

# **Discretionary Sterling Grow Strategy**

## November 2024

### **Strategy Description**

This strategy is designed for those investors seeking higher long term returns but with a greater tolerance for risk. They are comfortable with wide fluctuations in value and prepared to accept, at frequent times, periods of substantial loss to their investment. With a significant proportion of equity based investments, exposure to other assets in this portfolio will be very limited.

Lower risk					Higher risk
Typically lower rewa	ards			Тур	pically higher rewards
1	2	3	4	5	6

### **Key Facts**

Inception date	31 December 2019
Minimum investment size	£250,000
Minimum recommended time horizo	on 7+ Years
UK Reporting status funds held	Yes
Expected volatility	<25%
Expected maximum drawdown	<65%

## **Performance Since Inception**

Time Period: 01/01/2020 to 30/11/2024



Oakglen Wealth GBP Grow Model 50.8% ARC Equity Risk PCI TR GBP 26.1%

### Portfolio Breakdown

#### **Asset Class Weightings**



### **Top 10 Invested Holdings**

Portfolio Date: 30/11/2024

Weighting %
14.99
14.79
12.04
9.06
8.12
5.33
5.12
4.92
4.88
4.78

## **Contribution Analysis**

Top 5 Bottom 5

Time Period: 01/11/2024 to 30/11/2024			Time Period: 01/11/2024 to 30/11/2024	
	Weights	Contribution	Weights Contrib	bution
Stonehage Fleming Global Best Ideas	11.79	0.82	VanEck Global Mining ETF 5.18	-0.14
Brown Advisory Global Leaders	15.02	0.59	Polar Capital Healthcare Opps 4.65	-0.08
iShares MSCI World ETF	8.02	0.47	iShares FTSE 100 ETF 1.08	0.03
Fidelity Global Equity Income	14.68	0.45	Invesco Asian Equity 9.29	0.03
FT Nasdaq Cybersecurity ETF	5.23	0.39	Schroder Global Sustainable Growth 4.83	0.10

# **Trailing Performance %**

	1 Month	3 Month	6 Month	YTD	1 Year	3 Year	Since Inception	CAGR Since Inception
Oakglen Wealth GBP Grow	3.65	4.85	7.10	12.44	16.18	17.18	50.84	8.72
ARC Equity Risk PCI TR GBP	2.50	2.98	5.28	10.57	15.28	8.12	26.10	4.83

Calendar Year Performance %						
	2023	2022	2021	2020		
Oakglen Wealth GBP Grow	8.75	-5.74	13.58	15.23		
ARC Equity Risk PCI TR GBP	8.30	-11.40	12.31	5.82		



### Commentary

The pain of October's month end sell-off faded rapidly as equity and bond markets rallied in the aftermath of the Trump election victory. Only Europe and Japan had negative equity market performance. In Japan, this was driven by the unexpected general election that was called and the weak coalition government that followed. In Europe, market weakness stemmed from the abrupt announcement of a general election in Germany scheduled for next February, coupled with fears of tariffs being imposed on European exports by the incoming Trump administration in 2025. US equity markets reacted enthusiastically to Trump's election, buoyed by optimism that Republican control of both the House of Representatives and the Senate would allow Trump's economic plans to be quickly enacted.

Beyond the impact of Trump, the broader investment environment remains positive. In November, both the US Federal Reserve and the Bank of England lowered rates, suggesting that monetary policy remained tight and further cuts were possible if inflation continues to moderate. Similarly, the European Central Bank has signalled its intention to reduce interest rates further. Global economic growth remains positive, energy prices continue to decline and labour markets remain tight – a combination that supports continued positive performance in risk assets.

During the month, the **Oakglen Wealth GBP Grow strategy** returned +3.65%, outperforming the ARC Equity Risk benchmark which returned +2.50%. Subsequently, the strategy remains ahead of the benchmark on a YTD basis, as well as over 1 year, 3 years and since inception.

The top contributors during the month were positions in the Stonehage Fleming Global Best Ideas Fund, Brown Advisory Global Leaders Fund and the iShares MSCI World ETF. The two former positions benefitted in part from the rotation out of value stocks and back into growth stocks (a reversal of the trend experienced in the third quarter of the year). Additionally, the Stonehage Global Best Ideas Fund benefitted from solid earnings reports for some of its largest holdings, which the market reacted very positively to. It was particularly pleasing to see Stonehage Global Best Ideas outperform, having struggled recently with sideways trending performance. A thorough evaluation took place and our condusion was continued confidence in the managers ability to outperform over the longer-term, particularly given its high quality "best of breed" approach with many of its holdings trading at attractive valuations with strong earnings growth. There has also been some recent self-help measures, such as exiting their position in Nike and Estee Lauder, whilst initiating positions in Copart, Eaton Corp and increasing exposure to Amazon (two of these were the top performers mentioned above).

Overall, we remain positive on the investment outlook but anticipate greater volatility due to President-elect Trump's unpredictable leadership style. In response, we have added exposure to US small cap stocks through the initiation of the iShares S&P Small-Cap 600 ETF, an area poised to benefit from lower taxes and regulatory reforms.

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