## Monthly Fact Sheet as at 31 January 2025



### **Portfolio Managers**





Paul Morris Co-Portfolio Manager

The Fund delivered 1.4% last month, bringing the one year return to 10.4%. Despite underlying markets being more volatile last month, the Fund still delivered a solid gain, propelled by some good stock selection in the global funds. Market crosswinds are picking up, including AI competition from China and threats of broad tariffs from the Trump administration. These are complicating the outlook and increasing the risks, especially set against optimistic investors and expensive shares. We are navigating this set up by looking for less risky and/or cheaper investments.

Last month, stocks such as Meta (+17.7%) and Interactive Brokers (+23.1%) were strong US performers for the Fund. Investments outside the US outperformed last month, particularly the UK market which ended up 5.9%, as well as some outperformance from our stock picks, such as NatWest Group (+7.7%) and Bank of Ireland (+9.3%). On the other hand, NZ shares were a laggard after a strong December. Bond investments were solid in January, delivering a positive return from the yields we are receiving on the bonds we own.

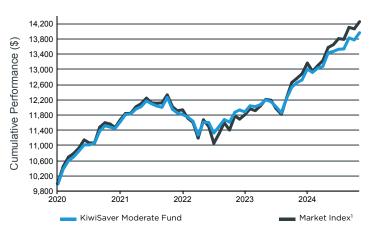
The Fund increased its bond exposure modestly in the month, recognising that bonds are now providing reasonable insurance against a slowing in growth or further equity volatility. Looking ahead, it is reasonable to expect ongoing volatility in shares as tariff risks wax and wane. Ultimately though, the backdrop remains one where reasonable returns can continue over the medium term.

To view Milford's January 2025 Market and Economic Review please see milfordasset.com/insights.

For previous fund reports see milfordasset.com/fund-reports.

#### **Cumulative Fund Performance**

(after fees and before tax)



Assumes the growth of \$10,000 invested at the Fund's inception date.

### **Key Fund Facts**

| Objective <sup>2</sup>                   | To provide moderate returns and capital growth over the minimum recommended investment timeframe                |  |  |  |  |  |
|--|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| Description                              | Diversified fund that primarily invests in fixed interest securities, with a significant allocation to equities |  |  |  |  |  |
| Minimum recommended investment timeframe |   | 4 years +  |  |  |  |  |
| Target Allocation                        |   | 60% Income Assets / 40% Growth Assets  |  |  |  |  |
| Neutral FX Exposure                      |   | 6.0%   |  |  |  |  |
| Net Asset Value (NAV)                    |   | \$207.5 M  |  |  |  |  |
| Buy-sell Spread                          |   | None - swing pricing applies (See PDS for details)                           |  |  |  |  |
| Inception Date                           |   | 27 March 2020  |  |  |  |  |
| Benchmark                                |   | Not applicable   |  |  |  |  |
| Base Fund Fee <sup>3</sup>               |   | 0.95%  |  |  |  |  |
| Performance Fee                          |   | The Fund may invest into related Milford funds that charge performance fees. |  |  |  |  |
| Total Fund Fee                           | 5 <sup>4</sup>  | 0.96% (includes an est. performance fee)                                     |  |  |  |  |
|  |   | Lower risk Higher risk   |  |  |  |  |
| Risk Indicator                           |   | 1 2 3 4 5 6 7  |  |  |  |  |
|  |   | Potentially lower returns Potentially higher returns                         |  |  |  |  |



#### Investment Performance after fees as at 31 January 2025<sup>5</sup>

Unit Price: \$1.388

Neutral

**Investment Mix** 

|   | 1 Month | 3 Months | 1 year | 3 years (p.a.) | 5 years (p.a.) | Since inception<br>(p.a.) |
|---|---------|----------|--------|----------------|----------------|---------------------------|
| Milford KiwiSaver Moderate Fund<br>(Gross Of Tax) | 1.37%   | 3.14%    | 10.35% | 5.32%          | -              | 7.12%                     |
| After Tax 10.50%                                  | 1.34%   | 3.04%    | 9.77%  | 4.96%          | -              | 6.79%                     |
| After Tax 17.50%                                  | 1.32%   | 2.97%    | 9.38%  | 4.72%          | -              | 6.57%                     |
| After Tax 28.00%                                  | 1.29%   | 2.88%    | 8.80%  | 4.36%          | -              | 6.23%                     |
| Market Index <sup>1</sup>                         | 1.33%   | 3.36%    | 11.62% | 5.85%          | -              | 7.57%                     |

## **Top Equity Holdings**

Holdings

NZGBI 2% 2025

6.048% 2034

| Holdings                       | % of Fund |
|--------------------------------|-----------|
| Microsoft                      | 1.36%     |
| Contact Energy                 | 1.36%     |
| Natwest                        | 1.01%     |
| Bank of America                | 1.01%     |
| Shell                          | 0.96%     |
| Spark                          | 0.93%     |
| Amazon                         | 0.83%     |
| CRH                            | 0.83%     |
| Infratil                       | 0.81%     |
| Coca-Cola Europacific Partners | 0.74%     |

# Investment Mix

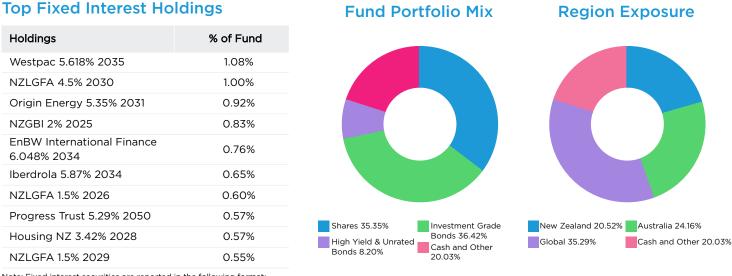
**Current Asset Allocation** 

| Effective Cash #             | 20.03% | 9%    |
|------------------------------|--------|-------|
| New Zealand Fixed Interest   | 13.22% | 15%   |
| International Fixed Interest | 31.40% | 36.0% |
| New Zealand Equities         | 4.68%  | 6%    |
| Australian Equities          | 7.09%  | 9%    |
| International Equities       | 19.71% | 19%   |
| Listed Property              | 3.87%  | 6%    |
| Other                        | 0.00%  | 0.0%  |
|                              |        |       |

Actual

# The actual cash held by the Fund is 13.13%. Effective Cash reported above is adjusted to reflect the Fund's notional positions (e.g. derivatives used to increase or reduce market exposure).

## **Fund Portfolio Mix**



Note: Fixed interest securities are reported in the following format: Issuer name, interest (coupon rate), maturity year.



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1. The Fund does not have a performance benchmark, hence a market index has been included for comparison purposes. See the Statement of Investment Policy and Objectives for more details on the market index. The market index is a blend of indices that represent the Fund's neutral asset allocation. Note the Fund's investment strategy is designed to achieve its objective, which may mean that at times, the returns of the market index may not be an appropriate measure. 2. After the Base Fund Fee but before tax and before the performance fee. 3. Where applicable, the Base Fund Fee includes an estimate of non-related underlying fund charges. 4. The Total Fund Fees comprise the Base Fund Fee and any estimated Performance Fee. Please refer to the Product Disclosure Statement for more information as to how these are calculated. 5. Please note past performance is not a guarantee of future returns.

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