

Quarterly update—ending 31st January 2025

Investment objective

The objective of the Fund is to provide returns through a combination of capital growth and income over a market cycle (5 years). The fund will primarily gain exposure indirectly via eligible collective investment schemes and other collective investment vehicles (for example, investment companies, exchange traded funds) and may also invest directly in eligible assets (excluding property and commodities). Derivatives will be used only for the purpose of Efficient Portfolio Management.

Fund manager



James Kempster

James has over 20 years experience building and managing multi-asset investment portfolios. Beginning his career at Canada Life, he has more recently worked with financial advice firms to create managed portfolio solutions for end clients.

Indicative risk rating



Fund managers' commentary

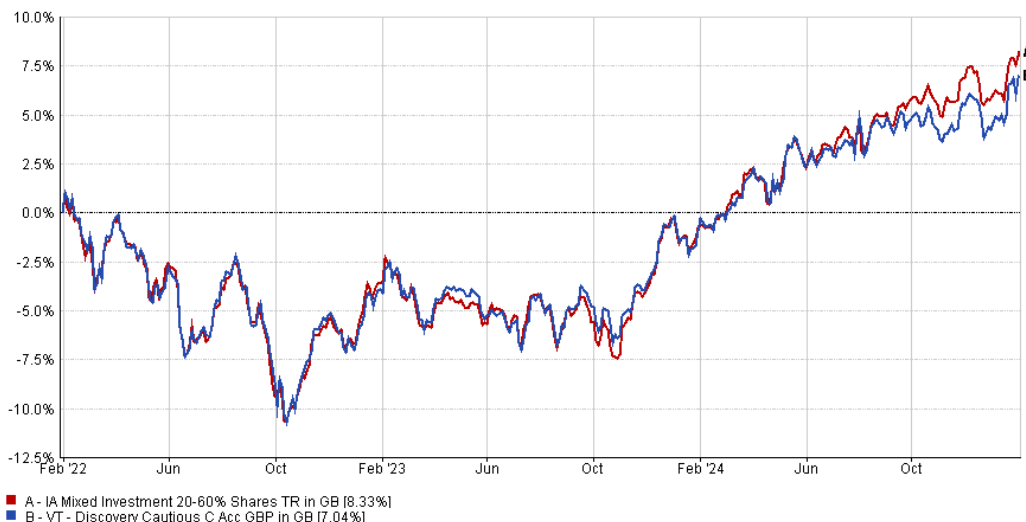
The quarter was defined by shifting interest rate expectations and geopolitical developments. The Federal Reserve paused its rate cuts, signalling a more cautious approach amid concerns about persistent inflation and the resilience of the US economy. In contrast, the European Central Bank continued its easing cycle, cutting rates further to support growth in the region. The Bank of England is expected to follow suit, with falling gilt yields reflecting market anticipation of lower borrowing costs, providing support for bond markets.

Equity markets experienced heightened volatility following Donald Trump's re-election, as investors reacted to the prospect of renewed trade tensions driven by his proposed tariff plans. Meanwhile, US tech giants, which had been key drivers of market gains, came under pressure after China unveiled advanced AI models, raising questions about the sustainability of growth for companies heavily reliant on AI leadership. In contrast, many European indices finished the month at record highs which was also beneficial for the portfolio.

Performance summary as at 31/01/2025

| | 3 MONTHS | 6 MONTHS | 1 YEAR | 3 YEARS | 5 YEARS | SINCE INCEPTION |
|------------------------------------|----------|----------|--------|---------|---------|-----------------|
| Discovery Cautious Fund C Acc | 2.86% | 3.13% | 7.62% | 7.04% | 9.76% | 16.82% |
| IA Mixed Investment 20%-60% Shares | 2.97% | 3.74% | 9.04% | 8.33% | 16.56% | 23.84% |

Three year performance to 31/01/2025



31/01/2022 - 31/01/2025 Data from FE fundinfo 2025

Past performance is not a reliable guide to future performance.

IA sector source: FE fundinfo. All figures quoted are on a total return basis with income reinvested. The since inception date was 01/04/2019.

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Key facts

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| Manager Start Date | 27/03/2019 |
| Inception Date | 01/04/2019 |
| Number of holdings | 26 |
| Ongoing charge figure (C) | 1.00% |
| Estimated yield (C Acc) | 3.33% |
| Fund size | £50.40m |
| ISIN (C Acc) | GB00BYB5341 |

Current asset allocation

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|---------------------------|--------|
| Alternatives | 7.78% |
| Cash | 5.72% |
| Fixed Interest | 35.22% |
| UK Equities | 16.45% |
| International Equities | 26.90% |
| Property & Infrastructure | 3.04% |
| Multi-Asset | 4.89% |

Top 10 holdings as at 31/01/2025

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|---------------------------------|-------|
| HSBC FTSE 100 Index | 8.13% |
| Royal London Corporate Bond | 5.90% |
| AI Multi-Strategy Target Return | 5.85% |
| Legal & General All Stocks Gilt | 5.80% |
| HSBC American Index | 5.34% |
| HSBC European Index Fund | 5.08% |
| iShares Overseas Corporate Bond | 4.98% |
| Artemis High Income | 4.89% |
| M&G Global Dividend | 4.22% |
| M&G Global Macro Bond | 3.98% |

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