

# SVS RM Defensive Capital Fund

Monthly Factsheet – 30<sup>th</sup> April 2025

Company Overview				
Fund Name:	SVS RM Defensive Capital Fund			
<b>Regulatory Status:</b>	FCA Authorised			
Fund Size:	£109m			
Classification:	Non-Complex			
Sector:	IA Targeted Absolute Return Sector			
Share Classes:	Income & Accumulation			
Currencies:	GBP			
Share Class: GBP Accumulation (A) GBP Accumulation (C) GBP Income (A) GBP Income (C)	ISIN GB00BS6WQT61 GB00BS6WQX08 GB00BS6WQL85 GB00BS6WQW90	NAV 280.00 277.50 238.60 233.80		
Next Dividend Ex Date:	31 <sup>st</sup> July 2025			
Dividend Pay Dates:	March, June, September, December.			
Annual	Class A: 0.73% / OCF: 0.87%			
Management Charges:	Class C: 0.53% / OCF: 0.67%			
Target Fund	Capital preservation			
Objectives <sup>1</sup> :	Capital growth over the long term (>5 years)			
	Positive absolute returns in any market conditions over rolling three-year periods.			
Dealing Frequency:	Daily Liquidity			
Valuation Frequency:	Daily			
Transactions Costs:	0.01%			

Fund data is based upon the SVS RM Defensive Capital Fund C Accumulation Class (GBP).

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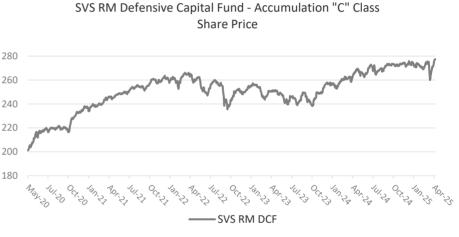
## **Investment Objective**

SVS RM Defensive Capital Fund (the "Fund" or "RMDCF") seeks to preserve capital whilst looking for capital growth opportunities over the long term (at least five years) and positive absolute returns in any market conditions over rolling three-year periods.

RM Funds seeks to achieve the investment objective by investing in transferable securities including investment trusts, structured notes, government securities, corporate and convertible bonds, preference shares and other collective investment schemes and exchange traded funds.

## **Monthly NAV Performance & Dividend**

The fund's total return for the month was +1.20% against a slightly negative month for equity markets, however with very high tariff-news driven intra-month moves. Government bond prices were up on the month. Return over the last 3 years has been +4.64% net of fees.



Period shown from 1st May 2020 to 30<sup>th</sup> April 2025. Past performance figures are based on extended past performance data only, as defined under COBS 4.6.6R. Capital is at risk; returns are not guaranteed, and past performance is no guarantee of future performance.

SVS RM Defensive Capital Fund was launched on 31 October 2024. Consequently, there is no past performance data available. The SVS RM Defensive Capital Fund was launched solely for the purposes of receiving the assets of the SVS Brooks Macdonald Defensive Capital Fund by way of a scheme of arrangement that became effective on 31 October 2024. We have therefore set out the past performance of the SVS Brooks Macdonald Defensive Capital Fund as "simulated past performance" for the SVS RM Defensive Capital Fund.

## Portfolio positioning

The portfolio seeks to meet the investment objective by allocating across investments within three segments: Capital Preservation & Income, Capital Growth and Diversifiers.

**Capital Preservation & Income:** Capital Preservation remains our largest allocation as yields remain high relative to risk, and by comparison many stock markets remain expensive. We have also invested in several agreed bid situations which provide steady returns well in excess of government bonds but with very low volatility and relatively low downside. We had also acquired a number of assets where the yields were likely to look much more attractive to UK taxpayers, as the yields on tax-efficient low-coupon UK government bonds is now dropping sharply, making our assets relatively more attractive. This segment provided the bulk of the returns during April.

**Capital Growth:** Capital Growth assets saw a slightly negative return, in line with equity markets, but with a sharp drawdown followed by a sharp rebound.

**Diversifiers:** Diversifiers had a fractionally negative month, with gains in gold offset by losses in shipping and aviation. The weaker US Dollar was also a drag.

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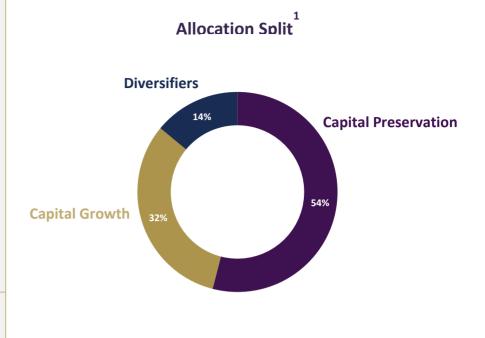
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AJ Bell	Novia *live
Aegon * live	Nucleus *live
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Alliance Trust	Pershing *live
Ascentric (M&G)	Parmenion *live
Aviva *live	Praemium
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<sup>1</sup>Percentages may not add up to 100% due to rounding. Excludes cash and cash equivalents.

### Market Commentary

A tempestuous month driven by on-again, off-again trade tariff talks from Trump's White House. Dramatic intra-month moves in asset prices were largely reversed by month-end however.

The large amount of positive M&A in our sector continued: PHP increased its indicative bid for Assura, Chrysalis sold InfoSum, LMP bid for Urban Logistics REIT, Harmony Energy received a counter-bid from Foresight, DoorDash bid for Deliveroo and Chrysalis' Starling Bank was in preliminary talks to merge with Shawbrook.

Market reactions to the tariffs new has been somewhat unexpected. Intuitively the Dollar should strengthen, while in reality it weakened. We added a USD hedge to both protect against further falls but also reduce portfolio volatility. Equity markets initially fell, but are now not far from pretariff levels, which makes many look expensive to us. We have been banking our gains by trimming winners and reinvesting proceeds in safer Capital Preservation assets.

### Top ten holdings – April 2025

Position	Sector	% of Fund
Topix call-spread (402%) (GS)	Capital Growth	6.7%
Pacira 0.75% Conv Bond 2025 (USD)	Capital Preservation	4.1%
Gore Street Energy Storage	Capital Growth	3.0%
Trainline 1% 2026 Conv Bond (GBP)	Capital Preservation	2.8%
Innoviva 2.5% 2025 Conv Bond (USD)	Capital Growth	2.7%
Georgia Capital	Capital Growth	2.5%
Gold shares note	Diversifier	2.4%
NextEnergy Solar Fund	Capital Preservation	2.4%
Riverstone Energy	Diversifier	2.3%
Yellow Cake	Capital Preservation	2.3%
Total		31%



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### Performance – April 2025

	1-month	3-months	6-months	1year	3 years	5 years	10 years
SVS RM Defensive Capital <sup>1</sup>	1.2%	1.8%	1.8%	4.5%	4.6%	36.1%	48.6%
IA Targeted Absolute Return <sup>2, 3</sup>	0.4%	0.4%	2.3%	4.7%	11.6%	21.5%	24.5%
Relative Performance	0.8%	1.4%	(0.5%)	(0.3%)	(6.2%)	12.0%	19.3%

### Discrete yearly performance - April 2025

2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
20.4%	8.0%	(5.5%)	6.0%	4.5%
8.8%	0.1%	0.5%	6.0%	4.7%
10.6%	8.0%	(6.0%)	(0.0%)	(0.3%)
	<b>20.4%</b> 8.8%	20.4%   8.0%     8.8%   0.1%	20.4%   8.0%   (5.5%)     8.8%   0.1%   0.5%	20.4%   8.0%   (5.5%)   6.0%     8.8%   0.1%   0.5%   6.0%

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<sup>2</sup> Source: FE FundInfo

<sup>3</sup> Shareholders may compare the performance of the Sub-fund against the IA Targeted Absolute Return Sector. The ACD has selected this benchmark as it aligns with the Sub-fund's objective of achieving an absolute return, providing shareholders with a meaningful comparison to portfolios with a similar strategy. It is important to note that this benchmark is not a target for the Sub-fund, nor is the Sub-fund constrained by it.

Sector I	1.3% 2.4% 3.3% 3.8% 6.1%	wn – April 2025 Liquidity Other Structured Credit Fixed Return Other Structured Notes	
	9.6%	Specialist Lending	
	13.1%	Discounted assets	PLANNER <sup>*</sup> 5
	20.9%	Convertibles	FE fundinfo Crown Fund Rating   Image: Constraint of the professionals' rating
	39.3%	Real Assets	Wulti-Asset Return Focused 2023   Wulti-Asset Return Focused 2023   Wulti-Asset Return Focused 2023   Wilti-Asset Return Focused 2023

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