

# Close Conservative Portfolio Fund

30 June 2014

### **Key Facts**

Fund Size

£496.67m

Sector

IMA Mixed Investment 20-60%

**Fund Manager** 

Riitta Hujanen

**Fund Launch Date** 

03 September 2010

### **X Share Class**

Launch Date

01 October 2012

**Initial Charge** 

0%

**Annual Management Charge** 

Ongoing Charge (as at 31.03.14)

0.79% (estimate)

Minimum Investment

£1,000 lump sum or £250 monthly

GB00B8B9ZS46 (Acc)

#### **Y Share Class**

Launch Date

17 October 2011

**Initial Charge** 

**Annual Management Charge** 

Ongoing Charge (as at 31.03.14)

1.04% (estimate)

Minimum Investment

£100,000 lump sum

ISIN

GB00B465S911 (Acc)

## **A Share Class**

Launch Date

03 September 2010

Initial Charge

Up to 5%

**Annual Management Charge** 

1.35%

**Administration Charge** 

0.15%

Ongoing Charge (as at 31.03.14)

1.54%

**Minimum Investment** 

£1,000 lump sum or £250 monthly

GB00B4RL6Q19 (Acc)

### **Fund objective**

The investment objective of the Fund is to provide income and moderate capital growth by investing primarily in UK equities and fixed interest securities. The balance of the fund will be invested in money market instruments.

### Typical investor

Typical investors in the fund are looking for a diversified investment that generates income and moderate growth.

# Cumulative performance (%)



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## Performance (%)

	1 month	3 months	6 months	YTD	1 year	2 years	3 years	Since launch
Fund	0.08%	0.81%	1.72%	1.72%	6.79%	15.00%	17.28%	24.20%
IMA Sector	-0.33%	1.43%	2.21%	2.21%	7.06%	17.84%	16.96%	23.86%

Annual performance to the end of the last month (%)						
		June 2010 June 2011			June 2013 June 2014	
Fund	N/A	N/A	1.98%	7.69%	6.79%	
IMA Sector	14.11%	9.75%	-0.74%	10.06%	7.06%	

Data source: FE. Percentage growth on a mid pricing basis in sterling with net income reinvested. The performance shown is the Fund's A share class. The X share class for this Fund was launched on 1 October 2012, and further information about the X share class is available on our website and this factsheet. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results.

### **Market commentary**

June saw the UK economy strengthen still further: house prices continue to climb (albeit less rapidly); unemployment continued to fall; and projections for GDP growth remained around 3% with both industrial and manufacturing production rising. On the negative side, retail sales fell and inflation still appears to be falling.



Close Brothers has received a Defaqto 5 Diamond Rating for its Portfolio Funds

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For Professional Advisers and existing investors only.

#### Risks

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The value of investments and the income from them can go down as well as up. Investors may get back less than the full amount originally invested. If you are unsure about any information contained within this document, or the suitability of this investment to meet your needs, you should take professional financial advice.

This document should be read in conjunction with the Fund's Key Investor Information Document and Prospectus which will exclusively form the basis of any application and will contain further information on specific risks that apply to your investment.

### **Fund commentary**

The fund continued purchases of corporate bonds and equities throughout June and ended the month with 3% of cash. The biggest new equity investments were US television and film production and programming company Viacom, US oil major **Chevron** which is developing important new liquefied natural gas projects as well as Swiss luxury goods company **Richemont** which is best known for its jewellery and watch brands such as Cartier, Van Cleef & Arpels, Piaget and Montblanc. In fixed income side we added new corporate bond positions in **Siemens** 2066 and **GKN Holdings** 2022.

We continued to build on positions in some of the holdings which we introduced in the fund in May, adding to US internet network equipment company **Cisco Systems** and US based **Gilead Sciences** which develops medicines for diseases such as HIV and hepatitis C. In addition, a continued favourable raw material situation supported our decision to add to holdings in Japanese tyre manufacturer **Bridgestone**.

There were very few sales from the portfolio in June. However, we took some profits in Shire as the share price rose roughly +30% during the month on persistent takeover talks. Even so, **Shire** remains among the top holdings of the fund.

Top ten holdings				
	% within the fund			
SHIRE PLC	2.06%			
ACTELION LTD-REG	2.03%			
MICROSOFT CORP	1.95%			
NATIONAL EXPRESS GROUP P 6.25% 13/01/17	1.87%			
ACTAVIS PLC	1.85%			
SMITH & NEPHEW PLC	1.76%			
GKN HOLDINGS PLC 6.75% 28/10/19	1.76%			
COMPAGNIE DE ST GOBAIN 5.625% 15/12/16	1.75%			
TESCO PLC 6.125% 24/02/22	1.74%			
WILLIAM HILL PLC 7.125% 11/11/16	1.72%			

## Asset class allocation



The numbers may not equal 100% due to rounding

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