# the DC funds

Fixed Annuity Tracker – **passive**as at 31 December 2020

## fund objective

To mitigate against pension conversion risk (for non-increasing and fixed increase annuities)

fund <b>facts</b>	top 10 <b>holdings</b>	
Launch date: 23 February 2007	1 UK Gilt 4 5% 2034	<b>%</b> 7 23
Fund size: £80.65m	2. UK Gilt 4.5% 2042 3. UK Gilt 4.25% 2049	6.48 6.25
Price per share: 287.50p	4. UK Gilt 4.25% 2046 5. UK Gilt 4.25% 2027 6. UK Gilt 4.25% 2055	6.00 3.46 2.25
Charges: Inv Mgmt Charges: 0.00% Additional Charges: 0.00%	7. Pfizer 2.735% 2043 8. GSK 5.25% 2042	0.81 0.78
Current underlying fund(s):	9. University of Oxford 2.544% 2117 10.BHP Billiton 4.3% 2042	0.70
Legal & General Pre- Retirement Bond Fund	Total	34.62





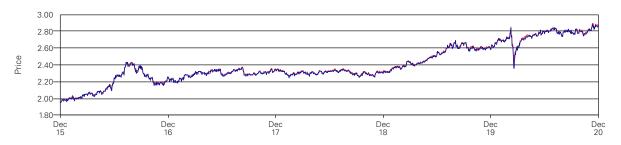
#### Benchmark:

A composite of Gilts and Corporate Bonds

From 4 October 2011 until 25 March 2015 50% FTSE A Over 15 Year Gilt Index and 50% iBoxx £ Non Gilt Over 15 Year Index. Prior to 4 October 2011, FTSE Over 15 Year Gilt Index

# fund performance

	31 Dec 2019 -	31 Dec 2018 -	31 Dec 2017 -	31 Dec 2016 -	31 Dec 2015 -
	31 Dec 2020	31 Dec 2019	31 Dec 2018	31 Dec 2017	31 Dec 2016
Fund	%	%	%	%	%
	11.30%	12.45%	-2.17%	4.08%	15.57%
■ Benchmark	11.39%	11.85%	-1.63%	4.21%	15.36%
Relative Performance	-0.09%	0.60%	-0.54%	-0.13%	0.21%



Rolling time period	3 months	6 months	1 year	3 year p.a.	5 year p.a.	Since launch
Fund	2.17%	3.01%	11.30%	6.98%	8.05%	187.50%
Benchmark	2.58%	3.07%	11.39%	7.02%	8.06%	189.13%
Relative Performance	-0.41%	-0.06%	-0.09%	-0.04%	-0.01%	-1.63%

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

Fixed income markets posted mixed returns over the quarter, with corporate bonds outperforming government bonds. Credit spreads tightened on hopes that COVID-19 vaccine rollouts will boost an economic recovery and ward off corporate defaults. Joe Biden's victory in the US presidential elections and the approval of a \$900 billion COVID-19 relief package by the US Congress supported the risk-on sentiment. Investor sentiment was further boosted after Brexit took full effect, as the UK left the European Union's (EU) customs union and single market, and the UK and EU clinched a post Brexit trade deal, as years of talks end in a settlement allowing for tariff-free trade. The UK manufacturing PMI increased to 57.3 in December from 55.6 in November due to rising levels of input purchases and stockpiling of raw materials during the Brexit transition period.

## risk rating

■ Very Low ■ 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.	Low

### 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.

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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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