

**June 2021** 

# **Objective**

This portfolio is NOT a risk-free portfolio, rather, it is suitable for a client who requires stability of capital and is prepared to accept small levels of capital losses when markets are falling, based on the higher non-equity asset allocation. The portfolio is managed dynamically by altering the asset allocation and by predominantly using low-risk assets that carry market risk and using all assets that are available from the investment universe. The asset allocation within this portfolio will vary between a benchmark of 0% equity and 35% equity on average to achieve the portfolio objectives, provided economic conditions permit. The portfolio will be managed to try and limit the indicative capital loss in any rolling 12-month period to 6% in a significant event and 4% in normal market conditions and to target an annualised total return averaged out over an economic cycle (usually 5 - 7 years) of 4% per annum before any adviser, custodian, switch and/or discretionary investment management fees, but after fund manager charges. Despite the higher allocation in non-equity assets, these asset classes are in some cases becoming riskier than equity assets, however we feel that the current positioning is acceptable when we consider our mandate regarding a client's capital loss acceptance.

### **Management**

The benchmark we use for comparison purposes for volatility is AFI Cautious noting that this benchmark currently holds 51.27% in Equity (Analytics, 1st June 2021) and is therefore more aggressive than this portfolio. The benchmark also has no capital preservation mandate. It would therefore be expected that this benchmark would outperform the model and that the volatility of the benchmark would be higher. The model performance therefore cannot be directly compared to the benchmark.

#### **Performance**

Asset	1 Month	3 Months		12 Months	YTD	3 Years			Since Launch 01/06/ 2009
OBI Active 3 Portfolio	-0.17%	2.15%	3.15%	9.70%	1.57%	12.30%	25.50%	30.85%	111.37%
Benchmark	0.00%	4.07%	5.12%	13.71%	2.95%	13.86%	32.22%	40.60%	117.62%
UK Gilts	0.29%	0.81%	-4.38%	-6.68%	-5.68%	8.16%	15.56%	32.65%	68.66%
UK Equities	1.39%	9.07%	14.42%	21.59%	10.63%	4.76%	35.89%	37.09%	142.73%

Source: FE Analytics, 1st June

## **Asset Allocation**

- MONEY MARKET (21.63%)
- UK FIXED INTEREST (13.88%)
- GLOBAL FIXED INTEREST (24.95%)
- OTHER NON-EQUITY (5.85%)
- PROPERTY (16.29%)
- UK EQUITY (5.67%)
- NORTH AMERICAN EQUITY (5.99%)
- EUROPEAN EQUITY (3.47%)
- OTHER INTERNATIONAL EQUITY (2.27%)

# **Outcome Based Investing**

At OCM, we believe that assets in a client portfolio should be adjusted through each phase of the economic cycle.

In line with the OBI strategy, at the extreme point when the cycle is at its most extended and the economies are overheating, it is our view that by moving defensively and focusing on the core portfolio assets, we are able to provide the desired outcome with the least amount of expected volatility.

The key with the strategy of "Outcome Based Investing" is to limit the surprises and capture as much of the upside as possible, with a focus on delivering the client's strategised outcome.

# **Key Facts**

**Benchmark** 

AFI Cautious

**Inception Date** 

01 June 2009

**Historic Yield** 

2.35% per annum

**Ongoing Strategy Charge** 

0.75% per annum

Rebalancing Frequency

Quarterly (or as required as per the OBI strategy)



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OBI Active 3 is a cautious portfolio with a higher non-equity allocation based on a low-risk mandate, with the delivery of outcome and capital preservation at its core which aims to achieve a return outcome of 4% per annum.

# **Market Outlook**

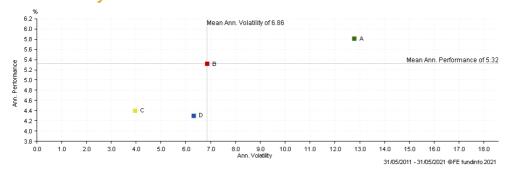
Having started the year on strong footing, the majority of global regions have seen their economic fundamentals continue to improve, as vaccination rates and policy stimulus help to drive upward revisions in economic data. The UK, US, and Europe are leading the global inoculation efforts, which has subsequently resulted in upward revisions to the UK and Europe's GDP forecasts for 2021. Although the improving outlook contributed to the acceleration in government bond yields in February and March, financial markets maintained their positive trajectory until the start of May, when inflation and policy expectations increasingly dominated news flows. As a result of this, those valuations that had shown signs of being expensive became increasingly volatile throughout May. After a choppy month in markets, this short-term uncertainty has begun to abate as investor sentiment returns, with concerns over runaway inflation easing while investors maintain their optimistic outlook for financial markets.

As long-term investors, we have viewed many of the market movements in 2021 as short-term noise, with no changes to our underlying assumptions on the global recovery and market outlook. Looking further ahead, although it is clear that volatility remains in the short-term as market participants focus on the recovery, inflation pressures, and future policy, we remain optimistic and continue to see opportunities arising as the outlook improves, with global growth remaining well supported by governments and central banks.

# **Portfolio Positioning**

Over the past month, we capitalised on over-extended valuations to take some profits on our holdings and plan to re distribute these into new opportunities that we believe have the potential to outperform over the coming months, as we transition through the global economic recovery. The portfolio has been constructed with a high level of diversification in terms of asset classes and geographies, with a mix of bond, equity, and property exposure to meet portfolio objectives over the long term. The exposure is gained through a high-quality mix of actively manged and passive, globally diverse equity and multi asset funds. The portfolio has recently benefitted from its diverse asset allocation, reducing recent market volatility when compared to the benchmark.

## **Portfolio Volatility**



This scatter chart reflects annualised volatility and return in GBP over the past 10 years. Over the long term, we would expect the OBI portfolio to exhibit a lower level of volatility than the benchmark.

Key	Name	Annualised Performance	Annualised Volatility
■ A	UK Psv UK Equities TR in GB	5.81	12.78
<b>■</b> B	AFI Cautious TR in GB	5.32	6.86
C	OBI Active 3 - May 2021 TR in GB	4.40	3.96
■ D	UK Psv UK Gilts TR in GB	4.30	6.32

## **Important Information**

All data in this document has been extracted from Analytics as at 1st June 2021. Past performance cannot be used as a guide to future performance and the value of your investment will fall as well as rise in value. You may not get back all of your investment and the final value of your investment will depend on the performance of your portfolio. Performance figures quoted include fund manager charges but exclude adviser, discretionary, custodian and switch charges. Unless stated, income is reinvested into the portfolio. The information contained in in this document is for information purposes only. It does not constitute advice or a recommendation or an offer or solicitation for investment. Portfolio Expense is based on the Fusion platform and may vary for other platforms.