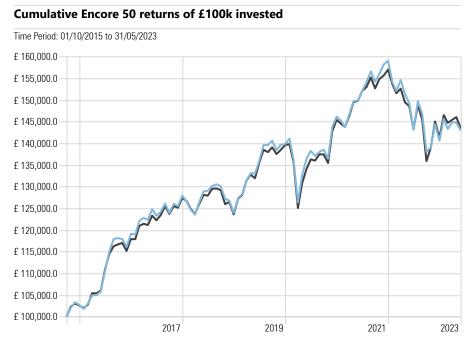
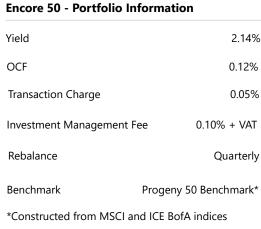
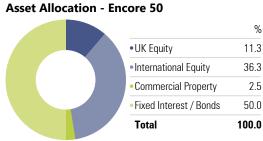


Risk Profile Description

This portfolio is likely to contain lower, medium and higher risk investments, including cash, government bonds, UK corporate bonds and other higher-income types of global bonds as well as UK commercial property. It will also be expected to contain some higher-risk investments such as shares, but held mainly in UK and other developed markets, and a small amount in other higher-risk investments such as shares in emerging markets

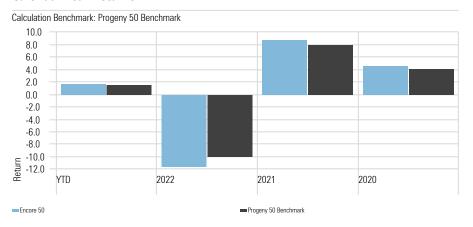






Calendar Year Returns

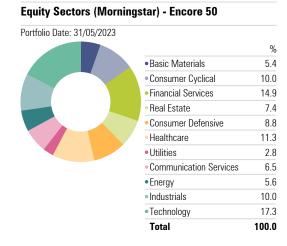
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-Progeny 50 Benchmark

Encore 50 Performance Metrics	Portfolio	Bmark
Max Drawdown	-17.32	-15.53
Best Month %	5.34	5.43
Worst Month %	-5.95	-6.53
Best Quarter	5.49	5.81
Worst Quarter %	-7.44	-6.14

Equity Regional Exposure - Encore 50 Portfolio Date: 31/05/2023 % North America 46.2 Latin America 1.1 United Kingdom 20.0 Europe dev 10.5 Europe emrg 0.3 Africa/Middle East 1.4 Australasia 1.8 Japan 5.2 Asia dev 6.8 Asia emrg 6.8 **Total** 100.0



Portfolio Comments

May was an eventful month for global markets. Growth assets have been impacted by the impasse on raising the US government's \$31.4 trillion debt ceiling. The chances of a default are extremely unlikely. However, the debt ceiling does bring uncertainty to both investors and markets. It is the uncertainty which has created the volatility seen in recent weeks.

On every single occasion since the 1960's the debt ceiling has been raised. Why? The consequences for default are simply too severe and would leave the World's largest economy in a major recession and suffering significant downgrades to its credit rating. Capitol Hill has always found a way to overcome it somehow and 'five to midnight' politics have always come into play. This is likely to happen again.

1st June is not a definitive deadline either and much will depend on US tax flows in the coming week. Moreover, even if 1st June is reached without a deal, it is unlikely to result in a default on US Treasury bonds, with contingency plans in place which would see payments on US Treasuries prioritised over other US spending.

Turning to global growth assets, Japan has bucked the trend this month and was the best performing region. It stands out as the large developed Asian market that should benefit from China's economic recovery, with an accelerating series of improvements in its corporate governance.

Turning to factor performance over May, the growth factor was the best performer, with value the laggard over the month.

Moving to defensive assets, both the US and UK 10-year yields increased. In the US this was down to the debt ceiling negotiations, whilst in the UK, inflation was the reason. CPI came in at $8.7~{\rm per}$ cent for April — down from March's $10.1~{\rm per}$ cent but significantly above the BoE's forecast of $8.4~{\rm per}$ cent.

In summary, a protracted impasse on the US debt ceiling is creating a lot of noise around financial markets. Whilst history tells us a solution is highly likely to be found, investors will continue to see short-term volatility until it is resolved.

Encore 50 - Holdings

Lincole 30 - Holdings		
Holdings	Equity Style Box	Portfolio Weighting %
abrdn Global Corporate Bond Trckr N Acc		13.12
Vanguard Glb Bd ldx lns Pl £ H Acc		13.12
Vanguard FTSE UKAllShrldxUnitTrlnsPl£Acc		11.24
HSBC American Index C Acc		10.42
Vanguard U.S. Eq ldx lns Pl £ Acc	Ħ	10.42
Vanguard UK Infl-Lnkd Gilt ldx £ Acc		10.00
L&G All Stocks Gilt Index C Acc		7.38
L&G Sterling Corporate Bond Index I Acc		6.38
Fidelity Index Emerging Markets P Acc		6.08

Composite Benchmark Disclaimer

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Morningstar Style Box - Encore 50

Portfolio Date: 31/05/2023

Value	Blend	Growth
Large		
Mid		
Small		

Morningstar Equity Style Box™

Marke	t Cap	%
Market	Cap Giant %	42.1
Market	Cap Large %	34.0
Market	Cap Mid %	19.6
Market	Cap Small %	3.5
Market	Cap Micro %	0.8

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