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# **Celerity Sterling Balanced Fund IC Limited** Annual Report and Audited Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2024

#### **General Information**

#### **Address and Registered Office**

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#### **Investment Manager & Investment Advisor**

Momentum Global Investment Management Limited The Rex Building 62 Oueen Street London EC4R 1EB United Kingdom

#### Sub-Investment Manager (appointed 19 April 2024)

Celerity Investments (Pty) Limited 2nd Floor, Building 5 Summit Place Office Park 221 Garsfontein Road Menlyn, 0181 South Africa

#### **Distribution Partner**

Celerity Investments (Pty) Limited (appointed 19 April 2024) 2nd Floor, Building 5 Summit Place Office Park 221 Garsfontein Road Menlyn, 0181 South Africa

Momentum Wealth International Limited (resigned 19 April 2024) La Plaiderie House La Plaiderie St Peter Port, Guernsey **GY1 1WF** Channel Islands

#### Manager

Momentum Wealth International Limited La Plaiderie House La Plaiderie St Peter Port, Guernsey GY1 1WF Channel Islands

#### **Directors of the Incorporated Cell**

**Robert Alastair Rhodes Roxanne Power** Marie Curutchet Ray Mhere Andrew Hardy (appointed 15 December 2023) Ferdinand van Heerden (resigned 1 December 2023)

#### Administrator, Registrar & Secretary

Northern Trust International Fund Administration Services (Guernsey) Limited **PO Box 255 Trafalgar Court** Les Banques St Peter Port, Guernsey GY1 3QL **Channel Islands** 

#### Legal Advisor

Carey Olsen **Carey House** Les Banques St Peter Port, Guernsey GY1 4BZ **Channel Islands** 

#### **Independent Auditor**

**Ernst & Young LLP** PO Box 9 **Royal Chambers** St Julian's Avenue St Peter Port, Guernsey GY1 4AF **Channel Islands** 

#### Custodian

Northern Trust (Guernsey) Limited PO Box 71 **Trafalgar Court** Les Banques St Peter Port, Guernsey GY1 3DA **Channel Islands** 



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#### **Investment Manager's Report**

#### Full year performance (1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024)

The fund returned +9.9% in sterling terms, net of fees, over the period. The fund's worst month was October, when it returned -2.7%. For context, UK equities returned +13.1% (worst month -3.6%) and UK bonds returned +6.1% (worst month -2.8%).

#### Performance measured against benchmark and/or changes to selected benchmark

The fund underperformed its benchmark over the period (+12.1%). Relative to its benchmark, the fund's allocation to gold (+21.7%) and gold mining shares (+15.8%) was positive, whereas manager selection within equity was negative. Our blend of developed market equity managers lagged the market due to its lower exposure to mega-cap technology stocks, in particular Nvidia. We hold Nvidia in the fund (alongside names like Microsoft and Apple), but we are nonetheless underweight the stock relative to its weight in the market index, meaning it was a source of relative underperformance during the period.

We also pay attention to the performance of peers, and the fund outperformed the median manager in its peer group over the period (+8.5%).

#### Significant events or trends impacting performance in the financial year

Over the past 12 months, markets have been driven by excitement around artificial intelligence ("AI"), inflation trends and geo-political developments. Together these factors have resulted in a strongly rising but extremely narrow equity market, flat returns from global bonds and good performance from gold.

While equity market strength has helped portfolios in absolute terms, the concentrated nature of the rally has been a headwind to relative performance. We had also expected better returns from our bond positions, meaning that the only one of these trends that has been significantly positive for the fund has been gold, which remains a core allocation.

The last 12 months has seen significant divergence both between and within asset classes, driven primarily by enthusiasm for AI, and uncertainty over the timing and extent of interest rate cuts. As a result, while global equities added +20.1% over the period, global bonds eked out just +1.0%, and are down -2.5% year to date. And while global growth stocks added +25.4%, global value stocks and global small caps returned only around half as much.

Our equity allocation remains broadly diversified, with the aim of diversifying country, sector and style risk. While this was not rewarded over the period, we note that the outperformance of growth stocks versus value stocks, and large cap stocks versus small caps, looks extended relative to history, and hence we expect to benefit in a subsequent period when these trends reverse. During the period we saw interest in small cap value stocks start to emerge, with bids for several UK listed companies, including portfolio company Round Hill Music Royalty trust.

Periodic bouts of optimism around rate cuts proved premature for the most part during the period, with robust economic activity and tight labour majors prompting central banks to keep policy tighter for longer. This led to yields drifting up, which held back returns from bonds. It also impacted other rate sensitive asset classes in the portfolio, like property and infrastructure.

Geo-politics, including war in the Middle East, introduced significant uncertainty, of which gold was a key beneficiary. Gold also saw strong demand from central banks over the period, most likely in response to US sanctions on Russian dollar reserves.

Overall, the 12-month period was characterised by strong equity performance driven by investor enthusiasm for AI, mixed bond performance due to uncertainty over the outlook for inflation and central bank policy and good performance from commodities, in particular gold, due to geo-political tensions.



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### Investment Manager's Report (continued)

#### Risks

Central banks in many parts of the developed world continue to grapple with tight labour markets and sticky inflation. This remains the biggest risk to markets, with many asset classes now appearing to discount interest rate cuts later this year. Core inflation and wage inflation are generally trending in the right direction, but they remain too high, and should markets move to price in a more hawkish path for future interest rates, then this is likely to put downward pressure on asset prices.

The geo-political landscape presents multiple challenges, with ongoing wars in Europe and the Middle East, trade wars between the US and China that may intensify under a Trump presidency, and uncertainty in Europe, which saw a decisive shift to the right in European Parliamentary elections. Political uncertainty may lead to an increase in risk premiums, but it is impossible to know where the focus of the next flare up will be, which makes diversification key.

Government debt funding is set to be a major issue in coming years, not so much as an inability to fund the debt but more in terms of the cost it imposes on public finances and fiscal policy. This is already evident in the UK and will become increasingly so elsewhere, restraining growth and complicating the task of central banks in policy-making.

There are some signs of complacency across markets, with volatility measures in an extended low period, financial conditions benign, credit spreads historically low, valuations in parts of the markets high, and ample liquidity available. This is balanced by the fact that we are now in a rate cutting cycle, which should be positive for most asset classes, and hence we caution against being too defensive when constructing portfolios today.

#### Outlook for 2024/25

The rate cutting cycle ahead could well be relatively shallow, and combined with the unfavourable public debt situation in most of the developed world argues for patience and caution in adding to duration. In equities, we are encouraged by the unfolding AI boom and its potential for productivity gains, by a generally healthy corporate profits outlook and by some attractive valuations among value stocks, many of which have underperformed substantially in the past two years. Risks are never absent and are evident around inflation, growth, debt sustainability and geo-politics, and diversification remains vital, but cash rates in the US above 5% alongside falling inflation, are clear positives when thinking about prospective returns from here.



### Annual Report and Audited Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2024

#### **Directors' Report**

The Directors present their annual report together with the audited financial statements of Celerity Sterling Balanced Fund IC Limited (the "Incorporated Cell" or "Cell"), formerly Momentum Sterling Balanced Fund IC Limited until its name change effective 19 April 2024, for the year ended 30 June 2024.

#### **Principal activities**

The Cell with company number 46314, is a Guernsey registered, Limited Liability Incorporated Cell of Momentum Mutual Fund ICC Limited (the "Company"). The activities and objectives of the Cell can be found in note 1 on page 19.

#### Going concern

The Directors have made an assessment of going concern including consideration of geo-political issues on the Cell. Refer to note 2 for the detailed disclosure.

#### Directors

The Directors of the Cell during the year and at the date of this report are set out on page 3.

#### **Directors' interests**

None of the Directors who held office during the year and at the date of this report had any disclosable interests in the shares of the Incorporated Cell.

#### **Directors' responsibilities**

The Directors are responsible for preparing the financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view, in accordance with applicable Guernsey law and International Financial Reporting Standards, of the state of affairs of the Incorporated Cell and of the profit or loss of the Incorporated Cell for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Directors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis, unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Incorporated Cell will continue in business.

The Directors confirm that they have complied with the above requirements in preparing the financial statements.

The Directors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Incorporated Cell and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with The Companies (Guernsey) Law, 2008 and The Protection of Investors (Bailiwick of Guernsey) Law, 2020. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Incorporated Cell and hence, for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

So far as each Director is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Incorporated Cell's auditor is unaware and each Director has taken all the steps they ought to have as a Director to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the Incorporated Cell's auditor is aware of that information.

The Board of Directors confirms that, throughout the period covered by the financial statements, the Cell complied with the Code of Corporate Governance issued by the Guernsey Financial Services Commission, to the extent it was applicable based upon its legal and operating structure and its nature, scale and complexity.



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#### **Directors' Report (continued)**

#### **Directors' responsibilities (continued)**

The annual report together with the audited financial statements of the Incorporated Cell are published on the Manager's website. The Manager is responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the website; the work carried out by the auditor does not involve consideration of these matters and, accordingly, the auditor accepts no responsibility for any changes that may occur to the financial statements after they are initially presented on the website. The Directors appreciate there is uncertainty regarding legal requirements of information published on the internet as it is accessible in many countries and legislation in Guernsey governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

#### **Independent** auditor

A rule was issued by the Independent Regulatory Auditors in South Africa (IRBA), which prescribed mandatory audit firm rotation. The Board of Momentum Group Limited ("MGL"), formerly Momentum Metropolitan Holdings Limited approved the appointment of a joint external auditor for the 2025 financial year. Shareholders of MGL will be informed of the new firm of external auditors once all regulatory approvals have been obtained. The change of external audit firm will be tabled for approval by the shareholders at the MGL's next annual general meeting.

As a subsidiary of MGL, the Directors of the Cell anticipate that Ernst & Young LLP will tender their resignation and the Directors will seek to appoint a new audit firm in line with the wider group.

Marie Curutchet Director 2 December 2024

Robert Rhodes Director



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#### Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of Celerity Sterling Balanced Fund IC Limited

#### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Celerity Sterling Balanced Fund IC Limited (the "Incorporated Cell") for the year ended 30 June 2024 which comprise the Statement of Financial Position, the Statement of Comprehensive Income, the Statement of Cash Flows, the Statement of Changes in Net Assets Attributable to Holders of Participating Redeemable Shares, and the related notes 1 to 17, including material accounting policy information. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and International Financial Reporting Standards.

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the Incorporated Cell's affairs as at 30 June 2024 and of its profit for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards; and
- have been properly prepared in accordance with the requirements of The Companies (Guernsey) Law, 2008 and The Protection of Investors (Bailiwick of Guernsey) Law, 2020.

#### **Basis for opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the Incorporated Cell in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements, including the UK FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the Incorporated Cell's ability to continue as a going concern for the period to 31 December 2025.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the directors with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report. However, because not all future events or conditions can be predicted, this statement is not a guarantee as to the Incorporated Cell's ability to continue as a going concern.

#### Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The directors are responsible for the other information contained within the annual report.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in this report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the course of the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of the other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.



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#### Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of Celerity Sterling Balanced Fund IC Limited (continued)

#### Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which The Companies (Guernsey) Law, 2008 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- proper accounting records have not been kept by the Incorporated Cell; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the Incorporated Cell's accounting records and returns; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

#### **Responsibilities of directors**

As explained more fully in the directors' responsibilities statement set out on pages 6 to 7, the directors are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the directors are responsible for assessing the Incorporated Cell's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the directors either intend to liquidate the Incorporated Cell or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

#### Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

#### Explanation as to what extent the audit was considered capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect irregularities, including fraud. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement due to fraud is higher than the risk of not detecting one resulting from error, as fraud may involve deliberate concealment by, for example, forgery or intentional misrepresentations, or through collusion. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below. However, the primary responsibility for the prevention and detection of fraud rests with both those charged with governance of the entity and management.

- We obtained an understanding of the legal and regulatory frameworks that are applicable to the Incorporated Cell and determined that the most significant are those that relate to the reporting framework (International Financial Reporting Standards, The Companies (Guernsey) Law, 2008 and the Protection of Investors (Bailiwick of Guernsey) Law, 2020);
- We understood how the Incorporated Cell is complying with those frameworks by making enquiries of management and those responsible for compliance matters and corroborated this by reviewing minutes of meetings of the Board of Directors and correspondence between the Incorporated Cell and the Guernsey Financial Services Commission. We gained an understanding of the Board's approach to governance, demonstrated by its review of compliance reports, the investment manager's reports and internal control processes;



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#### Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of Celerity Sterling Balanced Fund IC Limited (continued)

#### Explanation as to what extent the audit was considered capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud (continued)

- We assessed the susceptibility of the Incorporated Cell's financial statements to material misstatement, including
  how fraud might occur by considering the risk of management override and by identifying the valuation of
  investments (specifically manual price overrides) and the recognition of dividend income at year-end (cut-off) as
  fraud risks. We considered the controls the Incorporated Cell has established to address the risk identified by the
  directors or that otherwise seek to prevent, detect or deter fraud and how management and those charged with
  governance monitor those controls. We also considered the existence of any stakeholder influences which may
  cause management to seek to manipulate the financial performance and did not note any;
- Based on this understanding we designed our audit procedures to identify non-compliance with such laws and
  regulations. Our procedures involved the review of minutes of meetings of the Board of Directors; review of
  compliance reports; review of correspondence with the Guernsey Financial Services Commission; making inquiries of
  those charged with governance; and performance of journal entry testing based on our risk assessment and
  understanding of the business, with a focus on non-standard journals and those relating to areas with an identified
  associated fraud risk, as described above.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at https://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

#### Use of our report

This report is made solely to the Incorporated Cell's members, as a body, in accordance with Section 262 of The Companies (Guernsey) Law 2008 and Paragraph 4.2(4) of the Authorised Collective Investment Schemes (Class B) Rules and Guidance, 2021. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Incorporated Cell 's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Incorporated Cell and the Incorporated Cell's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Ernst & Young LLP Guernsey, Channel Islands Date: 06 December 2024



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## Custodian's Report to the Members of Celerity Sterling Balanced Fund IC Limited

In our opinion, the Cell has, in all material aspects, been managed for the year ended 30 June 2024 in accordance with the provisions of the Principal Documents, Scheme Particulars and The Authorised Collective Investment Schemes (Class B) Rules and Guidance, 2021.

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For and on behalf of Northern Trust (Guernsey) Limited 2 December 2024

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# Supplementary Information

		30.06.24	30.06.23
1.	NUMBER OF SHARES OUTSTANDING		
	Class A	4,827,625	5,313,650
	Class B	-	1,546
2.	NET ASSET VALUE PER SHARE - GBP		
	Class A	1.98	1.80
	Class B	-	1.68
			1.00
3.	HIGHEST/LOWEST PRICE - GBP*		
	Class A	1.99 / 1.76	1.89 / 1.69
	Class B	1.77 / -	1.77 / 1.58
4.	NUMBER OF SHARES SUBSCRIBED		
	Class A	152,522	38,812
	Class B	-	- 50,012
		-	-
5.	NUMBER OF SHARES REDEEMED		
	Class A	638,547	325,864
	Class B	1,546	9,297

\*The highest/lowest price is based on prices from prior year end to current year end, being 30.06.2024.

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## **Portfolio Statement**

			% of Net
	Holding	Fair Value	Assets
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss		<u>GBP</u>	
Government Bonds: 14.99% (2023: 16.39%)			
UK Treasury Gilt 4.5% 07/12/2042	350,000	346,815	3.63
U.S. Treasury Bonds 1.375% 11/15/40	1,050,000	524,433	5.50
U.S. Treasury Bonds 3.75% 11/15/43	800,000	559,538	5.86
Total Government Bonds		1,430,786	14.99
Collective Investment Schemes: 79.92% (2023: 71.81%)			
Commodity Funds			
iShares Gold Producers UCITS ETF	10,000	119,925	1.26
iShares Physical Gold ETF	9,095	325,874	3.41
Total Commodity Funds		445,799	4.67
Equity Funds			
Bin Yuan Greater China Fund	2,216	117,472	1.23
iShares Core FTSE 100 UCITS ETF	89,647	711,708	7.46
iShares Emerging Markets Index Fund	7,718	101,001	1.06
iShares FTSE 250 UCITS ETF	16,396	310,212	3.25
Merian Chrysalis Investment Company Limited	98,000	74,578	0.78
Momentum Global Funds - Momentum GF Global Emerging Markets Equity Fund	1,615	329,206	3.45
Momentum Global Funds - Momentum GF Global Sustainable Equity Fund – I	9,057	1,329,407	13.92
Morant Wright Fuji Yield Fund	24,898	346,073	3.63
RWC Income Opportunities Funds GBP Class	1,843	457,764	4.80
Sands Capital Funds - Sands Emerging Markets Growth Fund	10,144	123,906	1.30
Schroder Recovery Fund - Z Accumulating	296,934	457,575	4.79
Schroders Capital Global Innovation Trust plc	430,000	51,170	0.54
TB Wise Investment Funds - Evenlode Income	197,331	834,335	8.74
Total Equity Funds		5,244,407	54.95
Fixed Income Funds			
AXA Fixed Interest ICVC - US Short Duration High Yield Fund	59,455	96,495	1.01
iShares \$ TIPS UCITS ETF	3,955	741,316	7.77
iShares Core GBP Corp Bond UCITS ETF	2,200	267,652	2.80
Jupiter Global Emerging Markets Short Duration Bond F GBP Acc	3,068	354,053	3.70
Muzinich Funds - Enhanced Yield Short-Term Fund Class A GBP	3,363.51	382,296	4.01
RWC Funds - RWC Global Convertibles Fund EUR Class	0.35	489	0.01
TwentyFour Income Fund	92,000.00	95,312	1.00
Total Fixed Income Funds		1,937,613	20.30
Total Collective Investment Schemes	_	7,627,819	79.92



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# Portfolio Statement (continued)

			% of Net
	Holding	Fair Value	Assets
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss (continued)		<u>GBP</u>	
Property and Infrastructure Investment Trusts and ETFs: 2.81% (2023: 10.32%)			
Cordiant Digital Infrastructure Limited	48,880	37,149	0.39
Digital 9 Infrastructure Fund	22,000	4,917	0.05
Gore Street Energy Storage Fund	64,244	41,116	0.43
Greencoat UK Wind Plc	34,842	45,991	0.48
Maple Brown Abbott Global Infrastructure Fund	37,998	48,330	0.51
Sequoia Economic Infrastructure Income Fund	113,848	91,078	0.95
Total Property and Infrastructure Investment Trusts and ETFs	_	268,581	2.81
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss		9,327,186	97.72
Other Net Assets: 2.28% (2023: 1.48%)		217,258	2.28
Net Assets Attributable to Holders of Participating Redeemable Shares	_	9,544,444	100.00

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## **Statement of Financial Position**

	Notes	Year ended 30.06.24 <u>GBP</u>	Year ended 30.06.23 <u>GBP</u>
ASSETS			
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	7	197,782	153,325
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	6	9,327,186	9,449,782
Fair value of derivative financial instruments	8	22,738	6,652
Dividend receivable	3	2,039	2,166
Interest receivable	3	5,245	5,204
Deposit income receivable	3	340	151
Other receivables	9	6,843	2
Total assets		9,562,173	9,617,282
LIABILITIES			
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Due on redemption of participating redeemable shares	3	-	8,000
Other payables	10	17,727	17,847
Liabilities (excluding net assets attributable to holders of participating			
redeemable shares)		17,727	25,847
Net assets attributable to holders of participating redeemable shares	3 & 12	9,544,444	9,591,433
Total liabilities		9,562,171	9,617,280
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY			
Management shares	11	2	2
Total equity		2	2
Total equity and liabilities		9,562,173	9,617,282
Net asset value per participating redeemable share	12		
Class A		1.98	1.80
Class B		-	1.68

The notes 1 to 17 on pages 19 to 35 form part of these financial statements.

These financial statements were authorised for issue by the Board of Directors on 2 December 2024 and signed on its behalf by:

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Marie Curutchet Director

Robert Rhodes Director



## Annual Report and Audited Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2024

## Statement of Comprehensive Income

		Year ended 30.06.24	Year ended 30.06.23
	Notes	<u>GBP</u>	<u>GBP</u>
INCOME			
Net realised gains on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	6	462,091	46,380
Change in unrealised gains/(losses) on financial assets at fair value through			
profit or loss	6	286,595	(40,405)
Net gains on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss		748,686	5,975
Deposit income		3,707	576
Interest income		53,429	19,530
Dividend income		147,980	181,825
Net (losses)/gains on forward derivative contracts		(17,050)	37,752
Other foreign exchange gains		2,423	2,316
Total net income		939,175	247,974
OPERATING EXPENSES			
Audit fee		(9,084)	(6,707)
Custodian fee	14	(6,223)	(5,290)
Investment Management fee	14	(30,527)	(39,135)
Sub-Investment Management fee	14	(7,337)	-
Directors' fee	14	(2,000)	-
Management and Administration fee	14	(22,725)	(29,303)
Management, Investment Management and Administration fee	14	(5,663)	-
Sundry expenses		(2,205)	(8,131)
Total operating expenses		(85,764)	(88,566)
Net profit before tax		853,411	159,408
Withholding tax			(2,835)
Increase in net assets attributable to holders of participating redeemable			_
shares from operations		853,411	156,573

All items in the above statement derive from continuing operations. There is no difference between the increase in net assets attributable to holders of participating redeemable shares and comprehensive income.

The notes 1 to 17 on pages 19 to 35 form part of these financial statements.



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**Statement of Cash Flows** 

	Year ended 30.06.24	Year ended 30.06.23
	<u>GBP</u>	<u>GBP</u>
CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Increase in net assets attributable to holders of participating redeemable		
shares from operations	853,411	156,573
ADJUSTMENTS FOR:		
Net realised gains on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	(462,091)	(46,380)
Net change in unrealised (gains)/losses on financial assets at fair value through		
profit or loss	(286,595)	40,405
Net losses/(gains) on forward derivative contracts	17,050	(37,752)
Effects of foreign exchange on cash	142	61
Dividend income	(147,980)	(181,825)
Deposit income	(3,707)	(576)
Interest income	(53,429)	(19,530)
Withholding tax	-	2,835
Operating loss before working capital changes	(83,199)	(86,189)
Net (increase)/decrease in other receivables	(6,841)	432
Net (decrease)/increase in other payables	(120)	327
Purchase of financial assets at fair value through profit or	(4,438,108)	(1,680,410)
Sale of financial assets at fair value through profit or loss*	5,309,390	2,165,504
Net settlement of forward derivative contracts	(33,136)	(9,973)
Dividend income received	148,107	177,557
Deposit income received	3,518	425
Interest income received	53,388	17,505
Net cash generated from operating activities	952,999	585,178
CASH FLOW FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Cash received on issuance of participating redeemable shares	293,514	70,966
Cash paid on redemption of participating redeemable shares	(1,201,914)	(591,135)
Net cash used in financing activities	(908,400)	(520,169)
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	44,599	65,009
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year	153,325	88,377
Effect of foreign exchange rate on cash	(142)	(61)
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year	197,782	153,325

\* Purchases and sales of financial assets at fair value through profit or loss have been included as operating activity as this is the primary activity of the Cell.

The notes 1 to 17 on pages 19 to 35 form part of these financial statements.

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# Statement of Changes in Net Assets Attributable to Holders of Participating Redeemable Shares

	Note	Year ended 30.06.24	Year ended 30.06.23
		<u>GBP</u>	<u>GBP</u>
Net assets attributable to holders of participating redeemable shares			
at the beginning of the year		9,591,433	9,962,850
Proceeds from issuance of participating redeemable shares		293,514	70,966
Payments on redemption of participating redeemable shares		(1,193,914)	(598,956)
Increase in net assets attributable to holders of participating redeemable			
shares from operations		853,411	156,573
Net assets attributable to holders of participating redeemable shares			
at the end of the year	12	9,544,444	9,591,433

The notes 1 to 17 on pages 19 to 35 form part of these financial statements.



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### Notes to the Financial Statements

#### 1. General information

The Celerity Sterling Balanced Fund IC Limited (the "Incorporated Cell" or "Cell"), formerly Momentum Sterling Balanced Fund IC Limited until its name change effective 19 April 2024, with company number 46314, is a Guernsey registered, Limited Liability Incorporated Cell of Momentum Mutual Fund ICC Limited (the "Company").

The primary objective of the Cell is to provide a balance between capital preservation and capital growth over the full investment cycle in local currency terms with a reduced level of volatility. The diversified portfolio of the Cell invests into a wide range of asset classes including cash, fixed income, high yield, equities and property. As this portfolio has been designed for investors for whom Sterling is the base currency, typically two thirds of the portfolio will be held in Sterling based investments. The Cell is ideally suited to investors with a medium risk tolerance with an investment horizon of three years or longer.

The Cell intends to achieve its investment objective through a diversified global portfolio that invests, primarily via other Collective Investment Schemes, across a broad range of asset classes and currencies in varying proportions over time. These classes include international equities, fixed income, property, money market instruments, commodities and mixed asset funds. The Cell may also invest in transferable securities which are classes of investments that are negotiable on a capital market such as (but not limited to) shares in companies or bond investments. The Cell may invest in forward foreign currency exchange contracts and exchange-traded derivatives for hedging purposes and efficient portfolio management.

The Cell's investment activities are managed by Momentum Wealth International Limited (the "Manager"), with the investment management delegated to Momentum Global Investment Management Limited (the "Investment Manager").

On 19 April 2024, amendments were made to the Supplemental Prospectus of the Cell, implementing the following changes with effect from that date:

- The Cell name change from Momentum Sterling Balanced Fund IC Limited to Celerity Sterling Balanced Fund IC Limited took effect.
- Each of (i) the investment policy, (ii) the investment restrictions and (iii) the risk warnings attributable to the Cell were updated.
- Save for those Class B Shareholders who elected to redeem their Class B Shares prior to the effective date, the Class B Shares were automatically switched to Class A Shares and the B Share Class were closed.
- The Investment Manager delegated certain of its management duties in respect of the Cell pursuant to the Investment Management agreement and appointed the Sub-Investment Manager.
- Pursuant to the terms of the Sub-Investment Management Agreement (as set out and defined in the Supplement), the Sub-Investment Manager became responsible for the investment of the Cell's assets and has discretionary authority to invest the same in accordance with the objective, policy and investment restrictions set out in this Supplement.
- The appointment of the Sub-Investment Manager of the Cell took effect from 19 April 2024. The Sub-Investment Manager is a South African registered Company FSP No: 47650, whose registered address is 2nd Floor, Building 5, Summit Place Office Park, 221 Garsfontein Road, Menlyn, 0181, South Africa.
- Certain of the fees of the Cell were amended.

The financial statements were authorised for issue by the Board of Directors on 2 December 2024.

#### 2. Material accounting policies

The principal accounting policies detailed below have been consistently applied in the preparation of the financial statements.

#### 2.1 Basis of preparation

The financial statements for the Incorporated Cell have been prepared on a going concern basis, in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS). The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified by the revaluation of financial assets and financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss (including derivative financial instruments).

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### Notes to the Financial Statements

### 2. Material accounting policies (continued)

### 2.1 Basis of preparation (continued)

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with IFRS requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates, which are disclosed in note 4 of these Incorporated Cell's financial statements. It also requires the Board of Directors to exercise its judgement in the process of applying the Incorporated Cell's accounting policies.

#### Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the Board has assessed redemption levels and there have been no significant redemptions. The Board has also considered the liquid nature of the investment portfolio, the absence of any borrowings or commitments and the economic viability of the Cell which is driven by its net asset value.

After careful consideration, the Board is satisfied that the Cell has sufficient liquidity to meet its liabilities for the period to 31 December 2025 and therefore it is appropriate to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements and they have a reasonable expectation that the Cell will continue in existence as a going concern.

#### 2.2 Adoption of new and revised accounting standards

The Directors have adopted a policy of applying new standards and interpretations when they become effective.

Standards, amendments and interpretations effective during the year

The following accounting standards, amendments and interpretations became effective for the first time in this reporting period:

Periods beginning on or after 1 January 2023:

(a) IAS 8 - Definition of Accounting Estimates - Effective from 1 January 2023 - Amendments regarding classification of liabilities and disclosure of accounting policies.

(b) IAS 1 - Disclosure Initiative - Accounting Policies - Effective from 1 January 2023 - Amendments to help entities apply materiality judgements to accounting policy disclosure.

IAS 1 has been amended to replace the requirement for entities to disclose their significant accounting policies with a requirement to disclose material accounting policies. The policies presented in the financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2023 have been assessed, and those that are considered material have been disclosed for the year ended 30 June 2024.

The adoption of these standards has not had a material impact on the financial statements of the Incorporated Cell.

#### Standards, amendments and interpretations in issue not yet effective

A number of new standards, amendments and interpretations are effective for annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2024 and have not been early adopted in preparing these financial statements. In particular, these include:

(a) IFRS S1 and IFRS S2 – Sustainability Disclosure Standards – Effective from 1 January 2024 – New standards regarding the disclosure of sustainability-related financial information.

The Board anticipates that the adoption of these standards, which will be adopted in the period which they become effective, will not have a material impact on the financial statements of the Cell.

#### 2.3 Foreign currency translation

#### (a) Functional and presentation currency

The currency in which the financial information is shown in the financial statements of the Incorporated Cell is deemed to be its functional and presentational currency. In arriving at the functional currency, the Directors have considered the primary economic environment of the Incorporated Cell, and in doing so have considered the currency in which the original capital was raised, any distributions are to be made, performance is evaluated and ultimately, the currency in which capital would be returned on break up basis. They have also considered the currency to which the majority of the underlying investments are exposed and liquidity is managed. The Directors are of the opinion that the currency selected best represents the functional currency.

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## Notes to the Financial Statements

## 2. Material accounting policies (continued)

## 2.3 Foreign currency translation (continued)

#### (b) Transactions and balances

Foreign currency transactions are translated into the functional currency using the exchange rates prevailing at the dates of the transactions. Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of such transactions and from the translation at year end exchange rates of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income. Translation differences on non-monetary financial assets and liabilities such as equities at fair value through profit or loss are recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income within the fair value net gain or loss.

## 2.4 Financial assets and financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss

#### (a) Classification

The Incorporated Cell classifies its investments in Collective Investment Schemes, equities, and related derivatives as financial assets or financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss. These financial assets and financial liabilities are classified by the Board of Directors at fair value through profit or loss at inception. The Incorporated Cell does not classify any derivatives as hedges in a hedging relationship. Financial assets and financial liabilities are designated at fair value through profit or loss at inception, are managed, and their performance evaluated on a fair value basis in accordance with the Incorporated Cell's documented investment strategy. The Incorporated Cell's policies are for the Investment Manager and the Board of Directors to evaluate the information about these financial assets on a fair value basis together with other related financial information.

#### (b) Recognition/derecognition

Regular-way purchases and sales of investments are recognised on the trade date of the underlying security, so long as the underlying transaction has been confirmed by the relevant counterparty as at the Statement of Financial Position date. Investments are derecognised when the rights to receive cash flows from the investments have expired or the Incorporated Cell has transferred substantially all risks and rewards of ownership.

#### (c) Measurement

Financial assets and financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss are initially recognised at fair value. Transaction costs are expensed in the Statement of Comprehensive Income of the Incorporated Cell. Subsequent to initial recognition, all financial assets and financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss are measured at fair value. Gains and losses arising from changes in the fair value of the 'financial assets or financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss' category are presented in the Statement of Comprehensive Income in the period in which they arise.

#### (d) Fair value estimation

Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The fair value of financial assets and liabilities traded in active markets (such as publicly traded derivatives and trading securities) are based on quoted market prices at the close of trading on the reporting date. The Incorporated Cell adopted to utilise the last traded market price for both financial assets and financial liabilities where the last traded price falls within the bid-ask spread. In circumstances where the last traded price is not within the bid-ask spread, management will determine the point within the bid-ask spread that is most representative of fair value. As a practical expedient to establish fair value within the bid-ask spread, management will use mid-market pricing. The market price used for assets which are not traded in active markets are those as supplied by their fund administrators.

#### 2.5 Offsetting financial instruments

Financial assets and liabilities are offset and the net amount reported in the Statement of Financial Position when there is a legally enforceable right to offset the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis, or realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously. The Cell entered into a ISDA Master Netting Agreement with Northern Trust (Guernsey) Limited effective 17 June 2024.

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#### Notes to the Financial Statements

#### 2. Material accounting policies (continued)

#### 2.6 Forward currency contracts

Forward foreign currency contracts are treated as derivative contracts and as such are recognised at fair value on the date on which they are entered into and subsequently remeasured at their fair value. Fair value is determined by rates in active currency markets. All derivatives are carried as assets when fair value is positive and as liabilities when fair value is negative. The gain or loss on remeasurement to fair value is recognised immediately through profit or loss in the Statement of Comprehensive Income within other losses and gains in the period in which they arise.

#### 2.7 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, demand deposits and other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less and bank overdrafts.

#### 2.8 Other financial instruments

For other financial instruments, including amounts due to and from brokers and all receivables and payables, the carrying amounts as shown in the Statement of Financial Position approximate to fair value due to the short-term nature of these financial instruments.

#### 2.9 Share capital

The Incorporated Cell has an authorised share capital of 100 management shares of GBP1.00 each and an unlimited number of no par value participating redeemable shares.

(a) Management shares

Management shares were issued to comply with the Guernsey Company Law, prior to its revision in 2008, under which there had to be a class of non-redeemable shares in issue in order that participating redeemable shares may be issued. The management shares are beneficially owned by the Manager, do not carry any right to dividends, are only entitled to vote at shareholder meetings where there are no participating redeemable shares in issue within the Incorporated Cell and are only entitled to return of capital on the winding up of the Incorporated Cell.

The Incorporated Cell has issued 2 management shares.

(b) Participating redeemable shares

The Incorporated Cell's capital is represented by participating redeemable shares with no par value each carrying one vote, no matter which share class. Each share class carries identical rights, the only difference between the classes being either the management fee or the distribution partner fee which is charged to each class. These fees are disclosed in note 14.

The participating redeemable shares are redeemable at the holder's option and are classified as financial liabilities. Participating redeemable shares can be put back to the Incorporated Cell at any time for cash equal to a proportionate share of the Incorporated Cell's net asset value. The participating redeemable share is carried at the redemption amount that is payable at the Statement of Financial Position date if the holder exercises the right to put the share back to the Incorporated Cell.

All participating redeemable shares will rank equally for all dividends and other distributions, as adjusted to reflect any differences in the fees to which each class of participating redeemable share is subject. They are entitled to payment of a proportionate share based on the Cell's net asset value per share on the redemption date. The Cell has no restrictions or specific capital requirements on the subscriptions and redemptions of shares. The relevant movements are shown on the Statement of Changes in Net Assets Attributable to Holders of Participating Redeemable Shares. In accordance with the Cell's investment objectives, and its risk management policies, the Cell endeavours to invest the subscriptions received in appropriate investments while maintaining sufficient liquidity to meet redemptions, such liquidity being augmented by short-term borrowings or disposal of listed securities where necessary.

To determine the net asset value of the Cell for subscriptions and redemptions, investments have been valued based on the last traded market prices as of the close of business on the relevant trading day.

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#### 2. Material accounting policies (continued)

#### 2.10 Capital risk management

The fair value of the Cell's financial assets and financial liabilities approximate to their carrying amounts at the reporting date. For the purposes of this disclosure, shares are considered to be capital.

The Incorporated Cell's objective when managing capital is to safeguard its ability to continue as a going concern in order to provide returns for shareholders. There are no externally imposed capital requirements on the Incorporated Cell. The Incorporated Cell has no intention to borrow, other than to fund short-term liquidity requirements. The Incorporated Cell may arrange an overdraft facility for such purposes.

#### 2.11 Interest and dividend income

Dividend income is recognised when the right to receive payment is established. All deposit interest and other income is accounted for on an accruals basis.

#### 2.12 Expenses

Expenses are accounted for on an accruals basis and all amounts have been allocated to the Statement of Comprehensive Income.

#### 2.13 Custodian bank charges

Custodian bank charges include additional fees on top of the asking price of the security. The bid-asking spread is not disclosed as part of a custodian bank charge. This spread is included in the Statement of Comprehensive Income within the fair value net gain or loss.

#### 2.14 Taxation

The Cell has been granted Exempt Status under the terms of The Income Tax (Exempt Bodies) (Guernsey) Ordinance, 1989 to income tax in Guernsey. Its liability is an annual fee of £1,600 (2023: £1,200).

The Cell incurs withholding taxes imposed by certain countries on investment income and capital gains. Such income or gains are recorded gross of withholding taxes in the Statement of Comprehensive Income. Withholding taxes are shown as a separate item in the Statement of Comprehensive Income.

#### 3. Financial risk management

#### 3.1 Strategy in using financial instruments

The Cell's activities and investment objectives expose it to a variety of financial risks: market risk (which is made up of price risk, interest rate risk and currency risk), credit risk and liquidity risk (including cash flow risk). The Cell's overall risk management programme seeks to maximise the return derived for the level of risk to which the Cell is exposed and focuses on the unpredictability of financial markets and seeks to minimise potential adverse effects on the Cell's financial performance. The following policies and procedures to mitigate risk have been in place throughout the year.

The Cell's policies allow it to use derivative financial instruments to both moderate and create certain risk exposure. The fair value of derivative financial instruments as at 30 June 2024 is disclosed under note 8 of these financial statements.

#### 3.2 Market price risk

Market price risk is the risk that the fair value of future cash flows will fluctuate because of changes in market prices, other than those arising from currency or interest rate risk. The Cell is subject to market price risk as it trades primarily in equities and Collective Investment Schemes. Through its investment in traded securities and instruments, the Cell is subject to market movements in the equity and bond markets.

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### Notes to the Financial Statements

## 3. Financial risk management (continued)

### 3.2 Market price risk (continued)

All investments present a risk of loss of capital. The Investment Manager moderates this risk through a careful selection of securities and other financial instruments within specified limits. The maximum risk resulting from financial instruments is determined by the fair value of the financial instruments. The Cell's overall market position is monitored by the Investment Manager and is reviewed by the Board of Directors.

The Cell's market price risk is managed through diversification of the investment portfolio by exposure to varying product categories, hence concentration of risk is minimised. At year end, the financial assets at fair value through profit or loss, which are subject to market price risk, are as follows:

		2024 % of net		2023 % of net
As at 30 June	Fair Value <u>GBP</u>	assets	Fair Value <u>GBP</u>	assets
Government Bonds	1,430,786	14.99	1,572,329	16.39
Collective Investment Schemes	7,627,819	79.92	6,885,753	71.81
Property and Infrastructure Investment Trusts and ETFs	268,581	2.81	991,700	10.32
	9,327,186	97.72	9,449,782	98.52

The Cell's market price risk is affected by three main components: changes in actual market prices, interest rate and foreign currency movements. Interest rate and foreign currency exchange rate movements are covered in notes 3.3 and 3.5, respectively. If the market indices increased or decreased by 10% with all other variables held constant, the increase or decrease respectively in net assets attributable to holders of participating redeemable shares would amount to:

As at 30 June	2024 Change in fair value <u>GBP</u>	2023 Change in fair value <u>GBP</u>
Government Bonds	143,079	157,233
Collective Investment Schemes	762,782	688,575
Property and Infrastructure Investment Trusts and ETFs	26,858	99,170
	932,719	944,978

#### 3.3 Interest rate risk

The Cell's interest-bearing financial assets and liabilities expose it to risks associated with the effects of fluctuations in the prevailing levels of market interest rates on its financial position and cash flows.

The majority of the Cell's financial assets and liabilities are non-interest bearing. As a result, the Cell is not subject to significant amounts of risk due to fluctuations in the prevailing levels of market interest rates. Any excess cash and cash equivalents are invested at short-term market interest rates.

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#### 3. Financial risk management (continued)

#### 3.3 Interest rate risk (continued)

The table below summarises the Cell's exposure to interest rate risks. It includes the Cell's assets and trading liabilities at fair values, all of which have contractual re-pricing or maturity dates within one month.

As at 30 June	2024 <u>GBP</u>	2023 <u>GBP</u>
Net financial assets on which no interest is paid	7,915,876	7,865,779
Net floating rate financial assets	197,782	153,325
Net fixed rate financial assets	1,430,786	1,572,329

Should interest rates have increased/decreased by 50 basis points with all other variables remaining constant, the increase/decrease in the net assets attributable to participating redeemable shareholders would amount to approximately:

As at 30 June	2024 <u>GBP</u>	2023 <u>GBP</u>
Movement in net floating rate financial assets	989	767
Movement in net fixed rate financial assets	7,154	7,862

#### 3.4 Cash flow risk

The Cell holds a significant amount of cash and cash equivalents that expose the Cell to cash flow interest rate risk. The risk exposure here is deemed minimal.

#### 3.5 Currency risk

Currency risk is the risk that the fair value of future cash flows will fluctuate as a result of changes in foreign currency exchange rates. The Cell holds assets including investments denominated in currencies other than the Sterling, the functional currency, and therefore, it is exposed to currency risk. The exposures are based on the currencies of the underlying assets in the Cell. Where the Cell invests via Collective Investment Schemes, the funds are treated as a single asset with its currency of exposure being assumed to be its reporting currency.

The table below summarises the Cell's exposure to currency risks:

As at 30 June	2024	2023
	<u>GBP</u>	<u>GBP</u>
Net EUR exposure	1,080	1,081
Net USD exposure	3,756,865	3,084,692
Net ZAR exposure	(937)	(1,080)

In accordance with the Cell's policy, the Investment Manager monitors the Cell's currency position on a regular basis, and the Board of Directors reviews it periodically. The Cell has the ability to enter into forward foreign exchange contracts in an attempt to mitigate any significant currency risk. Such contracts are used on a regular basis. The contracts which are outstanding at year end are disclosed in note 8.

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### 3. Financial risk management (continued)

#### 3.5 Currency risk (continued)

Should the Cell's functional currency have strengthened, or weakened, by 5% against other currencies to which it is exposed, and all other variables, including the price of all investments, had held constant, the net asset attributable to participating redeemable shareholders would have increased, or decreased, as follows:

As at 30 June	2024 <u>GBP</u>	2023 <u>GBP</u>
EUR exposure	54	54
USD exposure	187,843	154,235
ZAR exposure	(47)	(54)

#### 3.6 Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk that one party to a financial instrument will cause a financial loss for the other party by failing to discharge an obligation.

There is a risk that an investee company may be unable to satisfy a valid redemption request made by the Cell. The Directors consider that the Investment Manager mitigates this risk by way of its investment process, as described in note 3.2. No such redemption problems have been encountered.

All transactions in listed securities are settled or paid for upon delivery using approved brokers. Delivery of securities sold is only made once the broker has received payment. Payment is made on a purchase once the securities have been received by the broker. Given the relatively short settlement period, and the high credit quality of the brokers used, the risk here is considered to be minimal.

The Cell manages its exposure to credit risk associated with its cash deposits by selecting Northern Trust (Guernsey) Limited as the counterparty to hold all cash deposits for the Cell. The Northern Trust Company is a wholly owned subsidiary of the Northern Trust Corporation. The credit rating for Northern Trust Corporation from Standard and Poor's is A+. The credit rating from Moody's is A2.

The Government bonds held in the Cell's portfolio are Aaa and Aa2 rated by Moody's.

The Cell's maximum exposure to credit risk is the carrying value of the assets on its Statement of Financial Position.

#### 3.7 Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Cell will encounter difficulty in meeting obligations associated with its financial liabilities. The main liquidity risk is the risk that the Cell may be unable to recover funds invested through the usual redemption processes which may result in the Cell having insufficient funds to settle a transaction on the due date. Due to the nature of the Cell, the majority of investments held are in marketable securities that are readily tradeable and have reported no warnings regarding its ability to process redemptions as normal.

The Cell has the ability to borrow to meet short-term liquidity requirements, however, to date the Cell has not entered into such arrangements.

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#### Notes to the Financial Statements

#### 3. Financial risk management (continued)

#### 3.7 Liquidity risk (continued)

The table below analyses the Cell's financial assets and financial liabilities into relevant maturity groupings based on the remaining period at Statement of Financial Position date to the contractual maturity date. The amounts in the table are the contractual undiscounted cash flows. Balances due within 12 months equal their carrying balances, as the impact of discounting is not significant.

		Between 1		
	Less than 1	and	2024	2023
	month	12 months	Total	Total
	<u>GBP</u>	<u>GBP</u>	<u>GBP</u>	<u>GBP</u>
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	9,327,186	-	9,327,186	9,449,782
Cash and cash equivalents	197,782	-	197,782	153,325
Dividend receivable	2,039	-	2,039	2,166
Interest receivable	5,245	-	5,245	5,204
Deposit income receivable	340	-	340	151
Other receivables	6,841	-	6,841	-
Fair value of derivative financial instruments	22,738	-	22,738	6,652
Due on redemption of participating redeemable shares	-	-	-	(8,000)
Other payables	(17,727)	-	(17,727)	(17,847)
Net assets attributable to holders of participating				
redeemable shares	(9,544,444)	-	(9,544,444)	(9,591,433)
Net liquidity position	-	-	-	-

Participating redeemable shares are redeemed on demand at the holder's option. However, the Board of Directors does not envisage that the contractual maturity disclosed in the table above will be representative of the actual cash flows, as holders of these instruments typically retain them for the medium to long term.

#### 3.8 Management of capital

The Board, with the assistance of the Investment Manager, manages the capital of the Cell in accordance with the investment objectives and policies. The Cell's overall strategy remains unchanged.

The Cell has no externally imposed capital requirements.

#### 3.9 Fair value disclosure

In the opinion of the Directors, there are no material differences between the net asset values of the underlying assets and fair values of the financial assets and liabilities.



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#### 4. Critical accounting estimates and judgements

The fair value of investments is considered to be the quoted, active market prices, or prices as supplied by the fund administrators of the Cell's underlying investments.

Management makes estimates and assumptions concerning the future. The resulting accounting estimates will, by definition, seldom equal the related actual results. The estimates and assumptions that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities are outlined below.

The fair value of investments in investee funds that are not quoted in an active market is determined primarily by reference to the latest available redemption price of such units for each investee fund, as determined by the administrator of such investee fund.

The Investment Manager may make adjustments to the reported net asset value of various investee funds based on considerations such as:

- the liquidity of the investee fund or its underlying investments;
- the value date of the net asset value provided;
- any restrictions on redemptions; and
- the basis of accounting and, in instances where the basis of accounting is other than fair value, fair valuation information provided by the investee fund's advisors.

The prices are reviewed by the Investment Manager on a periodic basis. The Cell does not hold any Level 3 investments.

#### 5. Portfolio analysis

The Cell's portfolio is organised by focusing on the type of security held, and then secondarily by geographical analysis based on the location of the investment.

The Cell operates using the main sector types disclosed in note 3.2 and the following main geographical areas:

	2024	2023
	<u>GBP</u>	GBP
Guernsey	298,117	517,162
Ireland	3,478,293	2,754,298
Jersey	4,917	30,600
Luxembourg	2,588,390	2,711,862
United Kingdom	1,873,498	2,513,256
United States of America	1,083,971	922,604
	9,327,186	9,449,782

The geographical segment for the portfolio is considered to be the country of incorporation of the financial assets.

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#### 6. Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

	2024	2023
	<u>GBP</u>	<u>GBP</u>
Financial asset at fair value through profit or loss:		
Government Bonds	1,430,786	1,572,329
Collective Investment Schemes	7,627,819	6,885,753
Property and Infrastructure Investment Trusts and ETFs	268,581	991,700
Total financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	9,327,186	9,449,782
Movement on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss		
Fair value of financial assets at the beginning of the year	9,449,782	9,853,899
Purchases of financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	4,438,108	1,680,411
Sales of financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	(5,309,390)	(2,090,503)
Net realised gains on financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	462,091	46,380
Movement in unrealised gains/(losses) on revaluation of financial assets	286,595	(40,405)
Fair value of financial assets at the end of the year	9,327,186	9,449,782
Comprising:		
Cost at the end of the year	8,679,018	9,088,208
Unrealised gains at the end of the year	648,168	361,574
	9,327,186	9,449,782

IFRS 13 requires the Cell to classify fair value hierarchy that reflects the significance of the inputs used in making the measurements. The hierarchy has the following levels:

- Level 1 quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the entity can access at the measurement date;
- Level 2 inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly (i.e. as prices) or indirectly (i.e. derived from prices); and
- Level 3 inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs).

The level in the fair value hierarchy, within which the fair value measurement is categorised in its entirety, is determined on the basis of the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement in its entirety. For this purpose, the significance of an input is assessed against the fair value measurement in its entirety. If a fair value measurement uses observable inputs that require significant adjustment based on unobservable inputs, that measurement is a Level 3 measurement. Assessing the significance of a particular input to the fair value measurement in its entirety requires judgement, considering factors specific to the asset or liability.

The determination of what constitutes 'observable' requires significant judgement by the Board. The Board considers observable market data that is readily available, readily distributed or updated, reliable and verifiable, not proprietary and provided by independent sources that are actively involved in the relevant market.

The investments classified as Level 1 consist of financial assets that are actively traded with fair values readily available from recognised exchanges. The Level 1 hierarchy may also include investments in funds that are priced by the underlying administrator where the Cell considers it to be the most advantageous market and would enter into transactions based on those prices.

The investments classified as Level 2 are investments in funds that are actively traded and priced less frequently than monthly but not greater than quarterly for which fair values are obtained from the underlying administrator or fund manager.



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#### 6. Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss (continued)

The investments classified as Level 3 are investments that are illiquid investments and investments that are traded but priced less frequently than quarterly.

The following table presents the Cell's financial assets and financial liabilities measured at fair value by level within the valuation hierarchy as of 30 June 2024 and 30 June 2023.

30 June 2024	Level 1 <u>GBP</u>	Level 2 <u>GBP</u>	Level 3 <u>GBP</u>	Total <u>GBP</u>
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss				
Government Bonds	1,430,786	-	-	1,430,786
Collective Investment Schemes	7,627,819	-	-	7,627,819
Property and Infrastructure Investment Trusts and ETFs	268,581	-	-	268,581
Fair value of derivative financial instruments	-	22,738	-	22,738
	9,327,186	22,738	-	9,349,924
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
30 June 2023	<u>GBP</u>	<u>GBP</u>	<u>GBP</u>	<u>GBP</u>
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss				
Government Bonds	1,572,329	-	-	1,572,329
Collective Investment Schemes	6,885,753	-	-	6,885,753
Property and Infrastructure Investment Trusts and ETFs	991,700	-	-	991,700
Fair value of derivative financial instruments	-	6,652	-	6,652
	9,449,782	6,652	-	9,456,434

There were no movements or reclassifications of investments within the levels of the fair value hierarchy during the years ended 30 June 2024 and 30 June 2023.

The Cell's cash and cash equivalents and short-term receivables and payables are recorded at carrying value which approximates fair value.

#### 7. Cash and cash equivalents

For the purposes of the Statement of Cash Flows, cash and cash equivalents comprise the following balances with original maturity of less than 90 days:

	2024	2023
	<u>GBP</u>	<u>GBP</u>
Cash at bank	197,782	153,325
	197,782	153,325



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#### 8. Fair value of derivative financial instruments

Forward foreign exchange contracts designated as at fair value through profit or loss:

30 June 2024	Amount <u>CCY</u>	Maturity date	Contracted rate	Closing rate	Contract value <u>GBP</u>	Market value <u>GBP</u>	Financial assets <u>GBP</u>
Outstanding contract to sell USD	USD (1,250,000)	18/07/2024	1.235686	1.264100	(1,011,584)	(988,846)	22,738 22,738

30 June 2023	Amount <u>CCY</u>	Maturity date	Contracted rate	Closing rate	Contract value <u>GBP</u>	Market value <u>GBP</u>	Financial assets <u>GBP</u>
Outstanding contract to sell USD	USD (1,360,000) 10	/08/2023	1.263493	1.271350	(1,076,381)	(1,069,729)	6,652
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In accordance with the Cell's investment objectives, the Cell may enter into forward foreign exchange contracts to hedge foreign currency movements it may be exposed to through its investment portfolio. As there is no assurance that these hedges will be effective in achieving the offsetting of changes in cash flows attributable to currency risk on these investments, it is the policy of the Cell not to apply hedge accounting.

For foreign exchange contracts, the Cell pays a specified amount in one currency and receives a specified amount in another currency. Foreign exchange contracts are simultaneously settled gross and are presented on the Statement of Financial Position at their fair value.

### 9. Other receivables

	2024 <u>GBP</u>	2023 GBP
Management shares receivable	2	2
Prepayments	6,841	-
	6,843	2
10. Other payables		
	2024	2023
	<u>GBP</u>	<u>GBP</u>
Management and Administration fee payable	-	2,377
Management, Investment Management and Administration fee payable	2,189	-
Custodian fee payable	375	884
Investment Management fee payable	-	3,171
Sub-Investment Management fee payable	2,919	-
Directors' fee payable	2,000	-
Audit fee payable	7,800	7,040
Accrued general expenses	2,444	4,375
	17,727	17,847

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#### 11. Share capital

The Cell has an authorised share capital of 100 management shares of GBP1.00 each and an unlimited number of no par value participating redeemable shares.

	2024	2023
Management Shares in Issue	<u>GBP</u>	<u>GBP</u>
Management Shares	2	2
	Year ended	Year ended
Participating Redeemable Shares in Issue - Class A	30.06.24	30.06.23
Balance at the beginning of the year	5,313,650	5,600,702
Issue of participating redeemable shares	152,522	38,812
Redemption of participating redeemable shares	(638,547)	(325,864)
Balance at the end of the year	4,827,625	5,313,650
	Year ended	Year ended
Participating Redeemable Shares in Issue - Class B	30.06.24	30.06.23
Balance at the beginning of the year	1,546	10,843
Redemption of participating redeemable shares	(1,546)	(9,297)
Balance at the end of the year	-	1,546

#### 12. Net asset value per participating redeemable share

	NAV per share a	Net assets attributable	Shares in issue	NAV per share	Net assets attributable	Shares in issue
As at 30 June	2024	2024	2024	2023	2023	2023
	<u>GBP</u>	<u>GBP</u>		<u>GBP</u>	<u>GBP</u>	
Class A	1.98	9,544,444	4,827,625	1.80	9,588,843	5,313,650
Class B		-	-	1.68	2,590	1,546
Total	_	9,544,444	4,827,625	_	9,591,433	5,315,196

## 13. Dividends payable to participating redeemable shareholders

No dividends were paid during the year (2023: Nil) and the Board does not intend to pay any dividends. All available income will be reinvested.

#### 14. Related-party transactions

Parties are considered to be related if one party has the ability to control the other party or exercise significant influence over the other party in making financial or operational decisions.

#### 14.1 Management and Administration fee

The Cell is managed by Momentum Wealth International Limited (the "Manager"), a management company incorporated in Guernsey, providing management services to the Cell under the terms of the management agreement in place.



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#### 14. Related-party transactions (continued)

#### 14.1 Management and Administration fee (continued)

The Manager was entitled to receive a Management and Administration fee from each Cell, chargeable on a sliding scale, payable monthly in arrears, based on the current valuation and was subject to a minimum annual fee of USD22,000 or currency equivalent, up until the end of 18 April 2024.

Fee - % of NAV per annum		<u>Cell NAV</u>	
0.30%	Up	to GBP20m	
0.25%	From GBP20m	to GBP40m	
0.20%	Above GBP40m		
Management and Administration fee charged during the year and accrued at year end:			
	2024	2023	

	2024	2023
	<u>GBP</u>	GBP
Charged during the year	22,725	29,303
Accrued at year end		2,377

#### 14.2 Investment Management fee

The Manager has appointed an Investment Manager, Momentum Global Investment Management Limited, a UK registered company, to manage the investment portfolio of the Cell. Until 19 April 2024, the Investment Manager was entitled to receive a fee of 0.40% of the NAV per annum in respect of the Class A shares and 1.15% of the NAV per annum in respect of the Class B shares (the "Investment Management fee"). The Investment Management fee accrued as at each Valuation Point, based on the current valuation of the Cell and share classes and is payable monthly in arrears.

Investment Management fee charged during the year and accrued at year end:

	2024	2023
	<u>GBP</u>	GBP
Charged during the year	30,527	39,135
Accrued at year end	-	3,171

#### 14.3 Management, Investment Management and Administration fee

On 19 April 2024, amendments were made to the Supplemental Cell Prospectus and the following changes became effective from that date:

- A Management agreement was entered into whereby the Manager shall settle the fees of the Administrator and the Investment Manager on behalf of the Cell from the proceeds of the Management fee; and
- The Manager shall be entitled to the payment of a fee of 0.30% of the NAV of the Cell per annum (subject to a
  minimum fee of USD30,000 per annum) (the "Management fee") for the services rendered in connection with
  the Cell. The Management fee will accrue as at each Valuation Point, based on the current valuation and is
  payable monthly in arrears.



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#### 14. Related-party transactions (continued)

#### 14.3 Management, Investment Management and Administration fee (continued)

Management, Investment Management and Administration fee charged during the year and accrued at year end:

	2024	2023
	<u>GBP</u>	<u>GBP</u>
Charged during the year	5,663	-
Accrued at year end	2,189	-

#### 14.4 Sub-Investment Management fee

The Manager appointed a Sub-Investment Manager, Celerity Investments (Pty) Limited, a South African registered company, to the Cell on 19 April 2024. The Sub-Investment Manager is entitled to receive a fee of 0.40% of the NAV of the Cell in respect of the NAV per annum (the "Sub-Investment Management fee"). The Sub-Investment Management fee will accrue as at each Valuation Point, based on the current valuation of the Cell and is payable monthly in arrears.

Sub-Investment Management fee charged during the year and accrued at year end:

	2024 <u>GBP</u>	2023 <u>GBP</u>
Charged during the year	7,337	-
Accrued at year end	2,919	-

#### 14.5 Investment Advisory fee

On 19 April 2024, the Sub-Investment Manager appointed the Investment Manager, Momentum Global Investment Management Limited, as Investment Advisor. Pursuant to the Sub-Investment Management Agreement, the Investment Manager is entitled to a fee for services rendered to the Sub-Investment Manager (the "Investment Advisory fee"). The Investment Advisory fee will be equal to 0.10% of the NAV of the Cell per annum which will be paid out of the Sub-Investment Management fee.

#### 14.6 Custodian fee

Northern Trust (Guernsey) Limited (the "Custodian") provides custodian services. The Custodian is entitled to receive a fee chargeable on a sliding scale in respect of all share classes, as follows, subject to a minimum of GBP5,000 per annum.

Fee - % of NAV per annum	<u>Cell NAV</u>
0.05%	Up to GBP20m
0.04%	From GBP20m to GBP40m
0.03%	From GBP40m to GBP70m
0.02%	Above GBP70m

Custodian fee charged during the year and accrued at year end:

	2024	2023
	GBP	<u>GBP</u>
Charged during the year	6,223	5,290
Accrued at year end	375	884

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#### 14. Related-party transactions (continued)

#### 14.7 Distribution Partner fee

The Cell had appointed Momentum Wealth International Limited as Distribution Partner to promote and market the Cell. On 19 April 2024, Momentum Wealth International Limited resigned and was replaced by Celerity Investments (Pty) Limited. The Distribution Partner will not be paid a fee.

#### 14.8 Board of Directors' remuneration

From 19 April 2024, a Directors' fee of USD10,000 per annum shall apply in respect of the Cell. In addition, the Directors shall be entitled to be repaid for all reasonable out of pocket expenses properly incurred by them in the performance of their duties to the Cell. Such fees and expenses shall be paid out of the assets of the Cell alone and not from the cellular assets of other Cells of the Company or assets of the Company itself.

The Directors waived their right to a fee in 2023.

Directors' fee charged during the year and accrued at year end:

	2024	2023
	<u>GBP</u>	<u>GBP</u>
Charged during the year	2,000	-
Accrued at year end	2,000	-

#### 15. Ultimate controlling party

In the opinion of the Directors, on the basis of the shareholdings advised to them, the Cell has no ultimate controlling party.

#### 16. Reconciliation of published valuation to financial statements

	2024 <u>GBP</u>	2023 <u>GBP</u>
Net assets attributable to holders of participating redeemable shares		
per financial statements	9,544,444	9,591,433
Adjustments:		
Adjustment in value of assets at financial assets at fair value through profit and loss	2,485	(26,111)
Adjustment in value of derivative financial instruments	70	255
Adjustment in accruals	892	1,286
Adjustments to share redemptions	-	8,000
Net assets attributable to holders of participating redeemable shares		
per published valuation	9,547,891	9,574,863
NAV per Class A share per published valuation	1.98	1.80
NAV per Class B share per published valuation	-	1.67
NAV per Class A share per financial statements	1.98	1.80
NAV per Class B share per financial statements		1.68

#### **17. Subsequent events**

These financial statements were approved for issuance by the Board on 2 December 2024. Subsequent events have been evaluated until this date.

No significant subsequent events have occurred in respect of the Cell that are considered material to the understanding of these audited financial statements.