

# Sandhurst Strategic Income Fund - Class B units

# Monthly fund update - December 2020

### Investment approach

The Fund aims to provide customers with regular income and may offer higher returns with a lower level of risk through the market cycle in an effort to outperform a static investment in similar assets by strategically managing its portfolio in varying market and economic conditions.

The objective of the Fund is to outperform its benchmark (after fees) over any two year period.

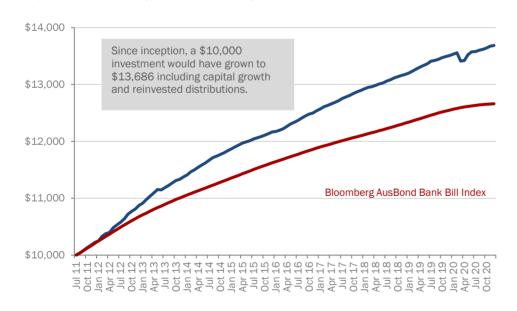
# Fund performance<sup>1</sup>

as at 31 December 2020	Fund return	Benchmark 2	Excess return
3 months (%)	0.51	0.02	0.49
1 year (%)	1.31	0.37	0.94
2 years (% p.a.)	1.92	0.93	0.99
3 years (% p.a.)	2.00	1.26	0.74
5 years (% p.a.)	2.39	1.52	0.87
Since inception (% p.a.)	3.41	2.28	1.13
Morningstar Rating <sup>™</sup> Overall <sup>3</sup>	****		
Morningstar category rank 3 year <sup>3</sup>	12/35		

# An example of how your investment grows

#### Growth of \$10,000<sup>1</sup>

(Based on historic Fund performance since inception)



# Australia Ratings SUPERIOR Relatively Simple Product

Australia Ratings has assigned a SUPERIOR investment rating with a BLUE product complexity indicator designating the Fund as a Relatively Simple Product.<sup>4</sup>

#### Fund facts

Fund APIR code	STL0044AU
Fund start date	30 July 2011
Management costs <sup>5</sup>	0.45% p.a.
Buy / Sell spread <sup>5</sup>	+0.04% / -0.15%
Minimum investment / minimum balance	\$500,000
Recommended investment timeframe	2 years +
Risk level	Low

# Unit price (ex distribution)

as at 31 December 2020

Application price	\$1.03436
Withdrawal price	\$1.03291

### Distribution details (cents per unit)

31 Mar 20	\$0.00450
30 Jun 20	\$0.00435
30 Sep 20	\$0.00250
31 Dec 20	\$0.00250

## Do you have any questions?

For further information contact us on 1800 634 969 or visit www.sandhursttrustees.com.au

## Benefits of investing

- regular income from quarterly distributions;
- access to a diversified portfolio therefore reducing your risk and potentially enhancing returns;
- low volatility core investments supplemented by strategically selected allocations to credit sectors;
- ▶ there's no requirement to rollover or lock away your investment for a fixed term; and
- ▶ a regular savings plan option from \$50 per month.

# Portfolio performance

December saw another constructive month in fixed income markets and equity markets as risk on sentiment dominated markets. For the month of December 2020, the Strategic Income Fund achieved a 0.08% return for the Class B units (0.93% pa).

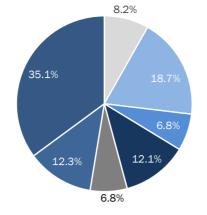
December was a positive month for global equities as approved Covid-19 vaccines began to be rolled out. Market sentiment was also supported by a new US fiscal package and a Brexit trade deal. US markets rallied over the month with the S&P500 rising 3.7%. Despite European countries being forced into new lockdowns with case numbers rising, the FTSE increased 3.1% in December and the Dax rose 1.0%. In Australia, the ASX200 increased 1.1% on the month.

Following the RBA rate cut in November, short dated government bond yields and Bank Bills drifted lower to find new lows in December.

December was a relatively quiet month for the Australian credit market. Credit spreads contracted over the month as investors risk appetite continued to improve. As a result, corporates outperformed government bonds during the month.

The Fund manager remains cautious and focussed on high quality investments that reduce the volatility of the Fund during market events. Approximately 33.7% of the portfolio is in cash instruments, 31.2% in bank and corporate Floating Rate Notes and 35.1% is in highly rated securitised instruments. There are no unrated or subordinated assets in the Fund and approximately 72.5% of non-cash assets are rated AA- or higher.

#### Asset allocation



- Cash
- Term Deposits (TDs)
- Negotiable Certificate of Deposits (NCDs)
- Major Bank Floating Rate Notes (FRNs)
- Regional Bank FRNs
- Corporate FRNs
- Asset Backed Securities (ABS)

#### Footnotes

- 1. Fund performance figures are calculated before tax and after fees and costs; using withdrawal prices and assumes distributions are reinvested. Past performance is not an indication of future performance.
- 2. The benchmark for the Fund is Bloomberg Aus Bond Bank Bill Index.
- 3. Sandhurst Strategic Income Fund Class B units received a 4-Star Overall Morningstar Rating™ out of 35 Australian Short Term Fixed Interest funds as of 31 December 2020 and a 4-Star Three year rating out of 35 Australian Short Term Fixed Interest funds as of 31 December 2020.
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- 4. Australia Ratings has assigned a SUPERIOR investment rating with a BLUE product complexity indicator designating the Fund as a Relatively Simple Product. This rating implies the highest level of confidence that the Fund can deliver a risk adjusted return in line with its investment objectives. Designation as a Relatively Simple Product indicates that the investment manager will seek to outperform their chosen mainstream market sector. A rating is not a recommendation to invest, retain or redeem units in the Fund. The rating may be subject to change or withdrawal at any time. A copy of Australia Ratings Financial Services Guide can be found at www.australiaratings.com/fsg
- 5. Management costs are based on costs incurred by the Fund in the past financial year and may be different in the current and future financial years. Other fees and costs may apply. See the Product Disclosure Statement for full details.

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