

# EPIM Brunel Equity Focused Portfolio Factsheet

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As of 31/12/2023

## Overview:

The portfolio is managed by Eden Park Investment Management supported by investment expertise from Hymans Robertson Investment Services LLP (HRIS). HRIS adopts a long-term strategic approach to asset allocation and has a robust and independent approach to fund selection.

The portfolio is usually rebalanced every 6 months, although more frequent changes and rebalances may occur if deemed necessary.

## Portfolio Objective:

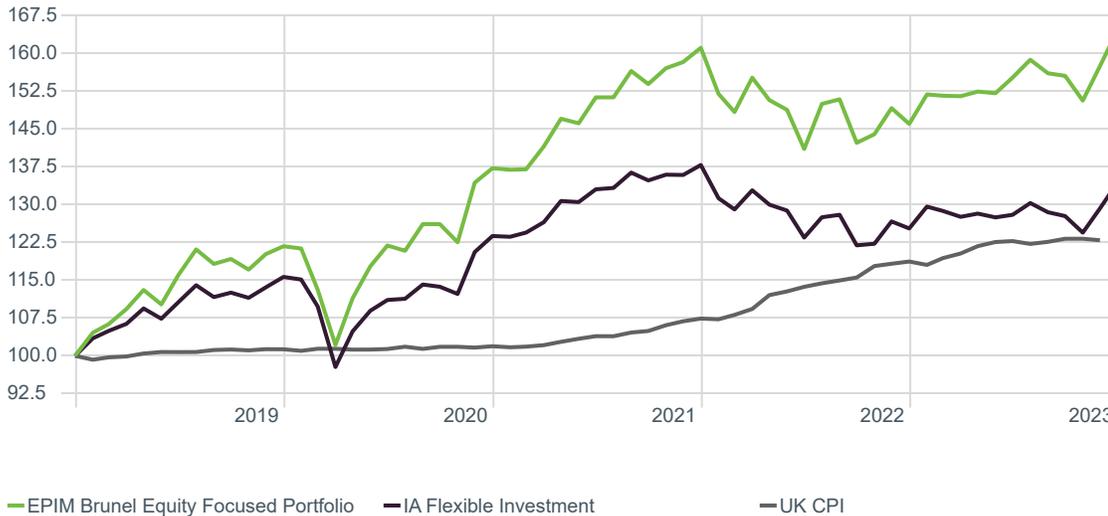
The objective is to achieve capital growth over the long-term. The portfolio will seek to achieve its objective through investing in a range of funds. The portfolio is appropriate for clients that are prepared to risk significant amounts of capital in pursuit of long-term returns.

## Snapshot - EPIM Brunel Equity Focused Portfolio

Name	EPIM Brunel Equity Focused Portfolio
Benchmark	IA Flexible Investment
Inception Date	03/07/2023
Ongoing Charge Figure (OCF)	0.23%
DFM Fee	0.25%
Estimated Transaction Cost	0.06%
Number of Fund Holdings	14

## Portfolio Returns

Time Period: 01/01/2019 to 31/12/2023



### Performance Calculation:

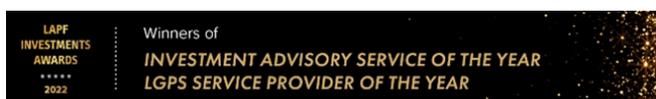
Performance is as at the return date of the factsheet. Expressed in percentage terms, the performance is calculated by taking the change in monthly net asset values, reinvesting all income and capital-gains, and dividing by the starting net asset value. The total returns include fees and other costs taken out of fund assets, but exclude the DFM fee. (Including fees in the total returns will reduce the illustrated performance). Performance figures are shown in pound sterling. Performance may deviate by platform and deviate from performance provided by the platform.

Any performance shown prior to 3 July 2023 is indicative only and based upon HRIS' best estimate of what performance might have been.

## Cumulative Portfolio Returns

	3 months	6 months	1 Year	3 years	Since Inception
EPIM Brunel Equity Focused Portfolio	5.86	6.10	12.77	19.99	6.10
IA Flexible Investment	5.23	5.03	7.30	8.60	5.03

## Hymans Robertson LLP Awards



## Responsible Investment



HRIS believes that the financial impact arising from environmental, social and governance factors ("ESG") needs to be considered when managing portfolios. We do this in a number of ways, for example, ensuring fund management firms used in the portfolio are UN PRI signatories.

We ensure that fund management firms used in this portfolio act as responsible and active stakeholders, engaging with company management on ESG matters.

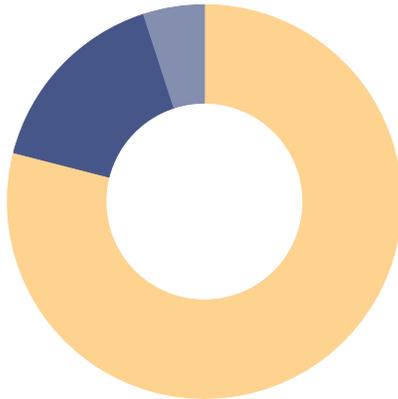
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## Asset Allocation



	%
Global Equity	79.00
UK Equity	16.00
Liquid Real Assets	5.00
Alternative Credit	0.00
IG Credit	0.00
Cash	0.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>100.00</b>

## Portfolio Holdings

	Portfolio Weighting %
Vanguard FTSE UK All Shr Idx Unit Tr£Acc	16.00
L&G Future World ESG Dev Idx C GBP Acc	15.00
Vanguard ESG Dev Wld All Cp Eq IdxUK£Acc	15.00
L&G Future Wld Clmt Chg Eq Fct Idx C Acc	10.00
iShares Continen Eurp Eq Idx (UK) D Acc	8.00
Baillie Gifford Global Alpha Gr B Acc	5.00
Fidelity Emerg Mkts R Acc	5.00
L&G Global Infrastructure Index C Acc	5.00
Veritas Global Focus GBP Acc NAV	5.00
Fidelity Index US P Acc	4.00
L&G Global Emerging Markets Index C Acc	4.00
iShares Japan Equity Index (UK) D Acc	3.00
Vanguard Glb Small-Cp Idx £ Acc	3.00
iShares Pacific ex Jpn Eq Idx (UK) D Acc	2.00

## Market Commentary

The last quarter of 2023 saw a continued trend of falling UK inflation, with the end of November inflation reading at 3.9%, 0.5% below forecasts. Lower petrol prices were a key driver, although even core inflation (which removes volatile sectors such as energy) saw a decrease, a further sign that restrictive monetary policy is finally biting. The market reaction was positive with investors taking the reading as evidence of disinflationary pressures in the UK. Subsequently, markets are now expecting a Bank of England (BoE) rate cut in May 2024, with a good chance of one in March 2024. In the US, the Federal Reserve (Fed) appeared to change tack slightly in their battle with inflation, with Jay Powell indicating the Fed are likely to take a less aggressive approach by raising the threshold required for more interest rate hikes. This was enough of an indication to markets that the Fed had reached its peak interest rate and would be ready to cut rates from as early as this Spring. Global Equity markets ended Q4 2023 up 6.3%, with a late rally following the positive inflation data and rhetoric from the Fed. Europe ex UK was the best performing region (7.9%) but the UK (3.2%) underperformed global equities over the quarter, owing to poor performance of materials, energy, and commodities which the UK index has a larger allocation to.

UK bonds ended the year on a high with corporate bonds, gilts and index-linked gilts returning 7.3%, 8.1% and 8.7% over the quarter, respectively. Falling inflation was the driver behind the strong returns as bond yields fell across the curve (bond prices move inversely to yields) with expectations of rate cuts in 2024 increased. Pound sterling strengthened relative to the US dollar over the quarter as expectations of near-term rate cuts in the US weakened the dollar.

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