

# **Discretionary Sterling Enhance Strategy**

## **Strategy Description**

An investor in this strategy has a long term horizon, is prepared for significant fluctuations in value, and at times, potentially sustained periods of loss. Expectations are for higher long term returns from a portfolio with considerably higher exposure to equities than fixed income assets.



## **Performance Since Inception**



Oakglen Wealth GBP Enhance Model 42.7% ARC Steady Growth PCI TR GBP

### **Contribution Analysis**

Top 5			Bottom 5			
Time Period: 01/01/2025 to 31/01/2025			Time Period: 01/01/2025 to 31/01/2025			
	Weights	Contribution		Weights	Contribution	
Brown Advisory Global Leaders	11.91	0.66	SPDR Bloomberg 0-5 Yr Sterling	Corp ETF 1.39	0.00	
Fidelity Global Equity Income	11.61	0.65	iShares UK Gilts 0-5yr ETF	1.46	0.01	
Stonehage Fleming Global Best Ideas	9.55	0.57	PIMCO Global Bond	3.41	0.02	
FT Nasdaq Cybersecurity ETF	4.35	0.33	iShares GBP Corporate 0-5yr ET	F 2.84	0.03	
iShares MSCI World ETF	6.45	0.28	M&G Offshore Corporate Bond	3.12	0.03	

23.0%

## **Trailing Performance %**

	1 Month	3 Month	6 Month	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	Since Inception	CAGR Since Inception
Oakglen Wealth GBP Enhance	4.52	6.20	7.43	13.92	19.50	41.92	42.72	7.25
ARC Steady Growth PCI TR GBP	2.80	4.19	4.54	11.07	11.75	23.68	23.03	4.16

#### **Calendar Year Performance %** 2024 2023 2022 2021 2020 **Oakglen Wealth GBP Enhance** 8.57 6.61 -5.55 10.56 12.99 **ARC Steady Growth PCI TR GBP** 7.89 7.20 -10.23 10.24 4.56

# January 2025

## **Key Facts**

Inception date	31 December 2019
Minimum investment size	£250,000
Minimum recommended time horizo	n 7 Years
UK Reporting status funds held	Yes
Expected volatility	<15%
Expected maximum drawdown	<35%

## Portfolio Breakdown

## Asset Class Weightings

Portfolio Date: 31/01/2025

	%
Equity	78.9
Fixed Income	17.2
Commodities	3.2
Cash & Equivalents	0.7
Total	100.0
	<ul> <li>Fixed Income</li> <li>Commodities</li> <li>Cash &amp; Equivalents</li> </ul>

## **Top 10 Invested Holdings**

Portfolio Date: 31/01/2025

	Weighting %
Brown Advisory Global Leaders	11.99
Fidelity Global Equity Income	11.70
Stonehage Fleming Global Best Ideas	9.66
iShares MSCI World ETF	6.46
Invesco Asian Equity	6.16
FT Nasdaq Cybersecurity ETF	4.49
Polar Capital Global Tech	4.24
Schroder Global Sustainable Growth	3.94
Lindsell Train Global Equity	3.91
iShares S&P SmallCap 600 ETF	3.61



## Commentary

Enthusiasm over Donald Trump's US Presidential Election victory, coupled with optimism for the continuation of strong US economic growth carried into January. The month proved a fruitful one for most major equity markets. Fixed income markets also stabilised in the latter half of the month as the fears about fiscal deficits and inflation abated.

Towards the end of the month, two developments took centre stage and are poised to influence the market for some time. The first was the emergence of the Chinese AI app DeepSeek, whose creators claimed to have spent a fraction of what Open AI spends on creating and training a large language AI model, and they did it without access to Nvidia's latest and greatest GPUs. This revelation challenges the AI investment theme and questions the wisdom of the huge capital spending by the mega cap tech names in the US. The market response was sharp and quick - Nvidia fell by 17% on the day the news broke, resulting in the largest daily loss (\$589 bn) for a single stock in history.

The second major development was the inauguration of Donald Trump for a second term as US President and his immediate plans to place tariffs on the exports of China, Canada, and Mexico. Negotiations with Canada and Mexico this week have resulted in a delay of one month for the implementation of the proposed 25% tariffs on their exports to the US. In response, China has countered with retaliatory tariffs on US exports and investigations into some US firms operating in China. None of this is helpful to markets and is producing greater volatility in foreign exchange and equity markets.

During the month, the **Oakglen Wealth GBP Enhance** strategy posted a positive return of +4.52%, outperforming the ARC Steady Growth PCI benchmark which posted a return of +2.80%.

More specifically, the top contributors were positions in the Brown Global Leaders Fund, Fidelity Global Equity Income Fund and the Stonehage Global Best Ideas Fund. On a total return basis, it was pleasing to see some of our investment themes come to life, with the Future of Defence ETF +8.45%, First Trust Cybersecurity ETF +7.55% and the VanEck S&P Global Mining ETF +6.34%.

We maintain the best strategy is to hold a high quality, diversified portfolio and to refrain from overreacting to "news" in our now much noisier investment environment.

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