

# Hybrid Passive Managed Service Defensive Strategy

February 2021

## 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)	1.67%

\* Not including platform charges

### Annualised volatility and OCF

Bordier Defensive	3.76%
Ongoing charges figures ('OCF')	0.49%

Annualised 3-year volatility data as at 28.02.21 - Source: FE Analytics

### Investment update - February

Fuelled by the swift COVID-19 vaccination rollout as well as the continuing decline in the number of new infections, February saw global markets rise as investors shrugged off the market volatility caused by the coordinated attacks on short sellers of GameStop shares towards the end of January. There has also been a cyclical move in recent months as economies continue to reopen, with lower-valued sectors of the market continuing to fare well. Investors were, however, spooked towards the end of the month by the steepening of yield curves and the prospects of rising inflation. The key drivers behind these inflation concerns were the US stimulus package as well as faster economic growth potentially triggering a reversal in the monetary policy stances of central banks. Whether this has been an overreaction is yet to be seen but our Investment Committee believe that further conditions need to be met before monetary policy becomes less accommodative. Additionally, central bank rhetoric regarding monetary policy remains in support of keeping interest rates lower for the time being and a willingness to let inflation run hot in the short term. Our Investment Committee remain vigilant and continue to closely monitor current events and whilst no strategic changes were made during the month, it was decided that for tactical reasons we would sell the Artemis US Absolute Return fund. Further details on this change will follow next month once implemented.

### Discretionary manager

Bordier & Cie (UK) PLC  
23 King Street  
St James's  
London SW1Y 6QY  
t: +44 (0)20 7667 6600  
w: www.bordieruk.com

### 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, Embark, Fusion, Hubwise, Novia, Nucleus, Seven IM, Standard Life and Transact.

### Investment objective

To preserve capital in real (inflation-adjusted) terms over the medium to longer term. Investors should expect low levels of reward and a low correlation to stock market behaviour, including modest fluctuations in values.

### Risk profile

This strategy is managed with a maximum target of 20% equity market exposure and is categorised as a **Bordier Risk Profile 1**.



### Discrete performance

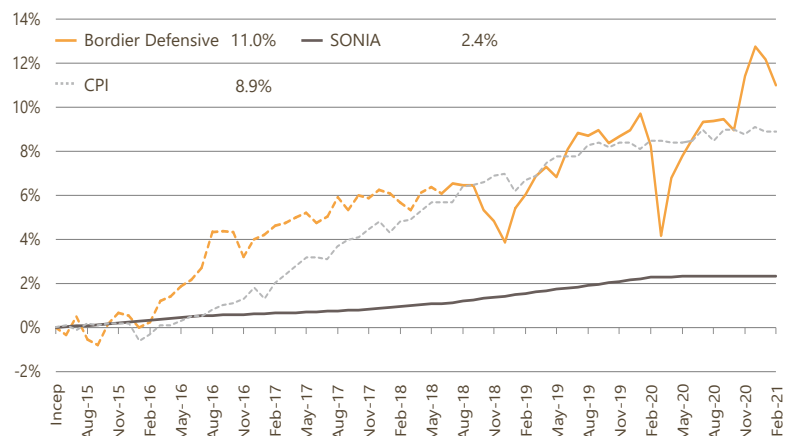
	YTD	2020	2019	2018*	2017*	2016*
Defensive	-1.6%	3.5%	4.9%	-2.3%	2.2%	3.5%
SONIA	0.0%	0.2%	0.7%	0.6%	0.3%	0.4%
CPI	-0.2%	0.7%	1.3%	2.1%	2.9%	1.6%

### Cumulative performance

	1yr	3yr*	5yr*
Defensive	2.5%	5.1%	10.8%

Source: FE Analytics as at 28.02.21.  
\*Performance from inception (15.06.15) to 01.08.18 is simulated past performance based on back-tested data.  
Bordier UK figures net of 0.30% AMC + VAT.

### Inception performance



Source: FE Analytics as at 28.02.21. Bordier UK figures net of 0.30% AMC + VAT.  
Performance from inception (15.06.15) to 01.08.18 is simulated past performance based on back-tested data.  
Past performance is not a guide to future results. See full risk warning overleaf.

## 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.

Bordier UK is part of the Bordier Group. The Bordier Group is built on solid foundations, with a strong Tier 1 capital ratio of 35.5%. Established in Geneva in 1844, the Bordier Group operates in six countries across three continents, managing assets of circa £11.7bn for approximately 4,000 families (Source: Bordier & Cie as at 30 June 2020).



## Contact us

For further information on this strategy or any of our other investment services, please contact a member of our sales team:

t: 020 7667 6600

e: sales@bordieruk.com

## Headline asset allocation

Summary of current Bordier UK Investment Committee positioning

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

### Key

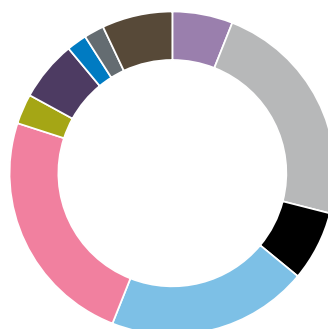
- Current
- Previous\*
- UW (-) Underweight
- N (=) Neutral
- OW (+) Overweight

As at 28.02.21  
\*Positioning prior to last Investment Committee meeting

## Headline positioning

- We have increased our stock market exposure to the upper end of our strategic equity ranges.
- We maintain our increased corporate fixed income exposure, specifically targeting the higher quality investment grade space.
- Cash levels have been reduced to fund a new allocation to the thematic and global sector.
- There remains a focus on high levels of liquidity in everything we own.
- Market neutral alternative investments continue to act as stabilisers. We were right to sell our structured investment funds in Autumn 2019.

## Model asset allocation



Sector	%
Cash	6
UK fixed interest	23
International fixed interest	7
Strategic bonds	20
Alternatives	24
UK equity growth	3
US equity	6
European equity	2
Asia-Pacific ex Japan equity	2
Thematic and global equity	7

## Top 10 holdings

Holding	%	Holding	%
Janus Henderson UK Absolute Return	9	Vanguard Global Short-Term Bond Index	7
Artemis US Absolute Return	8	Vanguard UK Government Bond Index	7
Fidelity Strategic Bond	8	Cash (deposit)	6
BlackRock Absolute Return Bond	7	Vanguard UK Short-Term Inv. Grade Bond	6
Janus Henderson Strategic Bond	7	BNY Mellon Global Dynamic Bond	5

As at 28.02.21

**Risk warning:** The value of an investment and any income from it may fall as well as rise, may be affected by exchange rate fluctuations and you may not get back the amount you originally invested. The information in this factsheet does not constitute an offer of, or an invitation to buy or sell any security. Levels and bases of tax can change. The securities detailed in this factsheet may not be suitable for all investors. The model portfolio is applied to client accounts by the platform provider but it may take some time for the client accounts to mirror the model. Bordier & Cie (UK) PLC recommends that you seek the advice of your financial adviser.

Issued by Bordier & Cie (UK) PLC, 23 King Street, St James's, London SW1Y 6QY. Authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority. Incorporated in England No. 1583393, registered office as above.

FACTSHEET/20210317/1.0