



## Passive Adventurous

9%

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79%

4%

Asset allocation

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Alternatives

Infrastructure

International equities

UK equities

Cash

March 2024

## Portfolio information **Top holdings** L&G International Index Launch date September 2023 65% 0.10% AMC 1&G US Index 12% L&G UK Index 0.07% 8% Ongoing charge figure Vanguard Glb S/T Bond Index 6% There will be an additional 0.25%pa charge (no VAT) if LGT Wealth Management are asked to act as custodian and a third party platform is not used. 4% Cash Vanguard UK S/T Investment Grade Bond 3% Portfolio objectives L&G Japan Index 2% To provide the best risk adjusted total return through a diversified portfolio of collective investment schemes, exchange traded funds and cash. The primary objective of this portfolio is to achieve above average capital growth. The portfolio is diversified across a range of asset classes, with a medium-to-high allocation to funds investing in equities (expected to be no greater than 85%) and other risk assets.

## **Quarterly investors report**

February saw a surge in stock markets, with the S&P 500 rising by 5.3% in local currency, driven partly by optimism in artificial intelligence (AI). However, elevated interest rates posed challenges for many sectors.

Confidence in a global soft economic landing continued to rise, propelling Europe's benchmark Stoxx Europe 600 and the Nikkei 225 to hit new record highs in the month. US Consumer Price Index (CPI) surpassed expectations, leading to a rise in 10-year Treasury yields to 4.25%. Expectations for US interest rate cuts in 2024 decreased to three, down from seven previously anticipated. In the UK, the Bank of England awaits fiscal implications from the March budget, with Deputy Governor nominee Clare Lombardelli advocating for sustained higher rates. Meanwhile, Donald Trump gained momentum in the US Republican presidential race, likely setting the stage for a rematch with Joe Biden in November.

Central banks globally remain cautious about rate cuts amid robust economic data, strong market performance and geopolitical tensions, emphasising data dependency and favouring quality companies with sound financials.

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