RATHBONES MANAGED PORTFOLIO SERVICE ON PLATFORMS

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Defensive Strategy – 31st May 2025

Objective

This is a discretionary managed Rathbones Low risk Defensive portfolio, suitable for investors seeking a return, over a timeframe of at least three years, in the form of capital appreciation.

The mandate is typically suitable for Retail Clients able to bear loss of their capital in order to achieve capital growth.

A copy of our Target Market Assessment is available upon request.

Strategy information

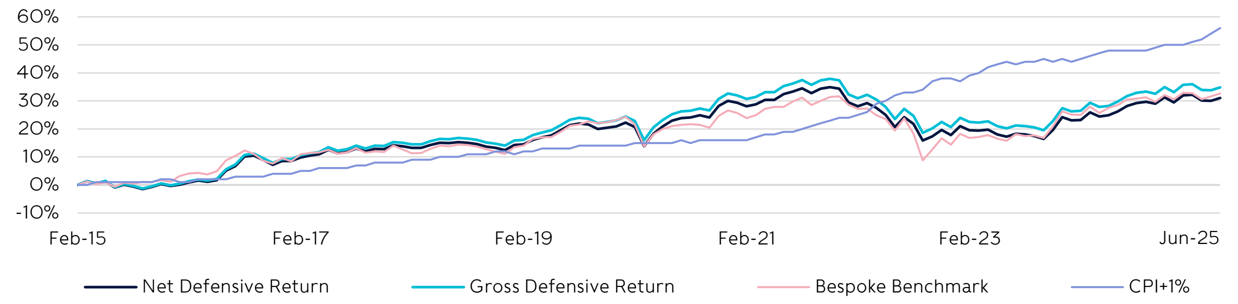
Inception date: 27/02/2015
Number of holdings: 19

Fees

Initial charge	£0
Rathbones annual management charge (AMC)	0.20%
Current Ongoing Charges Figure (OCF) of underlying investments*	0.38%

* The total cost to client is 0.68% for the equivalent illustrative portfolio which includes the AMC, the OCF, plus transaction charges and incidental costs related to fund holdings. OCFs are based on available fund share classes on the Aberdeen Wrap Hub platform and may vary dependent on your choice of platform.

Performance details



Performance vs benchmark

	1 month	3 months	6 months	1 year	2 years	3 years	5 years	10 years	Since Inception*	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	YTD
Defensive (Net)	0.8%	-0.9%	-0.2%	4.9%	11.0%	4.8%	8.3%	29.3%	31.0%	7.5%	3.4%	-12.3%	5.4%	4.2%	1.2%
Defensive (Gross)	0.8%	-0.9%	-0.1%	5.1%	11.5%	5.4%	9.4%	32.9%	34.8%	7.8%	3.6%	-12.2%	5.6%	4.4%	1.3%
Bespoke Benchmark	0.8%	-0.1%	0.4%	4.1%	13.8%	7.4%	10.6%	31.6%	32.7%	2.9%	3.9%	-13.0%	10.3%	3.4%	1.6%
CPI + 1% (Gross)	1.3%	3.1%	4.1%	5.5%	8.7%	19.3%	35.5%	54.4%	55.7%	1.7%	6.5%	11.6%	5.0%	3.6%	3.6%

In addition to the benchmark listed, the Defensive Strategy can also be compared to the ARC GBP Cautious Private Client Index (PCI). *27/02/2015

Past performance is not reliable indicator of future performance. Performance is representative of the Defensive model on the Aberdeen Wrap Hub as at 31/05/2025. Portfolio performance data is reported net of fees excluding platform fees. The reduced AMC and target OCF figures were only applied from 31/03/2020 onwards, therefore past performance is net of the higher charges incurred.

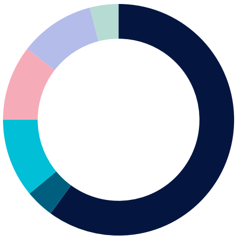
Bespoke benchmark asset allocation

The benchmark for the portfolio reflects the strategic asset allocation (and long term objective) of your investments. The benchmark for the Defensive Strategy is as follows:

ICE BofA UK Gilts 5-15 Years	Medium dated Gilts	15.0%
ICE BofA Inflation Linked Gilts 1-10 Years	Inflation linked Gilts	10.0%
ICE BofA Sterling Corporate Bond	UK Corporate Bonds	30.0%
MSCI UK Equity IMI	UK Equities	3.8%
MSCI ACWI World Index Ex UK	Overseas Equities	11.2%
MSCI UK IMI Liquid Real Estate	Commercial Property	10.0%
IWI Alternatives Composite	Alternatives	15.0%
BoE Base Rate (-0.5%)	Cash	5.0%

The bespoke benchmark allocations were amended on 02/10/2023. The benchmark returns reflect the new allocations from 02/10/2023. Prior returns are based on the previous benchmarks used.

Asset allocation



60.0%	Fixed Income
4.0%	UK Equities
11.0%	Overseas Equities
10.5%	Commercial Property
10.5%	Alternatives
4.0%	Cash

Top 10 holdings at 02/06/2025

1	L&G All Stocks Gilt Index	19.0%
2	Schroder Global Cities Real Estate	10.5%
3	Abrdn Short Duration Global Inflation-Linked Bond	9.0%
4	Fidelity MoneyBuilder Corporate Bond	8.0%
5	Royal London Sterling Credit	8.0%
6	Trojan Fund	7.5%
7	Liontrust Global Short Dated Corporate Bond	6.0%
8	TwentyFour Corporate Bond	4.0%
9	Morgan Stanley Emerging Debt Opportunities	4.0%
10	Vanguard FTSE 100 Index	4.0%

KEY RISKS

— The value of your investment can go down as well as up and you could get back less than you put in.
— Indicative performance only, calculated net of management fees and fund costs. Platform charges and Adviser fees should be taken into consideration.
— The portfolio may invest in assets which are denominated in currencies other than UK pound sterling. These investments may be affected by changes in currency exchange rates, which is known as currency risk.
— There is also a risk that an investment may not be easily sold without a significant loss in value due to an insufficient number of buyers in the market. This is known as liquidity risk.
— The portfolio invests in emerging market equities. The risk of investing in emerging markets include potential political instability, rapid changes in economic conditions and less stringent regulatory frameworks for companies and governments in emerging markets. This can lead to higher investment uncertainty and significant investment losses.

Investment commentary

In May, despite a weak US Q1 GDP print, driven by inventory dynamics, consumption and investment remained resilient. Employment data will be key to monitoring economic health going forward. Trump's tariff policy is expected to settle at moderate levels, supported by a recent International Court of Trade ruling deeming some tariffs illegal. The US-UK Economic Prosperity Deal offers limited trade relief but excludes some sectors like UK ethanol producers. Market volatility coincided with a weakening dollar despite rising yields, reflecting doubts about US global leadership and fiscal policy. While the dollar remains the dominant global reserve currency, some diversification toward the euro and gold is anticipated. Fixed income markets remain cautious amid fiscal pressures and political uncertainty. Investor sentiment faces intense volatility, with uncertainty indices at record highs. Despite this, technological progress in AI promises productivity gains and improved corporate profitability, though social stability remains a significant challenge for governments.

Fund manager commentary

The portfolio experienced a positive return over the month. Equities were the primary contributor, with markets seeming to recover following the turbulent start to the year. The L&G US Index and the L&G Global Equity Index provided the strongest gains. Fixed Income posted marginally negative returns, with the asset class struggling because of market uncertainty impacted by expectations of fiscal and monetary policy changes. However, we did see some positive contribution here via the Morgan Stanley Emerging Market Debt fund and Liontrust Global Short-Duration bond fund. Property rebounded from a disappointing quarter, with the Schroder Global Cities Real Estate fund providing the portfolio with strong performance and diversification benefits during increasingly volatile markets. Alternatives continued to provide marginal gains, with the Janus Henderson Absolute Return fund and the Trojan fund enhancing the portfolio's defensive characteristics.

If you would like further information please do not hesitate to contact your local Business Development Director or email MPSonPlatforms@rathbones.com and we will be pleased to assist you.

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