# CFP Castlefield Sustainable Portfolio Growth Fund

FACTSHEET - 31 MAY 2024



#### **INVESTMENT AIM:**

To provide capital growth over a period in excess of five years through a portfolio where more than 50% of the Fund is invested in collective investment schemes with exposure to both UK and non-UK equities and fixed income securities using the B.E.S.T proprietary responsible investment approach. To embed proper consideration of environmental, social and governance (ESG) factors as part of the investment selection process, to ensure that each investment is sustainable.

For more information about the fund's detailed investment objective and policy, please view the Key Investment Information Documents available on the ConBrio website fund literature page.

#### **FUND INFORMATION**

| Fund Manager                     | Simon Holman<br>Callum Wells           |
|----------------------------------|--|
| Investment<br>Association Sector | Mixed Investment 40-<br>85% shares     |
| Fund Size                        | £73.84m                                |
| Number of Holdings               | 30 - 50                                |
| Investment Advisor               | Castlefield Investment<br>Partners LLP |
| Launch Date                      | 1st February 2018                      |
| Share Class                      | G Income                               |
| Ongoing Charge <sup>1</sup>      | 1.12%                                  |
| ISIN                             | GB00BYXG3H04                           |
| SEDOL                            | BYXG3H0                                |
| Valuation Point                  | 12 noon (Daily)                        |

#### RATINGS<sup>2</sup>







#### WHY INVEST?

We offer values-based investing from the perspective of being a values-based manager. This includes active engagement with holdings on performance as well as on environmental, social and governance issues. That's why we're known as 'the thoughtful investor'.



**Tool of diversification:** 'One stop shop' with access to diversified portfolio of multiple asset classes.



Fundamental Research: Idenfication of funds and companies that can demonstrate a genuine commitment to incorporating ESG factors into investment decision-making.



**Integrated Responsible Investment Process:** Consideration of non-financial ESG factors alongside traditional financial analysis within the selection of suitable investments and other mutual funds.

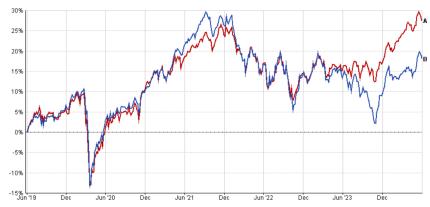


Focus on Sustainable Businesses: Predominantly investing in funds and companies that are well-aligned with our own approach to sustainable investing.

#### Find out more about:

- Castlefield's proprietary responsible investment process known as 'B.E.S.T'.
- <u>Castlefield's Sustainable Fund Range Screening Policy.</u>
- Castlefield's engagement and stewardship activities.

#### **PERFORMANCE**



- A IA Mixed Investment 40-85% Shares<sup>3</sup> [27.46%]
- **B** CFP Castlefield Sustainable Portfolio Growth G Income [18.20%]

31/05/2019 - 31/05/2024. Data from FE fundinfo 2024

#### Cumulative Performance (%)

|        | 1 Mth | 3 Mths | 6 Mths | 1 Yr  | 3 Yrs | 5 Yrs |
|--------|-------|--------|--------|-------|-------|-------|
| Fund   | 2.37  | 3.56   | 8.23   | 4.21  | -2.62 | 18.20 |
| Sector | 0.99  | 3.07   | 8.87   | 10.61 | 7.77  | 27.46 |

#### Discrete Performance (%)

|        | 2024 YTD | 2023 | 2022   | 2021  | 2020 | 2019  |
|--------|----------|------|--------|-------|------|-------|
| Fund   | 1.75     | 2.85 | -12.14 | 13.63 | 3.91 | 17.86 |
| Sector | 4.45     | 8.08 | -10.04 | 10.94 | 5.32 | 15.78 |

Source: FE fundinfo.

Past performance should not be seen as an indication of future performance. The value of investments and the income from them may go down as well as up and you may not get back your original investment. Performance is net of fees and charges.

# How We Evidence the Sustainability of This Fund

## **POSITIVE THEME ALLOCATION (%)**

2.09% 4.01% 2.66% 3.19% Identifying an investment's positive characteristics is integral to our sustainable approach. This chart shows how the fund aligns to the positive themes as set out in our screening policy. 3.27% Cyber Security & Digital Resource Efficiency 7.05% Connectivity Safety & Regulatory Compliance Education & Training 4.79% Sustainable Infrastructure Employee Ownership & 48.38% Sustainable Supply Chains 2.60% Responsible Business ■ Unclassified<sup>4</sup> Environmental Management 9.28% Third Party Funds Financial Resilience & Inclusion Cash Health & Wellbeing 1.81% 9.61% Source: Castlefield

#### **BETTER CARBON EFFICIENCY**

#### Emissions per \$1M revenue



## **LOWER EXECUTIVE PAY**

#### Comparing executive pay to employee pay

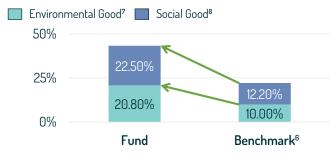




Ratio of executive to employee pay ratio lower than the benchmark

#### MORE SOCIAL & ENVIRONMENTAL GOOD

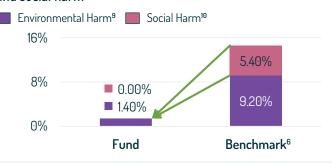
# Percentage of funds allocated to environmental and social good





# LESS SOCIAL & ENVIRONMENTAL DAMAGE

Percentage of funds that create environmental and social harm





Source: Impact Cubed.<sup>11</sup> Analysis carried out on 14/02/2024 using Castlefield equity fund data from 30/09/2023 and external fund data from 30/06/2023. **Our rationale for selecting these sustainability metrics is as follows:** 

Carbon efficiency and executive pay metrics: we make specific commitments on these topics in our voting guidelines.

Social and environmental harm: to show the outcome of our screening policy

Social and environmental good: to show the outcome of selecting assets to align with our positive themes

#### **FUND COMPOSITION**

| Top Ten Holdings (%)   |       |
|--|-------|
| CASTLEFIELD SUSTAINABLE UK<br>OPPORTUNITIES FUND               | 13.81 |
| CASTLEFIELD SUSTAINABLE UK<br>SMALLER COM FUND                 | 12.27 |
| SARASIN RESPONSIBLE GLOBAL EQUITY FUND                         | 11.72 |
| FIRST SENTIER INVEST STEWART<br>WORLDWIDE SUSTAINABILITY FD    | 9.00  |
| LIONTRUST SUSTAINABLE FUTURE ICVC<br>UK ETHIC FUND             | 7.99  |
| CASTLEFIELD SUSTAINABLE EUROPEAN FUND                          | 7.83  |
| LIONTRUST SUSTAINABLE FUTURE ICVC<br>LION TRUST FUT GLB GROWTH | 6.14  |
| RATHBONE ETHICAL BOND FUND                                     | 4.86  |
| ROYAL LONDON BOND FUNDS II ICVC<br>ETHICAL BOND FUND           | 4.80  |
| CASTLEFIELD REAL RETURN FUND                                   | 4.70  |
| Sector Allocation (%)  UK Equity                               | 34.07 |
| Global Equity  | 34.69 |
| Fixed Income   | 13.07 |
| Renewable Energy   | 3.99  |
| Alternative  | 5.80  |
| Infrastructure   | 2.48  |
| Real Estate Investment   | 3.81  |
| Cash   | 2 09  |

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

| Limited                                  |
|--|
| NatWest Trustee &<br>Depositary Services |
| The Northern Trust<br>Company            |
| SS&C Financial Services<br>Europe        |
| ONCD                                     |
| Yes                                      |
| £500.00                                  |
| £0.00                                    |
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#### **INVESTMENT TEAM**

#### Co-managers



Callum Wells Investment Manager Chartered FCSI. Chartered

Wealth Manager

I'm Callum Wells, an Investment Manager at Castlefield and a member of our Investment Management team. I joined Castlefield in 2023, after working within Brown Advisory's International Private Client team. I co-manage Castlefield's Sustainable Portfolio Funds and contribute to the team's investment research activities. I also hold the CISI's Chartered Wealth Manager qualification.



Simon Holman **Partner** MA (Hons), MSc, CFA,

I'm Simon Holman, a partner at Castlefield and a member of our Client Management team. I spent several years as an equity

MCSI, ASIP

analyst and fund manager at Aegon asset management before joining Castlefield where I'm a co-manager of the Castlefield Sustainable Portfolio Funds. I'm a charter holder (Chartered Financial Analyst) of the CFA Institute.

#### Other Investment Team Managers



**David Elton Partner** BSc (Hons), IMC, Chartered MCSI, CFA



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#### **HOW TO INVEST**

Details of how to invest, application forms and other supporting documents are available from the ConBrio website here.

#### Platform Availability

Abrdn - Elevate, Aegon Platform, AJ Bell, Aviva Wrap, Hargreaves Lansdown, James Hay, Pershing Nexus, Quilter, Raymond James, Transact, Wealthtime

#### **ENDNOTES**

- 1. The Ongoing Charge Figure ('OCF') has been calculated as of 30/04/2024.
- 2. MCSI Ratings: MSCI ESG Research LLC's (""MSCI ESG"") Fund metrics products (the ""Information"") provide environmental, social and governance data with respect to underlying securities within more than 23,000 multi-asset class Mutual Funds and ETFs globally. MSCI ESG is a Registered Investment Adviser under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940. MSCI ESG materials have not been submitted to, nor received approval from, the US SEC or any other regulatory body. None of the Information constitutes an offer to buy or sell, or a promotion or recommendation of, any security, financial instrument or product or trading strategy, nor should it be taken as an indication or guarantee of any future performance, analysis, forecast or prediction. None of the Information can be used to determine which securities to buy or sell or when to buy or sell them. The Information is provided ""as is" and the user of the Information assumes the entire risk of any use it may make or permit to be made of the Information.
- 3. IA Sector.
- 'Unclassified' holdings satisfy our negative screening but the percentage of assets managed in ESG or sustainability strategies is relatively low i.e. hotels, professional services consultancies.
- 5. Scope 1 emissions: Emissions generated directly by the company, e.g. emissions from boilers or vehicle fleet. Scope 2 emissions: Indirect emissions, eg. from purchased electricity that the company uses. Scope 3 Emissions: Indirect emissions from sources not owned or controlled by the emitter, but which are attributable to the emitter. For example emissions from the supply chain or from employee commuting.

Scope 1 and 2 figures are provided by an independent third party, Impact Cubed, and comprise of estimated and actual data.

At present we only publish Scope 1 and Scope 2 data on our carbon footprint. This is due to the high levels of estimated data that companies use to calculate their scope 3 data. We rely on a third-party provider to estimate the Scope 3 data for our fund and have found that the data varies considerably from year to year and from provider to provider. As such, we have taken the decision to publish only Scope 1 and Scope 2 figures, as the data set is much more reliable and consistent and because companies have a longer track record in accurately monitoring and reporting on this data.

6. Benchmark used by Impact Cubed for the impact analysis:

Composite benchmark reflecting the asset classes and geographic exposure of the funds, ie UK and global equities, corporate bonds, UK real estate and developed markets infrastructure.

More information on the benchmarks used is available on request.

- 7. Examples of environmental good: renewable energy, waste and environmental management, public transportation services.
- 8. Examples of social good: telecoms, educational services, healthcare.
- Examples of environmental harm: oil and gas exploration, plastic production, coal mining.
- 10. Examples of social harm: tobacco, gambling and casino.
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All data as at 31/05/2024 unless otherwise stated.

With effect from 1 July 2022, the name of the Fund and share classes were changed. The name changed from CFP Castlefield B.E.S.T Sustainable Portfolio Growth to CFP Castlefield Sustainable Portfolio Growth. The Founder Income Share Class changed to the F Income Share class and the General Income Share class changed to the G Income Share class.

#### **RISK WARNINGS**

The CFP Castlefield Sustainable Portfolio Growth Fund invests in different asset classes in seeking to achieve its objective, this exposes investors to the below risks;

**Credit risk:** A decline in the financial health of an issuer could cause the value of its bonds to fall or become worthless.

Interest rate risk: A rise in interest rates generally causes bond prices to fall.

**Liquidity risk:** during difficult market conditions some securities, such as structured investments, corporate bonds and positions in emerging markets, may become more difficult to sell at a desired price.

Shares in all Funds should generally be regarded as long term investments. For more information regarding the risks associated with investing in a fund please see the Prospectus.