WISE INVESTMENT LIMITED DEFENSIVE

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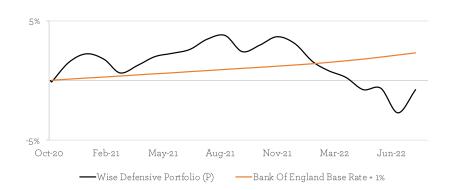
MONTHLY FACTSHEET

all data as at 31st July 2022

PORTFOLIO OBJECTIVES AND STRATEGY

The Wise Defensive Model Portfolio is designed for clients who are looking for a total return in line with Bank of England Base rate + 1% over a 5 to 10 year period with lower volatility than could be expected from full exposure to the stock market. We aim to achieve this by investing in a select and focussed list of funds (unit trusts, investment trusts and OEICs), with diversification across geography, asset class and investment style. These funds invest in real assets, such as company shares (listed both in the UK and overseas), property, fixed interest and cash. The Portfolio is selected with no more than 40% invested in 'medium' risk assets, such as shares and property. The balance of at least 60% is held in assets defined as 'moderate', 'low' or 'minimal' risk, which are mainly comprised of fixed interest (UK government and higher quality company debt) and cash. No exposure will be allocated to higher risk assets. We therefore consider the portfolio to be suitable for those willing to adopt a defensive risk profile.

PERFORMANCE SINCE LAUNCH (using month-end data)



CUMULATIVE PERFORMANCE

	1m	3m	6m	1yr	Launch
Wise Defensive Portfolio (P)	2.0%	0.0%	-2.3%	-4.1%	-0.8%
Bank Of England Base Rate + 1%	0.2%	0.5%	0.9%	1.5%	2.3%

DISCRETE ANNUAL PERFORMANCE

	31/07/2021 31/07/2022	
Wise Defensive Portfolio (P)	-4.1%	
Bank Of England Base Rate + 1%	1.5%	



PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT



ROBERT BLINKHORN

Head of Investment Management

Robert joined Wise Investment in July 2017 and has 20 years' experience in managing private

client multi asset class portfolios. His main responsibility is the selection of suitable investments for portfolios and ensuring our investment service meets your requirements. Robert is a member of the CFA Society of the UK and has successfully passed the examinations for all three levels of the Chartered Financial Analyst qualification.

Key Portfolio Details

Launch Date 29th October 2020

Holdings 10

Historic Yield¹ 2.9%

Volatility² 3.6%

Benchmark BoE Base Rate + 1.0%

Model OCF3 0.5%

Service Charge⁴ 1.9%

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MONTHLY COMMENTARY

In July, global equities rose by 7.7% in sterling terms after retreating the previous month. The recovery was consistent across developed markets although Asia ex Japan and Emerging Market indices lagged with small negative returns for July. US equities led performance with a bounce back in Technology companies that have been under pressure year to date. Mid-month we increased exposure to US Technology shares (and US equities generally) as prices fell below a level we felt represented fair value.

Listed real estate also showed strong returns on the back of a weak performance in June. As with US equities, investors had become disenchanted with property companies which had steadily fallen in value over the course of the year on bearish sentiment over the economy, inflation and the interest rate cycle. Again, this deterioration in value appeared overextended as, by July, underlying current and expected fundamentals suggested fair value was higher than current prices. As above, we increased the property holdings in the portfolio halfway through the month in anticipation of attractive returns going forward.

The improved tone in financial markets resulted from a growing sense that inflation may be reaching its peak, and that interest rates may not have to rise by as much as had been feared. The more positive sentiment seen in share markets was evident in fixed interest too – fixed interest securities tend to lose value when interest rates are rising, so lower interest rate expectations are positive for the sector. Price recoveries were seen right across the fixed interest markets, with inflation-linked securities the top performers. In such a market the more volatile high-yielding issues usually perform best, and we added to higher-yielding credits in mid-month, at a time when the price difference between high-yield and the safer, lower-yield stock was at a historically high level. This move has been beneficial for the portfolios in the short time since we made it, as high-yield stocks have rebounded from their mid-July lows.

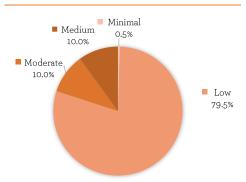
In the Defensive model portfolio, returns were higher by 2% in July. This was significantly ahead of the benchmark, the Bank of England Base Rate + 1%, which returned 0.2%. Positive returns were driven by an allocation to high yield initiated during the month through funds such as Schroder Strategic Credit and M&G Strategic Corporate Bond. This was further supported by global equity fund Fundsmith which was also added during the month and had a strong second half in July.

By mid-July, prices of most assets we invest in had moved back to a level we felt was more appealing. Consequently, we reduced the cash and other low volatility positions of the portfolios and added to risk through both equity and bond exposure. Prices have recovered but remain volatile and we maintain some additional capacity to add to risk assets should the recent fillip prove short lived or indeed we may take profits should asset prices rapidly recover to levels we saw earlier in the year.

HOLDINGS

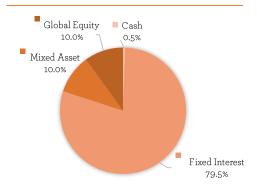
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14.9%	0.77%
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10.0%	0.44%
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10.0%	0.79%
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ASSET RISK



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.

