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OBI Active 4 – December 2018 Portfolio Update

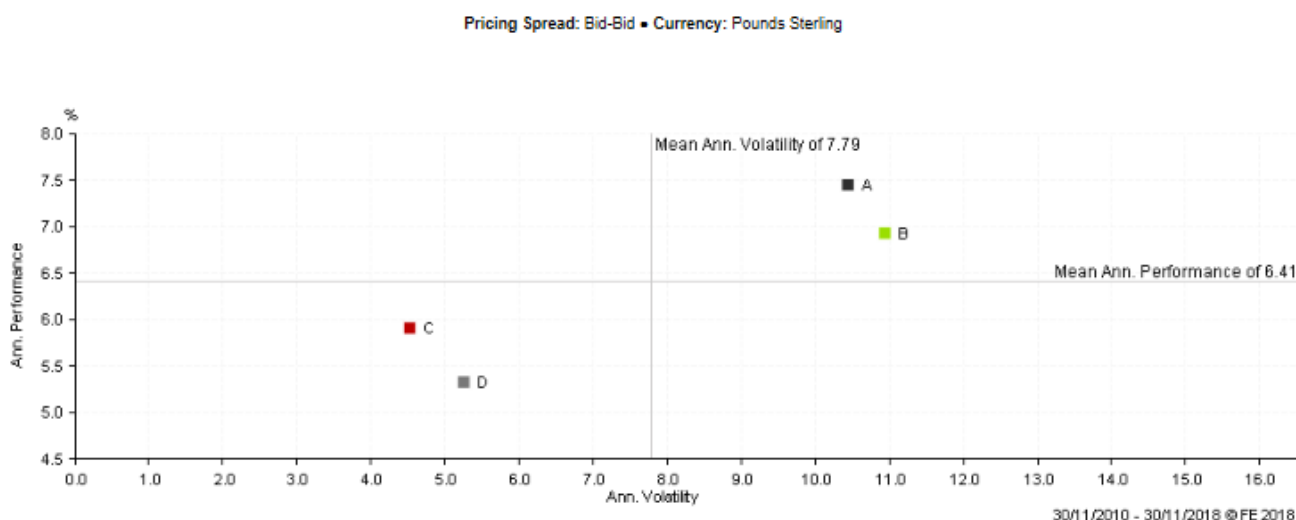
Investment Objective

This portfolio is NOT a risk-free portfolio, rather, it is suitable for a client who is prepared to invest into a higher allocation towards equities than OBI Active 3. The portfolio is managed dynamically by altering the asset allocation and by predominantly using low-risk assets that carry low market risks and using all assets that are available from the investment universe. The asset allocation on this portfolio will vary between a benchmark of 0% equity and 45% equity on average to achieve the portfolio objectives, provided economic conditions permit. As non-equity assets are in some cases becoming riskier than equity assets, we feel that the current positioning is acceptable when we take into account our mandate regarding a client’s capital loss acceptance and by altering the asset allocation based on OBI and the ability to cyclically adjust the portfolios. The portfolio will be managed to try and limit the **indicative capital loss in any 12-month period to 8% in a significant event and 5% in normal market conditions** and to target **an annualised total return averaged out over an economic cycle (5 – 7 years) of 5% per annum before any adviser, custodian, switch and/or discretionary investment management fees, but after fund manager charges.**

The benchmark we use for comparison purposes for volatility is **AFI Cautious** noting this benchmark currently holds **52.65% in Equity (Analytics 1st December 2018)** and is therefore more aggressive and has no capital preservation mandate. It would be expected therefore that the benchmark would outperform the model and that the volatility would be higher. The model performance therefore cannot be directly compared to the benchmark.

OBI Active 4 Performance – Source Analytics 1st December 2018								
Asset	1 Month	3 Months	6 Months	12 Months	3 Years	5 Years	7 Years	Since Launch (01/06/2009)
OBI Active 4 Portfolio	-0.41%	-3.85%	-3.41%	-2.79%	8.18%	21.99%	52.17%	108.40%
Benchmark	0.62%	-3.97%	-3.18%	-1.09%	13.37%	25.25%	49.02%	85.66%
UK Gilts	0.50%	-0.55%	-1.58%	0.43%	17.82%	44.25%	46.22%	95.57%
FTSE 100	-2.11%	-5.43%	-8.08%	-1.52%	25.18%	29.10%	62.35%	118.90%

Scatter Chart Reflecting Volatility and Annualised Return in GBP over the past 8 years



Key	Name	Annualised Performance	Annualised Volatility
■ A	FTSE Actuaries UK Conventional Gilt Over 10 Years TR In GB	7.45	10.44
■ B	FTSE 100 TR In GB	6.93	10.94
■ C	OBI Active 4 - 5 December 2018 GTR In GB	5.91	4.52
■ D	AFI Cautious TR In GB	5.33	5.25

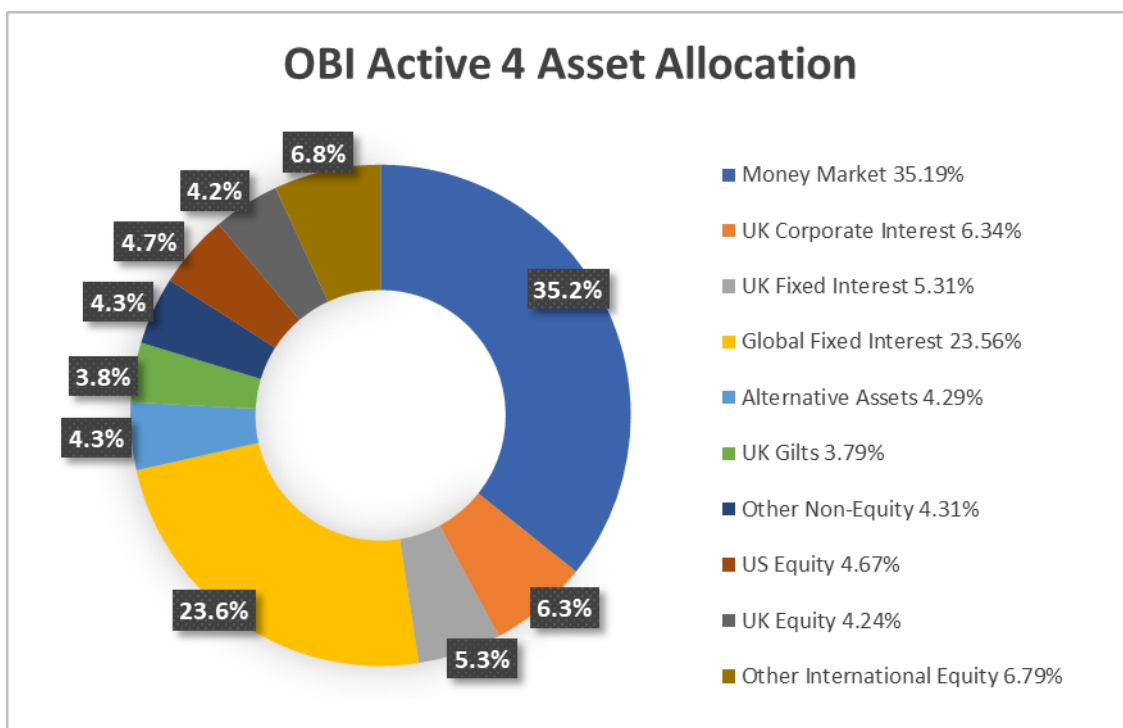
Outlook & Positioning

OBI Active 4 is another cautious portfolio that has a slightly higher equity allocation than OBI Active 3, with the delivery of outcome and capital preservation at its core. The slightly higher equity allocation represents the higher targets, with regards to the annualised outcome of 5% rather than 4% for Active 3.

Global financial markets saw synchronised growth through 2017. Financial markets have been tested and unstable into 2018 which high risks in the equity markets. The US economy has been leading the way with synchronised growth and growth in 2018 with the US markets leading the way with strong company earnings, fundamentals and economic data. As we end 2018, it is apparent that volatility is back as investors remain cautious of the end of the cycle and take profits at each sell off, which exacerbates the drop. We have now taken a high cash strategy which is largely attributed to the high risks and volatility in the markets. As the global economic cycle continues, markets are reaching record highs and investors are cautious after the volatility seen in February and October. Market risks are high as global PMIs start slowing down and corporate earnings are reducing.

Our non-equity exposure is achieved through Absolute Return, Strategic & Corporate Bonds, High Yield and Multi Asset funds. In our recent rebalance, we moved the portfolios to something that has lower market sensitivity, so the holdings are now measured using volatility-based equity and non-equity holdings. From an equity perspective, the asset allocation is achieved through a high exposure to globally managed funds with directional exposure to markets which we believe show upward growth. The remaining assets are held in globally diverse funds which will be tactically rotated by the underlying fund managers.

In terms of our equity allocation, we are holding circa 17.22% in equities which is still 35.43% less than the benchmark. We would expect this to fluctuate throughout 2019 as we take profits and only repurchase again following periods of volatility and falling valuations, in line with the mandate of the portfolio. Following this, we will rotate lesser performing assets from within the non-equity sector and add to our equity allocation.



Equity: 17.22% – Non-Equity: 82.78%

Portfolio Facts

Benchmark Index for Volatility – AFI Cautious

Historical Yield: 1.25%

Portfolio Expense: 0.46% p.a

Important Information

- All data in this document has been extracted from Analytics as at **5 December 2018**.
- The value of investments may fluctuate in price or value and you may get back less than the amount originally invested. Past performance is no guarantee of future performance.
- Unless otherwise instructed any accrued income is reinvested into the portfolio.

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