

October 2020

**Lead Manager**

Miles Moseley

**Launch Date**

January 2005

**Gross Dividend Yield**

2.3%

**Distribution Dates**

 18th Jan, 18th Apr,  
 18th Jul, 18th Oct

**Structure**

Collectives

**Number of Holdings**

15-30

**Minimum Investment**

£20,000

**Initial Charge**

Nil

**Annual Management Charge**

1.00% + VAT

**Dealing Commission**

 1.25% on the first £7,500  
 0.75% on the next  
 £12,500  
 0.5% thereafter

**Annual Compliance Charge**

 £40 or £80 + VAT  
 Based on portfolio  
 value

**Investment Objective**

The Balkerne Asset Management Balanced MFS (Managed Fund Service) is an actively-managed portfolio of 15 to 30 holdings, with a minimum cash holding of 2% and has the Investment Objective to provide long-term capital appreciation and income with a **Medium Risk Profile**.

**Suitability**

This portfolio is suited to clients who are willing to take the degree of risk necessary to achieve a potentially higher return than can normally be achieved by an 'Income' portfolio approach, with a bias towards equity market growth. Potential returns will be sought from a balanced portfolio of assets, used in the 'Income' portfolio, as well as a wider range of capital growth and income generating assets which may experience higher levels of volatility, but the potential to provide a higher return. Investors understand that the value of their investments, and the income from them, are not guaranteed and may rise and fall to a greater extent than with an 'Income' portfolio.

**Investment Policy**

To achieve the investment objective by investing principally, but not exclusively, in fixed-interest/bond and cash investments (minimum weighting 17%), UK blue-chip equities (minimum weighting 40%) and, as appropriate, property, international (minimum weighting 5%) and specialist stocks through collective investments and alternative investments (such as absolute return funds or multi-asset strategy funds).

**Valuations & Reporting**

Quarterly valuations are issued as at 31 March, 30 June, 30 September and 31 December each year. Included with the valuation is a schedule of income received for the period.

**Asset Allocation (as at 21/10/2020)**

<u>Asset Type</u>	
Equities	64.4%
Fixed Interest	18.6%
Alternative	9.0%
Commercial Property	4.6%
Cash	3.4%

<u>Geographical Split</u>	
United Kingdom	70.5%
International	29.5%

<u>Top Sectors</u>	
International Equity Funds	29.5%
UK Blue Chip Funds	28.8%
Bond Funds	18.6%
Alternative Assets	9.0%
UK Smaller Company Funds	6.1%
Real Estate Investment Trusts	4.6%
Cash	3.4%

<u>Top 10 Holdings</u>	
AXA Framlington UK Mid Cap	7.9%
Finsbury Growth & Income Trust	7.8%
BMO Capital & Income Trust	6.9%
Scottish Mortgage Trust	6.7%
Edinburgh Worldwide Trust	5.1%
Slater Growth Fund	5.0%
Fidelity Special Values Trust	4.6%
Aegon Global Equity	3.4%
Baillie Gifford Japan Trust	3.4%
L&G Global Inflation Linked Bond	3.4%

**Performance Profile (as at 30/09/2020)**

% Growth, Annualised	01.10.15	01.10.16	01.10.17	01.10.18	01.10.19
	30.09.16	30.09.17	30.09.18	30.09.19	30.09.20
<b>Balkerne Asset Management Balanced MFS</b>	<b>5.7%</b>	<b>11.2%</b>	<b>7.6%</b>	<b>0.2%</b>	<b>1.0%</b>

% Growth, Cumulative	3 Months	6 Months	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years
<b>Balkerne Asset Management Balanced MFS</b>	<b>3.9%</b>	<b>19.7%</b>	<b>1.0%</b>	<b>8.9%</b>	<b>27.9%</b>

## Lead Manager's Commentary as at 30.09.20

The Balanced MFS returned 3.9% over the third quarter of 2020 and a satisfactory 1.0% over the last 12 months.

Performance was driven by both asset allocation and stock selection. We are underweight in fixed-interest/corporate bonds. Our best performing funds over the quarter being L&G Global Inflation Linked Bond Index fund and Rathbone Ethical Bond fund.

The Balanced MFS is overweight equities. Outperformers in the quarter included Baillie Gifford Shin Nippon Trust, Scottish Mortgage Trust, 3i Group Trust and Baillie Gifford Japan Trust. Underperformers included Fidelity Special Values Trust and BMO Capital & Income Trust.

Our best performing commercial property holding was Tritax Big Box REIT and our best performing alternative was Empiric Student Property REIT.

One new holding was established in the quarter, Baillie Gifford UK Growth Trust. No positions were exited in the quarter.

The Balanced MFS is positioned to benefit from the continued growth in the western world and take advantage of the extended period of low interest rates and benign credit conditions. We continue to favour UK & International equities over corporate debt and retain a zero weighting to direct sovereign debt.

## Company Profile

At Balkerne Asset Management we have always held the belief that managing client monies is a privilege and not a right and it is this ethos which underpins the day to day management and processes within the organisation.

Established since the early 1980's, Balkerne Asset Management has built a strong tradition for offering both bespoke and model Discretionary Portfolio Management services, tailored to the objectives and risk profile of their clients. With a team of experienced and knowledgeable individuals within the investment and financial services professions, Balkerne Asset Management are well positioned to manage a broad range of investment portfolios inclusive of a diverse spread of assets across all market and geographic sectors.

Detailed attention to the daily management of portfolios is a critical aspect of the firm's process and has helped earn Balkerne Asset Management a respected reputation for providing a unique approach to discretionary portfolio management for discerning clients.

## Management Profile

### Miles Moseley, FCCA, FCSI, IMC, Lead Manager

Miles has responsibility for the day to day management of the Balkerne Asset Management Balanced MFS. Miles is a Certified Accountant and joined the Group in November 1987. He qualified in Private Client Investment Advice and Management, and gained the prestigious Investment Management Certificate in 1997. In 2005 Miles led a successful management buyout of the Group.

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

This Factsheet should be read in conjunction with the full Key Features Document, which is available on request.

All performance data contained within this Factsheet has been obtained from the Lead Manager. Errors and Omissions excluded.

The performance figures included in this Factsheet show the growth of the investments. For illustrative purposes, dividends have been re-invested though they may be taken as income.

The value of the Balkerne Asset Management Balanced MFS, and any income from it, is not guaranteed and you may not get back the amount invested. Past performance is not necessarily a guide to future returns

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