# True Potential Close Brothers Balanced<sup>1</sup>

30 April 2025

#### **Fund objective**

The Fund aims to generate capital growth with some income.

# **April Update**

April was a volatile month, as the unveiling of Trump's tariffs triggered a major sell-off across risk assets during the first half of the month. In developed markets, US equities posted the steepest declines while Emerging Market shares outperformed, supported by a strong rally in Latin America. In fixed income, German Bunds outpaced their sovereign counterparts, with global credit and high-yield bonds also delivering modest gains overall. Elsewhere, gold rallied as investors sought safe-haven assets while crude oil tumbled on growth concerns.

The True Potential Close Brothers Balanced Fund delivered a broadly flat return of 0.01% (net of fees). The Fund's relative underexposure to equities versus its overall strategic asset allocation was supportive in a volatile month for the asset class. The Fund's growth tilt was also beneficial as growth stocks significantly outpaced their value counterparts. Additionally, selective additions to equities following a sell-off early in the month also proved beneficial; global shares bounced back and retraced most of their losses after President Trump announced a 90-day delay in implementation of reciprocal tariffs for most of the affected countries. Conversely, the Fund's US equity bias hindered relative performance. At the stock level, key contributors included USbased data and technology solutions company CACI International and British investment company 3i Group. Conversely, the Fund's holdings in payment solutions provider Fiserv and biotechnology firm Avantor detracted. In fixed income, the Fund's allocation to long-dated UK Gilts was advantageous. Increasing exposure to German Bunds during the month was also beneficial. Elsewhere, the Fund's allocation to gold provided a positive contribution. In

# Growth of £10,000 invested 5 years ago



- True Potential Close Brothers Balanced Acc\*
- Morningstar UK Moderate Target Allocation Index\*\*

### % Growth

	1 year	3 year	5 year	Since launch
True Potential Close Brothers Balanced Acc*	6.0%	12.2%	28.5%	52.7%
Morningstar UK Moderate Target Allocation Index**	5.8%	13.6%	28.4%	61.5%

### Annual % Growth

	Apr '20 Apr '21	Apr '21 Apr '22	Apr '22 Apr '23	Apr '23 Apr '24	Apr '24 Apr '25
True Potential Close Brothers Balanced Acc*	18.7%	-3.5%	-1.0%	7.0%	6.0%
Morningstar UK Moderate Target Allocation Index**	13.9%	-0.8%	-0.4%	7.8%	5.8%

\*Source: True Potential Administration LLP. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance.

\*\*Source: Morningstar Inc.

# What is the benchmark for this fund?

The benchmark for this fund is Morningstar UK Moderate Target Allocation. The benchmark may be used as a guide to compare and assess the performance of the Fund. This benchmark tracks the performance of an index that represents assets or securities with a similar risk profile to the Fund. Our aim is to help you monitor how your investment is performing. This benchmark reflects the multi-asset nature and relative risk profile of the Fund. The Fund does not use the benchmark as a target, nor is the Fund constrained by it. The mix of assets in the Fund may vary from those of the benchmark (and its constituents). Accordingly, it should be used for reference purposes only.

### Why invest in this fund?

• For investors looking to invest for the long term (5 years or more)

- Diversifies risk by investing in stocks and bonds.
- The balanced approach of the fund strives to provide both growth and income, while managing short-term losses through a diversified mix of assets that moderate risk.



# Key fund information

Accumulation shares: this type of share reinvests the income generated by its underlying assets (such as dividends or interest) back into the fund, rather than paying it out to shareholders as income.

**Income shares:** this type of share pays out the income generated by the fund's underlying assets (such as dividends or interest) directly to investors, rather than reinvesting it back into the fund.

Fund details	Accumulation shares	Income shares
ISIN	GB00BV9FR456	GB00BV9FR233
12 month yield*	1.34%	1.36%
Launch Date	16/03/2015	16/03/2015
Ongoing Charges Figure (OCF)**	0.67%	0.67%
Risk profile	Balanced	Balanced
Investment Manager	True Potential Investments	True Potential Investments
Sub-Investment Manager	Close Brothers Asset Management	Close Brothers Asset Management
Minimum Recommended holding period	5 years	5 years
Income payment frequency	Annual	Annual

\* The 12 month yield reflects distributions declared over the past 12 months, as a percentage of the latest share/unit price. Investors may be subject to tax on their distributions. Yield as at 30 Apr 2025. Source: True Potential Administration LLP.

\*\*OCF payable can fluctuate over time as the underlying investments are variable and can change. The OCF figure is sourced from the Key Investor Information Document (KIID) dated 19 May 2025 found at www.truepotential.co.uk/fund-documents.

### Who is this fund suitable for?

This fund is suitable for all investors under the advice of a professional adivser, or investing through the True Potential Portfolios. The minimum recommended holding period is 5 years. Please be aware there is no guarantee that the fund will meet its investment objectives. The Fund is available to those that do not need a capital guarantee and are aware that their capital is at risk. Clients who are unable to bear loss of capital should not invest in this Fund.

### What are the fees associated with investing in this fund?

The OCF of this fund is currently 0.67%. This means that if you invest £1000 in the fund, you can expect to pay £6.70 in fees over the course of a year. The fees you pay are pro-rata. If you hold the fund for less than a year you will only pay the proportional amount of fees applicable (based on the duration of your investment).

### Where is the money invested?

#### Asset breakdown

Asset class	% of total exposure***
<ul> <li>US Stocks</li> </ul>	26.50%
UK Stocks	14.86%
UK Gilts	12.38%
Europe ex UK Equity Stocks	11.86%
Global Treasury Bonds	8.54%
Global Corporate Bonds	6.91%
Gold	6.40%
UK Corporate Bond	4.41%
Global High Yield Bond (GBP Hedged)	3.51%
Cash and Cash Equivalents****	1.59%
Asia Pacific Stocks	1.13%
Alternatives	0.74%
Emerging Markets Stocks	0.68%
Property	0.50%

\*\*\*Source: True Potential Investments LLP

\*\*\*\*Cash and Cash Equivalents include bonds with a short time to maturity.

#### **Risks**

The following are some of the key risks associated with investing in this Fund. For a complete list of risks, please refer to the Fund's prospectus, available at www.truepotential.co.uk/fund-documents. Please be aware that there is no guarantee that capital will be preserved.

Risk type	Description
Performance Risk	Investment objectives express an intended result but there is no guarantee that such a result will be achieved. Depending on market conditions and the macro-economic environment, certain investment types and styles may perform better than others and investment objectives may become more difficult to achieve.
Counterparty Risk	There may be cases where the organisation from which we buy a derivative, or an asset, fails to meet its obligations. The Fund's cash deposits are also subject to counterparty risk.
Derivative Risk	The Fund is entitled to use derivatives. Derivatives may not achieve their intended purpose. Their prices may move up or down significantly over relatively short periods of time which may result in losses greater than the amount paid.
Operational Risk	The Fund faces non-market risk, relating to purchasing, holding and servicing the Fund's assets.
Credit Risk	Where the Fund invests in bonds, there is a risk the bond issuer may fail to meet its repayments. Changes in interest rates, inflation and the creditworthiness of the bond issuer may also affect the bond's market value. This risk is particularly relevant where the fund invests in bonds with a lower credit rating.
Exchange Rate Risk	The Fund may invest in securities not denominated in GBP. The value of your investments may be affected by changes in currency exchange rates.
Liquidity Risk	Certain market conditions could make sufficiently liquid assets difficult to sell quickly at a fair price. This could result in an unpredictable fall in the value, and overall liquidity of the Fund.

## To find out more

### Need assistance with reading documents?

Visit www.truepotential.co.uk/fund-documents Call 0191 500 8807 or 0800 740 8191 Email discover@tpllp.com

We can provide documents in various formats, including large print, audio, and fonts designed for readability. Please email FundAdministration@tpllp.com if you require an alternative format.

Fund Prospectus and Key Investor Information Document (KIID) are available from www.truepotential.co.uk/fund-documents or by email to FundAdministration@tpIIp.com.

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