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Dear (Salutation)

Fund merger for 7IM Cautious

Account number: <<Account_Number>>

Your financial adviser: <<BRKName>>

The 7IM Cautious fund that you invest in as part of a model portfolio set up by your financial adviser is due to merge into the 7IM AAP Cautious fund. The merger will take place on 22 March 2024. You'll see the new fund on your valuations and statements after that date.

The merger is subject to shareholder approval. If it isn't approved, we will write to let you know.

Your financial adviser will take any action that needs to be taken and, if necessary, help to address any questions you may have.

How the merger will affect your account

- **The value of your fund holding** – The merger will not affect the value of your fund holding.
- **Phasing and Rebalancing** – Any **phased investment** or **rebalancing** instructions using the fund will automatically continue. These will either buy units in your other assets proportionally, or go into cash, depending on how your adviser set up the model portfolio. Alternatively, we will update the instruction if your financial adviser provides a revised asset choice.

Cash may not be suitable for your long-term investment needs. If you're happy for the amount to stay in cash, you don't need to do anything. Your financial adviser will take any action that needs to be taken and help to answer any questions you may have.

- The merger **won't change the fund's risk profile**. You can see more information about the new fund in its Key Investor Information document, available online at [. Please note, it may not reflect the charges applicable when accessing the fund through us.](#)

Why the funds are merging

7IM has stated that since its launch in 2015, the merging fund is not as large as they would like for it to continue to be run on a cost-effective basis.

They believe the receiving fund has a very similar investment objective and policy, and that the merger will result in a larger fund which is more commercially viable through better economies of scale.

You can find more information about the old and new funds below.

If you have any questions about this letter, please speak to your financial adviser who will be able to help you. Alternatively, you can call or email us using the details shown and we will be happy to help. Our Customer Service Centre is open 8:30am – 5:30pm, Monday to Friday.

Yours sincerely



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Head of Customer Operations

Fund objectives

| Current fund 7IM Cautious | New fund 7IM AAP Cautious |
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| <p>Fund objective: To provide a return by way of income with some capital growth by investing, directly and indirectly, to achieve exposure of at least 80% to fixed interest and equity instruments. This exposure is, for the most part, obtained through passive strategies (that is, strategies designed to track the performance of particular indices, market sectors or asset classes) but may also be achieved through the use of futures contracts which require cover to be held (typically in the form of money market funds and money market instruments).</p> <p>The fund will also invest in other asset classes such as property, commodities and private equity indirectly through holdings in equities including investment trusts, exchange traded funds or other funds.</p> | <p>Fund objective: To provide a long-term total return (over at least 5 years) by way of income with some capital growth by investing at least 80% of its assets in a range of collective investment vehicles and securities directly and indirectly, which will give an exposure to a range of asset classes, including (but not limited to) UK and overseas equities, government and corporate bonds and warrants and an indirect exposure to asset classes (including but not limited to) hedge fund strategies, currency and property and also by the use of futures contracts which require cover to be held (typically in the form of money market funds and money market instruments).</p> <p>This exposure is, for the most part, obtained through passive strategies (that is, strategies designed to track the performance of particular indices, market sectors or asset classes).</p> |