



STIRLING HOUSE
FINANCIAL SERVICES

Quarterly Update

DMS Stirling House Balanced Fund

31st March 2022

Investment Objective

To provide a balance of income and capital growth over the medium to long term.

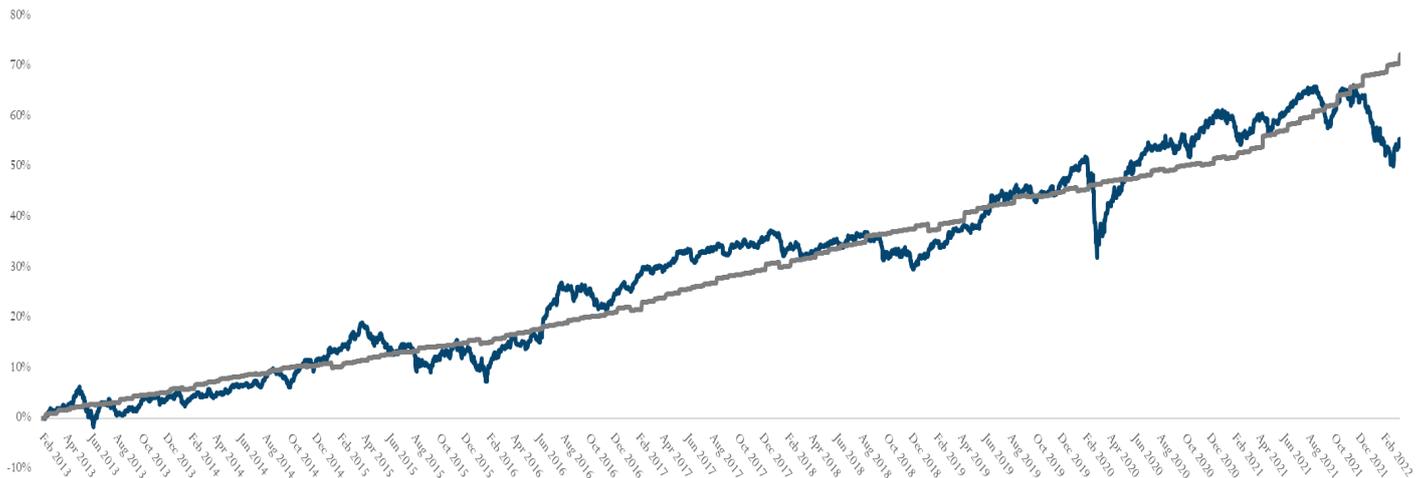
Investment Policy

The Fund will seek to achieve its investment objective by gaining exposure generally to money market instruments, fixed interest securities, cash and near cash, with some exposure to global equities.

The Fund may also invest directly or indirectly in other transferable securities and collective investment schemes which may have exposure to alternatives such as commodities, loans, hedge funds, private equity and property.

The Fund may make use of derivatives for efficient portfolio management.

DMS Stirling House Balanced Fund



- DMS Stirling House Balanced

- UK RPI +3%

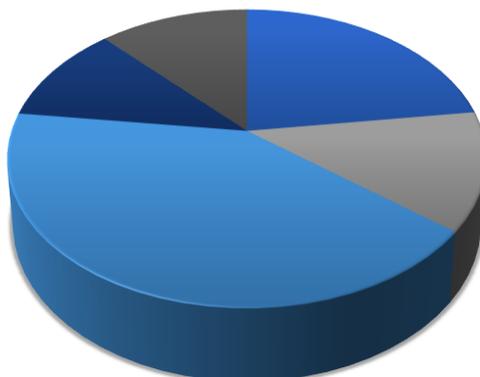
Data from 18th Feb 2013 to 31st March 2022

Performance	01/04/2017 to 31/03/2018	01/04/2018 to 31/03/2019	01/04/2019 to 31/03/2020	01/04/2020 to 31/03/2021	01/04/2021 to 31/03/2022	19/02/2013 to 31/03/2022
DMS Stirling House Balanced	1.87%	3.20%	1.28%	13.24%	-0.79%	54.83%
UK RPI +3.0%	6.44%	5.51%	5.72%	4.51%	12.22%	72.30%

Please remember that past performance is not a guide to future performance

Source: Morningstar, 31st March 2022

- Government 22.87%
- Corporations 12.81%
- Equity 41.30%
- Alternative 10.96%
- Cash 12.06%



Asset Allocation

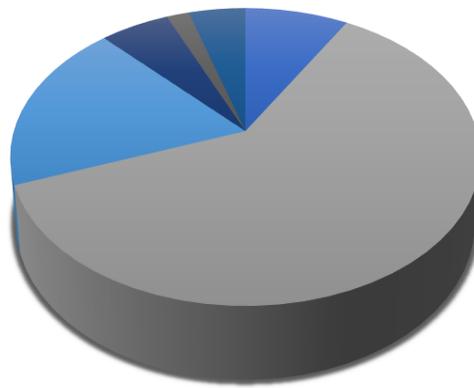
This chart shows how the investments in the fund are proportioned over various asset classes.

Source: Sarasin & Partners LLP, 31st March 2022

Geographic Equity Allocation

This chart shows how the investments in the fund are proportioned over various geographic regions.

- United Kingdom 8.40%
- North America 60.87%
- Europe ex-UK 18.65%
- Emerging Markets 5.63%
- Japan 1.84%
- Pacific Basin ex-Japan 4.61%



Source: Sarasin & Partners LLP, 31st March 2022

Top 10 Key Holdings

	%
SARASIN RESPONSIBLE CORPORATE BOND - Z INC	11.6
GREEN UK TSY GILT 0.8750% 31/07/33 GBP	5.5
UK TSY GILT 2.7500% 07/09/24 GBP	4.7
GREEN UK TSY GILT 1.5000% 31/07/53 GBP	3.7
INVESCO PHYSICAL GOLD ETC	3.5
UK TSY GILT 4.2500% 07/06/32 GBP	2.8
UK TSY GILT 3.5000% 22/07/68 GBP	2.2
UK TSY GILT 4.2500% 07/12/40 GBP	1.8
ALPHABET INC-CL C	1.7
AMAZON.COM INC	1.6

Fund Performance can be viewed online at www.Mainstone.net or alternatively visit www.TrustNet.com
Search: DMS Stirling House Balanced

Source: Sarasin & Partners LLP, 31st March 2022

Fund Facts

Fund Structure	NURS (Non-UCITS Retail Fund)	Acc Class	Inc Class
Fund Launch Date	18 February 2013	Launch Price	£1.00
Fund Currency	GBP	Minimum Investment	£5,000
Registered for Sale	Authorised in the UK by the FCA	Annual Management Fee	0.70%
Initial Charges*	5%		
Ongoing Charge**	1.35%	Codes	Acc Class
Fund Dealing	Daily	SEDOL	B99R167
Cut-Off Point	12 noon on a Dealing Day	ISIN	GB00B99R1674
Pricing Frequency	Daily		Inc Class
Comparator Benchmark	RPI +3%		B99R178
IA Sector	IA Mixed Investment 20-60% Shares		GB00B99R1781

Performance Commentary

Russia's invasion of Ukraine, and resultant sanctions, dominated markets during the first quarter. From late January, the build-up of troops eventually led to the largest war in Europe since World War II. Since the conflict started, commodity prices – particularly oil and gas – have reached new heights, increasing the risk of stagflation in Europe. Although Covid-19 appeared to fade into the background in many developed countries, in Japan and China restrictions remained in place and continued to cause uncertainty.

Equity markets sold off in early January. Inflation drove government bond yields higher – and prices dropped – as markets anticipated imminent interest rate increases. In the hope that negotiations would result in a ceasefire or peace agreement in Ukraine, equity markets began to recover in March.

Contributors to returns included agricultural manufacturer Deere, which benefitted from strong results and guidance. Demand for the company's products remains strong, meaning Deere has significant pricing power. Other positives included CME Group. The fund's position in the derivatives provider acted as a useful hedge against increased volatility in February. As volatility rises, the demand and price of derivatives strategies tends to increase.

Conversely, rail-stock manufacturer Alstom detracted from performance as negative sentiment on European equities led to a broad sell-off. This was especially evident in companies reliant on Russian energy or the European consumer. Following years of exceptional share price returns, semiconductor manufacturer ASML weighed on returns. The prospect of tightening financial conditions coupled with negative sentiment towards European equities conspired to drive the share price lower.

During the quarter the fund started a position in Samsonite.

Source: Sarasin & Partners LLP, 31st March 2022

Notes

For further details before making an investment please ask your Financial Adviser for the full Prospectus or KIID, or contact Waystone Management (UK) Limited directly, or visit www.waystone.com website.

* Under normal circumstances this charge will be waived, contact Stirling House Financial Services Ltd for further clarification.

**This figure was calculated as of 31/12/2021 for the A ACC share class and includes the annual management fees and the fund administration charges.

Fund Outlook *from Sarasin & Partners*

The Russia-Ukraine conflict has knocked Covid-19 headlines off the front pages. However, the long-term impact of sanctions and rising oil prices on growth and inflation will only be clear in the months ahead. In the short term, market volatility is expected to remain heightened.

Looking out to the longer term: the invasion of Ukraine has come at a difficult time for the global economy. In the aftermath of the pandemic, prices are already rising at levels not seen in 40 years. In addition, Russia is one of the world's largest gas producers and energy prices have been rising sharply as a result. In short, the impact on price levels could become a unique challenge for global central banks. If allowed to persist, it could raise the risk of stagflation. The crisis is also likely to depress growth, sustain uncertainty and damage consumer and business confidence.

In addition, the fragmentation of global supply chains and cross-border trade may be further exacerbated. In particular: China's 'dynamic clearance' policy – which requires testing and quarantine for positive Covid-19 cases – is of great concern. It can lead to factory shutdowns and further supply chain disruption. For global manufacturers though, these are yet more reasons to shorten supply chains, bolster domestic production facilities and sacrifice margins in return for security of supply.

As events change with remarkable speed, we continue to monitor risks to the outlook. We remain focused on high-quality assets that we believe are well positioned to withstand the implications of geopolitical events.

Beyond the conflict in Ukraine, there are other challenges that require close monitoring. Rising inequality must be tackled, while the climate crisis is an unprecedented threat to humanity. Corporations and investors have a role to play in both instances, seeking to support innovation and development through effective allocation of capital.

Despite the challenges, we remain focused on the opportunities inevitably provided during times of great upheaval. Ultimately, the reaction function of central banks to inflation and economic data is likely to be the defining factor for asset markets over the next 12 months.

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*Source: Sarasin & Partners LLP, 31st March 2022

Stirling House

Stirling House Financial Services Limited was established in 2003 as an independently owned firm specialising in the provision of face-to-face financial advice.

We have a proven track record in providing investment advice and with our close partnership with Sarasin have the ability to offer bespoke fund management solutions.

Our funds have been specifically designed to be managed within predefined risk constraints whilst giving investors exposure to a range of investments managed globally. This provides you with all the economies of scale and gives you access to professional fund management and expertise, allowing us to offer our Clients the opportunity of aiming to obtain consistent, superior investment performance over the long term.

The Stirling House Funds are collective investment schemes authorised and regulated in the UK by the Financial Conduct Authority. This provides the reassurance that these Funds are being managed to the highest standards as one would expect as a Client of Stirling House.

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