

# Sandhurst Strategic Income Fund - Class B units

### Monthly fund update - October 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.

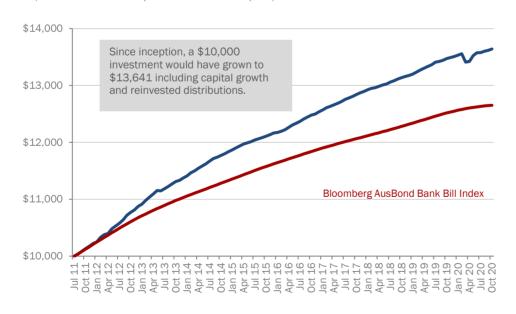
# Fund performance<sup>1</sup>

| as at 31 October 2020                                | Fund return | Benchmark <sup>2</sup> | Excess return |
|--|-------------|------------------------|---------------|
| 3 months (%)   | 0.46        | 0.03                   | 0.43          |
| 1 year (%)   | 1.23        | 0.51                   | 0.72          |
| 2 years (% p.a.)                                     | 1.89        | 1.08                   | 0.81          |
| 3 years (% p.a.)                                     | 2.03        | 1.35                   | 0.68          |
| 5 years (% p.a.)                                     | 2.41        | 1.59                   | 0.82          |
| Since inception (% p.a.)                             | 3.44        | 2.32                   | 1.12          |
| 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 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

as at 31 October 2020

| Application price | \$1.03388 |
|-------------------|-----------|
| Withdrawal price  | \$1.03192 |

#### Distribution details (cents per unit)

| 31 Dec 19 | \$0.00500 |
|-----------|-----------|
| 31 Mar 20 | \$0.00450 |
| 30 Jun 20 | \$0.00435 |
| 30 Sep 20 | \$0.00250 |

### Do you have any questions?

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#### 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

October saw another constructive month in fixed income markets, despite a risk of sentiment dominating equity markets. For the month of October 2020, the Strategic Income Fund achieved a 0.17% return for the Class B units (2.07% pa).

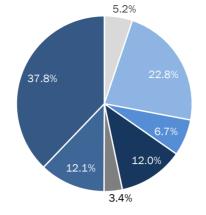
October was a volatile month for global equities as a host of factors appeared to influence markets. European countries were forced to reinstate lockdowns to contain a second wave of Covid-19. For the month, the German Dax fell 8.6% and the UK FTSE dropped 4.8%. US markets were headlined by the uncertainty ahead of the US presidential election and a lack of progress on an additional stimulus package. The S&P posted its second consecutive month of declines, falling 2.8%. In Australia, equities outperformed, with the ASX200 gaining 1.9% in over the month.

The cash rate remained unchanged in October, however a speech by RBA Governor Phillip Lowe on the 14th October gave the clearest signal yet that the RBA would reduce the cash rate again in 2020 and commence additional quantitative easing. Following the speech, the weight of expectations for further action pushed short dated government bond yields and Bank Bills to new lows.

In credit markets, credit spreads began the month trading in a tight range before rallying tighter as markets responded positively to the reopening of Victoria later in the month. As a result, both corporate and government bonds performed well over the month.

The Fund manager remains cautious and focussed on high quality investments that reduce the volatility of the Fund during market events. Approximately 34.1% of the portfolio is in cash instruments, 28.7% in bank and corporate Floating Rate Notes (FRN) and 37.2% is in highly rated securitised instruments. There are no unrated or subordinated FRNs in the Fund and approximately 75.7% 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 AusBond Bank Bill Index.
- 3. Sandhurst Strategic Income Fund Class B units received a 4-Star Overall Morningstar Rating<sup>TM</sup> out of 35 Australian Short Term Fixed Interest funds as of 31 October 2020 and a 4-Star Three year rating out of 35 Australian Short Term Fixed Interest funds as of 31 October 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. Other fees and costs may apply. See the Product Disclosure Statement for full details.

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