

# Hybrid Passive Managed Service

## Cautious Strategy

December 2019

### Key information

#### Strategy details

Start date	15 June 2015
Minimum initial investment (direct)	£20,000
Minimum initial investment (platform)	£1,000
Rebalancing strategy (minimum)	Quarterly
Currency	£ GBP
Annual management charge (direct)	0.75% + VAT
Annual management charge (platform)	0.30% + VAT *
Annual yield (current)	2.06%

\* Not including platform charges

#### Benchmark

ARC Sterling Cautious PCI

#### Annualised volatility and OCF

Bordier Cautious	3.39%
Ongoing charges figures ('OCF')	0.43%

Annualised 3-year volatility data as at 31/12/19 - Source: FE Analytics

#### Investment update - December

Markets in December continued to rally after the partial removal of two important issues; the UK's political uncertainty and Brexit (thanks to a convincing Conservative win), and the de-escalation of the US/China trade war. Although there are still many hurdles to overcome in the UK/EU negotiation process, a clearer path should allow a re-boot of business investment and spending, allowing disenchanted investors to return and potentially unlocking economic growth further down the line. Low inflation and the stable interest rate environment in general may also provide a more favourable backdrop for investment in risk assets. As such, our Investment Committee decided to shift away from our previous neutral stockmarket stance by adding 5% to UK equities, taking the Cautious strategy's headline equity target to 35%. The Montanaro UK Income fund has been added to the strategy to provide exposure to quality companies in the UK small and mid-cap sectors whilst also having an equity income focus, which should provide additional return support. To enable the purchase of the fund, there has been a reduction in cash levels and there remains the possibility of adding further exposure to equities in the new year if the improved backdrop remains. Although there may be low rates of economic growth forecast for 2020, which may in turn lead to lower nominal returns, we are happy to report strong returns for 2019 with the Cautious strategy returning 8.0%.

#### Discretionary manager

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#### Hybrid Passive Managed Service

The service consists of five actively managed investment strategies, offering lower cost access to our discretionary fund management capabilities, through the combination of active and passive collective investments. The service provides a solution that, when cost considerations are paramount, does not compromise on quality. Investment strategies are monitored by our central Investment Committee to ensure consistency of performance from one portfolio to another. The service is available on the following platforms: Ascentric, Aviva, Fusion, Hubwise, Nucleus, Standard Life and Transact.

#### Investment objective

The objective is to assist investors looking to preserve their capital in real (inflation-adjusted) terms over the medium to longer term but who feel comfortable with some moderate fluctuation in values.

#### Risk score

Our strategies are constructed around five investment strategies, each with a differing commitment to equities via collective funds and other asset classes. The strategy is managed with a maximum target of 40% invested in equity markets at any given time and has been categorised as a Bordier UK risk profile 2.

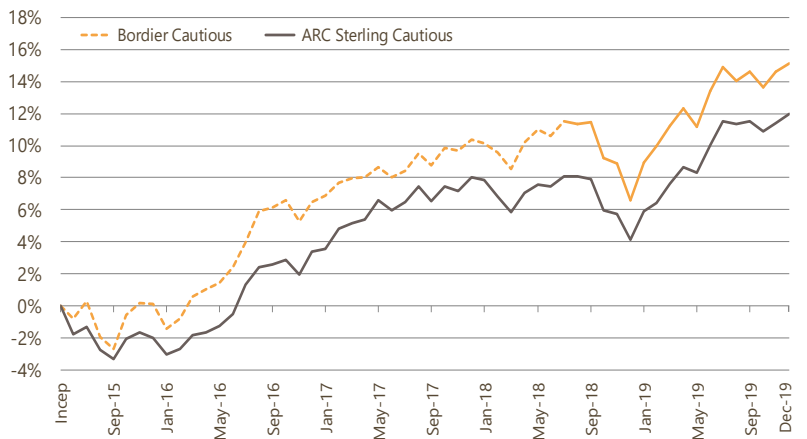


#### Model performance

	1mth	3mth	6mth	YTD	1yr	3yr	Start*
Cautious	0.4%	0.5%	1.5%	8.0%	8.0%	8.2%	15.2%
ARC Cautious	0.5%	0.4%	1.8%	7.6%	7.6%	8.3%	12.0%

Data as at 31/12/19 (\*Inception from 15/06/15 to 31/12/19) - Figures net of 0.30% + VAT  
 Source: FE Analytics

#### Inception performance



Source: FE Analytics (see risk warning overleaf).  
 Performance from inception (15/06/15) to 01/08/18 is simulated past performance based on back-tested data.

## About Bordier UK

Bordier & Cie (UK) PLC ('Bordier UK') is a specialist investment manager that promotes a long-standing culture of consistency and excellence, whether in the performance of our portfolios, the service given by our staff or the quality of our reporting.

Bordier UK focuses on managing the wealth of individuals, families and trustees. We manage portfolios for pensions, trusts, charities, offshore bonds, livery companies, institutions and welfare committees, as well as investments from our own staff. Working alongside professional advisers and managing investment solutions on behalf of their clients is core to the Bordier UK business.

Bordier UK was previously known as Berry Asset Management, one of the country's most widely respected private portfolio management firms. The team that led Berry Asset Management continue to run the business to this day.

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## Headline asset allocation

Summary of current Bordier UK Investment Committee positioning

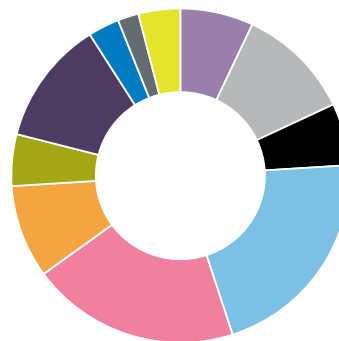
	UW (-)	N (=)	OW (+)
Fixed interest			
Equities			
Property			
Alternative investments			
Cash			

**Key**

- Current
- Previous\*
- UW (-) Underweight
- N (=) Neutral
- OW (+) Overweight

As at 31/12/19  
\*Positioning prior to last Investment Committee meeting

## Model asset allocation



Sector	%
Cash	7
UK fixed interest	11
International fixed interest	6
Strategic bonds	21
Alternatives	20
UK equity income	9
UK equity growth	5
US equity	12
European equity	3
South East Asian equity	2
Japanese equity	4

## Top 10 holdings

Holding	%	Holding	%
Janus Henderson UK Absolute Return	8	Vanguard Global Short Term Bond Index	6
Artemis US Absolute Return	7	Vanguard UK Government Bond Index	6
Cash (deposit)	7	BlackRock Absolute Return Bond	5
HSBC American Index	6	BNY Mellon Global Dynamic Bond	5
Janus Henderson Strategic Bond	6	Fidelity Strategic Bond	5

As at 31/12/19

## Discrete annual returns

	2015*	2016	2017	2018	2019
Cautious	0.1%	6.4%	3.7%	-3.4%	8.0%
ARC Cautious	-2.0%	5.5%	4.5%	-3.6%	7.6%

Data to 31/12/19 (\*2015 performance from 15/06/15) - Figures net of 0.30% + VAT  
Source: FE Analytics

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