# WISE INVESTMENT LIMITED – LONG-TERM GROWTH Pershing



#### MONTHLY FACTSHEET

all data as at 30th June 2024

#### PORTFOLIO OBJECTIVES AND STRATEGY

The Wise Long-Term Growth Model Portfolio is designed for clients who are looking for a total return in line with the MSCI PIMFA Global Growth index over a 5 to 10-year period. 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 invests 60-100% in 'medium' risk assets, such as shares and property and can include up to 40% in 'high' risk assets such as shares in specific countries and industries. The Portfolio can also invest up to 20% 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 an adventurous risk profile.

## PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT



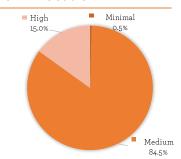
# WILLIAM GEFFEN Head of Investment Management

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.

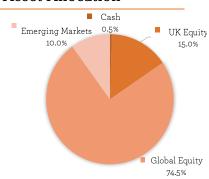
William successfully passed all three level of the Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) exams gaining the qualification in 2021.

## Risk Allocation



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

#### Asset Allocation



# Key Portfolio Details

Launch Date 2nd January 2024

Holdings 8
Historic Yield<sup>1</sup> 1.8%

Benchmark MSCI PIMFA Global Growth

Model OCF<sup>2</sup> 0.5% Service Charge<sup>3</sup> 1.8%

# **HOLDINGS**

Name	Weight OCF
JOHCM UK Equity Income	10.0% 0.69%
VT Teviot UK Smaller Companies	5.0% 0.90%
Fidelity Index World	54.5% 0.12%
Fundsmith Equity	15.0% 0.94%
Janus Henderson Global Life Sciences	5.0% 0.76%
Artemis Global Emerging Markets	5.0% 0.92%

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- 1 The Historic Yield is the weighted average yield of the model based on the model's current constituents
- 2 The Model OCF calculates the annual charges levied by the underlying fund holdings according to the model portfolio weights
- 3 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

June was another good month for investors, continuing the steady "bull run" that started in back in October 2023 initially spurred by the hope of upcoming central bank rate cuts and now sustained by a steady stream of news pointing to unexpectedly strong economic growth, particularly in the US.

Global equities rose 2.8%, in sterling, with the world's largest market, the USA, leading with a monthly return of 4.3%. Emerging markets also had a strong month, returning 4.7% driven by Asia Pacific markets (excluding Japan, which was flat) returning 5%.

Laggard geographies included our local UK market, which returned -1.3%, along with Europe dropping -1.7%.

In Fixed income, yields lowered slightly off the back of slightly lower than expected inflation figures, buoying the bond market. As a result, UK Gilts (government bonds) returned 1.3%, UK corporate bonds returned 0.8% and inflation linked bonds returned 1.2%. High yield bonds also returned 0.7%.

The property sector had a worse month, despite lower yields with direct property up only 0.1% and listed property down -1.66% likely reflecting broader market weakness.

Zooming out at this mid-point in the year, this month is reflective of the broad trend so far in 2024.

The US market has continued to surge on to new highs, returning 16% in the first half of the year alone, largely driven by a very concentrated leadership in a handful of trillion-dollar technology companies – the likes of Nvidia, Microsoft and Apple each of which alone eclipse the entire UK market. This has capped off an impressive return of 40% over the last 3 years (a period which includes the substantial peak to trough from 2021 to 2022) and nearly 100% over the last 5 years.

The UK market by contrast has only returned a plucky 7% so far this year, off the back of a substantial period of sluggish returns, with the past 3 years seeing just a 26% return, and the past 5 years seeing a paltry 29%. While poor past returns do not on their own indicate good value going forward, it is fair to say that the UK markets fall from grace has led to some compelling valuations – a sentiment backed up by a recent uptick in foreign M&A – which should help get the attention of other global investors.

Similar to the UK, emerging markets have also had a reasonable start to the year, returning 8% off the back of a very poor few years, with an awful -6.5% return over the last 3 years, largely due to the struggles of the Chinese market, with their economy suffering a tough mix declaration post-covid growth and a highly leveraged real estate sector.

Bonds have been steady, if not underwhelming. Yield curves remain stubbornly unmoved and fairly flat while the market waits for long expected rate cuts as inflation cools, with only a very cautious 0.25% cut from the ECB last month actually delivered so far.

The Long-term growth model was launched on the 1st of January and returned 1.00% in April, behind the Global Growth PIMFA benchmark return of 2.43%. While positioned well, timing differentials for when global funds price were quite extreme this month with large movements on the first and last day. The benchmark doesn't have this issue, meaning some performance was taken away and given to the prior and following months, whereas the benchmark reflects it now. This is perhaps shown best by the return for the Fidelity World Index holding which returned 0.99% while its benchmark MSCI world returned 2.7% despite near identical composition. That said, our holding in Fundsmith lagged even further, returning -0.3%, a 3% differential to the benchmark. Notably though, the JOHCM UK income fund continues to shine returning over 4%.

This model is designed to be an all-equity portfolio with a solid core of global equity exposure, which we currently maintain through a large position in the Fidelity MSCI World Index fund along with the Fundsmith equity fund. We also look to take tactical exposure to sectors and geographies that we believe offer superior returns in the short to medium term. As such, we have a modest 10% position in the JOHCM UK equity income fund to capture the substantial discount we see in the traditional "deep value" parts of the UK market. We also have 10% exposure to emerging markets with 5% in the impressive Artemis SmartGARP Global Emerging Markets fund to capture the extreme discount emerging markets currently trade at, as well as the Aubrey Emerging Markets Opportunity fund which seeks return via exposure to the rise in emerging market consumer spending.

In June we trimmed a further 5% of our global equity positioning (in the Fidelity Index World) due to concerns over the concentration of this sizeable position in a handful of extremely large tech companies which in turn have driven up the total funds valuation to a level where short to medium term forward returns are likely reduced and could well incur increased volatility.

We have cycled this 5% into a position in the Teviot UK smaller companies fund to take advantage of the attractive valuations and dynamics of that part of the domestic market – an area where other larger institutional investors are unable to access due to liquidity constraints.

While new, the model is doing nicely so far, returning +3.14% over the past 3 months vs +2.58% for the benchmark.

#### 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.

