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Timewise Target

Retirement Funds

Robust Governance Helps to Achieve Good Member Outcomes

2024 Annual Review

From the very first day a member starts contributing to their pension, through to the day they retire and beyond, the asset allocation of Timewise is managed to be responsive to market conditions, the regulatory environment and changing member behaviour. Our goal is to help support members throughout their retirement savings journey.

The Timewise annual review forms part of this process. Design and oversight of Timewise is the responsibility of the **European Defined Contribution Investment Group.** This group is comprised of investment professionals with a diverse set of experiences and views, including members from our Global DC, Investment Solutions Group, Product Development and Investment Strategy & Research teams.

The Glide Path Continues to Reflect Our Best Thinking for DC Defaults

The 2024 annual review covered two key areas:

1 Is the objective still consistent with member needs and behaviour?

Our ongoing research confirmed that there haven't been significant shifts in members' needs or behaviour and the objective for Timewise remains appropriate.

2 Can we improve the investment strategy?

Our analysis confirmed the current glide path continues to be efficient from a risk and return perspective so no changes will be made to the investment strategy.

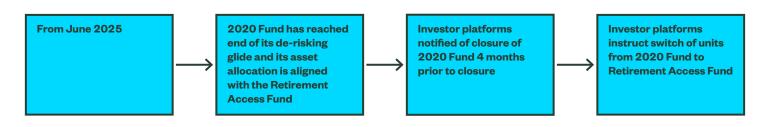
We are Changing the Name of the Timewise Target Retirement Choice Fund to the Timewise Retirement Access Fund

The Timewise Target Retirement Choice Fund is used at the end of the Timewise glidepath and holds assets which are no longer de-risking. From 1 July 2025, the name of this fund will change to the Timewise Retirement Access Fund. We believe this fund name better reflects the usage of the fund and is more intuitive for members who may be accessing their funds at this stage of the glidepath. There will not be any changes to the asset allocation or objective of the fund.

2020 Fund Ending its De-risking Glide

Five years after the target retirement date, each vintage associated with that target retirement year stops de-risking, and the benchmark becomes static. At this point, assets within the associated fund are switched to the Retirement Access Fund (formally known as the Choice Fund). The asset allocation of the associated fund and the Retirement Access Fund will be identical at this point in time.

The Timewise Target Retirement 2020 Fund will stop de-risking on 30th June 2025 and we plan to switch assets into the Retirement Access Fund on 9th July 2025. This switch will not change the asset allocation of the funds and will completed at no dealing cost.



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