# future focus

# the DC funds

# Global Bonds - active

as at 31 December 2020

# fund objective

To provide long-term capital growth in excess of UK price inflation. The fund aims to have less capital risk than an equities based fund.

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Total

asset breakdown

Quasi and foreign

government

Net cash and

derivatives

Securitised

Covered

Utilities

Financials

Industrials

%

32.59

28.13

17.66

10.24

8.74

1.46

1.18

100.00

#### Launch date:

2 March 2015 Fund size:

£121.90m

Price per share: 263.50p

#### Charges:

Inv Mgmt Charges: 0.00% Additional Charges: 0.02%

#### Current underlying fund(s):

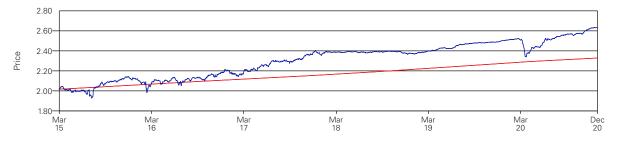
M&G Total Return Credit Fund Newton Global Dynamic Bond Fund

#### Benchmark:

SONIA +2% (per annum over a rolling 5 year basis)

### fund performance

	31 Dec 2019 - 31 Dec 2020 %	31 Dec 2018 - 31 Dec 2019 %	31 Dec 2017 - 31 Dec 2018 %	31 Dec 2016 - 31 Dec 2017 %	31 Dec 2015 - 31 Dec 2016 %
Fund	5.27%	5.48%	0.47%	7.12%	4.21%
Benchmark	2.21%	2.72%	2.62%	2.30%	2.42%
Relative Performance	3.06%	2.76%	-2.15%	4.82%	1.79%



Rolling time period	3 months	6 months	1 year	3 year p.a.	5 year p.a.	Since launch
Fund	3.13%	5.06%	5.27%	3.71%	4.49%	30.57%
Benchmark	0.51%	1.03%	2.21%	2.52%	2.45%	15.37%
Relative Performance	2.62%	4.03%	3.06%	1.19%	2.04%	15.21%

Past performance isn't a guide to future performance. The figures are shown in sterling and have been calculated using actual returns since the introduction of the current DC fund range.

Source: Morningstar, FIL Life Insurance Ltd. Single priced (i.e. no bid/offer spread), gross income reinvested and gross of fees. Indicative prices have been used if a portfolio valuation fell on a non-trading day.



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#### market commentary

Global bond markets generated mixed returns across the board. Corporate bonds outperformed government bonds, with high yield credit outperforming investment grade bonds. The US Treasury yield curve steepened, and long-dated Treasury yields edged higher as the market reacted to the policy shift by the US Federal Reserve (Fed). However, the front end of the yield curve dipped slightly, as the Fed suggested that interest rates will remain near zero at least through 2023. Meanwhile, the UK government bond (Gilt) yield curve steepened. 30-year Gilt yields, which are sensitive to long-term inflation expectations, rose to the highest level since March, while shorter-dated yields remain anchored as Brexit concerns and an accommodative monetary policy boosted demand for government bonds.

### risk rating

Very Low Low/Medium Medium Medium/High High Very High All investments carry a level of risk. You need to decide how much of each type of risk you're prepared to take. The table below gives an overview of some of the risks associated with this fund.

risk type	description of risk	level of risk for this fund
Capital Risk	This is the risk that the value of your investments will fall. The younger you are, the less worried you might be about capital risk, because your investments have time to recover their value before your retire.	Med
Inflation Risk	This is the risk that the value of your investments will grow more slowly than prices rise. Inflation can be a problem for pension savings invested in cash funds particularly if the interest you're earning is less than the rate of inflation.	Med
Pension Conversion Risk	The price of an annuity changes on a regular basis. This means that the amount of income you can secure with the same amount of money will change. Pension conversion risk is the risk that the amount of income you can buy drops before you retire, because your money is invested differently to annuity funds. That's why putting more of your DC pension pot into bonds to try to match annuity prices as you get closer to retirement age can help protect against this risk.	Med

## About the factsheet

It is important to remember that the price of units can go down as well as up. There's no guarantee that you'll get back the amount that goes into your DC pension pot. Changes in rates of currency exchange, particularly where overseas securities are held, could also affect the value of your investment. Although the funds can typically be bought and sold on a daily basis, if an exceptional amount of withdrawals are requested, the fund manager may need to delay when you can access your holdings. All funds are provided through FIL Life Insurance Ltd and may invest in securities issued by or hold deposits with HSBC Holdings plc and associated companies.

The Trustee can change the underlying managers or funds at any time without member consent or prior notification.

Valuation time: Business days at 5:00pm (UK time)

Dealing Process: The cut off time for switch instructions is 2:00pm each business day.

### Contact **us**

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