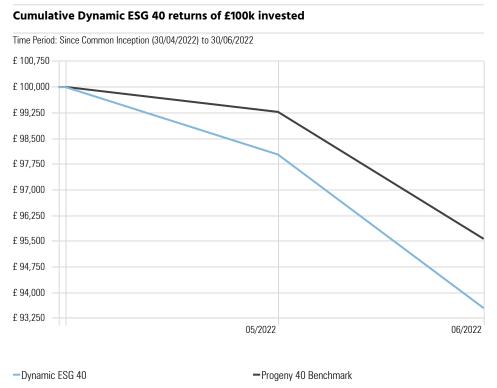
Progeny 40 Benchmark\*



### **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.



# Yield 1.18% OCF 0.38% Transaction Charge 0.04% Investment Management Fee 0.30% + VAT Rebalance Quarterly

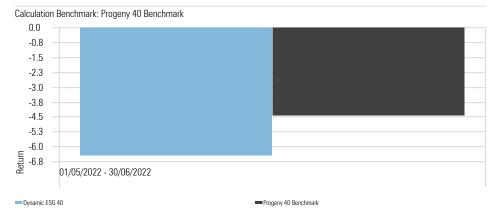
**Dynamic ESG 40 - Portfolio Information** 

\*Constructed from MSCI and ICE BofA indices

Benchmark

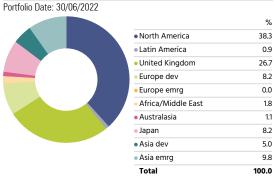


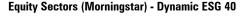
## **Calendar Year Returns**

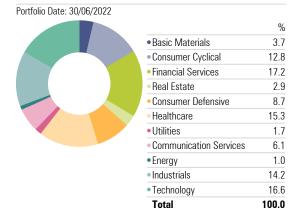


| Dynamic ESG 40 Performance Metrics | Portfolio | Bmark  |
|------------------------------------|-----------|--------|
| Max Drawdown                       |           | -12.24 |
| Best Month %                       |           | 1.55   |
| Worst Month %                      |           | -3.73  |
| Best Quarter                       |           | 2.61   |
| Worst Quarter %                    |           | -7.05  |

# **Equity Regional Exposure - Dynamic ESG 40**







There have been two constant themes impacting financial markets in the first half of 2022 – inflation and the direction of interest rates. At the end of June, US markets recorded their worst first half performance in more than 50 years, as the Federal Reserve's attempts to curb persistent inflation has led to concerns on how this will impact global growth.

Starting with growth assets, the leading UK market was down by nearly 5% with US and European markets falling by over 7%

In terms of factor performance over the month, growth stocks were slightly ahead over value. Higher interest rates mean that companies that are going to deliver cash to shareholders soon are more valuable than those whose returns are further in the future. That's why value stocks have been making a comeback recently.

Part of the current noise around inflation is that the Fed kept with the mindset that it will be transitory, meanwhile in reality, the cost of living has been getter higher and higher each month. This has been driven by supply chain problems – put simply demand has overwhelmed shippers' ability to get products to market, resulting in much higher prices.

UK inflation edged up to 9.1% in the year to May – its highest level since 1982. In reaction, the BoE raised the Base Rate to 1.25% with more increases expected to follow. US inflation meanwhile stands at 8.6%, the highest since December 1981. Both the BoE and the Fed have inflation targets of 2%.

The impact of these two major themes has been continued volatility in growth assets. It's also worth noting that a substantial proportion of the total return of stocks over long periods of investing is derived from just a handful of days in those periods. So, the prudent course of action is to remain invested during periods of volatility, rather than jump in and out of the market, otherwise an investor runs the risk of being on the side-lines on days when returns happen to be strongly positive. For example, when the leading US market plunged 21% in the first half of 1970, it promptly reversed those losses to gain 26.5% in the second half.

Turning to defensive assets, UK government and corporate bonds in the UK over the month faced potentially their worst month since 1995. Both the short and long ends of the gilt market have seen a material rise in yields, while corporate bonds have been negatively affected both by rising rates and short-term risk aversion.

ESG portfolios performed broadly in-line with the Progeny benchmarks over June. As with non-ESG assets, defensive ESG assets performed better than return seeking assets such as equities. However, broad ESG-tilted equity indices did outperform their non-ESG counterparts which would be expected when growth outperforms value.

In summary, as we move into the second half of the year, the markets are likely to continue to face the same economic issues it did in the first half of 2022. Volatility is likely to continue. However, the key for investors in managing volatility remains a well-diversified portfolio.

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## **Dynamic ESG 40 - Holdings**

| Holdings                                 | Equity<br>Style<br>Box | Portfolio<br>Weighting % |
|--|------------------------|--------------------------|
| Dimensional Global Sstby Fxd Inc GBP Acc |                        | 21.00                    |
| Rathbone Ethical Bond I Acc              |                        | 9.12                     |
| L&G All Stocks Gilt Index C Acc          |                        | 9.00                     |
| Vanguard UK Infl-Lnkd Gilt Idx £ Acc     |                        | 9.00                     |
| iShares MSCI USA SRI ETF USD Acc         |                        | 6.60                     |
| UBS(Lux)FS MSCI USA SRI USD Adis         |                        | 6.60                     |
| EdenTree Responsible & Sust Stlg B       |                        | 5.94                     |
| Sarasin Responsible Corporate Bond P Acc |                        | 5.94                     |
| iShares MSCI EM SRI ETF USD Acc          |                        | 4.40                     |
| Stewart Inv Asia Pac Sustnby B GBP Acc   |                        | 3.20                     |
| EdenTree UK Equity Cls B Inc             |                        | 2.90                     |
| Liontrust UK Ethical 2 Net Acc           |                        | 2.90                     |
| Royal London Sustainable Leaders A Inc   |                        | 2.90                     |
| UBS ETF MSCI UK IMI SRI GBP A dis        |                        | 2.90                     |
| iShares MSCI Japan SRI ETF               |                        | 2.80                     |
| Liontrust Sust Fut Eurp Gr 2 Net Acc     |                        | 2.80                     |
| FP WHEB Sustainability C                 | ₽                      | 2.00                     |
|  |                        |                          |

# Morningstar Style Box - Dynamic ESG 40

Morningstar Equity Style Box™ Market Cap %

Value Blend Growth

Blend Growth

Market Cap Giant % 26.4

Market Cap Large % 38.0

Market Cap Mid % 26.2

Market Cap Small % 8.1

Market Cap Micro % 1.4

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