# Ruffer Fixed Income

## Positive returns from fixed income

Over the course of the quarter, the fund's C capitalisation shares rose 0.2% from 128.50p to 128.74p. The US Treasury ten-year bond yield rose from 3.00% to 3.83%.

Another hugely volatile quarter for bond markets. While there were some global factors there were also idiosyncrasies in the various markets.

Starting with the USA. At the start of the quarter ten year nominal rates continued their fall from just below 3.5% on 14 June, the move lower in rates lasted the whole of July, bottoming at 2.56%. Fuelling the move were mildly weaker inflation prints and an interpretation of messages from the Federal Reserve that the pace of rate hikes might slow.

The employment data at the start of August kicked off a reversal of that trend. The inflation data published in August and Jerome Powell's, Chair of the Federal Reserve, speech at the Jackson Hole conference at the end of the month confirmed that interest rates were likely to have to be higher and for longer than the market had been expecting. Interest rates rose, with those at the front end of the curve rising more than those at the longer end. That move continued through September.

We now believe that long-dated US rates, thirty year real and nominal rates have reached a level where they offer some value with real yields above 1.5% and nominal rates having room to fall if there is a flight to safety. We switched out of short dated US inflation linked bonds into longer dated nominal and inflation linked bonds at the end of the quarter. We also increased our net US dollar exposure.

While most of the rest of the world has been tightening monetary policy Japan has been resolutely continuing with its Yield Curve Control (YCC) policy. That was beneficial for our holding in Japanese inflation linked bonds. But we became worried that as and when the Bank of Japan changes policy the bonds are at risk of losing capital value. So during the quarter we sold our Japanese inflation linked bonds to buy short term nominal bonds.

Globally bond market liquidity has been poor and nowhere was that more demonstrated than in the UK in the last week of the quarter. Authorities around the world are paying attention.

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## Investment objective

The investment objective of Ruffer Fixed Income is to achieve positive returns from an actively managed portfolio of predominantly fixed-income securities, variable-income securities and related instruments issued by governments and other entities, without geographical restriction.

## Performance since launch on 13 August 2013 – C class shares GBP

Past performance does not predict future returns



| C capitalisation shares         | Performance % |  |  |
|---------------------------------|---------------|--|--|
| Q3                              | 0.2           |  |  |
| Year to date                    | 1.6           |  |  |
| 1 year                          | 1.0           |  |  |
| 3 years                         | 11.5          |  |  |
| 5 years                         | 15.0          |  |  |
| Since inception to 31 August 22 | 31.3          |  |  |

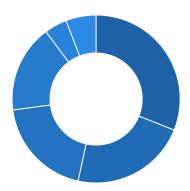
| Share price as at 30 September 2022 | р      |  |
|-------------------------------------|--------|--|
| C capitalisation                    | 128.74 |  |
| C distribution                      | 128.75 |  |
| Z capitalisation                    | 142.96 |  |
| Z distribution                      | 136.18 |  |

| 12 month performance to September % | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 |
|-------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|
| C capitalisation shares             | 4.3  | -1.0 | 12.2 | -1.7 | 1.0  |

Source: Ruffer LLP

## Ruffer Fixed Income as at 30 Sep 2022

#### Portfolio structure



| Asset allocation                        | %    |
|---|------|
| UK index-linked gilts                   | 31.1 |
| Australia government bonds              | 22.4 |
| US long-dated Government bonds          | 19.4 |
| Japan short-dated Government bonds      | 16.9 |
| US inflation-linked bonds (15-30 years) | 4.3  |
| cash and unrealised FX                  | 5.9  |

## 5 largest 15 bond holdings

| Stock  | % of fund |
|--|-----------|
| UK Treasury Index-linked 2.5% 2024                   | 21.9      |
| US Treasury 3.0% 2052                                | 11.7      |
| UK Treasury Index-linked 0.125% 2024                 | 9.2       |
| Australian Govt Bonds 5.5% 2023                      | 8.6       |
| US Treasury 2.875% 2052                              | 5.9       |
| Source: Ruffer LLP. Pie chart totals may not equal 1 | 00 due to |

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## Fund size £475.4m

#### Fund information

| Ongoing (  | Charges Figure %   |          | Сар                    | Dis                  |
|------------|--|----------|------------------------|----------------------|
| C class GE | 3P   |          | 1.27                   | 1.27                 |
| Z class GB | P  |          | 0.12                   | 0.12                 |
| %          | C  | class    | C class                | Z class              |
| Max annua  | al management charge   | 1.5      | 1.2                    | 0.0                  |
| Maximum    | initial charge   | 5.0      | 5.0                    | 7.5                  |
| Minimum i  | investment £   | 1,000    | 10m                    | 30m                  |
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| Structure  | Sub-fund of Ruffe  |          | V, a Luxe<br>ed UCIT   |                      |
| Investmen  | t manager  |          | Ru                     | ıffer LLP            |
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| Auditors   |  | Er       | nst & You              | ung S.A.             |

## **Fund Manager**

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## Ruffer LLP

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