

# Sandhurst Strategic Income Fund - Class A units

## Monthly fund update - May 2021

### Investment approach

The Fund aims to provide customers with regular income and may offer higher returns with a lower level of risk through the market cycle in an effort to outperform a static investment in similar assets by strategically managing its portfolio in varying market and economic conditions.

The objective of the Fund is to outperform its benchmark (after fees) over any two year period.



Foresight Analytics has assigned a SUPERIOR investment rating with a product complexity indicator designating the Fund as a Relatively Simple Product.<sup>4</sup>

## Fund performance<sup>1</sup>

as at 31 May 2021	Fund return	Benchmark <sup>2</sup>	Excess return
3 months (%)	0.56	0.01	0.55
1 year (%)	1.82	0.06	1.76
2 years (% p.a.)	1.45	0.52	0.93
3 years (% p.a.)	1.68	1.01	0.67
5 years (% p.a.)	2.00	1.33	0.67
Since inception (% p.a.)	3.05	2.18	0.87
<b>Morningstar Rating™ Overall<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>★ ★ ★</b>		
<b>Morningstar category rank 3 year<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>16/35</b>		

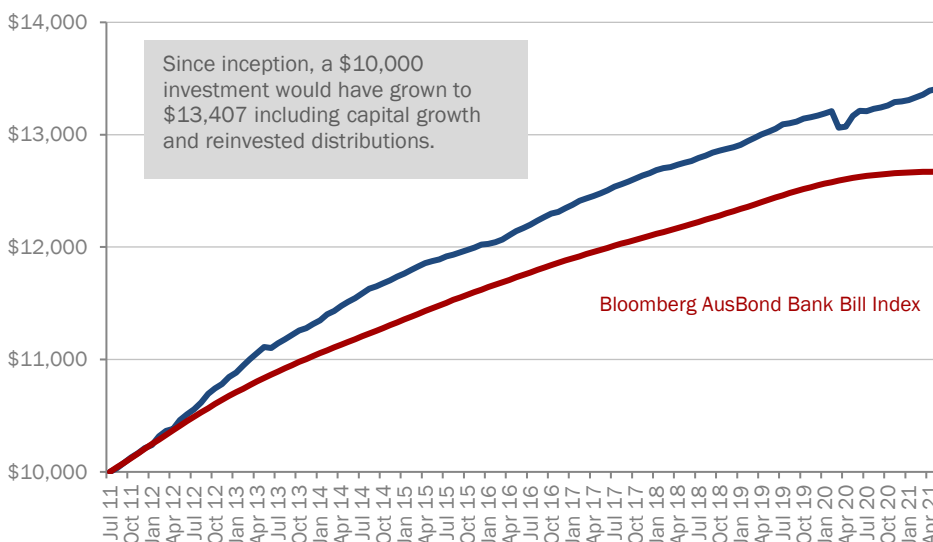
## Fund facts

Fund APIR code	STL0027AU
Fund start date	29 July 2011
Management costs <sup>5</sup>	0.79% p.a.
Buy / Sell spread <sup>5</sup>	+0.02% / -0.12%
Minimum investment / minimum balance	\$2,000
Recommended investment timeframe	2 years +
Risk level	Low

## An example of how your investment grows

### Growth of \$10,000<sup>1</sup>

(Based on historic Fund performance since inception)



## Unit price

as at 31 May 2021

Application price	\$1.03640
Withdrawal price	\$1.03495

## Distribution details (cents per unit)

30 Jun 20	\$0.00346
30 Sep 20	\$0.00160
31 Dec 20	\$0.00150
31 Mar 21	\$0.00100

## Do you have any questions?

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## Benefits of investing

- ▶ regular income from quarterly distributions;
- ▶ access to a diversified portfolio therefore reducing your risk and potentially enhancing returns;
- ▶ low volatility core investments supplemented by strategically selected allocations to credit sectors;
- ▶ there's no requirement to rollover or lock away your investment for a fixed term; and
- ▶ a regular savings plan option from \$50 per month.

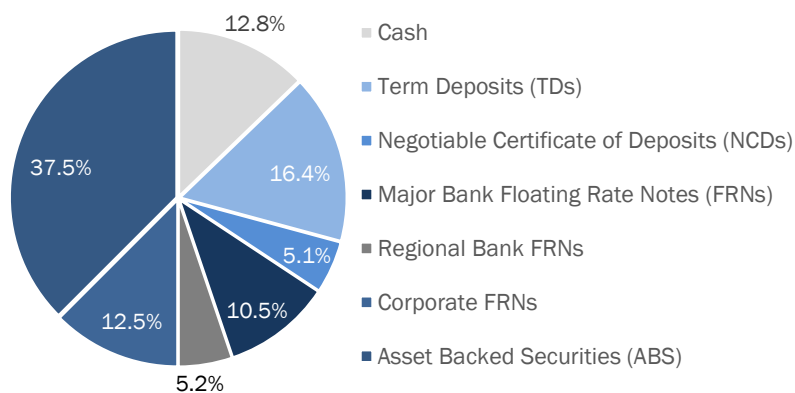
## Portfolio performance

For the month of May 2021, the Strategic Income Fund achieved a 0.10% return for the Class A units. Projecting the monthly return for the next 12 months would provide an annualised return of 1.19% after fees. Returns were supported by another positive month in credit markets, although income was a larger component of the total return than previous periods.

Global economic data was again positive, but due to the strong start of the year markets were less reactive to the news. Investors have turned their focus to inflationary pressures that have been emerging over the last couple of months. The gradual reopening of economies coupled with large fiscal support from governments has led to higher inflation prints. The debate to whether this is transitory or more permanent has been prominent in the US, with markets concerned that the Federal Reserve will raise rates sooner than expected. Contrary to the growing consensus in markets, the Federal Reserve maintains a view that inflation will be transitory rather than persistent.

In Australia, the highlight event was the May Federal Budget. The Budget was stimulatory and generally well received by markets. There was a significant improvement in underlying expectations for 20/21 and 21/22, with smaller deficits and lower overall debt.

## Asset allocation



The Reserve Bank of Australia (RBA) left rates on hold in the May policy meeting. The RBA noted that whilst a strong recovery is evident, inflation pressures are expected to be subdued in most parts of the Australian economy, a view like the US Federal Reserve. More broadly, the Australian economic outlook continues to improve, and markets have been buoyed by the optimism.

Whilst the recovery is strong there are still uncertainties from the pandemic. The Fund's focus remains on high quality investments with minimal volatility. The Fund has 34% in cash instruments, 28% in Floating Rate Notes (FRN) and 38% in highly rated, securitised assets. Approximately 73% of non-cash assets are rated AA- or higher.

### Footnotes

1. Fund performance figures are calculated before tax and after fees and costs; using withdrawal prices and assumes distributions are reinvested. Past performance is not an indication of future performance.
2. The benchmark for the Fund is Bloomberg AusBond Bank Bill Index.
3. Morningstar rates managed funds from one to five stars based on how well they've performed (after adjusting for risk) in comparison to similar funds. Within each Morningstar Category, the top 10% of funds receive five stars, the next 22.5% four stars, the middle 35% three stars, the next 22.5% two stars, and the bottom 10% receive one star. Funds are rated for up to three time periods - three, five, and 10 years - and these ratings are combined to produce an overall rating. Funds with less than three years of history are not rated. Ratings are objective, based entirely on a mathematical evaluation of past performance. They're a useful tool for identifying funds worthy of further research, but shouldn't be considered buy or sell recommendations.  
Sandhurst Strategic Income Fund - Class A units received a 3-Star Overall Morningstar Rating™ out of 35 Australian Short Term Fixed Interest funds as of 31 May 2021. In the Morningstar Australian Short Term Fixed Interest Category, the Sandhurst Strategic Income Fund - Class A units 3 year return was ranked 16 out of 35 funds as of 31 May 2021. 'Morningstar Category Rank' is the Fund's performance rank relative to all funds in the same Morningstar Category. Investments are placed into Morningstar Categories based on their compositions and portfolio statistics so that investors can make meaningful comparisons. Source: [www.morningstar.com.au/Funds/FundReport/19434](http://www.morningstar.com.au/Funds/FundReport/19434)  
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4. Foresight Analytics has assigned a SUPERIOR investment rating with a product complexity indicator designating the Fund as a Relatively Simple Product. This rating implies the highest level of confidence that the Fund can deliver a risk adjusted return in line with its investment objectives. Designation as a Relatively Simple Product indicates that the investment manager will seek to outperform their chosen mainstream market sector. A rating is not a recommendation to invest, retain or redeem units in the Fund. The rating may be subject to change or withdrawal at any time. A copy of Foresight Analytics Financial Services Guide can be found at [www.foresight-analytics.com/financial-services-guide](http://www.foresight-analytics.com/financial-services-guide)
5. Management costs are based on costs incurred by the Fund in the past financial year and may be different in the current and future financial years. Other fees and costs may apply. See the Product Disclosure Statement for full details.

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This information is current as at 31 May 2021 (unless stated otherwise) and is subject to change and is relevant for Class A Investors only. The Fund uses a multi-class pricing structure. Please refer to the PDS for more information.

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