

Investment objective

To seek a combination of income and long-term capital appreciation, but with a focus on income, with a medium risk investment profile.

Benchmark

The Fund is benchmarked against the MSCI PIMFA Income Index (Total Return) and will take active positions relative to this index on both asset allocation and stock selection. The Fund's broad asset allocation (split by equities, fixed income and alternatives) will typically be restricted to a range, relative to the benchmark, set by the CSI Investment Committee.

On 1 March 2017 the WMA (now PIMFA) range of Private Investor comparators replaced FTSE International with indices provided by MSCI and IHS Markit.

Investment policy

In order to achieve its objective, the Fund will invest principally in a diversified portfolio of different asset classes such as equities, equity linked securities (including warrants and convertible securities), fixed and floating rate debt securities, index linked bonds, cash and cash equivalents. Debt securities (including sovereign and corporate) as well as higher yielding equities will be the dominant asset classes.

The equity part of the Fund's portfolio will contain primarily securities from the leading UK companies (FTSE 350) or their equivalents from overseas markets. The equity part of the portfolio may also consist of, but to a proportionately lesser extent, the securities of smaller companies. The bond part of the Fund's portfolio will contain mainly bonds such as sovereign debt or securities guaranteed by governments and corporate debt with the focus being on medium to high credit quality. The bond part of the portfolio may also consist of, but to a proportionately lesser extent, lower quality bonds.

Key information

Benchmark: MSCI PIMFA Income Index

Unit Price (A Dist Shares)	£0.96
Historical Yield*	3.7%
Dividend Payment (month end)	Jan, Apr, Jul, Oct
Inception	15-Apr-13

Charges:

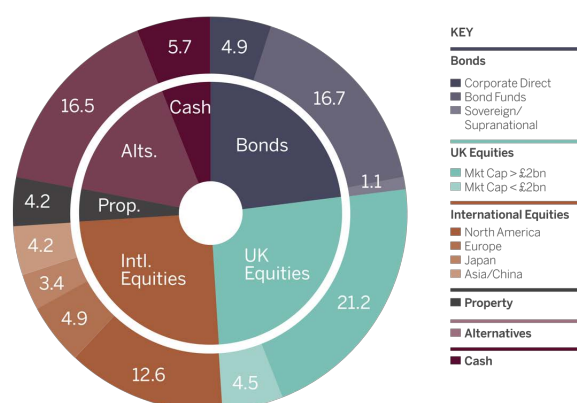
Ongoing Charges**	1.27%
Transaction Costs	0.19%
Total Cost of Ownership	1.46%

Performance Fee	n/a
Exit Charge	n/a

Distribution shares SEDOL	B94L4T8
Distribution shares ISIN	LU0904711479

Fund Manager (since 26/07/19)	James Godrich, CFA
Deputy Fund Manager (since 01/07/20)	Christopher Barrett

Asset allocation



Top 10 direct holdings

	Percentage
1 BURBERRY	1.3%
2 UNILEVER	1.3%
3 RIO TINTO	1.1%
4 GRAINGER	1.1%
5 SHELL	1.1%
6 JOHNSON & JOHNSON	1.1%
7 DANAHER	1.1%
8 BP	1.1%
9 JP MORGAN CHASE	1.1%
10 BIG YELLOW	1.1%

Top 10 fund holdings

	Percentage
1 TWENTYFOUR ABSOLUTE RETURN CREDIT	6.2%
2 CHURCH HOUSE INV GRADE FXT INT	6.0%
3 VANGUARD FUNDS S&P 500 ETF	5.9%
4 CAPITAL GEARING TRUST	4.0%
5 PERSONAL ASSETS TRUST	3.9%
6 CG PORTFOLIO DOLLAR HEDGED	2.4%
7 SCHRODER ORIENTAL INC	2.3%
8 CC JAPAN INCOME GROWTH TRUST	2.2%
9 BLUEFIELD SOLAR INCOME	2.2%
10 ISHARES IDX-LINKED GILTS ETF	2.1%

Cumulative performance

(% total return)

	3m	6m	1yr	3yr	5yr
CSI Income	-2.9%	-10.6%	-11.9%	-0.3%	10.2%
MSCI PIMFA Income	-3.6%	-9.9%	-8.9%	0.1%	12.8%

Source: Cadelam and Factset

Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results.

All performance figures shown are net of underlying fund charges.

*The yield reflects historic distributions declared over the past twelve months as a percentage of the mid-market unit price, as at the date shown and after the deduction of the funds expenses.

**Ongoing charge represents the direct costs of running a fund, which are deducted from the assets of the fund and provide a comparable number for the cost of investing. The annual management charge is included in the ongoing charge.

Discrete 12 month performance

(% total return)

	30.09.18 30.09.17	30.09.19 30.09.18	30.09.20 30.09.19	30.09.21 30.09.20	30.09.22 30.09.21
CSI Income	5.4%	4.8%	-2.3%	15.8%	-11.9%
MSCI PIMFA Income+	5.9%	6.4%	-3.5%	13.9%	-8.9%

+Please note that the PIMFA performance data included is blended to reflect the FTSE WMA Series up to 1 March 2017 and the PIMFA MSCI Series thereafter.

Fund manager commentary

During the third quarter, the Fund returned -2.9% against the PIMFA Income Index that returned -3.6%. Relative outperformance was driven by stock selection in UK equities.

The third quarter of 2022 has again been a challenging one for investors. Dramatic swings in asset class performance have been driven by rapidly changing monetary and fiscal policy, unprecedented economic data prints and ongoing geopolitical uncertainty.

It is because of this unpredictability and volatility we are wary of trying to drive returns through active asset allocation positions. Instead of owning more or less of a given asset class (for example cash versus North American listed businesses versus Japanese listed businesses) we seek to own more or less of certain securities within an asset class (for example **Diageo** in the UK or **LVMH** in Europe). In simple terms, our strategy is to try to buy great businesses at reasonable prices and to own these for long periods of time – history tells us that the compound effects of being a patient investor in high quality assets can be remarkable. This does not mean that we ignore the macro environment though; indeed, in 2022 it has been impossible to do so.

Over recent years, a key macro view is that we have been consistently concerned about inflation and its threat to shareholder returns across many of the securities that we own. In June 2021 we wrote in this commentary that “the risk remains that supposedly ‘transitory’ inflation

is not so” and in October 2021 we reiterated that we had been “adding to businesses where we see a great margin of safety in the valuation or whose earnings would be positively affected by higher inflation and interest rates.” In addition to businesses with these characteristics, we have owned index linked gilts, which have interest payments directly linked to changes in the rate of inflation, and property stocks, which we believe are able to pass on inflationary price increases to tenants.

Whilst our concerns about inflation may appear on the face of it to have been valid, there is an important distinction in the accepted duration of inflation and our protection as a result has been disappointing.

To reiterate, we felt that concerns around short-term or ‘transitory’ inflation were over-done but that positioning around medium and long-term inflation was complacent – and we sought to protect the portfolio against this. What has in fact happened is that concern over near-term inflation has grown even further, whilst caution amongst investors over medium and long-term inflation has, if anything diminished.

Looking forward, and despite recently hawkish updates from Central Banks around the world, we believe that the risks to not-so-transitory inflation remain. We will continue to try to protect the portfolio from this risk in the medium and long term through a diversified collection of assets owned at attractive valuations.

Important information

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The value of CSI Income may go down as well as up and you may not receive back all the money you invest. Investment should be made on the basis of the Prospectus and Key Investor Information Document (KIID), available on our website. You should seek professional advice as to the suitability of the Fund before investing. Values may be affected by fluctuations in exchange rates where assets in the Fund are denominated in currencies other than sterling.

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