

January 2025

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#### Performance

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#### Glossary

Annualised volatility: risk is measured by the variability of performance. The higher the standard deviation, the greater the variability (and therefore the risk) of the Fund or the

Maximum historic loss: is the maximum loss from peak to trough in an investment's history. The figures are indicative and will depend on circumstance.

**Sharpe ratio:** measures the risk/return trade-off. It is the annualised return less the average risk-free rate, divided by the annualised volatility of the model.

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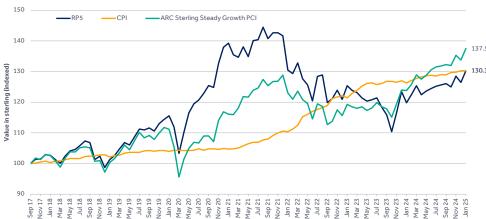
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# Risk Profile 5 Sustainability Themes Portfolio

#### **Investment objective**

Our objective for this strategy is to achieve a return of inflation +4% over a minimum rolling period of 10 years. The Sustainability Themes portfolio will use investments that consider sustainable investing criteria alongside traditional financial metrics. A proportion of the overall return will come from the income generated. The strategy is designed to generate risk adjusted returns over the suggested time horizon. The strategy is designed to generate risk adjusted returns over the suggested time horizon which is long term in nature. An active screening approach is used to select potential portfolio allocations. The portfolio will predominantly be exposed to funds that consider sustainability factors alongside traditional financial metrics in tandem with the primary focus on generating risk adjusted returns. The portfolio will have some exposure to diversifying investments that might not have a sustainability focus. Despite the inclusion of such assets, the performance and the volatility profile could still differ from a traditional discretionary portfolio with the same asset allocation. There are certain areas of the market that the portfolio will have limited or no exposure to, but it is important to note that exclusions are implemented by different fund managers in different ways. The risk profile of this strategy can mean exposure to companies that might be excluded by other sustainable portfolios. Investors in the Risk Profile 5 strategy are prepared to accept a more material degree of short-term losses in exchange for the possibility of higher total returns.

## Performance since inception (30/09/2017)



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#### Discrete performance (%)

Total return as at 31/01/2025.

	2025 YTD*	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Model	+3.0	+2.4	+2.1	-14.6	+2.7	+20.6	+15.9
СРІ	+0.0	+2.6	+3.9	+10.5	+5.4	+0.6	+1.3
ARC Sterling Balanced Asset PCI	+2.8	+7.9	+7.2	-10.2	+10.2	+4.6	+15.0

<sup>\* 2025</sup> YTD is data for year to date from 01 January 2025 to 31 January 2025

#### **Cumulative performance (%)**

Total return from inception to 31/01/2025.

	3 Months	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	(30/09/2017)
Model	+4.2	+8.7	-0.2	+12.7	+30.3
CPI	+0.4	+3.1	+18.0	+25.3	+30.3
ARC Sterling Balanced PCI	+4.2	+11.1	+11.8	+23.7	+37.5

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# Risk & return since inception (%)

RISK & return since inception (%	Model	СРІ	ARC Sterling Cautious PCI
Annualised volatility	+10.0	+1.7	+8.6
Maximum historic loss	-23.6	-0.7	-14.5
Sharpe ratio	+0.3		+0.5

Source: Canaccord Genuity Wealth Management (CGWM).

Product costs are external costs levied by third party fund managers for providing collective investment schemes for your investment portfolio and include: fund expenses incurred by third party fund managers, transaction costs as a result of acquisition or sale of assets and incidental costs, which include third party performance fees. All performance figures shown on this facts heet are net of underlying fund charges and net of annual management fees. Fees charged by any analysis of the charges are net of underlying fund charges and net of annual management fees. Fees charged by any analysis of the charges are net of underlying fund charges and net of underlying fund charges are net of underlying fund charges and net of underlying fund charges are net of underlying fund charges and net of underlying fund charges are not of underlying fund charges are noFinancial Adviser are not taken into account.

### Risk Profile 5 Sustainability Themes Portfolio asset allocation (%)









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# Top 10 holdings (%)

Brown Advisory Global Sustainable Total Return Bond	7.6
Wellington Global Stewards Fund	7.4
Xtrackers MSCI World Quality ESG UCITS ETF	7.4
Baillie Gifford Responsible Global Equity Income Fund	7.1
Baillie Gifford Positive Change Fund	6.0
L&G Future World Climate Change Equity Factors Index Fund	5.5
Candriam Equities L Oncology Impact Fund	4.4
L&G Battery Value-Chain Go UCITS ETF	4.4
Regnan Sustainable Water and Waste Fund	4.2
Polar Capital Artificial Intelligence Fund	3.7

Top ten holdings excluding cash Source: CGWM

# Portfolio Manager commentary

January provided a positive environment for investors, despite significant volatility surrounding the launch of a potentially cheaper artificial intelligence large language model (LLM) from DeepSeek, a largely unheard of Chinese upstart. We continued to observe a broadening of equity market performance from the narrow group of stocks that dominated 2024 the 'magnificent seven' stocks (Apple, Microsoft, Amazon, Alphabet, Meta, Tesla, and Nvidia) did not dominate returns as much as earlier in the year.

The month was also positive for sustainable investors, with relative underweights to megacap stocks and relative overweights to smaller companies proving beneficial. The strongest performing areas of Canaccord's Sustainable Investment Service portfolio were artificial intelligence, robotics and cybersecurity which benefited from improved sentiment towards innovation. We also saw strong performance from our water and healthcare investments, driven by the market rotation into more defensive sectors towards the end of the month.

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#### How we think about investing sustainably across risk profiles

We see the primary return opportunity in thematic investments. These are a way of targeting companies producing products or services that help solve or mitigate sustainability challenges. This is an attempt to identify companies where innovation can help solve a sustainability problem.

These opportunities are prevalent in three main areas:

- 1. Technological advancement
- 2. Health and wellbeing
- 3. Environmental protection.

They break down into a number of differentiated themes which are highlighted in the table below.

	Gean energy	日本 タリ Battery technology	Waste technology	Education	Cyber security
Er	ergy efficiency	Water	Smart materials	Affordable healthcare	Responsible finance
E	lectric vehicles	Pollution control	Sustainable food	Oncology	Robotics & AI

The thematic managers we use pursue sustainable outcomes by investing in companies that they believe can create transformational change. They tend to have a focus on disruptive innovation and business models are often newer. This tends to be a smaller universe of companies than broader markets.

The adjacent areas tend to be characterised by smaller companies with higher levels of volatility than broader markets. For this reason, exposure to thematic investments is reduced in lower risk profiles.

We consider sustainability more broadly in lower risk profiles. Managers focus on sustainability at an operational level and there is less of a thematic focus. There is more exposure to larger, well established businesses and more sector diversification. We believe this is appropriate to control risk and volatility. The different portfolio names are reflective of the approaches being taken.

This is detailed in the below table.

Risk Profile	Equity	Thematic % of portfolio	Thematic % of equity			
Portfolio name: CGWM RP3 Sustainability Screened						
RP3	20.0%	5.0%	25%			
Portfolio name: CGWM RP4 Sustainability Screened						
RP4	40.0%	10.0%	25%			
Portfolio name: CGWM RP5 Sustainability Themes						
RP5	60.0%	30.0%	50%			
Portfolio name: CGWM RP6 Sustainability Themes						
RP6	80.0%	60.0%	75%			
Portfolio name: CGWM RP7 Sustainability Themes						
RP7	97.5%	97.5%	100%			

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