

**WISE INVESTMENT LIMITED - ETHICAL GROWTH**

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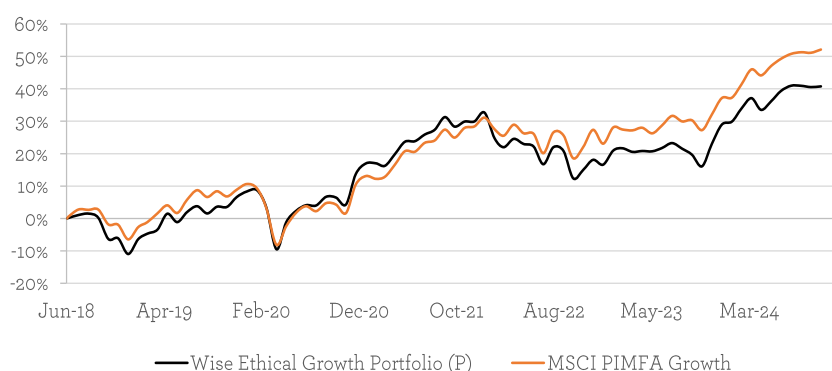
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**MONTHLY FACTSHEET**

all data as at 31st October 2024

**PORTFOLIO OBJECTIVES AND STRATEGY**

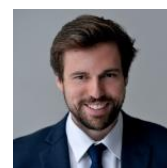
The Wise Ethical Growth Model Portfolio is designed for clients who are looking for a total return in line with the MSCI PIMFA Growth index over a 5 to 10-year period. We aim to achieve this by exclusively investing in a focussed list of ethical and sustainability-oriented funds (unit trusts, investment trusts and OEICs). These funds will have specific objectives of providing capital to businesses whose operations and activities either meet specific ethical standards or are engaged in improving the long-term sustainability of the earth's resources. The portfolio will have diversification across geography, asset class and investment style. The funds invest in real assets, such as company shares (listed both in the UK and overseas), property, fixed interest and cash. The Portfolio invests 60-100% in 'medium' risk assets, such as shares and property and can include up to 20% in 'high' risk assets such as shares in specific countries and industries. The Portfolio can also invest up to 40% in 'lower' or 'minimal' risk assets such as higher quality company debt and cash. We therefore consider the portfolio to be suitable for those willing to adopt a medium risk profile.

**PERFORMANCE SINCE LAUNCH** (using month-end data)**CUMULATIVE PERFORMANCE**

	1m	3m	6m	1yr	3yr	5yr	Launch
Wise Ethical Growth Portfolio (P)	0.2%	-0.1%	5.4%	21.3%	8.4%	35.9%	40.8%
MSCI PIMFA Growth	0.7%	0.9%	5.5%	19.5%	18.9%	42.4%	52.1%

**DISCRETE ANNUAL PERFORMANCE**

	31/10/2023	31/10/2022	31/10/2021	31/10/2020	31/10/2019
Wise Ethical Growth Portfolio (P)	21.3%	0.9%	-11.5%	24.6%	0.7%
MSCI PIMFA Growth	19.5%	4.2%	-4.6%	25.9%	-4.8%

**PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT****WILLIAM GEFFEN****Head of Investment Management**

William joined Wise Investment in November 2023 and has 4 years' experience in managing equity funds. His main responsibility is the selection of suitable investments for portfolios and ensuring our investment service meets your requirements.

William successfully passed all three level of the Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) exams gaining the qualification in 2021.

**Key Portfolio Details**

Launch Date	26th June 2018
Holdings	9
Historic Yield <sup>1</sup>	2.5%
Volatility <sup>2</sup>	9.7%
Benchmark	MSCI PIMFA Growth
Model OCF <sup>3</sup>	0.6%
Service Charge <sup>4</sup>	1.9%

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<sup>1</sup> The Historic Yield is the weighted average yield of the model based on the model's current constituents

<sup>2</sup> Volatility is the annualised monthly volatility of the model portfolio to the most recent month end over a 3 year period or since launch if this period is less than 3 years

<sup>3</sup> The Model OCF calculates the annual charges levied by the underlying fund holdings according to the model portfolio weights

<sup>4</sup> The Service Fee incorporates the model OCF, the standard non-tiered annual fees levied by Wise Investments Limited and custodian fees, of which this is the highest possible fee. Further details of these charges are disclosed to clients investing in the model portfolios.



## MONTHLY COMMENTARY

October was a very mixed month for investors in the UK. The main source of return in the market came from a rapid depreciation of the British pound, especially vs the dollar, with the dollar strengthening more than 4% against the pound. This meant that despite the US market being down slightly in dollar terms, it appreciated 3.5% in sterling terms, driving the broad global equity index up 2.3%. Europe lagged despite euro strength vs GBP (up 1.5%), with the index down 1.9%.

The chief reason for the weak pound was likely around the UK autumn budget which sent yields higher due to higher anticipated public borrowing. This in turn pushed the pound down due to strained demand for GBP assets. The UK equity market also lagged, anticipating a hit to earnings from the new budget, primarily from the rise in employer NI payments.

The rise in interest rates also created turbulence in bond markets with the UK GILT index falling 2.7%, inflation linked bonds down 2.3% and corporate bonds down 1.1%.

Looking forward, the big upcoming event in November is of course the US election on the 5th and therefore no doubt lots to talk about in the November commentary. This event combined with ongoing earnings will likely cause a fair bit of upcoming volatility.

The Ethical Growth model returned 0.16%, behind the 0.66% return for the benchmark (PIMFA Growth).

The positions in global equity were mixed, with Vanguard ESG Developed World All Cap Index returning 2.1%, the Fundsmith Equity fund returning -0.1% and the AB International Healthcare fund returning -1.6%. The UK lagged generally with the Aegon UK Ethical fund returning -1.9%, however the Castfield Ethical UK Smaller Companies bounced up 1.3%. The fixed income positions were fairly flat despite headwinds from rising yields, and the small position in the Schroder Global Cities Real Estate fund was down 0.8%.

We made no portfolio changes in October. Strategically we continue to favour a strategy of strong core global equity exposure via the low fee passive Vanguard ESG Developed World All Cap Equity Index fund as well as the Fundsmith Sustainable Equity fund. This more volatile exposure is moderated by high quality bonds in the fixed income portion of the portfolio.

Tactically, we maintain our position in the Aegon Ethical Equity fund to capture the substantial discount we see in the UK market along with an additional small position in the Castfield Sustainable UK Smaller Companies fund to take advantage of the further discount in UK small caps. We also maintain a 5% position in the AB International Healthcare fund to take advantage of the attractive valuations in the healthcare sector – a sector that also has enjoyed strong long-term returns due to the high quality nature of many healthcare businesses and the steady secular growth trends they are exposed to (e.g. ageing populations).

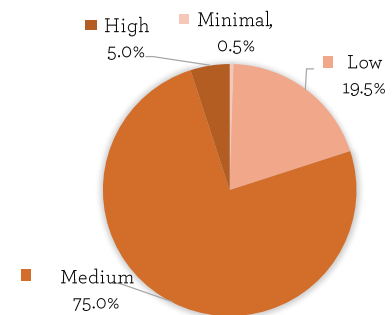
We also have a modest 5% position in Schroder Global Cities Real Estate fund as we continue to see value in this down beaten asset class as shown by the depressed prices in commercial properties and large net asset value discounts in listed real estate trusts.

The Ethical Growth model is ahead of its benchmark on a 1yr basis, returning 21.3% vs 19.5% for the PIMFA Growth Benchmark but remains behind on a 3yr and 5yr rolling basis.

## HOLDINGS

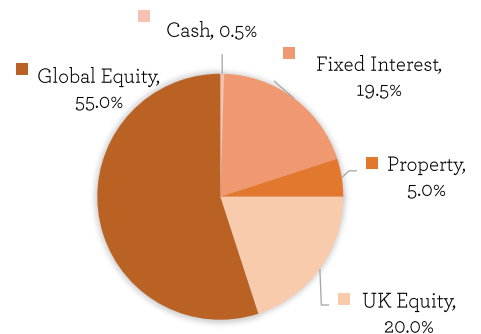
Name	Weight	OCF
TwentyFour Asset Backed Opportunities	10.0%	0.74%
TwentyFour Sustainable Global Corporate Bond	9.5%	0.40%
Schroder Global Cities Real Estate	5.0%	0.93%
CFP Castlefield Sustainable UK Smaller Companies	5.0%	0.94%
Aegon Ethical Equity	15.0%	0.77%
Fundsmith Ethical	15.0%	0.96%
Vanguard ESG Developed World Equity Index	35.0%	0.20%
Alliance Bernstein International Healthcare	5.0%	0.96%
Cash	0.5%	0.00%

## RISK ALLOCATION



For Asset Risk Category definitions see the Wise Investment Risk Appendix, supplied to investors in the model portfolios.

## ASSET ALLOCATION



## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Portfolio returns from the Wise Investment Model Portfolio Service will be subject to investment market fluctuations and there is no guarantee that the portfolio objectives, including any income targets, will be achieved. Where income is received as dividends, these will be automatically reinvested in the Model Portfolio, which may result in the Model Portfolio returns being higher than what a client portfolio can actually achieve. The performance will be reduced by the withdrawal of income and the impact of the ongoing charges and portfolio transaction costs. The charges can vary. Prices of funds and the income from them may fall as well as rise and investors may not get back the amount originally invested. Consequently, an investment into this portfolio should be considered for a 5 to 10 year period. The funds may invest in higher-yielding or non-investment grade bonds. The funds may hold investments denominated in currencies other than sterling. Changes in exchange rates will cause the value of these investments and the income from them to rise or fall. The funds can use derivatives for investment purposes. These instruments can be more volatile than investment in equities or bonds. Every effort is taken to ensure the accuracy of the data used in this document, but no warranties are given. Wise Investment has expressed its own views and these may change. The data contained in this document has been sourced by Wise Investment and should be independently verified before further publication or use. Wise Investment is a trading brand of Wise Investments Ltd. Wise Investments Ltd is authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority. Ref no. 230553.

