

Assessment of Value

EF 8AM Investment Funds

Incorporating sub-fund

- EF 8AM Balanced Fund
- EF 8AM Cautious Fund
- EF 8AM Focussed Fund
- EF 8AM Tactical Growth Portfolio

Period ending: 30th June 2025





WAY Fund Managers Limited & 8AM Global Limited

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WFM, as AFM to the EF 8AM Investment Funds, acts with 8AM Global Limited, the Sponsor and appointed investment manager of EF 8AM Balanced Fund, EF 8AM Cautious Fund, EF 8AM Focussed Fund and EF 8AM Tactical Growth Portfolio (hereinafter referred to as the 'sub-fund'), as joint manufacturer.

Assessment of Value-an overview

The assessment of value (AoV) is undertaken annually by WFM to determine whether the payments taken for each class of shares of a sub-fund, are justified in the context of the overall service and value delivered to investors, taking into consideration regulation and guidance from the Financial Conduct Authority.

WFM's Product Governance Committee carries out the initial assessment of a sub-fund, taking into consideration the 'Value Factors' detailed below. This assessment is then passed to WFM's independent non-executive directors (iNEDs) for scrutiny and agreement, ensuring that the outcome reflects a clear and fair assessment. A final review is carried out by the WFM Board before publication.

Outcome of the Assessment

To provide a clear presentation of the value assessment outcomes in this report WFM, has adopted the grading method that the industry uses for sharing with distributors and intermediaries. This is by using two outcomes and, to make these outcomes easier to understand, at the end of this report you will find a table for each sub-fund and share class using the below ratings:



Charges are justified based on assessment and any action identified or, where the first assessment is not yet due, based on initial product design.



Charges are not justified; significant action is required.

For each share class, WFM uses a green (justified)/red (not justified) signal for each of the Value Factors, to indicate whether it believes the charges are justified in the context of the overall service and value delivered to investors.

Value factors that contribute to our assessment of value

WFM considers, but is not limited to considering, the following value factors for each class of shares within each sub-fund:



The range of services provided to investors by the Sponsor The role of the Sponsor is to act as the joint manufacturer of the sub-funds and to provide input to WFM in relation to marketing opportunities it may have identified and to suggest any changes relating to a sub-fund's investment objective and investment policy to broaden its appeal to investors. The Sponsor and WFM will jointly appoint an Investment Manager and confirm the investment strategy for each sub-fund.



Investor Service & Fund Governance from the AFM

As the AFM, WFM is responsible for overseeing any third-party that provides services to its sub-funds. Being based in Wimborne, Dorset allows WFM's operating costs to typically be lower than a London-based organisation and, as a smaller business, WFM has built strong relationships with its third-party service providers. This allows WFM to nimbly exchange expertise and business development ideas for the benefit of investors and to provide a good quality personal service. The Wimborne-based Transfer Agency was originally developed by WFM specifically for its own funds range and that close relationship continues, with a dedicated team all experienced in the understanding of the full WFM fund range and typical investor requirements. The Wimborne office also provides in-house corporate governance and oversight expertise in investment, product, compliance, risk, and other operational arrangements.



Comparable Services

WFM provides a similar range of services across its entire fund range. This means WFM adheres to all applicable financial regulations in the UK and provides the information and dealing services that its investors need. WFM's added value is its customer service and WFM prides itself on high quality personal service compared to other institutions. Charging structures may vary between sub-funds, because the size, investment nature and risk can vary between different sub-funds, depending on its investment objective(s) and policy. However, WFM endeavours to ensure that the ongoing fees paid by a sub-fund are similar to those paid by other comparable sub-funds in its range. Shareholders can compare the charges across WFM's fund range at: https://www.wayfunds.com/Funds/FundChargesandCosts



Economies of Scale

WFM has used its overall asset base to negotiate the best possible terms available with its current outsourced service providers, for the benefit of its entire fund range. Service arrangements are reviewed on an ongoing basis and WFM negotiates fee rates on an appropriate sliding scale, with lower percentage fees applying as the sub-funds reach certain sizes, ensuring all benefits of economies of scale are applied directly to the sub-funds and their investors. This means that as a sub-fund grows, it benefits from the improved economies of scale. Certain services may have fixed or minimum fees, which are applied to each individual sub-fund. WFM seeks to ensure that each sub-fund offers value to investors and is viable considering the impact of any fixed or minimum fees.



Performance of a fund/ sub-fund

WFM assesses the value represented by the investment performance achieved by a sub-fund after charges, at the end of each annual review period, taking into consideration the sub-fund's investment objective(s), its policy, its benchmark, its recommended holding period and, where relevant, its relative exposure to investment risk to achieve this.



The Cost of Investing

All expenses and general disbursements paid by a sub-fund, such as the annual management charge, the cost of any investment advisory services, regulatory reporting, accounting, transfer agency, platform services, depositary and custody services, together with the synthetic cost arising where investment is made into any underlying funds are reflected in the ongoing charges figure ("OCF"). The cost of investing may be different depending upon the share class selected.



Classes of shares or units available

Each sub-fund may have a number of share classes, each with different characteristics and charging structures, to cater for the ways in which they may have been previously, or are currently, offered and are determined by the sub-fund's Sponsor. The selection of the appropriate share class is made by investors or their financial advisers. During this assessment WFM will review each of the share classes across a sub-fund to ensure, as far as WFM reasonably can, that shareholders are in the correct share class given the size of their holding. However, WFM is unable to determine whether one share class is more suitable for an individual investor than another. A table setting out the characteristics of each share class is provided later in this report.



Comparable Market Rates

Given the confidential nature of commercial arrangements, it is not possible to objectively compare the rates that WFM is paying for its services against its competitors. As described above not all share classes can be comparable to each other across different sub-funds. However, all sub-funds have a "primary" share class registered with the Investment Association. WFM has, therefore, used the primary share class in its assessment. Using data supplied to FE Analytics by AFMs for publication, WFM can compare sub-funds of a similar size, structure and Investment Association Sector for an average investment cost. It should be noted that this section is based on the total charges incurred and includes the asset transaction costs charged to the sub-fund, which are not included in the OCF calculation.



EF 8AM Balanced Fund

The objective of the sub-fund is to achieve long-term capital growth.

The sub-fund will aim to operate within a volatility range of between 10.0 and 14.5.

Share Class	ISIN	Share Class Rating	AFM Investor Service & Governance	Comparable Services	Economies of Scale	Performance of the sub-fund	Cost of Investing	Share/Unit classes Available	Comparable Market Rates
A Income	GB00B9L57F01								
B Income	GB00BN6Q7563								

Summary of Grading:

All share classes have been assessed and graded Charges are justified based on assessment and any action identified.

Action being taken following the assessment:

Despite the positive performance of the sub-fund since the last assessment, the Investment Manager and WFM have agreed to continue reducing their respective fees to help subsidise the sub-fund's ongoing charges. While the reduction was initially introduced on the 1st October 2024, the subsidy will remain in place for an additional six months, with ongoing monitoring throughout this period. A further review is scheduled for January 2026, shortly after the end of the interim accounting period.

Although WFM acknowledges that the sub-fund has underperformed against its comparator benchmark, the Investment Association (IA) Mixed Investment 40-85% Shares sector average, over the five-year minimum recommended holding period, the sub-fund has met its long-term objective to provide capital growth and is, therefore, considered to have provided value to investors. The performance of the sub-fund will remain under ongoing review by both WFM and the Investment Manager and, where deemed appropriate, remedial actions will be implemented with the aim of improving the sub-fund's performance relative to its comparator benchmark. The sub-fund is operating within the suggested range for its volatility objective as defined in the sub-fund's investment policy.

Share Class	Since Launch	5 Years	3 Years	1 Year
IA Mixed Investment 40-85% Shares sector average	92.09%	32.70%	21.87%	5.55%
A Income	43.85%	20.50%	18.41%	8.53%
B Income*	15.16%		21.83%	9.11%

^{*} Class launched 21st December 2020

Classes of Shares

WFM endeavours to ensure that all shareholders are in the most appropriate share classes. However, the selection of share class is driven by the investor's choice, the intermediary used and the distribution channel. The sub-fund's prospectus permits WFM to convert shareholders' shares to the most appropriate share class, where it can be demonstrated to be in the best interests of the investors, without obtaining their prior permission. Affected investors will be pre-notified of the conversion.

Share Class	Distribution Channel			
A Income	Primary retail share class			
B Income	Restricted retail share class available via the Investment Adviser's Model Portfolio Service			

The Cost of Investing

The Investment Manager and the AFM have agreed to continue to reduce their respective fees in order to subsidise the sub-fund's ongoing charges. WFM considers all value factors during the sub-fund's annual review when assessing whether the costs are justified. Taking the subsidies into account, WFM has determined the overall cost of investing is reflecting the services provided and that the sub-fund is providing value to investors. Please see the "Action being taken following the assessment" section on the sub-fund summary page for more details.

Comparable Market Rates

WFM has compared the charges of the sub-fund's primary share class (the A class) with that of comparable funds with a similar size and structure in the same IA sector. The sub-fund's current charges were determined by WFM to be competitive with its peers and, therefore, justified.

Quality of Service

A good level of service is provided to shareholders by all parties involved, which is commensurate to the amounts paid by the sub-fund for those services. Therefore, WFM has determined that value has been provided to the sub-fund's investors.

Comparable Services

All investors are provided with the same services by WFM, and the sub-fund has the same direct service providers as the whole WFM Fund range.

Economies of Scale



EF 8AM Cautious Fund

The objective of the sub-fund is to achieve long-term capital growth.

The sub-fund will aim to operate within a volatility range* of between 5.0 and 9.5.

Share Class	ISIN	Share Class Rating	AFM Investor Service & Governance	Comparable Services	Economies of Scale	Performance of the sub-fund	Cost of Investing	Share/Unit classes Available	Comparable Market Rates
A Income	GB00B9J92G01								
B Income	GB00BN6Q7456							•	
Institutional Income	GB00B3D1NX48							•	•
Retail Income	GB00B1Z8MN25				•			•	•

Summary of Grading:

All share classes have been assessed and graded Charges are justified based on assessment and any action identified.

Action being taken following the assessment:

Despite the positive performance of the sub-fund since the last assessment, the Investment Manager and WFM have agreed to continue reducing their respective fees to help subsidise the sub-fund's ongoing charges. While the reduction was initially introduced on the 1st October 2024, the subsidy will remain in place for an additional six months, with ongoing monitoring throughout this period. A further review is scheduled for January 2026, shortly after the end of the interim accounting period.

Although the sub-fund has underperformed against its comparator benchmark, the IA Mixed Investment 20-60% Shares sector average, the sub-fund has met its long-term objective of providing capital growth and is, therefore, considered to have provided value to investors. The performance of the sub-fund will remain under ongoing review by both WFM and the Investment Manager and, where deemed appropriate, remedial actions will be implemented with the aim to improve the sub-fund's performance. The sub-fund is operating within the suggested range for its volatility objectives as defined in the sub-fund's investment policy

Share Class	Since Launch	5 Years	3 Years	1 Year
IA Mixed Investment 20-60% Shares sector average	131.14%	22.58%	17.03%	5.74%
A Income	70.14%	6.22%	9.57%	4.52%
B Income*	3.63%		12.32%	5.08%
Institutional	63.80%	5.08%	8.96%	4.43%
Retail	55.94%	2.84%	7.71%	4.27%

^{*} Class launched 21st December 2020

Classes of Shares

WFM endeavours to ensure that all shareholders are in the most appropriate share classes. However, the selection of share class is driven by the investor's choice, the intermediary used and the distribution channel. The sub-fund's prospectus permits WFM to convert shareholders' shares to the most appropriate share class, where it can be demonstrated to be in the best interests of the investors, without obtaining their prior permission. However, investors will be notified of the intention beforehand.

Share Class	Distribution Channel
A Income	Primary retail share class
B Income	Restricted retail share class available via the Investment Adviser's Model Portfolio Service
Institutional Income	Institutional share class
Retail Income	Legacy commission-paying share class

The Cost of Investing

The Investment Manager and the AFM have agreed to continue to reduce their respective fees in order to subsidise the sub-fund's ongoing charges. WFM considers all value factors during the sub-fund's annual review when assessing whether the costs are justified. Taking the subsidies into account, WFM has determined the overall cost of investing is reflecting the services provided and that the sub-fund is providing value to investors. Please see the "Action being taken following the assessment" section on the sub-fund summary page for more details.

Comparable Market Rates

WFM has compared the charges associated with the sub-fund's primary share class (the A class) with that of other 'Fund of Funds' with a similar size within the sub-fund's peer group, the IA Mixed Investment 20-60% Shares sector average, and the overall cost of investing in the sub-fund's primary share class is higher. WFM has, therefore, determined that the sub-fund does not compare favourably to its peer group of funds.

Quality of Service

A good level of service Is provided to shareholders by all parties involved, which is commensurate to the amounts paid by the sub-fund for those services. Therefore, WFM has determined that value has been provided to the sub-fund's investors.

Comparable Services

All investors are provided with the same services by WFM, and the sub-fund has the same direct service providers as the whole WFM Fund range.

Economies of Scale



EF 8AM Focussed Fund

The objective of the sub-fund is to achieve long-term capital growth.

Share Class	ISIN	Share Class Rating	AFM Investor Service & Governance	Comparable Services	Economies of Scale	Performance of the sub-fund	Cost of Investing	Share/Unit classes Available	Comparable Market Rates
A Income	GB00B9L4T627								
B Income	GB00B9MCC993								•
C Income	GB00B9MCNZ29	•			•			•	•

Summary of Grading:

All share classes have been assessed and graded Charges are justified based on assessment and any action identified.

The sub-fund has met its objective to achieve long-term capital growth over the recommended five-year holding period and, therefore, WFM has determined that the sub-fund is providing value to investors across all share classes.

Share Class	Since Launch	5 Years	3 Years	1 Year
IA Flexible Investment Sector	96.10%	34.57%	21.22%	4.99%
A Income	55.00%	17.21%	25.39%	5.34%
B Income	54.32%	17.17%	25.36%	5.32%
C Income*	-7.58%		21.95%	5.44%

^{*}Missing performance data for five-years due to no shares in issue between 2014 and 2021

Classes of Shares

WFM endeavours to ensure that all shareholders are in the most appropriate share classes. However, the selection of share class is driven by the investor's choice, the intermediary used and the distribution channel. The sub-fund's prospectus permits WFM to convert shareholders' shares to the most appropriate share class, where it can be demonstrated to be in the best interests of the investors, without obtaining their prior permission. However, investors will be notified of the intention beforehand.

Share Class	Distribution Channel
A Income	Primary retail share class
B Income	Restricted retail share class available via the Investment Adviser's Model Portfolio Service
C Income	Unsolicited non-UK business

The Cost of Investing

WFM considers all value factors during the sub-fund's annual review when assessing whether the costs are justified. WFM has determined the overall cost of investing is reflecting the services provided and that the sub-fund is providing value to investors.

Comparable Market Rates

WFM has compared the charges associated with the sub-fund's primary share class (the A class) with that of other 'Fund of Funds' with a similar size within the sub-fund's peer group, the IA Flexible Investment Shares Sector, and the overall cost of investing in the sub-fund's primary share class is higher than the sector average. WFM has, therefore, determined that the sub-fund does not compare favourably when compared to its peer group of funds.

Quality of Service

A good level of service Is provided to shareholders by all parties involved, which is commensurate to the amounts paid by the sub-fund for those services. Therefore, WFM has determined that value has been provided to the sub-fund's investors.

Comparable Services

All investors are provided with the same services by WFM, and the sub-fund has the same direct service providers as the whole WFM Fund range.

Economies of Scale



EF 8AM Tactical Growth Portfolio

The objective of the sub-fund is to provide long term capital appreciation.

Share Class	ISIN	Share Class Rating	AFM Investor Service & Governance	Comparable Services	Economies of Scale	Performance of the sub-fund	Cost of Investing	Share/Unit classes Available	Comparable Market Rates
A Income	GB00B9C65S15								
Institutional Income	GB00B3KQYZ10								•
Retail Income	GB00B3KQYX95								

Summary of Grading:

All share classes have been assessed and graded Charges are justified based on assessment and any action identified.

The EF 8AM Tactical Growth Portfolio sub-fund has met its objective to provide long term capital appreciation. The sub-fund has exceeded the performance of its comparator benchmark, the IA Flexible Investment Shares sector average, over the recommended five-year holding period and has, therefore, been assessed as providing value to investors.

Share Class	Since Launch	5 Years	3 Years	1 Year
IA Flexible Investment Sector	222.79%	34.57%	21.22%	4.99%
A Income	125.24%	45.78%	21.88%	14.61%
Institutional	120.02%	43.93%	20.94%	14.32%
Retail	103.59%	40.37%	19.13%	13.74%

Classes of Shares

WFM endeavours to ensure that all shareholders are in the most appropriate share classes. However, the selection of share class is driven by the investor's choice, the intermediary used and the distribution channel. The sub-fund's prospectus permits WFM to convert shareholders' shares to the most appropriate share class, where it can be demonstrated to be in the best interests of the investors, without obtaining their prior permission. However, investors will be notified of the intention beforehand.

Share Class	Distribution Channel		
A Income	Primary retail share class		
Institutional Income	Institutional Share Class		
Retail Income	Legacy Retail Share Class		

The Cost of Investing

WFM considers all value factors during the sub-fund's annual review when assessing whether the costs are justified. WFM has determined the overall cost of investing is reflecting the services provided and that the sub-fund is providing value to investors.

Comparable Market Rates

WFM has compared the charges associated with the sub-fund's primary share class (the A class) with that of other Equity Funds with a similar size within the sub-fund's peer group, the IA Flexible Investment Shares sector, and the overall cost of investing in the sub-fund's primary share class is higher. WFM has, therefore, determined that in this respect only the sub-fund does not currently provide value to its investors.

Quality of Service

A good level of service Is provided to shareholders by all parties involved, which is commensurate to the amounts paid by the sub-fund for those services. Therefore, WFM has determined that value has been provided to the sub-fund's investors.

Comparable Services

All investors are provided with the same services by WFM, and the sub-fund has the same direct service providers as the whole WFM Fund range.

Economies of Scale