

CFP Castlefield Portfolio Funds

Interim Report & Accounts

For the Period from 1 January 2020 to 30 June 2020

A UK Authorised Investment Company with Variable Capital

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Management & Administration

Registered Office and Directors

Effective from 6 July 2020 the Authorised Corporate Director ("ACD") and registered office of the CFP Castlefield Portfolio Funds ("the Company"):

ConBrio Fund Partners Limited (Formerly Castlefield Fund Partners Limited):

111 Piccadilly,

Manchester, M1 2HY

ConBrio Fund Partners Limited is authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority ("FCA") and is a member of The Investment Association ("IA").

Directors of the ACD

John Eckersley (Managing Partner)

Summayya (Head of Service Delivery - Resigned 28 February 2020)

Susan Cohen (Head of Finance - Resigned

28 February 2020)

Kathryn Holland (Head of Finance -

appointed 1 March 2020)

Andrew Knox (Non-Executive Director

Timothy Saunt (Non-Executive Director)

Richard (Partner - appointed Slattery-Vickers 14 August 2020)

Investment Adviser

Castlefield Investment Partners LLP

111 Piccadilly,

Manchester, M1 2HY

(Authorised and regulated by the FCA)

Depositary

Société Générale S.A. (London Branch)

One Bank Street, Canary Wharf, London, E14 4SG

(Authorised by the Prudential Regulation Authority ("PRA") and regulated by the FCA and PRA)

Auditor

Beever and Struthers

St George's House 215-219 Chester Road, Manchester, M15 4JE

Administrator

Société Générale Securities Services

One Bank Street, Canary Wharf, London, E14 4SG

Registrar

(From 6 July 2020)

SS&C Financial Services Europe Limited

St Nicholas Lane

Basildon, Essex, SS15 5FS

(Up to 5 July 2020)

Maitland Institutional Service Limited

Hamilton Centre, Rodney Way, Chelmsford, Essex, CMI 3BY

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Company Information

CFP Castlefield Portfolio Funds is an Investment Company with Variable Capital under regulation 12 of the Open-Ended Investment Company Regulations and incorporated in England and Wales under registered number IC001099 and authorised by the Financial Conduct Authority with effect from 23 November 2017. Shareholders are not liable for the debts of the Company. At the period end, the Company contained one sub-fund.

The Company is a UCITS scheme which complies with the Financial Conduct Authority Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook and is structured as an umbrella company so that different sub-funds may be established from time to time by the ACD with the approval of the Financial Conduct Authority and the agreement of the Depositary.

Report of the ACD to the Shareholders of the Company

The ACD, as sole director, presents its report and the unaudited financial statements of the Company for the period from 1 January 2020 to 30 June 2020.

The Investment Objectives and Policies of the sub-fund of the Company are covered in the section for the sub-fund. The names and addresses of the ACD, the Depositary, the Registrar, the Investment Adviser and the Auditor are detailed on page 2.

In the future there may be other sub-funds of the Company.

Where a sub-fund invests in other Collective Investment Schemes, the maximum annual management fee that may be charged to that Collective Investment Scheme is 5% of the net asset value of such a scheme, however, it is expected that the actual annual management fee will not exceed 2%.

Important Notes

On 6 July 2020 the name of the ACD of CFP Castlefield Portfolio Funds changed from Castlefield Fund Partners Limited to ConBrio Fund Partners Limited.

On 6 July 2020 the Castlefield Portfolio Funds was renamed to CFP Castlefield Portfolio Funds, and the sub-fund Castlefield B.E.S.T Sustainable Portfolio Fund was renamed to CFP Castlefield B.E.S.T Sustainable Portfolio Growth Fund.

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Sub-fund Cross-holdings

No sub-fund held shares in any other sub-fund within the Investment Company with Variable Capital during the period.

Directors' Statement

In accordance with the regulations, we hereby certify the report on behalf of the directors of ConBrio Fund Partners Limited.

John Eckersley

Director (of the ACD)

28 August 2020

Richard Slattery-Vickers

Director (of the ACD)

About the Investment Adviser

Castlefield Investment Partners LLP ("CIP") acts as the appointed Investment Adviser to the sub-fund as referred to within this document.

CIP is part of the Castlefield family of investment, advisory and operational businesses. CIP is authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority and is a member of the London Stock Exchange.

Fund Information

The Comparative Table on pages 6 to 7 give the performance of each active share class in the subfund.

The 'return after operating charges' disclosed in the Comparative Tables is calculated as the return after operating charges per share divided by the opening net asset value per share. It differs from the sub-fund's performance disclosed in the Manager's report which is calculated based on the latest published price.

Portfolio transaction costs are incurred when investments are bought or sold by a sub-fund in order to achieve the investment objective. These transaction costs affect an investor in different ways depending on whether they are joining, leaving or continuing with their investment in the sub-fund.

In addition, there are indirect portfolio transaction costs arising from the 'dealing spread' – the difference between the buying and selling prices of underlying investments in portfolio. Unlike shares whereby broker commissions and stamp duty are paid by the fund on each transaction, other types of investments (such as collective investment schemes, bonds, money instruments, derivatives) do not have separately identifiable transaction costs; these costs form part of the dealing spread.

Comparative Table

For the financial period ended 30 June 2020

Dealing spreads vary considerably depending on the transaction value and money market sentiment.

Founder Income Share

	30/06/2020 (pence per share)	31/12/2019 (pence per share)
Change in net assets value per share		
Opening net asset value per share	107.73	93.58
Return before operating charges*	(3.48)	18.02
Operating charges*	(1.27)	(1.44)
Return after operating charges*	(4.75)	16.58
Distributions on income shares	(0.94)	(2.43)
Closing net asset value per share	102.04	107.73
After transaction costs	0.00	0.08
Performance		
Total return after operating charges	(4.41)%	17.72%
Other information		
Closing net asset value (£'000)	21,228	23,145
Closing number of shares	20,803,133	21,483,902
Operating charges*	1.25%	1.36%
Direct transaction costs**	0.00%	0.09%
Prices		
Highest share price	110.31	109.12
Lowest share price	85.90	93.84

General Income Share

	30/06/2020 (pence per share)	31/12/2019 (pence per share)
Change in net assets value per share		
Opening net asset value per share	107.07	93.29
Return before operating charges*	(3.27)	18.03
Operating charges*	(1.58)	(1.76)
Return after operating charges	(4.85)	16.27
Distributions on income shares	(0.97)	(2.49)
Closing net asset value per share	101.25	107.07
After transaction costs	0.00	0.09
Performance		
Total return after operating charges	(4.53)%	17.44%
Other information		
Closing net asset value (£000)	12,386	7,635
Closing number of shares	12,232,140	7,130,745
Operating charges*	1.57%	1.67%
Direct transaction costs**	0.00%	0.09%
Prices		
Highest share price	109.59	108.47
Lowest share price	85.32	93.55

^{*} Operating charges, otherwise known as the Ongoing Charges Figure (OCF) is the ratio of the sub-fund's total disclosable costs (excluding overdraft interest) to the average net assets of the sub-fund. The OCF is intended to provide a reliable figure which gives the most accurate measure of what it costs to invest in a sub-fund and is calculated based on the last period's figures.

^{**} Direct transaction costs are stated after deducting the proportion of the amounts collected from dilution adjustments or dilution levies that relate to direct transaction costs. A negative transaction costs figure might arise where there is a timing difference between inflows and the settlement of the resultant purchases.

Risk and Reward Indicator (RRI)

The Risk and Reward Indicator demonstrates where the sub-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, may change over time and may not be a reliable indication of the future risk profile of the sub-fund.



The sub-fund is ranked as a 4 reflecting observed historical returns and the mixed asset allocation.

Please note that even the lowest ranking does not mean a risk-free investment.

As there is less than five years of available data for this sub-fund, for illustrative purposes the risk/reward profiles of the targeted investments have been used to calculate the risk/reward profile.

Investment Objective and Policy

The investment objective of the sub-fund is to achieve growth in capital and income over the long term. Long term means over a minimum investment horizon of five years.

The sub-fund will invest mainly in collective investment schemes with exposure to both UK and non-UK equities and fixed income securities. The sub-fund may also invest in transferable securities (both quoted and unquoted), money market instruments, deposits, warrants. cash and near cash.

In seeking to achieve the stated investment objective, the investment adviser uses a responsible investment research process to identify the universe of securities from which the sub-fund may invest.

The four criteria that need to be evidenced by each investment are reflected in the name of the sub-fund where "B.E.S.T" indicates Business & financial, Environmental & ecological, Social and Transparency & governance, however equal weighting may not be given to each element of these criteria when screening potential investments.

The Investment Adviser then supplements this research process by selecting only those investments which, by their nature, are considered to be sustainable in order to meet the investment objective. Sustainable activities are considered to be those necessary to ensure the long term continuity of an activity, system, society or enterprise. Further information on the "B.E.S.T" criteria and the sustainability element may be obtained from the investment adviser upon request.

The sub-fund may invest in shares or units of collective investment schemes which are managed or operated by the ACD or an associate of the ACD. When investing in collective investment schemes, some of the underlying investments of that collective investment scheme may not meet all four elements of the "B.E.S.T" criteria.

The sub-fund may also use derivatives and forward transactions for investment purposes or efficient portfolio management (including hedging). The use of derivatives for these purposes is expected to be limited however it may affect the volatility and risk profile of the Fund although this is not the ACD's intention.

Performance

During the period, the sub-fund returned -4.83% (General Income Shares) against its peer group IA Mixed Investments 40%-85% Equities sector, which returned -4.29%.

Investment Review

To begin with, there has been a notable event in early July since the period under review ended; we have launched our CFP Castlefield B.E.S.T Sustainable Portfolio Income Fund, which will operate under a similar premise as a primarily fund-of-funds strategy except with a main objective of focusing on income generation. At the same time, we have renamed the original fund as the CFP Castlefield B.E.S.T Sustainable Portfolio Growth Fund in order to emphasise a primary focus on achieving capital growth. From this point, we anticipate the yield on this fund to dilute naturally as new investments are biased towards potential capital appreciation rather than a balance of capital and income.

Turning to events in markets, the first calendar quarter turned out to be a chastening one for investors given the havoc wreaked by the COVID-19 pandemic. With an economic recession inevitable, markets quickly priced in this expectation with global equities falling sharply in March and a sense of panic spreading as the month wore on. Government bonds rose in price as central banks issued emergency interest rate cuts and restarted quantitative easing, while corporate bonds held up better than equities. There were suggestions of forced liquidations of portfolios given some of the moves observed, which bore little relation to fundamental reality. As one example, renewable energy infrastructure funds (some of which the sub-fund is invested in) swung from a meaningful premium to Net Asset Value ("NAV") to a substantial discount, regardless of the propensity of the sun still to shine and the wind still to blow. The old adage of people selling what they can, not what they ought to, was ringing true once again.

Amid the March maelstrom, governments and Central Banks threw increasingly large stabilisation measures at the situation, recognising the quite extraordinary times in which we were and are living in.

Sparked by the injections of liquidity in the U.S. from the Federal Reserve ("the Fed"), sentiment began to recover and in turn, it was an excellent second quarter for global equities as markets rallied strongly from the lows seen in March. While current economic conditions remain extremely difficult, investors were encouraged by tentative signs of stabilisation and accommodative monetary and fiscal policy. The Fed flooded credit markets with liquidity, helping to drive down borrowing costs and enable distressed firms to raise fresh financing. These actions were supportive of fixed income investments as yields fell and prices rose. The Bank of England held interest rates at 0.1% and increased the size of its quantitative easing ("QE") programme by a further £100bn. The European Central Bank also continued its QE programme while the European Union held talks over a €750bn economic recovery plan (a version of which has been agreed subsequent to the period-end).

Economic data began to improve with the U.S. unemployment rate falling from 14.7% in April to 11.1% in June. However, this fragile recovery could be derailed by a resurgence of infections in many of the U.S. states that were the quickest to ease their lockdowns and restart economic activity, and the reality is that significant numbers of permanent job losses will be a result of the current situation.

During the first quarter we sold one equity and added two new fixed income holdings within the sub-fund. The equity exited was Hammerson, the retail-focused Real Estate Investment Trust. Originally attracted by its sustainability credentials, it was a small holding in the sub-fund where we had been monitoring closely its attempts to dispose of properties and reduce debt. With COVID-19 worsening the trading environment, we decided to cut our losses and exit the holding.

The first of the fixed income additions was a bond issued by Bruntwood, a commercial property developer and landlord with more than £1bn in assets under ownership across more than 100 properties and well-developed ESG credentials for a private company. The second was a new retail charity bond that was issued by Alnwick Garden Trust to fund development plans. The Trust was first established in 2001 and has rapidly become one of the North-East's top tourist attractions. It has identified a final phase of development that should support year-round opening, increase revenue and so help support the charitable causes of the Trust. These include support for the elderly and isolated, initiatives to fight endemic joblessness in the North East, and drug awareness and education for young people.

In more general terms, the sub-fund's asset allocation has been relatively stable. It has continued to grow and the stream of inflows has allowed us to flex the deployment of cash in sync with the market backdrop; in this period, that meant allowing cash to run a little higher than usual as markets collapsed before then whittling it down again as the situation stabilised. Likewise, our stock weightings have remained stable, with one strategic tilt being the natural dilution of the weighting to our CFP Castlefield B.E.S.T Sustainable Income Fund in favour of greater exposure to our CFP Castlefield B.E.S.T Sustainable UK Smaller Companies Fund. This is intended to provide some incremental capital growth from the mix of our UK equity exposure.

Finally, we are pleased to announce the introduction of a 'Portfolio Funds Quarterly', report, beginning with Q2 2020, which will offer investors in our two funds regular updates on fund performance, market commentary, information on our stewardship and engagement activities here at Castlefield, along with insights into the holdings within the funds.

Outlook

At every stage, there are reasons for caution in stock markets – not for nothing is it called 'climbing a wall of worry'. Such traditional worries seem rather mundane when set against the 2020 backdrop of the coronavirus pandemic and the huge challenge posed to ordinary economic activity, which we hope will be something never seen again in our lifetimes. From here, the range of economic outcomes remains wide; the need for increased governmental support around the globe probable rather than possible. Stabilisation is giving way to stimulus even while we ponder what a second wave of the virus might look like as opposed to the continued impact of the first wave.

What does it mean for the investment future? Risks abound, while the liquidity provided to financial markets has eased some stresses even if it can do little to counter the anticipated surge in unemployment. The key is that the current pandemic crisis will pass and there will be many companies who emerge intact or even stronger; identifying the funds who invest in such companies alongside direct investments offering a path to a sustainable future is the key for us. We can foresee markets in general weakening again as the reality of the economic dent is slowly priced in, yet equally we can see where long-term success stories will continue to be rewarded for their prospects.

Castlefield Investment Partners LLP

1 August 2020

Top Ten Purchases and Total Sales during the Period

Purchases	Costs £'000	Sales	Proceeds £'000
CFP Castlefield B.E.S.T Sustainable UK Opportunities Fund	1,615	Hammerson REIT	78
CFP Castlefield B.E.S.T Sustainable UK Smaller Companies Fund	490	-	-
Retail Charity Bonds 5% 23/03/2030	347	-	-
CFP Castlefield B.E.S.T Sustainable European Fund	320	-	-
CFP Castlefield Real Return Fund	280	-	-
Stewart Investors Worldwide Sustainability Fund	185	-	-
Gresham House Energy Storage Fund Plc	134	-	-
Bruntwood Bond 2 Plc 6 % 25/02/2025	109	-	-
Gore Street Energy Storage Fund Plc	100	-	-
Retail Charity Bonds 4% 31/10/2027	11		
Total purchases during the period were	3,648	Total sales during the period were	78

Portfolio of Investments

As at 30 June 2020

Holding	Investment	Market Value £'000	Total Value of Sub-fund %
	EQUITIES 0.88% (1.35%)		
920,696*	Capital for Colleagues Plc	295	0.88
		295	0.88
	DEBT SECURITIES 7.23% (6.46%)		
108,500	Bruntwood Bond 2 Plc 6 % 25/02/2025	97	0.29
298,000	Places for People Finance 4.25% 15/12/2023	293	0.87
198,500	Retail Charity Bonds 4% 31/10/2027	202	0.60
130,800	Retail Charity Bonds 4.25% 06/07/2026	131	0.39
275,300	Retail Charity Bonds 4.25% 30/03/2026	263	0.78
299,900	Retail Charity Bonds 4.375% 29/07/2021	310	0.92
252,000	Retail Charity Bonds 4.4% 30/04/2025	249	0.74
391,400	Retail Charity Bonds 4.5% 20/06/2026	379	1.13
137,800	Retail Charity Bonds 5% 12/04/2026	158	0.47
345,000	Retail Charity Bonds 5% 23/03/2030	349	1.04
		2,431	7.23
	INVESTMENT TRUSTS 6.98% (7.22%)		
295,677	GCP Infrastructure Investments Ltd FCP	332	0.99
244,712	Gore Street Energy Storage Fund Plc	237	0.71
381,796	Greencoat Renewables Plc	411	1.22
266,961	Greencoat UK Wind Plc	383	1.14
436,473	Gresham House Energy Storage Fund Plc	471	1.40
70,765	Menhaden Plc	58	0.17
190,657	NextEnergy Solar Fund Ltd FCP	204	0.61
196,541	The Renewables Infrastructure Group Ltd	248	0.74
		2,344	6.98
	COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES 79.39% (80.86%)		
6,567,500	CFP Castlefield B.E.S.T Sustainable Income Fund	4,319	12.84
891,034	CFP Castlefield B.E.S.T Sustainable UK Opportunities Fund	3,273	9.74
475,018	CFP Castlefield B.E.S.T Sustainable UK Smaller Companies Fund	2,486	7.40
2,336,819	CFP Castlefield B.E.S.T Sustainable European Fund	2,550	7.59
733,727	CFP Castlefield Real Return Fund	1,678	4.99
840,354	EdenTree Amity Sterling Bond Fund	971	2.89
74,919	First State Sustainable Listed Infrastructure Fund	822	2.45

Portfolio of Investments

As at 30 June 2020

Holding	Investment	Market Value £'000	Total Value of Sub-fund %
	COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES 79.39% (80.86%)		
1,171,270	FP WHEB Sustainability Fund	2,094	6.23
191,910	Liontrust Sustainable Future Global Growth Fund	436	1.30
1,554,321	Rathbone Ethical Bond Fund	1,571	4.67
910,097	Royal London Ethical Bond Fund	1,074	3.20
440,371	Sarasin Food & Agriculture Opportunities Fund	777	2.31
622,104	Sarasin Responsible Global Equity fund	1,352	4.02
1,490,274	Stewart Investors Worldwide Sustainability Fund	3,286	9.76
		26,689	79.39
	REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUST 2.52% (3.35%)		
289,867	Primary Health Properties Plc	453	1.35
401,804	Triple Point Social Housing REIT Plc	392	1.17
		845	2.52
	Total value of Investments	32,604	97.00
	Net other assets	1,010	3.00
	Total net assets	33,614	100.00

Securities are admitted to an official stock exchange listing or traded on another regulated market unless otherwise stated.

*Quoted on AQSE Growth Market

Statement of Total Return

For the period ended 30 June 2020

	30/06/		30/06/2020 30		019
	Notes	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Income					
Net capital (losses)/gains			(1,520)		1,845
Revenue		305		218	
Expenses		(69)	_	(46)	
Net revenue before taxation		236		172	
Taxation		(13)	_	(8)	
Net revenue after taxation		_	223		164
Total return before distributions			(1,297)		2,009
Distributions		_	(292)		(210)
Change in net assets attributable to shareholders from investment activities			(1,589)		1,799

Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Shareholders

For the period ended 30 June 2020

	30/06/2020		30/06/2019	
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Opening net assets attributable to Shareholders		30,779*		16,472
Amounts received on creation of shares	6,086		5,387	
Amounts paid on cancellation of shares	(1,662)		(632)	
		4,424		4,755
Dilution levy		-		2
Change in net assets attributable to shareholders' from investment activities	_	(1,589)	_	1,799
Closing net assets attributable to shareholders		33,614		23,028

^{*} The net assets for the current period do not equal the closing net assets for the comparative period as they are not consective periods

Balance Sheet

	30/06/2020	30/12/2019
	£'000	£'000
Assets		
Investment assets	32,604	30,544
Debtors	288	92
Cash and bank balances	1,127	363
Total assets	34,019	30,999
Liabilities		
Creditors	273	89
Distribution payable on income shares	132	131
Total liabilities	405	220
Net assets attributable to shareholders	33,614	30,779

Summary of Material Portfolio Changes

	30/06/2020	30/12/2019	
	£'000	£'000	
Total purchases in period	3,648	13,619	
Total sales in period	78	2,452	

On behalf of ConBrio Fund Partners Limited

John Eckersley

Director (of the ACD)

28 August 2020

Richard Slattery-Vickers

Director (of the ACD)

Notes to the Financial Statements

For the period ended 30 June 2020

1. Accounting Policies

The interim financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. as modified by the revaluation of investments and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice "Financial Statements of Authorised Funds", issued by The Investment Association in May 2014, the Financial Conduct Authority's Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook and the Instrument of Incorporation.

Distribution Tables

First Interim dividend distribution in pence per share

Group 1 Shares purchased prior to 1 January 2020

Group 2 Shares purchased between 1 January 2020 to 31 March 2020

Founder Income Share

			Distribution Paid	Distribution Paid
	Net Income	Equalisation	31/05/20	31/05/19
Group 1	0.5470	-	0.5470	0.5333
Group 2	0.1142	0.4328	0.5470	0.5333

General Income Share

			Distribution Paid	Distribution Paid
	Net Income	Equalisation	31/05/20	31/05/19
Group 1	0.5605	-	0.5605	0.5464
Group 2	0.1717	0.3888	0.5605	0.5464

Second Interim dividend distribution in pence per share

Group 1 Shares purchased prior to 1 April 2020

Group 2 Shares purchased between 1 April 2020 to 31 May 2020

Founder Income Share

			Distribution Paid	Distribution Paid
	Net Income	Equalisation	31/08/20	31/08/19
Group 1	0.3946	-	0.3946	0.5419
Group 2	0.1954	0.1992	0.3946	0.5419

General Income Share

			Distribution Paid	Distribution Paid
	Net Income	Equalisation	31/08/20	31/08/19
Group 1	0.4067	-	0.4067	0.5581
Group 2	0.2713	0.1354	0.4067	0.5581



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