

This document provides you with key investor information about this Fund. It is not marketing material. The information is required by law to help you understand the nature and the risks of investing in this Fund. You are advised to read it so you can make an informed decision about whether to invest.

# Close Balanced Portfolio Fund – A (Accumulation)

A sub-fund of Close Discretionary Funds unit trust (ISIN: GB00B4YW1S49)

This Fund is managed by Close Asset Management (UK) Limited

## Objective and investment policy

**Objective:** To generate capital growth with some income over the medium term (i.e. more than 5 years).

**Investment policy:** The Fund will hold, directly or indirectly, at least 80% of its portfolio in a mixture of equities and fixed interest securities.

The Fund is actively managed, with the manager employing a strategic asset allocation model (developed in collaboration with an external provider) that is matched to a specific risk and volatility band. Accordingly, the allocation to particular asset classes may vary over time at the investment manager's discretion as is consistent with a balanced risk and volatility level and in response to changing market conditions. However, the allocation to equities will remain within a 40%-85% range, consistent with its risk/return profile.

The Fund may invest in equities of companies from anywhere in the world, in any sector and of any market capitalisation. This may include shares in smaller companies and companies listed in emerging markets but the Fund will not purchase unlisted investments.

The fixed interest component of the Fund may include government and corporate bonds (which may include emerging market and high yield bonds). These may be investment grade, sub-investment grade or unrated. Investment grade bonds for the purposes of this Fund are those which are rated at least BBB- (or equivalent) by a single rating agency at the time of purchase.

The Fund may also invest in other transferable securities (including closed ended funds and exchange traded funds), and collective investment schemes which may include schemes managed by the Manager or an affiliate of the Manager, money market instruments and deposits, cash and near cash. There may be occasions where the Manager considers that it is prudent, given market conditions, to maintain higher levels of liquidity in the Fund. In such circumstances, the Manager may hold up to 20% of the Fund in cash.

The Fund may gain exposure to alternative asset classes, such as commodities, hedge funds, infrastructure, property and convertibles through investment in transferable securities.

The Fund may use derivatives, including exchange traded and over the counter derivatives, forward transactions and currency hedges for investment purposes as well as for efficient portfolio management.

## Other information:

Units can be bought, sold or switched in the Fund on any business day, as defined in the Prospectus.

An order must be received by the Administrator by 11:45am on any business day to receive that day's fund price. Please note that if an order is placed by an intermediary or Financial Adviser they may require extra processing time.

Units will be accumulation units. Income from investments held by the Fund will be invested into the value of the units.

The Fund should be regarded as a long term investment and may not be appropriate for investors who plan to withdraw their money in the short to medium term i.e. within 5 years.

## Risk and reward profile

The Risk and Reward profile demonstrates where the Fund ranks in terms of its potential risk and reward. The higher the rank the greater the potential reward but the greater the risk of losing money. It is based on past data (the past 5 years), may change over time and may not be a reliable indication of the future risk profile of the Fund.

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Typically lower risk/reward



Typically higher risk/reward

The Fund is ranked at 5 because funds of this type have experienced medium to high rises and falls in value in the past. Past performance is not a reliable guide to future performance. The lowest category does not mean risk free.

## Investing in the Fund carries the following main risks:

**Counterparty risk:** The Fund could lose money if a counterparty with which it transacts becomes unwilling or unable to meet its obligations to the Fund.

**Currency risk:** The Fund invests in overseas assets, denominated in currencies other than Sterling. The Manager aims to remove some of the impact of changes in some exchange rates by hedging, a currency transaction which may protect against such movements. While the Fund operates portfolio hedging to reduce this risk, it may not always be fully effective.

**Derivatives risk:** The Fund uses derivatives for efficient portfolio management purposes only (currency hedging). Using derivatives can involve a higher level of risk. A small movement in the price of an underlying investment may result in disproportionately large movements in the price of the derivative instrument.

**Focus risk:** The Fund's value may fall where it has concentrated exposure to an issuer or type of security that is heavily affected by an adverse event.

**Investment risk:** The Fund invests in equities and bonds globally. Share prices can rise or fall due to a number of factors affecting global stock markets.

**Liquidity risk:** In extreme market conditions, some securities held by the fund may become hard to value or sell. In these circumstances, performance may be affected and redemptions in the fund may need to be deferred or the fund suspended for a period of time.

**Management risk:** Investment management techniques that have worked well in normal market conditions could prove ineffective or detrimental at other times.

The full list of the Fund's risks are contained in the "Risk Factors" section of the Prospectus.

### Charges

The charges you pay are used to pay the costs of running the Fund, including the costs of managing and distributing it. These charges reduce the potential growth of your investment.

#### One-off charges taken before or after you invest

Entry charge	5.00%
Exit charge	0.00%

The entry charge is the maximum that could be taken out of your money before it is invested. The charges shown are maximum figures. In some cases you may pay less. Consult your financial adviser for details.

#### Charges taken from the Fund over a year

Ongoing charges	1.59%
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#### Charges taken from the Fund under certain specific conditions

Performance fee	None
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The figure for ongoing charges excludes portfolio transaction costs, except in the case of an entry/exit charge paid by the Fund when buying or selling shares or units in another fund and transaction costs paid to the custodian of the Fund.

The ongoing charges are based on the Fund's expenses for the twelve months ending 30 September 2023, this now includes the Fund Management Fee which is fixed. Ongoing charges may vary from year to year. Following the recent changes to disclosure requirements; Closed-Ended Funds are now excluded in the calculation of the synthetic element of the ongoing charge.

Further information about charges can be found in the Fees section of the Prospectus.

If you invest through a third party provider (including platforms) you are advised to consult them directly as charges, performance, and terms and conditions may differ materially to those shown in this document.

### Past performance



The past performance is calculated in GBP.

This chart includes all charges except entry and exit charges. You should be aware that past performance is not a reliable guide to future performance.

Fund launch date – 3 September 2010.

Unit class launch date – 3 September 2010.

### Practical information

The Trustee is The Bank of New York Mellon (International) Limited. The Fund's Investment Adviser is Close Asset Management Limited. This Key Investor Information Document may not contain all the information you need.

The Fund is a sub-fund of the Close Discretionary Funds ("CDF"), an umbrella structure comprising different sub-funds. This document is specific to the Fund and unit class stated at the beginning of this document. However, the prospectus, annual and half-yearly reports are prepared for the umbrella.

Investors may switch their units in the Fund for units in another sub-fund within CDF, subject to meeting certain conditions. These conditions, as well as other information about dealing, other unit classes of this Fund and other funds in this Trust may be obtained by contacting us (see below).

You can place an order to buy, sell or switch units of the Fund by contacting your adviser or distributor, or us directly at Close Asset Management (UK) Limited, PO Box 367, Darlington, DL1 9RG; or by calling us on 0370 606 6402\*.

\*Calls to this number are recorded for monitoring purposes.

For the latest published price of the units in the Fund, or to obtain the Prospectus or annual/semi-annual report, please visit [www.closebrothersam.com/funds](http://www.closebrothersam.com/funds) or please contact the registered office of the Fund at 10 Crown Place, London EC2A 4FT. Documents are available free of charge in English.

The assets of the Fund are ring-fenced and cannot be used to pay the debts of other CDF sub-funds.

This Fund is subject to UK tax laws, which may have an impact on your personal tax position. Please speak to a financial adviser for further information.

Details of the up-to-date remuneration policy, including but not limited to, a description of how remuneration and benefits are calculated, the identity of persons responsible for awarding remuneration and benefits and the composition of the remuneration committee are available on [www.closebrothersam.com/funds](http://www.closebrothersam.com/funds). A paper copy of the remuneration policy is available free of charge at the registered office.

Close Asset Management (UK) Limited may be held liable solely on the basis of any statement contained in this document that is misleading, inaccurate or inconsistent with the relevant part of the prospectus for the Fund.

The Fund is authorised in the UK and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority ("FCA"). Close Asset Management (UK) Limited is authorised in the UK and regulated by the FCA.

This Key Investor Information is accurate as at 15 January 2024.