

**FUND OBJECTIVE & INVESTMENT POLICY**

The Fund aims to deliver medium to long-term capital growth over time. The Fund invests in a diversified range of equities, preference shares, bonds, debentures, money market, fixed income, property markets and instruments based on the value of any precious metal. The equity allocation will be managed at a maximum effective exposure, including offshore equity, up to 75%. The Fund is permitted to invest in listed and unlisted financial instruments in line with the conditions as determined by legislation from time to time. The Fund will predominately invest in South African markets but is however permitted to include investments in offshore jurisdictions subject to the investment conditions determined by legislation from time to time. The Fund complies with Regulation 28 of the Pension Funds Act.

**PORTFOLIO DYNAMICS**

**FUND MANAGER:**

High Street Asset Management (Pty) Ltd  
-Senior Manager: Ross Beckley, CFA  
-Junior Manager: Ross Yammin

**LAUNCH DATE:**

19 December 2018

**CLASSIFICATION:**

South African – Multi Asset – High Equity

**BENCHMARK:**

75% FTSE/JSE All Share Total Return Index  
25% SAFE South Africa Short Term Fixed Interest Rate – Composite Index, net of fees

**ISIN:**

ZAE000264552

**MINIMUM INVESTMENT:**

Lump sum: R10,000  
Monthly: R500

**ADMINISTRATOR:**

Prescient Fund Services (Pty) Ltd

**CUSTODIAN:**

Nedbank Investor Services

**UNIT PRICE – NAV (cents):**

149.25

**OUTSTANDING UNITS:**

127,587,345.84

**FUND SIZE:**

R190.73m

**ANNUAL DISTRIBUTION:**

March 2020 - No Distribution

**FEES:**

Initial Fund Fee: Nil  
Exit Fund Fee: Nil

**ANNUAL MANAGEMENT FEE - RETAIL:**

Class A1: 1.00% (excl. VAT)

**ANNUAL PERFORMANCE FEE:**

None

**TOTAL EXPENSE RATIO:**

TER incl VAT: 1.47%  
TIC incl VAT: 1.76%

**RISK PROFILE:**

Moderate – High

**RECOMMENDED TIME HORIZON:**

5 years

**ANNUALISED RETURNS (NET OF FEES)**

RETURN PERIOD	HIGH STREET	BENCHMARK
1 month	0.85%	1.48%
3 months	7.29%	10.24%
6 months	9.3%	18.64%
1 year	35.03%	40.6%
3 years	N/A	N/A
5 years	N/A	N/A
Since Inception	19.21%	13.82%
Highest rolling 1-year return	27.46%	14.61%
Lowest rolling 1-year return	0.11%	-12.32%

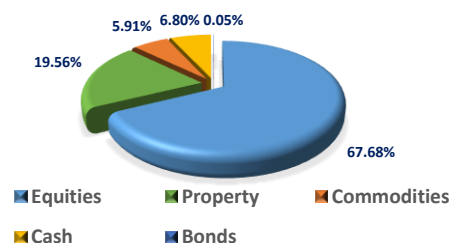
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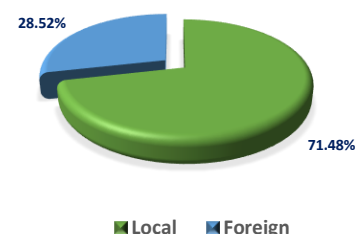
**RISK RATIOS (SINCE INCEPTION)**

STATISTIC	HIGH STREET	BENCHMARK
Annualised Standard Deviation	12.33%	14.01%
Sharpe Ratio	0.77	0.27
Sortino Ratio	1.17	0.36
Maximum Drawdown	-7.70%	-15.90%
Time to Recover (Months)	3	7
Positive Months	75%	61%
Tracking Error	2.69%	
Information Ratio	2.12	
Out/(Under)performance	5.69%	

**ASSET ALLOCATION**



**GEOGRAPHIC EXPOSURE**



\* The illustrative investment performance which is shown is for illustrative purposes only and is calculated by taking the actual initial fees \*\* and all ongoing fees into account for the amount shown. Income is reinvested on the reinvestment date. \*\* There is no initial charge.

## Investment Management Commentary

For the month of March, the Fund returned 0.85% relative to its benchmark of 1.48% with the rand appreciating by a further 2.28% against the US dollar.

Locally, rand strength can largely be attributed to the prevailing carry trade resulting in global investors searching for yield coupled with strong commodity prices which have rallied as global demand recovers from the pandemic. Although rand strength has negated Fund performance over the past year, rapidly rising US long-bond yields could reverse this trend. When US bond yields increase rapidly, relative demand for their bonds increases as the yield differential with alternate countries contracts. This results in geographic flows into the US which supports a stronger dollar. At current levels, we view the rand as fairly valued and looking ahead, do not expect to see further material strength. We will thus be watching US yields closely, as if yields continue to rise, this should lead to future Fund outperformance all else being equal.

The best performer for the month of March was Master Drilling which returned 19.31%. On the 10<sup>th</sup> of March, the company announced the acquisition of a stake in data-driven mining fleet solutions company, AVA Solutions. On the back of the news the stock did 13.92% indicating that market participants think there are attractive synergies which can be achieved. The company also released their annual report on the 23<sup>rd</sup> which were received very favorably by the market. The company has faced significant headwinds which we feel are now in the base. The company's order book and pipeline being particularly attractive, and we feel they are very well positioned to benefit from the recent spike in commodity prices. Post results, we added to our position in the company, and it is now our sixth largest holding.

The Fund's second-best performer was biggest managed healthcare insurance provider in the US, Anthem. Early in the month, the company hosted its annual investor day where management highlighted the company's attractive business mix as well as issued long-term annual earnings growth guidance of 12-15% through 2025. This was rewarded by market participants who drove the share price up resulting in an 18.79% gain for the month.

The only notable detractor from performance during the month was Chinese E-commerce giant JD.com, which fell by 10.16% for the month. We do not believe the weakness exhibited is for stock specific reasons, but rather that JD.com was caught up in what was a very negative month for the Chinese technology sector. This was exhibited by the poor performance of the Invesco China Technology ETF (CQQQ) which fell by 14.3% in March. We remain bullish on the prospects for JD.com and remain constructive on technology stocks, especially within China.

During the month, there was a point in time where the sell-off in China, along with some pressure coming from the current rotation into value, caused the High Street Wealth Warriors Fund retract some 10% from its high, and thus look attractively priced. We took advantage of what we view as temporary weakness to add to our position in the Fund, bringing our overall exposure in Wealth Warriors closer to 20%. To fund this acquisition, as well as to increase the diversity of our growth exposure, we exited positions in Amazon and Microsoft. For more information on the Wealth Warriors Fund, please visit our website at <https://www.highstreetassetmanagement.co.za/global-equity-fund/>.

As always, the large rand hedge component of the Fund enables South African investors to protect the global purchasing power of their local savings, should they express concern with the prevailing political and economic climate in South Africa. As such, the Fund will show a high correlation to the rand exchange rate – i.e. a weak rand will generally see strong fund performance, and vice versa, all else being equal.

Ross Beckley, CFA

Senior Fund Manager

Ross Yammin

Junior Fund Manager



## TOP HOLDINGS

## Equities

Wealth Warriors Fund  
Naspers  
Prosus  
Brit. Amer. Tob.  
Mondi

Master Drilling  
Trencor  
Mix Telematics  
Bidcorp  
BHP Group

## Property

MAS Real Estate  
Sirius Real Estate  
Stenprop Ltd  
EPP

## Bonds

African Bank

## % MONTHLY PERFORMANCE (NET OF FEES)

		JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	YEAR
2021	FUND	4.03	2.26	0.85										7.29
	BENCHMARK	3.98	4.47	1.48										10.24
2020	FUND	4.06	-4.62	-3.26	11.15	1.83	7.01	2.78	3.98	-4.55	-0.50	1.60	0.77	20.85
	BENCHMARK	-1.13	-6.61	-8.95	10.62	0.35	5.92	2.02	-0.10	-1.10	-3.46	7.97	3.26	7.23
2019	FUND	0.06	5.22	3.66	3.49	-6.32	2.69	1.32	0.78	0.04	1.44	-0.84	1.91	13.78
	BENCHMARK	2.26	2.70	1.31	3.33	-3.48	3.72	-1.62	-1.68	0.29	2.50	-1.21	2.63	10.95
2018	FUND												1.17	1.17
	BENCHMARK												1.78	1.78

## Quarterly Asset Allocation Comparison (% of NAV).

	December 31 2020	March 31 2021
Equities	64.11	67.68
Property	20.49	19.56
Cash	6.71	6.8
Commodities	8.62	5.91
Bonds	0.06	0.05

## Regulatory Statement:

Please note that the fund adhered to its policy objective throughout the Month and the Quarter.

**DISCLAIMER**

Collective Investment Schemes in Securities (CIS) should be considered as medium to long-term investments. The value may go up as well as down and past performance is not necessarily a guide to future performance. CIS's are traded at the ruling price and can engage in scrip lending and borrowing. The collective investment scheme may borrow up to 10% of the market value of the portfolio to bridge insufficient liquidity. A schedule of fees, charges and maximum commissions is available on request from the Manager. There is no guarantee in respect of capital or returns in a portfolio. A CIS may be closed to new investors in order for it to be managed more efficiently in accordance with its mandate. CIS prices are calculated on a net asset basis, which is the total value of all the assets in the portfolio including any income accruals and less any permissible deductions (brokerage, STT, VAT, auditor's fees, bank charges, trustee and custodian fees and the annual management fee) from the portfolio divided by the number of participatory interests (units) in issue. Forward pricing is used. The Fund's Total Expense Ratio (TER) reflects the percentage of the average Net Asset Value (NAV) of the portfolio that was incurred as charges, levies and fees related to the management of the portfolio. A higher TER does not necessarily imply a poor return, nor does a low TER imply a good return. The current TER cannot be regarded as an indication of future TER's. During the phase in period TER's do not include information gathered over a full year. Transaction Costs (TC) is the percentage of the value of the Fund incurred as costs relating to the buying and selling of the Fund's underlying assets. Transaction costs are a necessary cost in administering the Fund and impacts Fund returns. It should not be considered in isolation as returns may be impacted by many other factors over time including market returns, the type of Fund, investment decisions of the investment manager and the TER.

The Manager retains full legal responsibility for any third-party-named portfolio. Where foreign securities are included in a portfolio there may be potential constraints on liquidity and the repatriation of funds, macroeconomic risks, political risks, foreign exchange risks, tax risks, settlement risks; and potential limitations on the availability of market information. The investor acknowledges the inherent risk associated with the selected investments and that there are no guarantees. Please note that all documents, notifications of deposit, investment, redemption and switch applications must be received by Prescient by or before 13:00 (SA), to be transacted at the net asset value price for that day. Where all required documentation is not received before the stated cut off time Prescient shall not be obliged to transact at the net asset value price as agreed to. Funds are priced at either 3pm or 5pm depending on the nature of the Fund. Prices are published daily and are available on the Prescient website. Performance has been calculated using net NAV to NAV numbers with income reinvested. The performance for each period shown reflects the return for investors who have been fully invested for that period. Individual investor performance may differ as a result of initial fees, the actual investment date, the date of reinvestments and dividend withholding tax. Full performance calculations are available from the manager on request. For any additional information such as Fund prices, brochures and application forms please go to [www.prescient.co.za](http://www.prescient.co.za)

**FUND SPECIFIC RISKS**

- Default risk:** The risk that the issuers of fixed income instruments (e.g. bonds) may not be able to meet interest payments nor repay the money they have borrowed. The issuers credit quality is vital. The worse the credit quality, the greater the risk of default and therefore investment loss.
- Developing Market (excluding SA) risk:** Some of the countries invested in may have less developed legal, political, economic and/or other systems. These markets carry a higher risk of financial loss than those in countries generally regarded as being more developed.
- Foreign Investment risk:** Foreign securities investments may be subject to risks pertaining to overseas jurisdictions and markets, including (but not limited to) local liquidity, macroeconomic, political, tax, settlement risks and currency fluctuations.
- Interest rate risk:** The value of fixed income investments (e.g. bonds) tends to be inversely related to interest and inflation rates. Hence their value decreases when interest rates and/or inflation rises.
- Property risk:** Investments in real estate securities can carry the same risks as investing directly in real estate itself. Real estate prices move in response to a variety of factors, including local, regional and national economic and political conditions, interest rates and tax considerations.
- Currency exchange risk:** Changes in the relative values of individual currencies may adversely affect the value of investments and any related income.
- Geographic / Sector risk:** For investments primarily concentrated in specific countries, geographical regions and/or industry sectors, their resulting value may decrease whilst portfolios more broadly invested might grow.
- Liquidity risk:** If there are insufficient buyers or sellers of particular investments, the result may lead to delays in trading and being able to make settlements, and/or large fluctuations in value. This may lead to larger financial losses than expected.
- Equity investment risk:** Value of equities (e.g. shares) and equity-related investments may vary according to company profits and future prospects as well as more general market factors. In the event of a company default (e.g. bankruptcy), the owners of their equity rank last in terms of any financial payment from that company.

**GLOSSARY SUMMARY**

**Annualised performance:** Annualised performance show longer term performance rescaled to a 1 year period. Annualised performance is the average return per year over the period. Actual annual figures are available to the investor on request.

**Highest & Lowest return:** The highest and lowest returns for any 1 year over the period since inception have been shown.

**NAV:** The net asset value represents the assets of a Fund less its liabilities.

**CONTACT DETAILS****Management Company:**

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**Trustee:**

Nedbank Investor Services **Physical address:** 2nd Floor, 16 Constantia Boulevard, Constantia Kloof, Roodepoort, 1709 **Telephone number:** +27 11 534 6557 **Website:** [www.nedbank.co.za](http://www.nedbank.co.za)

The Management Company and Trustee are registered and approved under the Collective Investment Schemes Control Act (No.45 of 2002). Prescient is a member of the Association for Savings and Investments SA.

**Investment Manager:**

High Street Asset Management (Pty) Ltd, **Registration number:** 2013/124971/07 is an authorised Financial Services Provider (FSP45210) under the Financial Advisory and Intermediary Services Act (No.37 of 2002), to act in the capacity as investment manager. This information is not advice, as defined in the Financial Advisory and Intermediary Services Act (NO.37 of 2002). Please be advised that there may be representatives acting under supervision.

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This portfolio operates as a white label Fund under the Prescient Unit Trust Scheme, which is governed by the Collective Investment Schemes Control Act.

**TER & TC**

FEES* (Incl VAT)		The TER and TC ASISA Standard came into effect from 1 January 2016. This standard is to ensure that all ASISA members operate within the outcomes of TCF. Therefore, it is a requirement to disclose both the TER and TC numbers. Transaction Costs are not included in the calculation of TER hence we need to disclose both the TER and TC numbers separately and also Total Investment Charge which is the combination of TER and TC. This will impact the MDDs as we will have to disclose this and amend the disclaimer to cater for the definition of Total Costs.
Base Fee (including administration)	1.28%	
Performance Fee	0.00%	
Other Fees	0.19%	
Total Expense Ratio (TER)	1.47%	
Transaction Costs (TC)	0.29%	
<b>Total Investment Charge (TIC)</b>	<b>1.76%</b>	

\* As at 31 December 2020