

Quarterly Investment Bulletin

Q4 2025

Foresters Stakeholder (Schroders) Sustainable Future Managed Fund

Fund objective

The fund aims to achieve medium to long-term growth by investing in a diversified range of assets and markets worldwide, with a medium-low risk profile. It invests at least 70% in companies and countries that are either:

low carbon investments – companies or countries that are operating at a greenhouse gas (GHG) intensity below the level required to meet net zero GHG emissions by 2050 (net zero), based on their most recently reported or estimated emissions. This portion of the Fund is aligned with the "Sustainability Focus" label requirements;

or decarbonising investments – companies or countries that have the potential to reduce their GHG intensity below the level required to meet net zero, based on the targets those issuers have publicly committed to and/or evidence of previous emissions reductions. This portion of the Fund is aligned with the "Sustainability Improvers" label requirements.

Foresters Stakeholder (Schroders) Sustainable Future Managed 1 Fund

Fund Size: £112.1m*

Launch Date: July 2023

Growth to 31 st December 2025 (Net of charges)					
	Q4	1yr	3yrs	5yrs	10yrs
1	3.2%	11.3%	n/a	n/a	n/a
1A	3.3%	11.9%	n/a	n/a	n/a

Foresters Stakeholder (Schroders) Sustainable Future Managed 2 Fund

Fund Size: £2.9m*

Launch Date: July/September 2023

Growth to 31 st December 2025 (Net of charges)					
	Q4	1yr	3yrs	5yrs	10yrs
2	2.5%	8.7%	n/a	n/a	n/a
2A	2.6%	9.4%	n/a	n/a	n/a

Fund yearly performance

The table below shows the annual growth rate over the past 5 years.

Change in price of units over one year periods to end of December (Net of charges)

Period	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021
Stakeholder (Schroders) Sustainable Managed 1 Fund	11.3%	5.2%	n/a	n/a	n/a
Stakeholder (Schroders) Sustainable Managed 1A Fund	11.9%	5.7%	n/a	n/a	n/a
Stakeholder (Schroders) Sustainable Managed 2 Fund	8.7%	3.9%	n/a	n/a	n/a
Stakeholder (Schroders) Sustainable Managed 2A Fund	9.4%	4.3%	n/a	n/a	n/a

Cumulative Performance

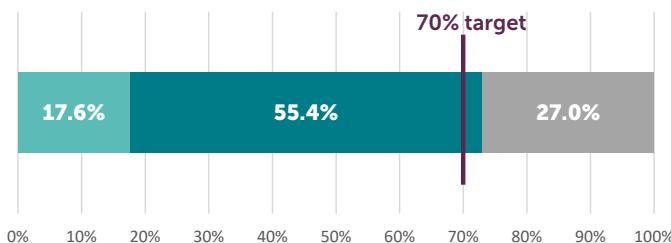
This shows the growth in unit prices of the Funds. Please refer to the important note below.



Important Note: Please remember that, with a unit-linked investment, the value of your investment may go down as well as up, and that past performance should not be seen as an indication of future performance.

* Fund sizes include the 1A and 2A funds.

Sustainable Performance



The fund aims to invest sustainably but may invest in other assets like cash to help manage risk. It won't invest in companies or sectors that conflict with the fund's sustainability goals.

Asset allocation (% of fund)

The chart below shows the latest mix of investments held within our Funds, highlighting a risk-controlled balanced approach.



47.2% - Shares
29.1% - Other Fixed Income
13.3% - Cash
6.4% - Alternatives
4.0% - Government Bonds

Top 5 global share holdings (% of shares by region)

Of the listed shares that we currently hold, our top 5 regional holdings are as follows:

Countries/Regions		% of Shares
1	North America Equities	56.1%
2	Emerging Markets Equities	15.1%
3	Europe ex-UK Equities	15.0%
4	Japan Equities	5.5%
5	UK Equities	5.0%

Schroders Quarterly Review

Market/ Economic Review

- Global shares delivered positive returns over the fourth quarter, supported by easing inflationary pressures, changes in interest rate expectations, and continued investor risk appetite.
- US equities rose, although volatility increased towards year-end. Early gains were driven by optimism regarding potential interest rate cuts and resilient corporate earnings. Concerns the technology sector had become too expensive led to switching into other overseas equity markets. The US central bank lowered interest rates during the quarter, with expectations that interest rates could be cut further in 2026.
- Across Europe, equity markets posted positive gains, driven by strong activity in the services sector. This was despite weak manufacturing activity - particularly in Germany.
- In the UK, equity markets delivered positive returns. Commodity-linked sectors performed well, due to strong performance in the materials sector, while companies in the financial sector also contributed to gains. As inflation began to ease, investors anticipated that interest rate cuts may be on their way soon, and this expectation led to share prices rising.
- Emerging market shares broadly matched or outperformed developed markets during the quarter. Performance was supported by technology-oriented markets in Asia, particularly South Korea and Taiwan, while returns from China were comparatively weaker.
- Government bond markets recorded mixed outcomes, as concerns about government spending and changes to central bank policies affected interest rates. UK government bonds outperformed as the November budget was well received by markets and the Bank of England cut interest rates in December. In the US, returns were more muted. Short-term government bond yields fell (yields move inversely to prices) as investors anticipated that the central bank would lower rates, but longer maturity yields rose. Higher quality investment grade corporate bonds and High Yield bonds both outperformed government bonds, supported by stable corporate fundamentals and a constructive growth outlook.
- Commodity markets posted mixed returns. Precious metals performed strongly, supported by central bank demand and safe-haven flows. Industrial metals benefited from a combination of supply constraints and strong demand. Oil prices weakened over the quarter amid global oversupply and demand uncertainty.

Outlook

The US government continues to support the economy (mainly through tax cuts and business incentives), and interest rates are coming down at a time when unemployment remains low. We are monitoring the US jobs market closely for signs of weakness; however, for now, the "low firing / low hiring" equilibrium persists, and we continue to see a low risk of recession in the US. As a result, we have retained our positive outlook on equities. With regard to government bonds, we have maintained our negative view, as we believe US bond markets continue to offer little value. We therefore expect bond yields to gradually climb higher as the market adjusts its expectations for fewer rate cuts.

Schroders

Schroders is a global investment manager with broad expertise across international public and private investment markets. With over 200 years of expertise and a presence in 38 locations around the world, they use their professional expertise to make active investment choices to help customers achieve their long-term financial goals. Schroders' global assets under management were £816.7 billion at 30th September 2025.