

SVS Church House Balanced Equity Income Fund

The Authorised Fund Manager of the Fund is: Smith & Williamson Fund Administration Limited

Fund Manager



Carol Hooper

Objective and Policy

The Balanced Equity Income Fund is principally invested in UK equities, but a proportion (typically around 15%) is invested in Index-Linked, other fixed interest securities and infrastructure investment companies. Equities listed overseas may be included to a limited extent. The objective of the Fund is to provide investors with medium to long-term capital and income growth at a level of volatility that is lower than the equity market generally.

Key Information

A Share Class Min. investment £5,000
Management fee 1.50%
OCF 1.55%
Inc shares SEDOL: 3133602
Inc shares ISIN: GB0031336026
Acc shares SEDOL: B11DQ39
Acc shares ISIN: GB00B11DQ393

B Share Class For investment advisers and intermediaries only
Management fee 0.88%
OCF 0.93%
Inc shares SEDOL: BBNRB8
Inc shares ISIN: GB00BNBNRB88
Acc shares SEDOL: BBNRC9
Acc shares ISIN: GB00BNBNRC95

Bid Price of Income Units 185.1p (B) XD

Trust Type Authorised unit trust / UCITS

Launch Date February 2002

Dividend Payment May & Nov

Yield 3.14% (A Inc)

Fund Value £52.6m

All prices and data in the Fact Sheet are as at 31 October 2018.

All fund performance data is based on the A Inc shares and shown after the deduction of fees and charges. Yield data refers to the past 12 months and is based on a bid-basis.

Ongoing Charges Figure (OCF) based on accounts as at 31/03/2018.

Monthly Commentary

The Balanced Equity Income Fund suffered to an extent with the equity markets in October, though its unit price was also marked ex the (increased) half-year dividend at the beginning of the month. A sharp sell-off in US stocks spread rapidly around world stock markets. American ten-year bond yields moved up again over the first week of the month, combining with the list of other worries dogging markets at the moment, which triggered a sell-off in equities.

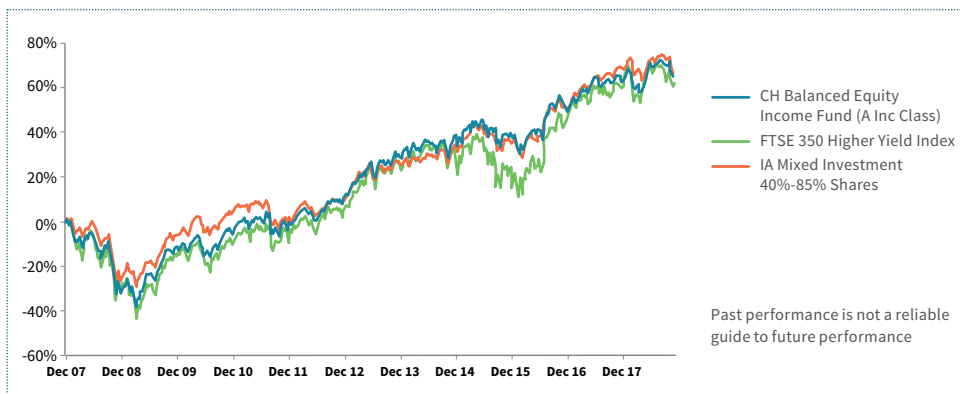
A late rally helped the monthly stats a bit: the S&P 500 fell 7%, after 10% a few days earlier, while the NASDAQ led the way, down 9% after 14%. In London, we have Brexit woes to add to the list, though stocks followed a similar pattern to other markets with a late rally leaving the FTSE All-Share down 5.4% after 9% at the worst, while smaller companies (notably AIM stocks) suffered more, a trend that was visible in a number of markets.

It was notable that US yields remained higher for the month as a whole, against the usual pattern (that did emerge in the UK and Europe) of yields falling as money heads for the comfort of sovereign bonds. UK gilts and index-linked stocks rose over the month as ten-year yields fell back to 1.4% again.

Within the Fund's portfolio we added to a number of holdings as the market fell but closed the position in **Royal Mail Group** after further poor figures. Additions were made to the holdings in **DS Smith** and **British Telecom** along with several of the financials: **Close Bros**, **Lloyds** and **Schroders**. Following the takeover of **John Laing Infrastructure** we added to **GCP Infrastructure** and initiated a new position in **BBGI**. Amongst the property holdings, we topped-up the positions in **Tritax Big Box REIT** and **Standard Life Investment Property Income Trust**. There were no changes to the fixed interest holdings.

Performance (A Shares) v. UK Indices

This comparison is for illustrative purposes only and the fund is not benchmarked against these indices.



Source: FE Analytics. Total Return Bid-Bid line chart (from 01 December 2007 to 31 October 2018) from UK IA universe.

Performance Summary (%)

	3m	1 yr	3 yrs	5 yrs
SVS Church House Balanced Equity Income A Inc TR	-3.54	0.70	19.64	28.17
Index : FTSE 350 Higher Yield TR	-6.22	0.37	30.78	27.87
Sector : IA Mixed Investment 40%-85% Shares TR	-4.85	-1.84	21.21	29.93

Source: FE Analytics. Total Return Bid-Bid month end (31 October 2018) performance table from UK Investment Association universe.

Calendar Year Total Returns (%)

	YTD	2017	2016	2015	2014	2013
SVS Church House Balanced Equity Income A Inc TR	0.12	8.25	10.25	2.00	3.90	18.02

Source: FE Analytics. Total Return Bid-Bid discrete calendar performance table, of SVS Church House Balanced Equity Income Fund (A Inc) from UK Investment Association universe.

Top Ten Holdings (%)

28.6% of Portfolio

Total number of holdings: **69**

Portfolio Beta: **0.78**

Royal Dutch Shell PLC - B SHS	4.4%	Relx NV	2.5%
GlaxoSmithkline PLC	3.6%	Diageo PLC	2.4%
HSBC Holdings PLC	3.4%	Craneware PLC	2.3%
BP PLC	2.8%	AstraZeneca PLC	2.3%
Unilever PLC	2.6%	BHP Billiton PLC	2.2%

Disposition



Index-Linked / Other	5.1%
Infrastructure	4.0%
Commercial Property	9.0%
FTSE 100 (Int'l)*	38.2%
FTSE 100 (UK)	17.9%
FTSE 250	11.1%
Smaller Cos	7.0%
Corporate Bonds	4.4%
Cash	3.3%

Source: Church House

*our definition: companies with more than 75% of sales overseas

Sector Allocations



Oil Production	8.7%
Mining	7.4%
Industrials	8.8%
Staples	14.0%
Pharmaceuticals	10.8%
Discretionary	8.6%
Utilities	5.7%
Technology	6.8%
Financials	15.4%
Property	10.8%
Investment Companies	3.0%

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Please note that the value of an investment in this fund and the income from it may go down as well as up and you may not get back your original investment. You should also be aware that past performance may not be a reliable guide to future performance.

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