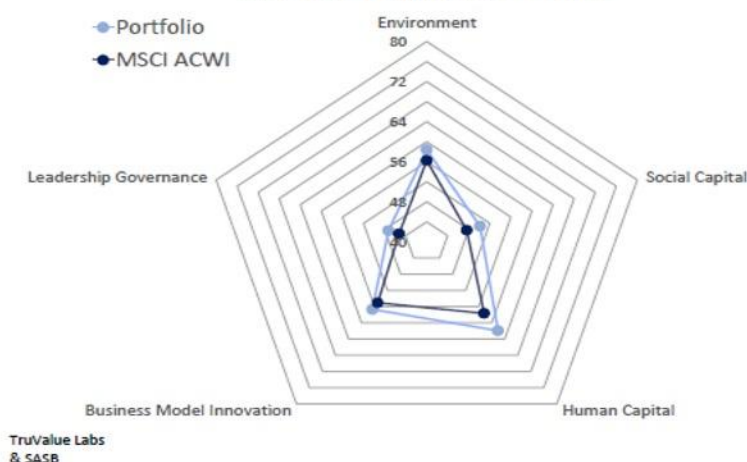
| | Total Extractive Exposure ¹ | | Extractive Industries (VOH) ² | |
|-----------|--|-----|--|-----|
| | Q1 | Q2 | Q1 | Q2 |
| Portfolio | 2.9 | 3.0 | 3.8 | 3.7 |
| MSCI ACWI | 3.0 | 2.8 | 7.7 | 7.3 |

¹ Extractive revenue exposure as share (%) of total revenue.

² Value of holdings (VOH)-companies who derive revenues from extractives.

Source: Trucost

Absolute Weighted ESG Scores



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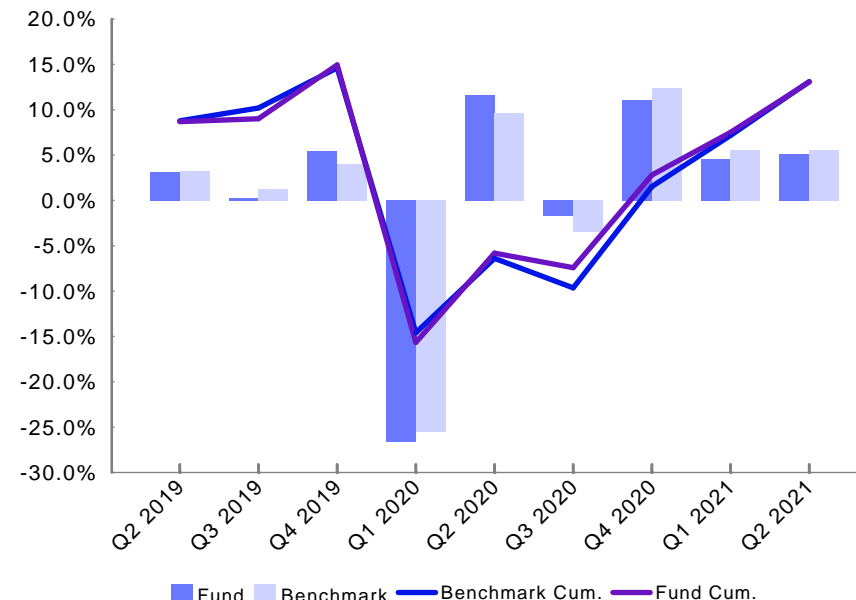
Overview

| | Description |
|------------------------------------|---|
| Portfolio Objective: | Provide exposure to UK Equities, together with enhanced returns from manager skill. |
| Investment Strategy & Key Drivers: | Skilled managers will create opportunities to add long term value through stock selection and portfolio construction. |
| Liquidity: | Managed level of liquidity. Less exposure to more illiquid assets. |
| Risk/Volatility: | High absolute risk with moderate relative risk, around 4% tracking error. |
| Total Fund Value: | £1,512,303,849 |

Performance to Quarter End

| Ann. Performance | Fund | BM | Excess |
|------------------|-------|-------|--------|
| 3 Month | 5.2% | 5.5% | -0.4% |
| Fiscal YTD | 5.2% | 5.5% | -0.4% |
| 1 Year | 20.0% | 20.8% | -0.8% |
| 3 Years | | | |
| 5 Years | | | |
| 10 Years | | | |
| Since Inception | 4.9% | 4.9% | 0.0% |

Rolling Performance*



* Partial returns shown in first quarter

The FTSE All-Share Index excluding Investment Trusts returned 5.5% over the quarter, very similar to the 5.6% return the previous quarter. However, in contrast to the previous quarter, UK equities underperformed global developed market indices. This can be partly explained by the differing sector makeup of the UK equity market. The Technology sector was a key driver of global equity returns and the UK index is under-represented in Technology compared to US and European counterparts. Additionally, the Financials sector (a significant portion of the UK index) struggled, hurting the UK index more than others. Happily, the UK did benefit from the strong returns generated within Health Care. On a factor basis, the rotation into Size and Value stuttered over the quarter, as Quality outperformed, the latter benefitting from the unwinding of the reflation trade in the second half of the quarter. Size and Value remain the leading factors over the 12-month period.

Over the quarter, the portfolio returned 5.2%, underperforming the index by 0.4%. Attribution analysis shows relative fund performance was driven by the negative impact from sector allocation, whilst stock selection made a small positive contribution.

- Sector allocation detracted as the fund's largest overweight sector (Financials) was also the lowest performing sector. The fund also had a material underweight to Health Care, the best performing sector. Other large relative sector positions (overweight to Industrials, underweights to Consumer Staples,

Continued Commentary

Energy and Utilities) were less impactful.

- Stock selection was marginally positive with good selection in Consumer Discretionary offsetting poorer selection in Health Care and Financials.
- On a fundamentals basis, the overweight to earnings quality benefitted, whilst the overweight to small cap was neutral and the underweight allocation to dividend yield (proxy for value) detracted.

At the manager level, Invesco outperformed the index by 0.3% whilst Baillie Gifford underperformed by 1.3%.

- Invesco's quantitative factor strategy and more risk managed approach held up well during the quarter and, of the targeted factors, Value and Momentum contributed positively on a relative basis whilst Quality modestly detracted.
- Baillie Gifford's underperformance of 1.3% resulted from both sector allocation (as their significant overweight to Financials and underweight to Health Care both hurt) and stock selection. Stock selection in Health Care was poor as two large constituents in the index (Astra Zeneca and GSK) were not held and returned over 19% and 11% respectively. Other notable detractors included Trainline, which fell 36% after a proposal by the Williams Review for a new entity to launch a centralised online ticketing service took investors by surprise. Significant overweight positions in Ashted and St. James's Place, which returned 24% and 19% respectively, helped to partially offset the poorer-performing names.

Fund performance since inception is in line with the index. The performance trend since the Covid pandemic saw the portfolio perform strongly in the two quarters following the start of the pandemic, but then underperform over the last three quarters, in particular struggling in the Value rebound in Q4 2020, which is not unexpected given the longer-term characteristics of the portfolio.

The UK equity market continues to see structural change.

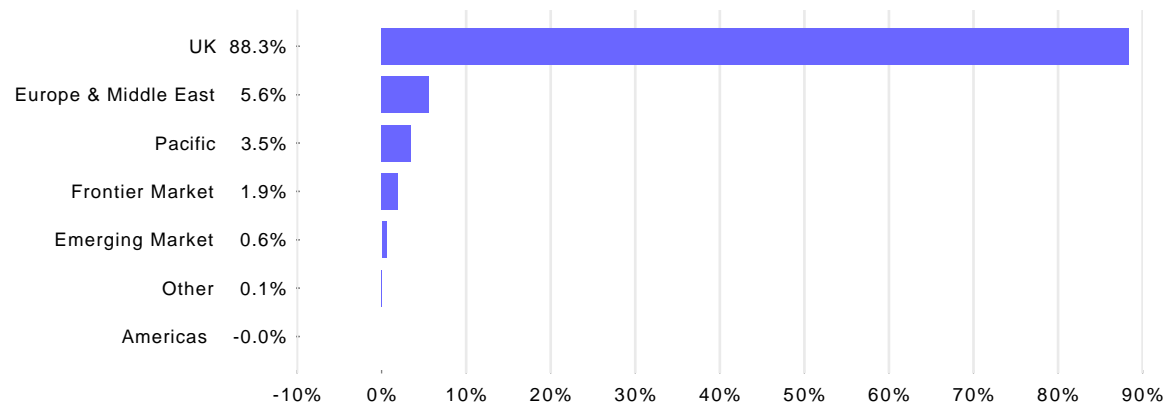
- We are currently seeing an increase in the amount of corporate activity in the UK market. In particular, private equity buyout activity is at raised levels as investors seek to take advantage of the lower valuations within the UK compared to other developed equity markets.
- The FCA published proposals on 5 July to reform rules for company listings, in response to the Hill recommendations. They propose to allow those founders who remain executives to control 50% of the voting power while holding 5% of the total shares, for up to five years. The proposals also reduce the minimum proportion of shares offered from 25% to 10% (Hill recommended 15%), whilst raising the minimum market capitalisation for new companies to £50m, compared to £700k now. It remains to be seen how such changes would impact the longer-term decline in UK listings. Following a consultation period, any changes are expected to be in place by the end of the year.

Brunel UK Active Equity – Region & Sector Exposure

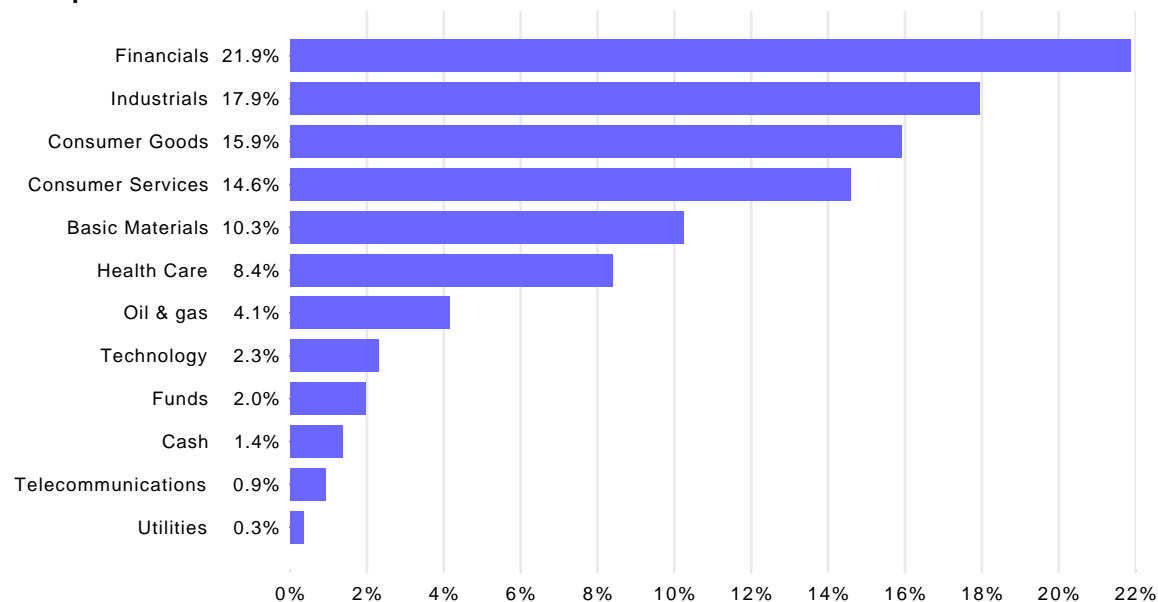
Top 20 Holdings

| | Mkt. Val.(GBP) |
|------------------------------|----------------|
| ASTRAZENECA PLC | 60,927,199 |
| RIO TINTO PLC | 59,823,142 |
| BHP GROUP PLC | 52,218,200 |
| UNILEVER PLC | 51,799,041 |
| DIAGEO PLC | 42,364,305 |
| BRITISH AMERICAN TOBACCO PLC | 38,360,258 |
| LEGAL & GENERAL GROUP PLC | 34,186,351 |
| PRUDENTIAL PLC | 30,252,429 |
| BAILLIE GIFFORD BR SM-C-ACC | 29,829,144 |
| HIKMA PHARMACEUTICALS PLC | 29,038,086 |
| ASSTEAD GROUP PLC | 28,673,786 |
| ST JAMES'S PLACE PLC | 28,201,845 |
| HSBC HOLDINGS PLC | 26,991,260 |
| BUNZL PLC | 26,782,483 |
| ROYAL DUTCH SHELL PLC-A SHS | 26,473,939 |
| RIGHTMOVE PLC | 25,921,673 |
| AUTO TRADER GROUP PLC | 25,216,817 |
| PERSIMMON PLC | 24,524,769 |
| BARCLAYS PLC | 24,217,966 |
| FERGUSON PLC | 21,490,632 |

Regional Exposure



Sector Exposure



Brunel UK Active Equity – Responsible Investment

Top 10 ESG Contributors to Overall Score

| | Insight | Momentum |
|------------------------------|---------|----------|
| 1. AUTO TRADER GROUP PLC | 71.4 | 28.1 |
| 2. ST JAMES'S PLACE PLC | 66.3 | 89.7 |
| 3. LEGAL & GENERAL GROUP PLC | 63.6 | 67.8 |
| 4. UNILEVER PLC | 60.0 | 70.3 |
| 5. DIAGEO PLC | 60.7 | 71.3 |
| 6. TATE & LYLE PLC | 72.1 | 63.8 |
| 7. MELROSE INDUSTRIES PLC | 66.4 | 23.4 |
| 8. 3i GROUP PLC | 64.2 | 37.8 |
| 9. DRAPER ESPRIT PLC | 72.3 | 12.3 |
| 10. MONDI PLC | 69.2 | 76.4 |

* From Q4 onwards we have moved to the latest and enhanced version of Truvalue Labs data. Please see supplementary note on the Client portal for more detail.

| Weighted Average ESG Score | 2021 Q1 | 2021 Q2 |
|----------------------------|---------|---------|
| Portfolio | 55.4 | 56.4 |
| FTSE All Share (ex. Inv.) | 55.3 | 56.1 |

TruValue Labs & SASB

Bottom 10 ESG Detractors to Overall Score

| | Insight | Momentum |
|---------------------------------|---------|----------|
| 1. GLAXOSMITHKLINE PLC | 46.0 | 39.8 |
| 2. IMPERIAL BRANDS PLC | 48.0 | 68.3 |
| 3. EXPERIAN PLC | 41.4 | 44.4 |
| 4. INCHCAPE PLC | 44.0 | 74.4 |
| 5. BARCLAYS PLC | 46.8 | 73.2 |
| 6. HIKMA PHARMACEUTICALS PLC | 48.1 | 48.5 |
| 7. BRITISH AMERICAN TOBACCO PLC | 49.7 | 60.2 |
| 8. HSBC HOLDINGS PLC | 46.8 | 63.2 |
| 9. ASTRAZENCA PLC | 48.9 | 28.5 |
| 10. LANCASHIRE HOLDINGS LTD | 16.3 | 19.1 |

* Position 1 is the top contributor/detractor.



Brunel Assessment:

- **Mondi** (Resource Transformation) have secured large partnerships to replace plastic packaging with their award winning recyclable alternatives, they have become a member of the Alliance for Water Stewardship, and have partnered with IUFRO to identify science-based solutions to tackle the impact of climate change on forests.
- **Experian** (Financial Services) history of data breaches continues, a vulnerability, identified by a student, exposed the credit scores of Americans. Once alerted, Experian patched the breach.
- **Diageo** (Food & Beverage) is funding a green hydrogen scheme to produce sustainable Scotch whisky in the Highlands, partnered with Pulpex to use packaging made from pulp fibre in 2022. The company is also working with Distil Ventures on a new pre-accelerator programme dedicated to early stage founders from under-represented groups.
- **Hikma Pharmaceuticals** (Health Care) is being investigated by New York's governor for drug price rises during the pandemic. In good news CDP have recognised Hikma's environmental performance with an A- rating.

100% of the bottom 10 ESG detractors are covered by engagement or specific voting activities.

Brunel has engaged extensively to improve the carbon intensity of this Portfolio which is now significantly below its benchmark.

Since inception, carbon intensity has fallen from 210 to below 110 tCO₂e/ £m.

Weighted Average Carbon Intensity (WACI)



Source: Trucost

Extractive Exposure

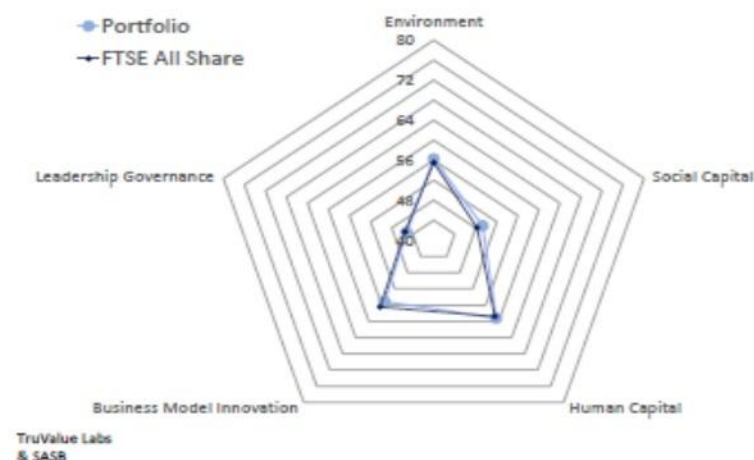
| | Total Extractive Exposure ¹ | | Extractive Industries (VOH) ² | |
|-------------------------|--|-----|--|------|
| | Q1 | Q2 | Q1 | Q2 |
| Portfolio | 4.4 | 3.3 | 11.2 | 6.8 |
| FTSE All Sh. (ex. Inv.) | 5.4 | 4.1 | 16.3 | 14.4 |

¹ Extractive revenue exposure as share (%) of total revenue.

² Value of holdings (VOH)-companies who derive revenues from extractives.

Source: Trucost

Absolute Weighted ESG Scores



Glossary of Terms

| Term | Previously referred as | Meaning |
|--|------------------------|--|
| Absolute return | | The actual return, as opposed to the return relative to a benchmark. |
| Allocation | | Measures the impact of decisions to allocate assets differently from the benchmark. |
| Alternative Investment Fund (AIF) | | An Alternative Investment Fund such as a hedge fund, private equity, real estate fund and other funds focused on alternative asset classes. |
| Alternative Investment Fund Managers (AIFM) | | A fund manager that is authorised (full scope AIFM) or registered (if they manage AIFs with assets under management below certain thresholds) to manage AIFs such as hedge funds, private equity, real estate funds. |
| Alternative Investment Fund Managers Directive (AIFMD) | | This is an EU law that requires each AIF managed within the scope of the Directive to have a single AIFM responsible for ensuring compliance with the Directive. |
| Annualised | | Figures expressed as applying to one year. |
| Assets Under Management (AUM) | | This measures the total market value of all the financial assets which a financial institution such as a mutual fund, venture capital firm, or brokerage house manages on behalf of its clients and themselves. |
| Attribution | | Identifies the drivers of performance relative to the fund benchmark. The relative return is decomposed into two areas; Allocation and Selection. |
| Authorised Contractual Scheme (ACS) | | An investment vehicle and fund manager, based in the UK, that allows LGPS pension funds or other organisations with money to invest alongside each other - while keeping a clear record of who owns what. |
| Benchmark Return | | Expected return based on market indices as dictated by the fund strategy. |
| Brunel Board | Brunel Manager Board | Board of executive and non-executive directors, leading the Brunel company. |
| Brunel | | Brunel Pension Partnership - The FCA-authorised investment manager entity that manages the pooled investments. |
| Brunel Executive Directors (ED) | | The Executive Directors are responsible for overseeing the delivery of the Brunel objectives. |

Glossary of Terms

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| Brunel Pension Partnership Limited (Brunel) | | One of the eight LGPS Pools in England & Wales. A FCA regulated company, wholly owned by the Administering Authorities, and responsible for implementing the asset allocation strategies of the Brunel Funds by investing Fund assets within defined 'portfolios'. In particular, it will research and select the investment funds needed to meet the requirements of the detailed Strategic Asset Allocations. These investment funds will be operated by professional external investment managers. Brunel Pension Partnership [c£30bn: Avon, Buckinghamshire, Cornwall, Devon, Dorset, Environment Agency, Gloucestershire, Oxfordshire, Somerset, Wiltshire] |
| Chief Finance Officer (CFO) | | A corporate officer primarily responsible for managing the financial risks of the corporation. This officer is also responsible for financial planning and record-keeping, as well as financial reporting to higher management. In the Local Authorities this is the S151 officer. |
| Chief Legal Officer (CLO) | | The chief lawyer of the legal department, usually in a company or a governmental department who minimizes its legal risks by advising the company's other officers and board members on any major legal and regulatory issues the company confronts, such as litigation risks. In the Local Authorities this is the Monitoring Officer. |
| Collective Investment Scheme (CIS) | | This is an investment scheme wherein several individuals come together to pool their money for investing in a particular asset(s) and for sharing the returns arising from that investment as per the agreement reached between them prior to pooling in the money. |
| Creation, Amendment and Deletion policy (CAD policy) | | Brunel procedure for creation, amendment and deletion of portfolios |
| Cross Pool Collaboration Group (CPCG) | | A collaborative group across the eight UK LGPS pools |

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| Deloitte | | Auditors, appointed to provide internal audit services to Brunel |
| Duration | | The weighted average time to payment of cashflows (in years), calculated by reference to the time and amount of each payment. It is a measure of the sensitivity of price/value to movement in yields. |
| Environment, Social and Governance (ESG) | | A subset of non-financial performance indicators used by investors to evaluate corporate behaviour and to determine the future financial performance of companies. |
| Full Business Case (FBC) | | Strategic, financial, economic, commercial and management case. |
| Finance and Legal Assurance Group (FLAG) | | Finance and Legal Assurance Group (with membership of each AAs equivalent to Chief Finance Officer (CFO) and Chief Legal Officer (CLO)) will sponsor the changes in the Funds and the arrangements for governance of the Brunel company. |
| Financial Conduct Authority (FCA) | | This is a financial regulatory body in the United Kingdom, which operates independently of the UK government and is financed by charging fees to members of the financial services industry. |
| Freedom Of Information Request (FOI) | | The Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) gives individuals the right to request access to recorded information held by public sector organisations. |
| Fund Manager | | An organisation that provides investment products |
| FundRock | | FundRock is a leading third party UCITS Management Company, Alternative Investment Fund Manager, Authorised Corporate Director and Authorised Contractual Scheme (ACS) Operator. FundRock serves as Brunel's ACS operator. |
| Fund Return | | The total return achieved by the fund or asset class over the period. The return is obtained using the following equation on a monthly basis: $((\text{capital gain/loss} + \text{income}) / \text{average balance}) * 100$ |
| Grant Thornton | | Auditors appointed to provide external audit services to Brunel |
| INALYTICS | | An investment transition advisor procured by Brunel to initially advise on the passive equities transition |

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| Term | Previously referred as | Meaning |
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| Institutional Investors Group on Climate Change (IIGCC) | | The Institutional Investors Group on Climate Change (IIGCC) is a forum for investors to collaborate on climate change. IIGCC's mission is to mobilise capital for the low carbon future by amplifying the investor voice and collaborating with business, policymakers and investors. IIGCC provides investors with a collaborative platform to encourage public policies, investment practices, and corporate behaviour that address long-term risks and opportunities associated with climate change. |
| Investment Management Agreement (IMA) | | The contract with a fund manager |
| Investment Strategy Statement (ISS) | Replaces the Statement of Investment Principles | A document that replaces the Statement of Investment Principles under the 2016 LGPS (Management and Investment of Funds) Regulations. Administering Authorities are required to prepare and maintain an ISS documenting how the investment strategy for the fund is determined and implemented, including its approach to pooling. |
| Know Your Customer (KYC) | | The process of a business identifying and verifying the identity of its clients. The term is also used to refer to the bank regulation which governs these activities. |
| Legal & General Investment Management (LGIM) | | Investment management firm |
| Local Government Association (LGA) | | This is an organisation which comprises local authorities in England and Wales. The LGA seeks to promote better local government; it maintains communication between officers in different local authorities to develop best practice. It also represents the interests of local government to national government. |
| Local Authority Pension Funds Investments (LAPF) | | A magazine for local authority pension investment specialists. |
| Local Authority Pension Fund Forum (LAPFF) | | The collaborative shareholder engagement group for local authority pension funds. The Forum provides a unique opportunity for Britain's local authority pension funds to discuss investment issues and shareholder engagement. |
| Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS) | | This is a nationwide scheme and is a valuable part of the pay and reward package for employees working in local government or working for other employers participating in the Scheme and for some councillors. |

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| Term | Previously referred as | Meaning |
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| Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS) | | The Scheme is administered locally for participating employers through 99 regional pension funds |
| LGPS (Management and Investment of Funds) Regulations 2016 (Investment Regulations) | Draft LGPS (Management and Investment of Funds) Regulations 2016 | Regulations 2016 (Investment Regulations) that came into effect 1 November 2016. |
| LGPS Code of Transparency (Transparency Code) | | A move toward investment fee transparency and consistency, and part of the government's criteria for pooling investments. |
| Market volatility | | The impact of the assets producing returns different to those assumed within the actuarial valuation basis, excluding the yield change and inflation impact. |
| Markets in Financial Instruments Directive II (MiFID II) | MiFID | MiFID is the European Union (EU) legislation that regulates firms who provide services to clients linked to 'financial instruments' (shares, bonds, units in collective investment schemes and derivatives), and the venues where those instruments are traded. MiFID applied in the UK from November 2007, and was revised by MiFID II, which took effect in January 2018. MiFID II is made up of MiFID (2014/65/EU) and the Markets in Financial Instruments Regulation (MiFIR - 600/2014/EU). |
| Money-weighted rate of return | | The rate of return on an investment including the amount and timing of cashflows. |
| Portfolio | Fund | The grouping of the asset types to be available for funds. For example, Global Equities Core, Hedge funds, UK Gilts, LDI. |
| Portfolio group | | The higher level category of asset types. For example, equities, alternatives, fixed interest. |
| Relative return | | The return on a fund compared to the return on index or benchmark. This is defined as: Return on Fund minus Return on index or Benchmark. |
| Selection | | Measures the impact of performance at asset class or manager level in relation to the overall fund. |

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| Term | Previously referred as | Meaning |
|--------------------------------|------------------------|---|
| Time-weighted rate of return | | The rate of return on an investment removing the effect of the amount and timing of cashflows. |
| Yield (Gross Redemption Yield) | | The return expected from a bond if held to maturity. It is calculated by finding the rate of return that equates the current market price to the value of future cashflows. |

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