# AIM Portfolio Service

# GBIM — GORE BROWNE — INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT

#### **QUARTERLY FACTSHEET**

all data as at the 30th June 2019

# Portfolio Objective

To achieve capital growth over the medium to long term from a portfolio of AIM-listed companies which we reasonably believe qualify for Business Relief.

# **Manager Commentary**

In the quarter, the portfolio rose 15.18%, against the benchmark which rose by 0.20%.

In April, Strix, the kettle control global market leader, was introduced using the proceeds from the Tax Systems takeover in the previous quarter. Cash takeover offers were made for SCISYS and Premier Technical Services Group. We expect these deals to complete during the course of the coming quarter, as the deals are endorsed by both sets of management teams who also own substantive stakes in the businesses.

SCISYS and Premier Technical Services are being bought by CGI and Macquarie respectively, who spotted the valuation differential that exists in these companies with market capitalisations below £150m. We can often benefit from this illiquidity discount by virtue of our AIM Portfolio Service being smaller than some of our well-known peers.

Gooch & Housego and Cerillion announced disappointing trading updates. Gooch & Housego has been impacted by the combination of the US/China trade war and a slowdown in orders from the semi-conductor industry to whom it supplies lasers for manufacturing equipment. We are comfortable retaining our position. Cerillion's interim results did not meet expectations, exposing a lack of trading visibility.

We reduced our holding in Cerillion and used the proceeds to increase our holding in Accesso Technology.

Over the course of the next quarter, we will be conducting due diligence on a number of companies as we replace SCISYS and Premier Technical Services, which combined constitute 14% of the portfolio.

# Representative Performance Since Launch (%)



28/11/2013 - 28/06/2019 Powered by data from FE

# Representative Cumulative Performance (%)

	6 Mths	1 Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs	Launch
Portfolio	19.65	-3.18	80.43	121.85	104.78
Benchmark*	6.51	-13.66	43.84	39.95	17.04
Relative Performance	13.14	10.48	36.59	81.90	87.74

# **Investment Managers**



Joseph Cornwall Investment Manager Joseph has been managing the Service since 2015, analysing and meeting leadership teams of AIM companies. Joe is a Chartered Member of the CISI.



Tom Hewitt Director Tom joined in 2017. Previously he spent 14 years at Lloyds Bank lending to small and medium sized businesses. Tom is a Chartered Member of the CISI.



Bertie Gore Browne Investment Director Bertie is a co-founder of Gore Browne Investment Management and has been managing private client and charity portfolios since 1987. Bertie is a Fellow of the CISI.

# **Key Details**

Benchmark Cboe UK Alternative 100\*
Launch date 28 November 2013

 TER
 2.09%

 Holdings
 21

 Historic yield
 1.72%

Note that each client's portfolio is treated separately. Whilst stocks held are likely to be similar across client portfolios, weightings or levels of cash held within each account will vary. This is an actual portfolio which is the most representative example and provides the most accurate representation of GBIM's AIM Portfolio Service.

## Portfolio Benefits

- All investments in the Service we reasonably believe should qualify for business relief and be exempt from IHT (Inheritance Tax), if they are held for two years and at the time of death.
- J The Portfolio Service allows access to smaller and often under researched companies, with potential for strong capital growth.
- Our Portfolio Service has made a benchmark-beating return since inception.

# **Key Risks**

- Investors' capital is at risk and they may not get back the full amount that they invest.
- We cannot guarantee that every investment will qualify for Business Relief.
- Most of the investments in this portfolio are in smaller companies' shares. They may be more difficult to buy and sell and their share price may fluctuate more than that of larger companies.

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# AIM PORTFOLIO SERVICE

**QUARTERLY FACTSHEET** 



#### Representative Sector Allocation (%) Example of Holdings Software & IT 45.1 Support Services 29.0 GBGr@up **Electrical Equipment** 7.9 cerillion CASTLETON Real Estate 5.6 **Industrial Engineering** 3.6 ideagen Gooch & Housego Beverages 3.1 Travel & Leisure 2.2 **FULCRUM** Utilities 2.1 Cash 1.4

#### Glossary

#### AIM – Alternative Investment Market:

Most securities listed on the AIM market qualify for Business Relief. Securities listed on AIM are generally smaller companies and are therefore higher risk.

#### **Business Relief:**

If you own a private business it would qualify for Business Relief, similar to receiving Agricultural Relief on a farm. As such the value of that business would be outside of your estate for Inheritance Tax calculations. Inheritance Tax is currently levied at 40% over and above any applicable allowances at the time of death. You can therefore invest in a number of AIM-listed securities which, if held for more than two years, may qualify for Business Relief. The potential tax saving for your beneficiaries could potentially therefore be 40% on the value of your AIM-listed securities, assuming the two-year qualifying period has been achieved.

#### ISA - Individual Savings Account:

Since 2013 you are able to invest in AIM-listed securities within your ISA so this provides further tax advantages as any crystallised gains would not be subject to Capital Gains Tax and any income would not be subject to higher-rate tax.

# TER - Total Expense Ratio:

This includes GBIM's Investment Management Fee, the Custody Fee, and commissions on dealings at both initiation and switching 20% of the portfolio per year. This also incorporates VAT which is payable on the Investment Management Fee.

#### Total Return:

A measure which incorporates the reinvestment of dividends over time.

#### Yield:

Calculated by dividing each company's latest financial year's dividends by the current market value of the firm, then multiplying by 100 to arrive at a percentage figure.

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