# Evelyn Active Portfolios Defensive Portfolio (Retail GBP)



## 31 March 2025

## **Capital at risk**

The value of investments and the income from them can fall as well as rise and you may not receive back the original amount invested.

# Key information

Reporting date: 31 March 2025 Launch date: 20 September 2019 Fund size: £425.7M

**Recommended minimum holding period: 5 years** - This Fund may not be appropriate for investors who plan to withdraw their money before the end of the recommended minimum holding period.

Ongoing Charges Figure (OCF): 2.09% for the Retail GBP class. This includes the ongoing costs of the fund, such as the Investment Management (IM) fee and daily operational expenses.

**UK Transaction costs: 0.03%** – this represents the implicit and explicit costs that have been incurred due to trading within the fund. Calculated based on the FCA methodology.

Comparators: UK CPI and ARC Sterling Cautious PCI - The comparators shown are to help you understand your portfolio's performance relative to a benchmark portfolio with similar risk.

Fund yield: 1.7% - this is the average income paid to Clean Distribution share class investors over the last 12 months. Income may fluctuate in accordance with market conditions and taxation arrangements.

**Dividend dates: 31 Dec, 30 Jun** - these only apply to distribution shares all other classes do not distribute.

**Performance calculations:** All performance is sourced from Morningstar as of the reporting date, they do not include any tax but does include the OCF. If there are any dividends it is assumed they are reinvested.

For the avoidance of doubt, if you decide to invest, you will be buying units/shares in the Fund and will not be investing directly in the underlying assets of the Fund.

## **Active Portfolios**

The Active Portfolios are a range of actively managed collective investment funds, designed to give investors direct access to the ideas generated by the investment process in a simple and tax efficient structure. With ten different strategies, each fund is linked to our sophisticated risk profiling process to ensure investors have exposure to the optimal blend of available asset classes. Drawing on the expertise of our extensive internal research resource and overseen by a dedicated team of the firm's most senior investment professionals, each fund is re-balanced to meet a range of clearly articulated inflation plus return targets.

## Investment objectives of the fund

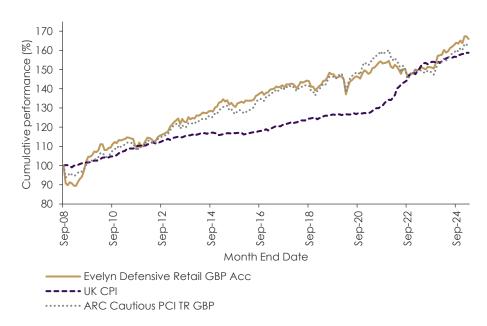
The Defensive Fund aims to achieve long term return on income and capital growth. The Fund adopts a low risk approach.

The Fund is an actively managed fund of funds and will primarily hold CIS (collective investment schemes) which will provide exposure to a blend of global equity, sovereign debt, global bonds and other non-equity markets that will best assist the delivery of the portfolio's investment objective. These non-equity markets could include property, derivatives (financial contracts that derive their value from bonds or indices) and gold.

## Cumulative performance (%)

Cumulative performance (total / aggregated return over the period) can often be a useful indication as to what an investment has achieved in nominal terms (i.e., not accounting for inflation) over a defined period. The since launch performance data covers the period from Launch Date to the Reporting Date (detailed within the Key Information section).

The chart shown below aims to inform you how the portfolio has performed since inception against the appropriate comparators and represents the portfolio's ongoing performance. The comparators used are for comparison purposes only to help you understand the performance of your portfolio relative to an appropriate benchmark portfolio with similar levels of risk.



# All figures shown refer to the past and past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results.

## **Investment Team**

#### Senior Portfolio Manager

#### **Anton French**

Anton has 25 years' experience and joined the firm in 2003 and has been involved in the portfolio management of Evelyn funds since launch. Before joining, he worked at Spear, Leeds and Kellogg and Goldman Sachs, working on the US equity market makers desk, and managed a UK stock lending and derivatives book.

#### **Co-Fund Managers**

#### **Marcel Porcheron**

Marcel has 18 years' experience. He was previously Head of Portfolio Management for the Evelyn funds. He has an MBA from HEC Paris, is a Fellow of the Chartered Institute for Securities and Investments and is a Chartered Alternative Investment Analyst charter holder.

#### **Matthew Dickens**

Matthew was previously Head of Fund Research, responsible for Evelyn's fund research philosophy and selection. He has a first-class Master's in Automotive Engineering from the University of Warwick, the Investment Advice Diploma in both securities and derivatives and is a CFA Charter holder.

#### **Matthew Chambers**

Matthew has over 25 years' experience in financial markets and joined the firm in 2006. He has a Chemistry degree from University of Manchester and is a Chartered Fellow of the Chartered Institute for Securities and Investments.

## **Key Risks**

Details of all risks and further information can be found in the section of the Prospectus entitled "Risk Factor". Found here: www.evelyn.com/services/funds/ However key risks are outlined below:

**Liquidity risk:** In difficult market conditions, the Fund may not be able to buy and sell investments at the best time or at a fair price. This could affect the Fund's performance, potentially reducing your returns. Furthermore, if a significant proportion of the Fund's investments suspend trading or defer trades placed the Fund may in turn be suspended or defer payments to investors.

## 12 months rolling performance (%)

The rolling performance below covers 12-month periods to the Reporting Date for each of the years shown. This table aims to inform you how investment returns can fluctuate over different 12-month periods.

1 year to the end of:	Mar 25	Mar 24	Mar 23	Mar 22	Mar 21
Evelyn Defensive Retail GBP Acc	3.6	6.6	-1.5	2.8	8.2
UK CPI	2.3	3.2	10.1	7.0	0.7
ARC Sterling Cautious PCI	3.8	4.3	-4.3	1.6	11.3

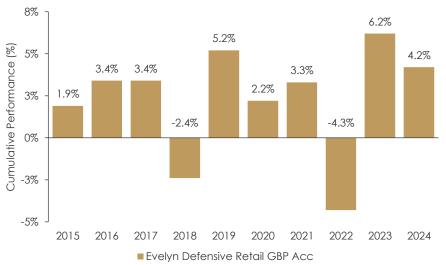
## Long-term performance (%)

The longer-term performance table shows you the cumulative performance of the portfolio to the Reporting Date for a range of time periods starting at 3 months and increasing to 5 years. This table aims to inform you how investing in the portfolio for longer periods of time could impact the performance of your investment.

Holding Period:	3 Months	6 Months	1 Years	3 Years	5 Years
Evelyn Defensive Retail GBP Acc	1.3	1.2	3.6	8.8	21.0
UK CPI	0.3	1.3	2.3	16.1	25.2
ARC Sterling Cautious PCI	0.8	1.5	3.8	3.7	17.3

#### Calendar year returns

The chart below shows the portfolio's performance as a percentage loss or gain per calendar year since inception. This table aims to inform you how investment returns can fluctuate for each of the calendar years. If there is not a full year's performance the year is not shown on the chart.



The IFSL Tilney BestInvest Defensive Portfolio Retail Accumulation (the "Original Fund") was launched as a sub-fund of IFSL Tilney Bestinvest Multi Asset Portfolio and was merged on 20/09/2019 into the Evelyn Defensive Portfolio (then Tilney Defensive Portfolio), a newly created sub-fund of the Evelyn Partners Umbrella A ICAV (then Tilney Umbrella A ICAV). The performance history for the Retail GBP Accumulation share class which launched on 20/09/2019 includes the performance of the Retail GBP Accumulation Share class of the Original Fund for the period of 11/09/2008 to 20/09/2019 when it merged into the Fund.

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## Share classes of this Fund

This Factsheet provides the representative performance for the below share classes.

Class Name	ISIN	Initial Charge	Minimum Investment
Retail GBP Retail Accumulation	IE00BFY1LW29	0.00%	£1,000
Retail GBP Retail Distribution	IEOOBFY1LX36	0.00%	£1,000
Institutional GBP Accumulation	IEOOBFY1M410	0.00%	£50,000
Institutional GBP Distribution	IEOOBFY1M527	0.00%	£50,000

## **Key Risks. Continued**

Derivative counterparty risk: The Fund can use over the counter (OTC) derivatives, these are derivatives not traded openly on an exchange and instead are traded privately directly between a buyer and seller, who are referred to as counterparties. These derivatives are used to reduce the impact of holding investments in other currencies (hedging). There is a risk that, one of the counterparties will not be able to pay the money owed to the Fund in the course of carrying out an OTC derivatives trade. In this event your return could be reduced.

**Credit risk:** The Fund can invest directly in bonds, these carry the risk that the company, country or other entity issuing the bond will be unable to make the interest or any other payments it has committed to. This risk is higher for lower quality, non-investment grade and unrated bonds. However, these bonds typically provide a greater return than lower risk bonds.

**Emerging market risk:** The Fund can be exposed to emerging markets which Compared to more established economies, investments in emerging markets may be subject to greater volatility. Under certain market conditions assets may be difficult to sell.

Foreign-exchange risk: When investments are made in overseas securities, movements in exchange rates may have an effect on the value of that investment.

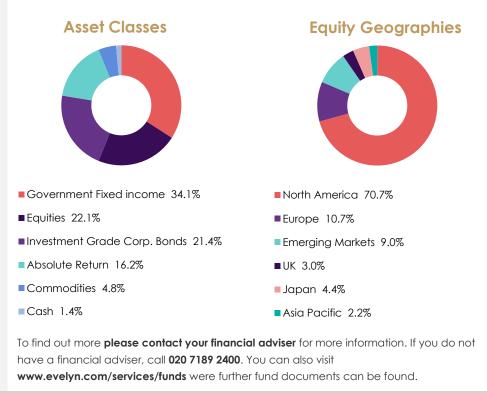
**Operational risk:** The Fund is exposed to the risk of bankruptcy of those that act on behalf of the Fund or hold assets on behalf of the Fund. Investors should also note that compensation under the UK Financial Services Compensation Scheme and the Irish Investor Compensation Scheme will also not be available in relation to the Fund.

# Top ten holdings

Holding	Weight
TSY INFL IX N-B 0.125% 15-04-26	9%
VONTOBEL TWENTYFOUR ABSOLUTE RET CRDT FD	8.2%
M&G UK INFLATION LINKED CORPORATE BD FD	7%
US TREASURY 3.875% 15-08-34	6.6%
graham macro ucits	6.3%
TSY INFL IX N-B 0.125% 15-01-32	6.3%
MI TWENTYFOUR AM DYNAMIC BOND FUND	6.2%
UKT 0.625% 31-07-35	6.1%
TSY INFL IX N-B 0.625% 15-07-32	6%
INVESCO PHYSICAL GOLD ETC	4.8%

### Asset allocation & geographic equity allocation

The charts below show the portfolio's split by asset class (left) and the equity exposure by geographical region (right). All holdings are as at the Reporting Date and rounded to nearest 0.1%.



### **Important Information**

You are required to read the Key Information Document (KID) before making an investment. The KID, prospectus and supplements for all funds are available in English free of charge at www.evelyn.com/services/funds/ or by calling 020 3131 6197. Summary of Investor Rights documentation in English can be found at www.waystone.com/waystone-policies/.

The Defensive Portfolio is a sub-fund of Evelyn Partners Umbrella A ICAV, an open-ended Irish collective asset management vehicle which is constituted as an umbrella fund with segregated liability between sub-funds, with variable capital and authorised by the Central Bank of Ireland as a retail investor alternative investment fund. The Evelyn Partners Umbrella A ICAV is administered by Citibank Europe plc. The Alternative Investment Fund Manager (AIFM) is Waystone Management Company (IE) Limited which is authorised in Ireland and regulated by the Central Bank of Ireland. The AIFM may decide to terminate the arrangements made for the marketing of the Fund.

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