Managed Portfolio Service

MPS Defensive

April 2026

Strategy details

Inception	02 July 2012
Min. initial investment	£ 20,000
Rebalancing strategy (min.)	Quarterly
Currency	£ GBP
Annual yield (current)	2.96%
Annualised volatility	4.46%

Annualised 3-year volatility data as at 30.04.26

Charges

Annual management charge	0.60%
Ongoing charges figure	0.53%

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 stockmarket behaviour, including modest fluctuations in values.

Risk profile

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

About the Managed Portfolio Service

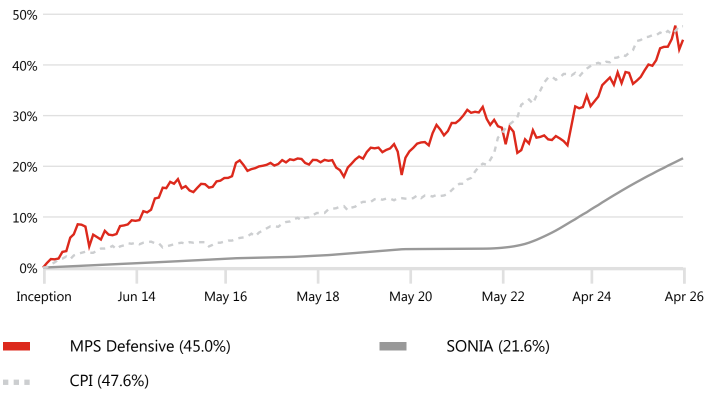
Our Managed Portfolio Service ('MPS') has been awarded the maximum Defaqto 5 stars as a solution for advisers to manage client assets directly with Bordier UK. The service offers five actively managed investment strategies ranging from Defensive to Adventurous. Each strategy has a different level of risk and potential return, with risk categorised by equity market exposure that increases in increments of 20% for each strategy, and the ability to select an income option to benefit from regular income from the strategy as well as potential long-term capital growth.

Investment update

After the weakness seen in March, equity markets staged a sharp rally in April. The MSCI World Index rose nearly 9% in local currency terms, 6.4% in sterling terms. Technology stocks performed exceptionally strongly, benefitting US and Asian markets. Returns from markets such as the UK, which has limited exposure to technology and 'growth' sectors, were consequently more muted. News flow regarding the Middle East conflict was periodically more positive however continued uncertainty meant that the oil price rose in April. Improving sentiment over the prospect of a ceasefire in the Middle East therefore seems to have been only partly responsible for the market rally. The other key driver was the very strong set of corporate earnings announcements, particularly from the giant 'hyper-scalers' in the US that are most involved in building out the required infrastructure for artificial intelligence expansion. Concerns over the potential impact of higher energy prices on inflation impacted government bonds in markets such as the UK and Europe however the more positive equity sentiment boosted confidence in corporate debt, benefitting credit markets. We have been rewarded for not cutting overall equity exposure in reaction to the market sell off in March and have consequently captured the sharp rebound over April. While the conflict in the Middle East will certainly impact the shorter-term outlook for growth and inflation, we do not believe that the impact will be sufficient to derail our positive thesis for risk assets. We acknowledge that a very prolonged conflict and disruption to shipping could change the macroeconomic backdrop more materially however, for now, we are maintaining our current equity exposure while the strategy remains at the top end of its allowable equity range. We remain more cautious on fixed income markets, particularly in markets such as the UK and Europe that are most vulnerable to the inflationary impacts of inflated oil and gas prices. We have reduced our exposure and will look to reallocate the proceeds when there is greater clarity on the outlook.

Performance

Inception performance



Cumulative performance

	1yr	3yr	5yr	10yr
MPS Defensive (20% eq.)	5.9%	15.0%	12.8%	23.7%
SONIA	4.0%	14.5%	17.2%	19.6%
CPI	2.0%	8.1%	28.1%	40.7%

Discrete performance

	YTD	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021
MPS Defensive (20% eq.)	1.0%	5.3%	3.5%	5.9%	-5.5%	2.8%
SONIA	1.2%	4.3%	5.1%	4.4%	1.1%	0.0%
CPI	0.6%	3.3%	2.6%	3.9%	10.5%	5.4%

Source: FE Analytics as at 30.04.26.

Bordier UK returns net of 0.60% AMC. VAT applied to AMC from inception (02.07.12) until 31.08.21. CPI data is reported with a one month lag due to data being published inter-month. Past performance is not a guide to future results. See full risk warning overleaf.

Annualised performance

	1yr	3yr	5yr	10yr
MPS Defensive (20% eq.)	5.9%	4.8%	2.4%	2.2%
SONIA	4.0%	4.6%	3.2%	1.8%
CPI	2.0%	2.6%	5.1%	3.5%

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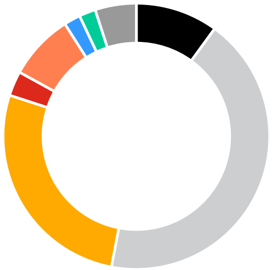
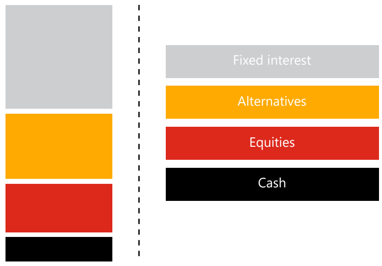
Asset allocation

Sector breakdown



Asset class breakdown



Note: For illustrative purposes only.

Sector	%
Cash	10
Fixed interest	43
Alternatives	27
UK equity (growth)	3
US equity	8
European equity	2
Asia-Pacific ex Japan equity	2
Thematic and global equity	5

Top 10 holdings

Fund	%
Cash (deposit)	10
Schroder Strategic Credit	10
Vanguard Global Bond Index	10
Fidelity Strategic Bond	8
TwentyFour Corporate Bond	8
Premier Miton Tellworth UK Select	7
Vanguard UK Investment Grade Bond Index	7
Janus Henderson Absolute Return	6
Man Alpha Select Alternative	6
Artemis Short-Duration Strategic Bond	5

Source: FE Analytics as at 30.04.26.

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