

Market and portfolio review

The month of October saw a degree of weakness in equity markets given the continued resurgence of the coronavirus Covid-19 and renewed political concerns over the US election in particular. There has been encouraging economic news, as in China where the economy is expected to show modest growth of some 2% for 2020 as a whole and in the US where output was up by 7.4% in the third quarter on the previous one, if still 4.3% below the level at the start of the year. Housing markets have been strong, helped by lower interest rates and by government incentives. These will help to offset the renewed restrictions in countries such as France, Germany, Spain and England given the coronavirus, which will further restrain the economic recovery. Global debt levels continue to rise and the IMF has estimated that governments have increased spending or cut taxes by \$11.7trn this year, equivalent to 12% of output. For now the debt is affordable given low interest rates and authorities have shown a greater commitment than at the time of the financial crisis, although in the US Democrats and Republicans failed to agree on a further relief plan ahead of the presidential election on 3rd November, which was expected to be quite close. China has meanwhile prepared its next five-year plan with a focus on the domestic market as well as technological self-reliance.

For the portfolio the total return in October was -1.4%. Baillie Gifford Pacific was the largest contributor to performance at +0.08%, with Evenlode Income the largest detractor at -0.25%.

Portfolio information

Launch date:	October 2011
Initial charge:	Nil
Investment management fee:	0.375% + VAT
Ongoing Charge Figure (OCF):	0.57%
Dealing costs:	Nil
Portfolio yield:	1.9%

Platform availability:

Aegon; Ascentric; Aviva; Elevate; FundsNetwork; Novia; Old Mutual; Standard Life; Succession.

Investment objective

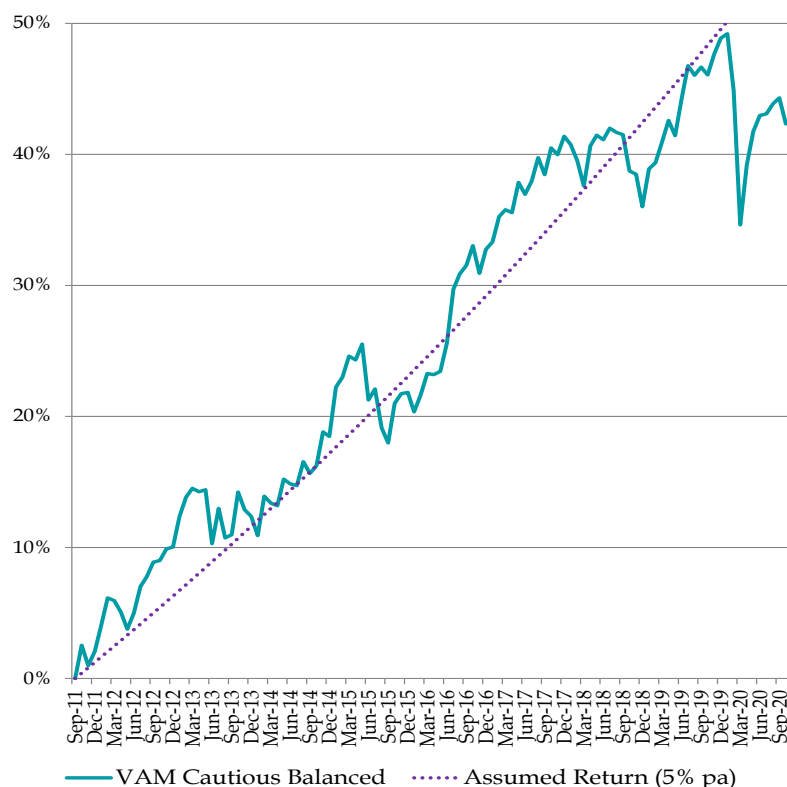
The Cautious Balanced portfolio has assumed returns of 4-6% p.a. net of fees over a rolling three year period. The investment manager has discretion to weight the portfolio towards any of the asset classes comprising bonds, equities, alternatives and cash provided that any such investment is compatible with the objectives.

The OCF represents the average charge of funds in which the portfolio is invested; it is an indicative figure (excluding transaction and ancillary costs which are 0.25% and 0.06% respectively) calculated at each quarter re-balancing, as is the portfolio yield. As well as the regular quarterly re-balance we may reposition the portfolios on an ad hoc basis and at each occasion we assess the risk profile.

Historical performance (as of 31st October 2020)

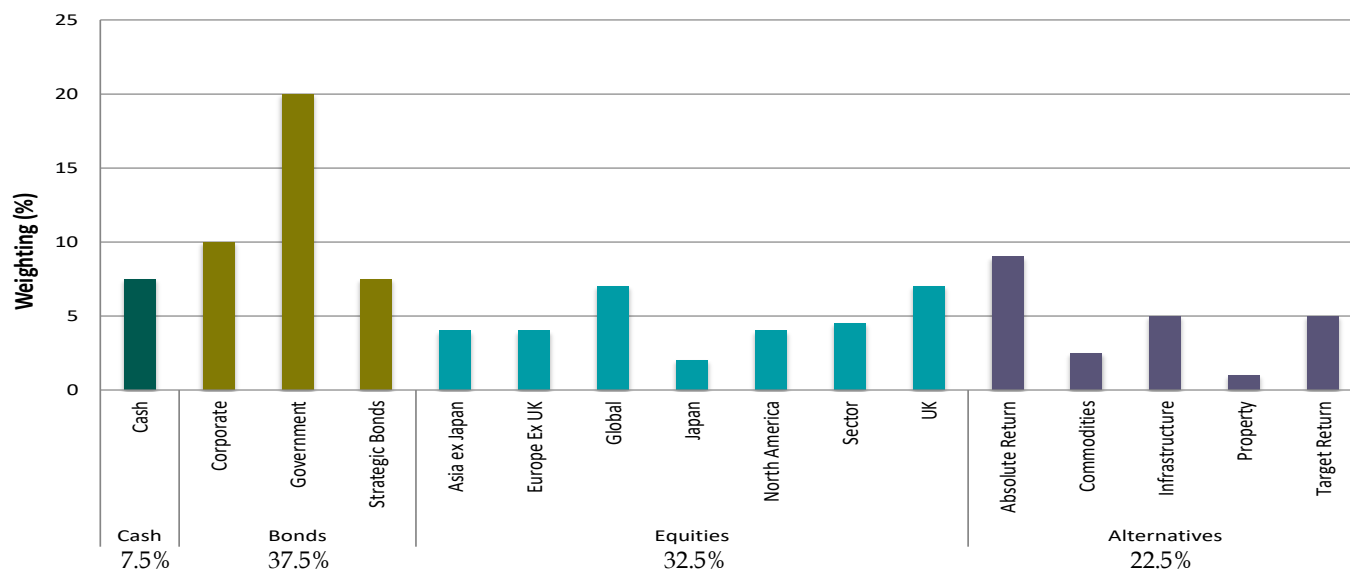
Rolling	1 mth	3 mth	1 yr	3 yr	From inception
VAM Cautious Balanced	-1.4%	-0.5%	-2.6%	+1.3%	+42.3%

Annual	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020 to date
VAM Cautious Balanced	+9.0%	+6.5%	-3.8%	+9.4%	-4.4%



Please note that past performance is no guarantee of future returns and that capital in the portfolio is at risk of loss. The figures are based on a model and may vary between platforms if holdings differ due to availability. Performance is shown net of the OCF, transaction and ancillary costs and the investment management fee (deducted monthly) but gross of platform (and adviser) fees; it is calculated using Financial Express with Bloomberg for contribution analysis and assumes no frictional dealing costs nor any delay during model rebalancing. The assumed return is set at 5% p.a. compounded monthly.

Asset allocation*



*This is based upon VAM's classification of each holding by asset class and sector, taking into account the holding's investment strategy, and does not purport to aggregate the asset distribution of each holding's underlying investments, which may vary from that represented above. The asset allocation and top 10 holdings are shown as of the re-balance (which was implemented on 20th October 2020).

Top 10 portfolio holdings (excluding cash and money market funds)

Weight	Holding	Weight	Holding
5.0%	Fidelity Global Inflation Linked Bond	5.0%	Vanguard US Government Bond Index Hedged
5.0%	Vanguard US Government Bond Index	5.0%	Gravis UK Infrastructure Income
5.0%	Royal London Short Duration Credit	5.0%	JPM Macro Opportunities
5.0%	Rathbone Ethical Bond	4.0%	Evenlode Income
5.0%	Allianz Strategic Bond	4.0%	HSBC American Index

About Vintage Asset Management

Vintage Asset Management (VAM) is an independent and boutique discretionary fund management company which was established in 2008. We provide bespoke portfolio management for private clients, companies and trusts advised by financial intermediaries for whom we offer a model-based Managed Portfolio Service on a number of platforms. This active service comprises a range of strategies for Cautious, Cautious Balanced, Balanced, Balanced Growth and Growth mandates as well as a Balanced Income offering. Our investment philosophy aims to achieve a steady return for clients whilst maintaining a focus on capital preservation. VAM is authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority (FCA) with number 489408 for investment business in the UK only. More information about VAM's business and investment services can be found on our website or please feel free to contact a member of the team.

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