# WS Charteris Strategic Bond Fund

Quarterly factsheet 31/03/23 - 30/06/23



# Overview

# **Investment Strategy**

The Investment strategy of the Fund is to offer Investor's exposure to a portfolio of highly liquid Sterling Fixed Interest securities in a manner which attempts to minimise volatility, provide an income yield and aims to provide capital growth when the opportunity exists in the market over the medium term (at least 5 years).

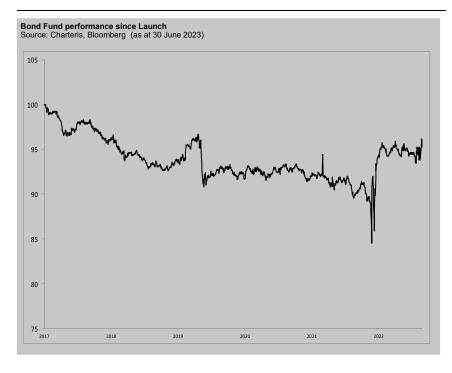
# **Investment Process**

The Fund managers combine top-down thematic strategy with bottom-up stock selection. They employ technical analysis extensively to help time investment decisions. The strategy is different to rival bond funds because few have the flexibility to have such a high weighting to floating rate notes (redeemable and perpetual) to help battle rising interest rates.

# **Fund Manager's Comments**

The Fund continued its positive momentum following the returns posted for calendar year 2022 (which was a horror story for Global Bond investors), by going up 0.41% on a total return basis for the quarter and 0.99% on a total return basis year-to-date.

The movements in the UK Gilt Yield curve have so far hit our expectations and we have now introduced longer dated conventional UK gilts into the portfolio to try and take advantage of this. The fund no longer holds any of its floating rate notes nor equity positions, it is now in gilt-edged securities only.



# Total Return Performance (%) Source Bloomberg

From To								01.11.17 29.12.17	
Fund	0.41	0.99	2.44	-0.52	-2.94	1.52	-4.80	-0.71	-4.15

### **Key Points**

- UK ICVC
- Able to hold inside SIPPS, SSAS & (N)ISAs
- All assets held within the portfolio are liquid and tradable in the secondary market
- Potential for capital gains as perpetual FRNs offset potential losses in the UK Government Gilts
- Experienced Fixed Income Management Team
- Aims to provide competitive yield vs. existing conventional bond funds
- Same lead manager since launch in 2017.

# **Fund Manager**

# lan Williams Chartered FCSI & Chartered Wealth Manager

lan Williams has spent the past 35 years trading equities, commodities and G7 government bonds, covering sales, research, market making and proprietary trading. He was a member of the London Stock Exchange for many years before joining Chase Manhattan Bank (now JP Morgan). He then worked for Dresdner Kleinwort Benson and Guinness Mahon (now Investec) before Charteris. Ian is a Chartered Fellow of the Chartered Securities Institute.

\*\*The Fund was originally launched on 1st November 2017 as the HC Charteris Strategic Bond Fund where Host Capital were the original ACD, subsequently they were taken over by DMS Investment Management Services (UK) Limited. DMS Investment Management Services (UK) Limited have now been rebranded as Waystone Management (UK) Limited; there has been no change in Investment Manager or Investment Strategy in that time

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Top Holdings	(Source: CACEIS Bank, 30.06.23)
UKT 2.5% 2065 UKT 0.5% 2061 UKT 4% 2060 UKT 1% 2024 UKT 0.125% 2026 UKT 0.25% 2025 UKT 4.25% 2040 UKT 4.25% 2046	22.82% 21.38% 19.93% 17.81% 4.64% 2.91% 2.54% 2.52%

**Fund Details** Fund Size: £1.9m

Launched: 1st November 2017\*\* IA sector: IA Strategic Bond Minimum investment: £1,000

Initial charge: 0% **AMC:** 0.2%

OCF: 1.81% (as at 28 February 2023)

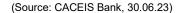
Dividend Payment Date: 30 April (Annual) & 31 Oct (Interim)

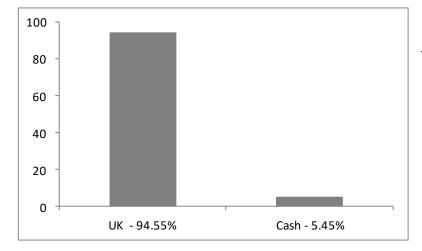
ACD: Waystone Management (UK) Limited Depositary: CACEIS Bank, UK Branch Administrator: CACEIS Bank, UK Branch

Transfer Agent: Investor Administration Solutions Ltd / Apex FS

Auditor: Grant Thornton UK LLP

# **Share Domicile Holding**





#### **Fund Codes**

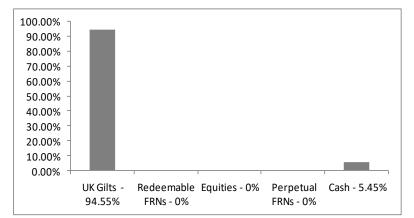
#### I Accumulation

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MEXID: HTJNC ISIN: GB00BD9GLM88 Citicode / FE: O64I

# **Sector Allocation**





# I Income

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# **Fund Manager**

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