# CFP SDL UK Buffettology Fund

Factsheet - February 2020

# Sanford DeLand

#### **Fund Information**



Fund Manager: Keith Ashworth-Lord

**Number of Holdings:** 

35

Launch Date:

28th March 2011

Fund Size: Sector: IA UK All Companies £1.45 bn

ACD:

Castlefield Fund Partners Limited

## Platform Availability:

Aegon, AJ Bell, Alliance Trust, AllFunds, Ascentric, Aviva, Elevate, CoFunds, Fidelity, FNZ, Hargreaves Lansdown, James Hay, Nucleus, Novia, Pershing, Old Mutual, Self Trade, Seven IM, Standard Life, Transact, Zurich

#### Awards:













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#### Rating:

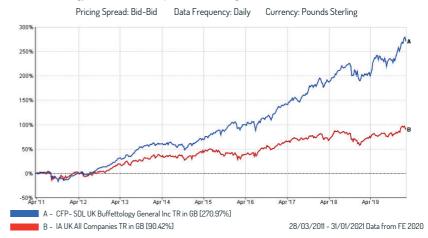






## Fund Objective and Strategy

The investment objective of the Fund is to seek to achieve an annual compounding rate of return over the long term, defined as 5-10 years, which is superior to the median performance of all of the funds forming the official peer group of which the Fund is part. 'Peer group' is defined as being the Investment Association sector to which the Fund has been allocated (currently being the UK All Companies Sector) or to which it may be allocated in future, as determined by that body. Investments will be made principally in UK equities with strong operating franchises and experienced management teams, applying the methodology of Business Perspective Investing.



#### Cumulative Performance (%)

	1 Mth	3 Mths	1Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs	Since Launch
UK Buffettology	1.19	10.82	23.05	57.04	123.17	270.97
Sector	-2.34	4.89	13.25	20.19	36.69	90.42
Rank	9/255	26/255	26/252	3/243	2/226	1/206
Quartile	1	1	1	1	1	1

# Discrete Performance (%)

	2020 YTD	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
UK Buffettology	1.19	25.25	0.37	25.60	11.85	27.86
Sector	-2.34	22.24	-11.19	13.99	10.82	4.86
Rank	9/255	71/252	3/246	15/240	111/233	1/224
Quartile	1	2	1	1	2	1

#### Discrete Year to Quarter End Performance (%)

	Q4 2018	Q4 2017	Q4 2016	Q4 2015	Q4 2014
	Q4 2019	Q4 2018	Q4 2017	Q4 2016	Q4 2015
UK Buffettology	25.25	0.37	25.60	11.85	27.86

#### **Share Class Information**

Share Class	Min. Investment	Initial Charge	Investment Adviser Fee	0 0	Payment Dates	ISA Eligible	ISIN	CITI CODE	BLOOMBERG	MEXID
General	£500	0%	1.0%	1.19%	30th Apr & 31st Oct	Yes	GB00BKJ9C676	K6LW	PRESINI:LN	BDAADV
General Accumulation	£500	0%	1.0%	1.19%	30th Apr & 31st Oct	Yes	GB00BF0LDZ31	05M6	CSUKBIA:LN	CFSMC

Holdings within other share classes of the Fund previously active were converted to the 'General Income Class' reflected within the document as of 1st July 2019. Source of past performance data: Financial Express as at 31/01/2020.

# Past Performance is not a guide to future performance.

Investment in the fund carries the risk of potential loss of capital.

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# **Fund Commentary**

The Fund outperformed both its peer group and the UK stock market during January. The share price of the I Class rose by 1.2% from 350.78p to 354.96p, having touched a new all-time of 363.25p on 22nd January. By comparison, the market fell by 3.31%. Twenty of the portfolio companies made gains on the month. These were led by four double-digit risers: Liontrust up by 21.9% on a good trading statement and completion of the acquisition of Neptune Investment Management; Bioventix 18.6% on a favourable press comment; Rollins 16.2% on 2019 full-year results; and Focusrite 12.8% following the completion of the acquisition of Martin Audio. Fourteen of our investee companies posted falls with four of these being double-digit losers. Craneware fell by 21.6% on a mixed bag trading update, Restaurant Group -20.6% on worries about festive season trading, Air Partner -20.5% on slower than expected Q4 trading and Victrex -11.6% on adverse broker comment ahead of its Q1 trading statement. Net inflows totalled £39.1m and an additional £59.1m was put to work in the market.

The additional investment was split roughly 50:50 between topping up existing investments and the purchase of a new holding in HomeServe. Long standing investors in the Buffettology Fund will recall that was one of the first investments made after launch. However, the holding was sold after just 7½ months when it was reprimanded by its regulator, the then FSA, for using aggressive sales and marketing activity. Subsequently, retraining and a return to acquiring new affinity partners, in particular in the US, have restored the growth trajectory of the business since the nadir in 2014. HomeServe is a home repairs and improvements business operating in the UK, US, France and Spain. It charges customers an annual premium in return for access to tradespeople and technology to make emergency home repairs and improvements. It is expressly not an insurance business; the insurance risk is laid off via reinsurers. It is a FTSE 250 component, sitting in the Support Services sector. Over the last five years, sales have compounded up at 12.0%, pre-tax profit by 14.0% and EPS by 15.0%. The business again appears to fit the bill as a steady compounder. This purchase takes the number of holdings back to 35 following the sale of Driver Group in December.

Source: Sanford DeLand 10 February 2020

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#### Sector Allocation ■ Financials 11.38% 14.16% Support Services Industrial Engineering 2.79% Pharmaceuticals & Biotechnology 3.21% Chemicals 2.53% 12.00% Food & Beverages ■ Travel & Leisure 9.13% Leisure Goods ■ Construction & Materials 8.13% Software & Computer Services 5.21% ■ Media ■ Technology Hardware & Equipment 6.12% 7.87% Retailers 7.16% 6.23% 4.08%

# Top Ten Holdings

1.	Games Workshop	6.12%
2.	Liontrust Asset Management	4.92%
3.	Dart Group	4.68%
4.	AB Dynamics	3.98%
5.	Focusrite	3.21%
6.	London Stock Exchange	3.13%
7.	Next	2.79%
8.	Bioventix	2.77%
9.	Experian	2.73%
10.	RWS Holdings	2.70%

#### **Fund Manager**

# Keith Ashworth-Lord, Investment Director & Fund Manager, Sanford DeLand

The fund manager has over 30 years of equity market experience and is a seasoned practitioner of 'Business Perspective Investing' as championed by Ben Graham and Warren Buffett. Prior to founding Sanford DeLand Asset Management, Keith worked with a variety of stockbroking, fund management and private investor clients. Keith is a graduate of Natural Sciences with a Masters in Management Studies and is a Chartered Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Securities & Investment. In 2017, Keith was conferred with Alpha Manager status by FE Trustnet.

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