For the month ending 30 June 2025



# **General Market Commentary**

June was jam-packed with market moving events, though not all markets were equally moved as investors got more comfortable on the edge of their seats. Tariffs remained a hot topic, as was the spectacularly public implosion of the world's most unlikely bromance. But it was Israel's air assault on Iran later in the month that really rattled cages.

US equities were relatively range-bound at first as investors kept their cool despite the near constant economic and geopolitical noise. Trade talks with China overturned recent tit-for-tat restrictions but yielded little else. Meanwhile, manufacturing came under strain, with US factory activity contracting for a third straight month in May, while lengthy supplier delays suggested some goods were becoming harder to get. More reassuringly, the job market held up and inflation remained well under control.

Stocks stumbled, oil prices surged and gold broke records in the wake of Israel's attack on Iran and the latter's swift retaliation. The US then joined the fray with a series of strikes that helped bring tensions back to a low simmer. Assets immediately course-corrected. Oil and the US dollar slumped, while equities gathered steam, with US markets ending the half year at all-time highs. Except for Tesla. Its share price cratered amid mudslinging between CEO Elon Musk and erstwhile bestie President Trump over his big, beautiful, expensive Bill.

On home turf, local equities kept their heads above water in June, albeit with less buoyancy than some global peers. The NZX's defensive tilt means risk-based sell offs don't hit quite so hard, but nor do the enthusiastic rebounds. The performance disparity was particularly pronounced over the half year, with the NZX ending the period down almost 4%. While the domestic economy was stronger than expected in the first quarter, Kiwis remained reluctant consumers, with retail spending down again in May.

Australian markets were also relatively subdued amid an uncertain backdrop, although energy sector resilience proved broadly supportive. As did the latest inflation print, which eased to its lowest in several years, making a July rate cut close to certain.

Against this backdrop, the S&P 500 finished June up 5.0%, while the tech-focused Nasdaq rose 6.6%. The NZX 50 gained 1.5% over the month, while the ASX 200 finished 1.4% ahead. Meanwhile, the UK's FTSE 100 was less upbeat, ending June down -0.1%. The World Bank slashed its global growth forecast for 2025 to 2.3% amid higher tariffs and heightened geopolitical risk, while NATO members agreed to amp up their defence budgets to 5% of GDP over the next decade.

GBP and AUD / NZD exchange rate change from 31 May 2025 to 30 June 2025:

1 Month to 30/06/2025							
	31/05/2025	30/06/2025	% change over month				
GBP / NZD	\$2.26	\$2.25	-0.4%				
AUD / NZD	\$1.08	\$1.08	0.0%				

GBP and AUD / NZD exchange rate change from 30 June 2024 to 30 June 2025:

1 Year to 30/06/2025							
	30/06/2024	30/06/2025	% change over year				
GBP / NZD	\$2.08	\$2.25	8.2%				
AUD / NZD	\$1.10	\$1.08	-2.0%				

The exchange rates are sourced from Reuters (<u>https://www.reuters.com/markets/currencies/</u>)

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# **About Garrison Bridge**

Garrison Bridge Superannuation Scheme ('Scheme', 'Garrison Bridge') is a New Zealand Superannuation Scheme, regulated by the Financial Markets Authority and offered in Australia under the Mutual Recognition Scheme. The Scheme is a managed superannuation scheme that offers seven investment options in NZD, AUD & GBP and has QROPS registration for foreign superannuation transfers.

Garrison Bridge is managed by Lifetime Asset Management Limited.

## Ralph Stewart – Managing Director, Lifetime Asset Management Limited



Ralph Stewart was CEO of AXA Insurance New Zealand for 9 years and more recently the CEO of ACC. He has thirty years of experience in New Zealand's financial services sector, including 8 years as General Manager of Marketing & Strategy at TOWER Insurance. Ralph holds a Masters in Business Administration from Manchester University in England.

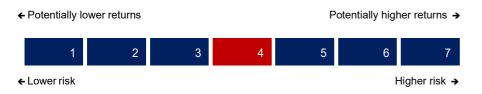
# **NZD Conservative Fund**



# **Description of this Fund**

New Zealand Dollar denominated fund employing an active asset allocation strategy and a passive investment management strategy invested 70% in income assets (New Zealand and international fixed interest), with 30% exposure to growth assets (Australasian and international equities). Seeks to track composite indices (before annual fund charge and tax), comprising: 10% S&P/NZX Bank Bills 90-Day Index; 40% Bloomberg NZ Bond Govt 0+ Yr Index; 20% Bloomberg Global Aggregate Index, 100% hedged to NZD; 20% Morningstar New Zealand (total return) Index, including imputation credits; 5% MSCI World Index NR ex NZ, Tobacco, Controversial and Nuclear Weapons; and 5% MSCI World Index NR ex NZ, Tobacco, Controversial and Nuclear Weapons, 100% hedged to NZD.

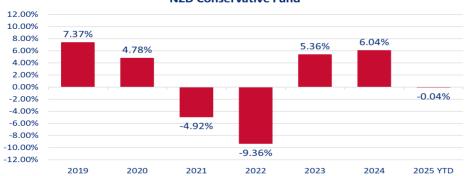
## **Risk indicator for the NZD Conservative Fund**



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## **Investment performance**

The chart below shows the fund return after fund charges and tax (at 28%) for each full calendar year the fund has been in existence. The last bar shows the performance of the current calendar year to date (1 January 2025 to 30 June 2025).



NZD Conservative Fund

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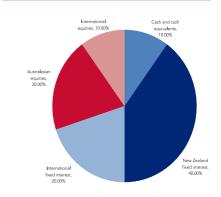
PIR Tax Rate	Month	Quarter	12-months	3-year	5-year	Inception
28%	0.64%	1.50%	4.65%	3.56%	-0.40%	1.25%
0%	0.75%	1.67%	5.68%	4.20%	-0.54%	1.48%

Returns for periods longer than one year are annualised

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#### **Target asset allocation**



## **Underlying Fund Managers**

**Simplicity NZ Limited** is a leading investment manager located in NZ, with over NZ\$8 billion under management.

Harbour Asset Management Limited is a proven fund manager with approximately NZ\$19 billion of funds under management. Smartshares Limited is New Zealand's only issuer of ETFs listed on the NZX Main Board, with over NZ\$12 billion of funds under management.

**Mercer (N.Z.) Limited** is part of Marsh & McLennan Companies, Inc with a global investment network, managing approximately NZ\$600 billion.

## **Key facts**

Inception date: 24 December 2018

#### **Underlying Investment Managers:**

Simplicity NZ Limited, Harbour Asset Management Limited, Smartshares Limited, and Mercer (N.Z.) Limited

Supervisor: Public Trust

**Fund type:** Multi-rate Portfolio Investment Entity

## Licensed Manager:

Lifetime Asset Management Limited

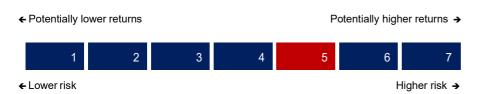
#### Estimated annual fund charge: 1.09%

# **NZD Growth Fund**

# **Description of this Fund**

New Zealand Dollar denominated fund employing an active asset allocation strategy and a passive investment management strategy invested 16% in income assets (New Zealand and international fixed interest), with 84% exposure to growth assets (Australasian and international equities). Seeks to track composite indices (before annual fund charge and tax), comprising: 8% Bloomberg NZ Bond Govt 0+ Yr Index; 8% Bloomberg Global Aggregate Index, 100% hedged to NZD; 15% Morningstar New Zealand (total return) Index, including imputation credits; 15% S&P/NZX 50 Portfolio Index, including imputation credits; 27% MSCI World Index NR ex NZ, Tobacco, Controversial and Nuclear Weapons; and 27% MSCI World Index NR ex NZ, Tobacco, Controversial and Nuclear Weapons, 100% hedged to NZD.

## **Risk indicator for the NZD Growth Fund**



The risk indicator is rated from 1 (low) to 7 (high). The rating reflects how much the value of the Fund's assets goes up and down. A higher risk generally means higher potential returns over time, but more ups and downs along the way. For further information on how the risk indicator is calculated, please see the Passively Managed Fund Options Product Disclosure Statement.

## **Investment performance**

The chart below shows the fund return after fund charges and tax (at 28%) for each full calendar year the fund has been in existence. The last bar shows the performance of the current calendar year to date (1 January 2025 to 30 June 2025).



**NZD Growth Fund** 

See the below performance figures for the NZD Growth Fund as at 30 June 2025. The returns are after fees and after taxes:

PIR Tax Rate	Month	Quarter	12-months	3-year	5-year	Inception
28%	1.98%	4.17%	9.33%	10.19%	4.59%	6.92%
0%	2.07%	4.36%	10.65%	11.16%	5.20%	7.61%

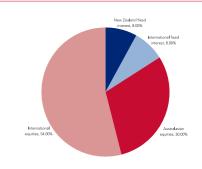
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## **Target asset allocation**



# **Underlying Fund Managers**

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**Mercer (N.Z.) Limited** is part of Marsh & McLennan Companies, Inc with a global investment network, managing approximately NZ\$600 billion.

# **Key facts**

Inception date: 24 December 2018

### **Underlying Investment Managers:**

Simplicity NZ Limited, Harbour Asset Management Limited, Smartshares Limited, and Mercer (N.Z.) Limited

## Supervisor:

Public Trust

## Fund type:

Multi-rate Portfolio Investment Entity

# Licensed Manager:

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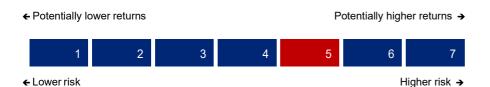
# Estimated annual fund charge: 1.09%

# **AUD Balanced Fund**

# **Description of this Fund**

Australian Dollar denominated fund employing an active asset allocation strategy and a passive investment management strategy invested 40% in income assets (international fixed interest), with 60% exposure to growth assets (Australasian and international equities). Seeks to track composite indices (before annual fund charge and tax), comprising: 20% Bloomberg Aus Bond Credit 0+ Yr Index; 20% Bloomberg Global Treasury Scaled Index, 100% hedged to AUD; 20% FTSE Australia 300 Choice Index; and 40% MSCI World ex Australia Custom ESG Leaders Index, 100% hedged to AUD.

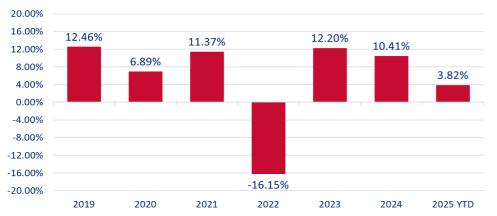
# **Risk indicator for the AUD Balanced Fund**



The risk indicator is rated from 1 (low) to 7 (high). The rating reflects how much the value of the Fund's assets goes up and down. A higher risk generally means higher potential returns over time, but more ups and downs along the way. For further information on how the risk indicator is calculated, please see the Passively Managed Fund Options Product Disclosure Statement.

## **Investment performance**

The chart below shows the fund return after fund charges and tax (at 28%) for each full calendar year the fund has been in existence. The last bar shows the performance of the current calendar year to date (1 January 2025 to 30 June 2025).



AUD Balanced Fund

See the below performance figures for the AUD Balanced Fund as at 30 June 2025. The returns are after fees and after taxes:

PIR Tax Rate	Month	Quarter	12-months	3-year	5-year	Inception
28%	1.69%	7.03%	8.06%	8.77%	5.88%	5.79%
0%	1.79%	7.33%	9.28%	9.97%	7.04%	6.95%

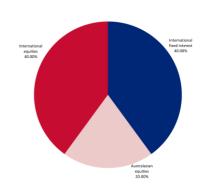
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## **Target asset allocation**



# **Underlying Fund Managers**

Vanguard Investments Australia Limited. The Vanguard Group, Inc is the world's second largest investment manager with over US\$10 trillion under management. BlackRock Asset Management Ireland Limited. BlackRock, Inc is the world's largest global investment manager with over US\$11 trillion in assets under management.

## **Key facts**

Inception date: 24 December 2018

### Underlying Investment Managers:

Vanguard Investments Australia Limited, BlackRock Asset Management Ireland Limited

Supervisor: Public Trust

#### Fund type:

Multi-rate Portfolio Investment Entity

#### Licensed Manager:

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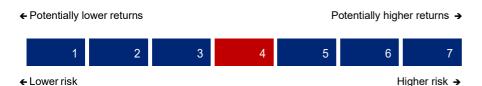
## Estimated annual fund charge: 1.19%

# **GBP Conservative Fund**

# **Description of this Fund**

Great British Pound denominated fund employing an active asset allocation strategy and a passive investment management strategy invested 65% in income assets (international fixed interest and cash and cash equivalents), with 35% exposure to growth assets (international equities and listed property). Seeks to track composite indices (before annual fund charge and tax), comprising: 10% Markit iBoxx GBP Liquid Investment Grade Ultrashort Index; 55% Bloomberg Global Aggregate Corporate Index, 100% hedged to GBP; 5% FTSE EPRA/NAREIT UK Index; and 30% MSCI World ESG Screened Net GBP.

# **Risk indicator for the GBP Conservative Fund**

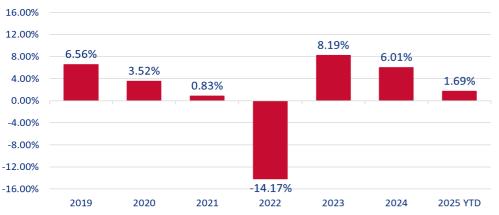


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## Investment performance

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**GBP Conservative Fund** 



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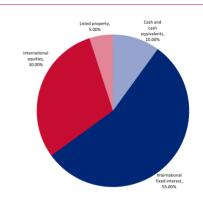
PIR Tax Rate	Month	Quarter	12-months	3-year	5-year	Inception
28%	1.50%	2.84%	4.43%	4.89%	0.92%	1.66%
0%	1.60%	3.14%	5.63%	6.08%	2.04%	2.77%

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## **Target asset allocation**



## **Underlying Fund Manager**

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## **Key facts**

Inception date: 24 December 2018

Underlying Investment Manager: BlackRock Asset Management Ireland Limited

Supervisor: Public Trust

Fund type: Multi-rate Portfolio Investment Entity

## Licensed Manager:

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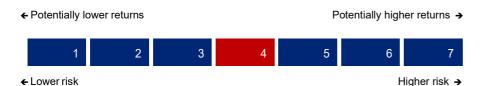
Estimated annual fund charge: 1.14%

# **GBP Balanced Fund**

## **Description of this Fund**

Great British Pound denominated fund employing an active asset allocation strategy and a passive investment management strategy invested 50% in income assets (cash and cash equivalents and international fixed interest), with 50% exposure to growth assets (listed property and international equities). Seeks to track composite indices (before annual fund charge and tax), comprising: 5% Markit iBoxx GBP Liquid Investment Grade Ultrashort Index; 45% Bloomberg Global Aggregate Corporate Index, 100% hedged to GBP; 5% FTSE EPRA/NAREIT UK Index; and 45% MSCI World ESG Screened Index Net GBP.

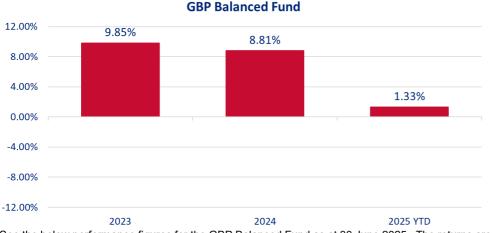
# **Risk indicator for the GBP Balanced Fund**



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# **Investment performance**

The chart below shows the fund return after fund charges and tax (at 28%) for each full calendar year the fund has been in existence. The last bar shows the performance of the current calendar year to date (1 January 2025 to 30 June 2025).



See the below performance figures for the GBP Balanced Fund as at 30 June 2025. The returns are after fees and after taxes:

PIR Tax Rate	Month	Quarter	12-months	3-year	5-year	Inception
28%	1.79%	3.71%	5.03%	-	-	4.62%
0%	1.89%	4.01%	6.24%	-	-	5.80%

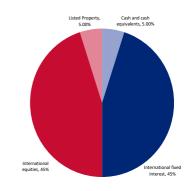
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## **Key facts**

Inception date: 1 August 2022

#### Underlying Investment Manager: BlackRock Asset Management Ireland Limited

Supervisor: Public Trust

Fund type: Multi-rate Portfolio Investment Entity

Licensed Manager: Lifetime Asset Management Limited

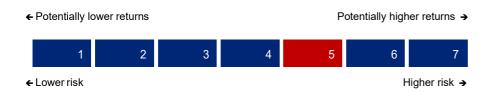
Estimated annual fund charge: 1.19%

# **GBP Growth Fund**

# **Description of this Fund**

Great British Pound denominated fund employing an active asset allocation strategy and a passive investment management strategy invested 15% in income assets (international fixed interest), with 85% exposure to growth assets (listed property and international equities). Seeks to track composite indices (before annual fund charge and tax), comprising: 15% Bloomberg Global Aggregate Corporate Index, 100% hedged to GBP; 7% FTSE EPRA/NAREIT UK Index; and 78% MSCI World ESG Screened Index Net GBP.

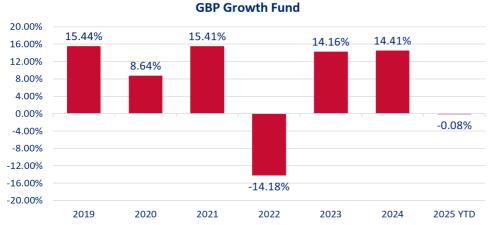
## **Risk indicator for the GBP Growth Fund**



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## **Investment performance**

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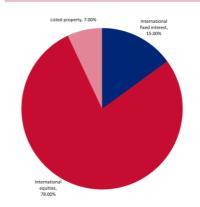
PIR Tax Rate	Month	Quarter	12-months	3-year	5-year	Inception
28%	2.30%	4.93%	4.85%	9.51%	8.14%	7.69%
0%	2.39%	5.23%	6.06%	10.76%	9.34%	8.86%

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## **Key facts**

Inception date: 24 December 2018

### Underlying Investment Manager:

BlackRock Asset Management Ireland Limited

### Supervisor:

Public Trust

# Fund type:

Multi-rate Portfolio Investment Entity

Licensed Manager: Lifetime Asset Management Limited

### Estimated annual fund charge: 1.19%



