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For the financial year ended 31 December 2025

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GENERAL INFORMATION

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Member of The Investment Association and authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority ("FCA").

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W I Cullen[1] (Resigned 31 January 2025)
D Edgar[2,3]
T S Hale[2,3]
A Hoctor-Duncan[1] (Appointed 1 October 2025)
T Hodgson[2,3] (Appointed 1 November 2025)
A M Lawrence[2,3] (Resigned 30 April 2025)
A Lewis[1] (Appointed 13 January 2025)
S Sabin[2,3]
M Seymour[2,3]
M T Zemek[1] (Resigned 31 December 2025)

[1] Non-executive Director.
[2] Executive Director.
[3] Employees of the BlackRock Group.

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ABOUT THE SCHEME

BlackRock Authorised Contractual Scheme 2 (the "Scheme") is an umbrella Co-Ownership Scheme constituted as a non-UCITS retail scheme (or "NURS") under the FCA's Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook (the "COLL Sourcebook") and was authorised by the FCA on 5 April 2018. The Scheme is comprised of separate sub-funds with segregated liability (each referred to as a "Fund" and collectively the "Funds").

Cross sub-fund holdings within the Scheme

As at 31 December 2025, there were no cross sub-fund holdings within the Scheme.

The Alternative Investment Fund Managers Regulations 2013

BlackRock Fund Managers Limited (the "Manager") is authorised to manage and market the Funds, which are alternative investment funds, in accordance with the "AIFMD"

In this document the term "AIFMD" means, the UK Alternative Investment Fund Managers Regulations 2013, together with any other implementing measure which operated to transpose the AIFMD into UK law before 31 January 2020, and the UK versions of Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 231/2013 and any other delegated regulations in respect of the AIFMD, each being part of UK law by virtue of the European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018.

Assessment of value

The FCA requires UK fund managers to complete an annual assessment of whether their UK authorised funds provide value for investors. The Manager's assessment considers fund and unit class-level performance, costs and charges, and service quality, concluding with an evaluation of whether investors receive value. BlackRock has fulfilled its obligations for the reporting requirement, including assessing relevant charges, and published the annual assessment of value statements on the literature section at www.blackrock.com on 31 October 2025 in a composite report for all funds managed by BlackRock Fund Managers Limited subject to these requirements, with the exception of the Long Term Asset Funds managed by BlackRock Fund Managers Limited, where the annual assessment of value for investors is included in the latest annual report and accounts of those Funds.

Task Force on Climate-Related Financial Disclosures ("TFCD") – Product Report

The Manager has produced a supplemental TCFD Product Report in accordance with the recommendations of the TCFD and FCA requirements for TCFD reporting. These disclosures describe how the Manager incorporates climate-related risks and opportunities into governance, strategy, risk management, metrics and targets. The latest report is available at www.blackrock.com/uk/literature/public-disclosure/tcfd-product-level-disclosure-report-acsii.pdf.

Sustainability Disclosure Requirements – Sustainability Product Report

The Manager has produced a supplemental Sustainability Product Report in accordance with FCA sustainability disclosure requirements. The Sustainability Product Report provides key annual metrics on sustainability performance, goals, and alignment with environmental, social, and governance ("ESG") principles. This latest report aims to enhance transparency by outlining how our products contribute to sustainable outcomes, and track against defined objectives. The report is available at www.blackrock.com/uk/literature/public-disclosure/sustainability-product-report-acs2.pdf.

Funds not yet launched

Funds approved by the FCA but not yet launched are as follows:

BlackRock Growth Portfolio Fund
BlackRock Growth Strategy Fund
BlackRock Retirement Portfolio Fund

FUND MANAGERS

Fund	Fund Manager
BlackRock Defensive Investment Fund	Steve Walker
BlackRock Growth Investment Fund	Steven Dare
BlackRock Intermediate Investment Fund	Steve Walker
BlackRock Pension Growth Fund	Maeve Tsivanidis

As at 31 December 2025, the Fund Managers of the Funds, with the exception of the above funds are Steve Walker, Caroline Blower and Steven Dare.

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

Changes in the Directors of the Manager

A Lewis was appointed as a non-executive director effective 13 January 2025.
W I Cullen resigned as a director effective 31 January 2025.
A M Lawrence resigned as a director effective 30 April 2025.
A Hoctor-Duncan was appointed as a non-executive director effective 1 October 2025.
T Hodgson was appointed as a director effective 1 November 2025.
G D Bamping resigned as a non-executive director effective 19 December 2025.
M T Zemek resigned as a non-executive director effective 31 December 2025.

Fund Closures

As set out in the letter to the unitholders dated 13 May 2025, and the follow up letter dated 4 July 2025, the Manager had decided to close the below Funds. All units in the Funds were cancelled on their respective closure date. Consequently, the financial statements of these Funds are not prepared on a going concern basis for the financial year ended 31 December 2025, but on a break-up basis. This set of financial statements for the period to 31 December 2025 will be the final set of accounts produced for these Funds.

Fund Name	Fund Closure Date
ACS LifePath 2022-2024	20 May 2025
ACS LifePath 2046-2048	18 July 2025
ACS LifePath 2049-2051	18 July 2025
ACS LifePath 2052-2054	18 July 2025
ACS LifePath 2055-2057	18 July 2025
ACS LifePath 2025-2027	2 September 2025
ACS LifePath 2028-2030	2 September 2025
ACS LifePath 2031-2033	2 September 2025
ACS LifePath 2034-2036	2 September 2025
ACS LifePath 2037-2039	2 September 2025
ACS LifePath 2040-2042	2 September 2025
ACS LifePath 2043-2045	2 September 2025

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SIGNIFICANT EVENTS (continued)

Fund Launches

Fund Name	Fund Launch Date
BlackRock FutureWise 2038-42	8 January 2025
BlackRock FutureWise 2043-47	8 January 2025
BlackRock Defensive Investment Fund	16 June 2025
BlackRock Intermediate Investment Fund	16 June 2025
BlackRock Growth Investment Fund	16 June 2025

Changes to the Scheme

The following unit classes launched and terminated during the financial year.

Fund name	Unit class	Launch	Date
BlackRock FutureWise 2038-42 Fund	X1 Accumulation	Launch	8 January 2025
BlackRock FutureWise 2043-47 Fund	X1 Accumulation	Launch	8 January 2025
BlackRock Defensive Investment Fund	X1 Accumulation	Launch	16 June 2025
BlackRock Growth Investment Fund	X1 Accumulation	Launch	16 June 2025
BlackRock Intermediate Investment Fund	X1 Accumulation	Launch	16 June 2025

Fund name	Unit class	Terminate	Date
ACS LifePath 2022-2024 Fund	X1 Accumulation	Terminate	20 May 2025
ACS LifePath 2046-2048 Fund	X1 Accumulation	Terminate	18 July 2025
ACS LifePath 2049-2051 Fund	X1 Accumulation	Terminate	18 July 2025
ACS LifePath 2052-2054 Fund	X1 Accumulation	Terminate	18 July 2025
ACS LifePath 2055-2057 Fund	X1 Accumulation	Terminate	18 July 2025
ACS LifePath 2025-2027 Fund	X1 Accumulation	Terminate	2 September 2025
ACS LifePath 2028-2030 Fund	X1 Accumulation	Terminate	2 September 2025
ACS LifePath 2031-2033 Fund	X1 Accumulation	Terminate	2 September 2025
ACS LifePath 2034-2036 Fund	X1 Accumulation	Terminate	2 September 2025
ACS LifePath 2037-2039 Fund	X1 Accumulation	Terminate	2 September 2025
ACS LifePath 2040-2042 Fund	X1 Accumulation	Terminate	2 September 2025
ACS LifePath 2043-2045 Fund	X1 Accumulation	Terminate	2 September 2025

A new Prospectus was issued on 16 May 2025.

SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

There have been no other significant events subsequent to the financial year end, which, in the opinion of the Manager, may have had an impact on the Financial Statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2025.

INVESTMENT MANAGER'S REPORT

Investment Objectives

ACS LifePath Funds
The Funds are target date retirement funds (which means that an investor should match the date in the name of the fund to his/her target retirement date). The Funds' investment objective is to provide a return on your investment (generated through an increase in the value of the assets held by the Funds and/or income received from those assets) with an asset allocation (i.e. mix of assets) that changes over time. The Funds aim to invest in accordance with their environmental, social and governance ("ESG") policy.

BlackRock FutureWise 2023-27, BlackRock FutureWise 2028-32, BlackRock FutureWise 2033-37, BlackRock FutureWise 2038-42 and BlackRock FutureWise 2043-47
The Funds are target date retirement funds (which they are intended for investors whose target retirement year corresponds to that specified in the Funds' name). The Funds' investment objective, up to its maturity date, is to provide a return on your investment (generated through an increase in the value of the assets held by the Funds and/or income received from those assets) with a portfolio composition (i.e. the exposure across different asset classes) that changes gradually over time towards a more conservative risk profile (compared to the risk profile at launch) as the Funds approach the maturity date, whilst incorporating the ESG commitments. The change in portfolio composition over time is described further in the investment policy. Following the maturity date, the Funds' investment objective will be to continue to provide a return on your investment and support a regular draw down whilst maintaining the Funds' target portfolio composition at maturity (as described in the Funds' investment policy). The target portfolio composition will remain broadly consistent with the range described in the Funds' investment policy after the maturity date until the termination of the Funds.

BlackRock FutureWise Early Days Aggregator Fund
The Fund's investment objective is to provide a return on your investment (generated through an increase in the value of the assets held by the Fund and/or income received from those assets) with a portfolio composition (i.e. the exposure across different asset classes) that remains stable over time as described in the Fund's investment policy. The Fund aims to invest in accordance with its environmental, social and governance ("ESG") policy.

BlackRock FutureWise Retirement Aggregator Fund
The Fund's investment objective is to provide a return on your investment (generated through an increase in the value of the assets held by the Fund and/or income received from those assets) and support a regular draw down with a portfolio composition (i.e. the exposure across different asset classes) that remains broadly consistent with the range described in the Fund's investment policy. The Fund aims to invest in accordance with its environmental, social and governance ("ESG") policy.

BlackRock Defensive Investment Fund, BlackRock Growth Allocation Fund, BlackRock Growth Investment Fund, BlackRock Intermediate Investment Fund, BlackRock Pension Growth Fund and BlackRock Retirement Allocation Fund
The Funds' investment objective is to provide a return on your investment (generated through an increase in the value of the assets held by the Funds and/or income received from those assets) over the long term (five or more consecutive years). The Funds aim to invest in accordance with their environmental, social and governance ("ESG") policy.

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INVESTMENT MANAGER'S REPORT (continued)

The following table outlines the investment management approach adopted for each Fund:

Fund name	Benchmark index[1]	Investment management approach
ACS LifePath 2022-2024[2]	N/A	Active
ACS LifePath 2025-2027[3]	N/A	Active
ACS LifePath 2028-2030[3]	N/A	Active
ACS LifePath 2031-2033[3]	N/A	Active
ACS LifePath 2034-2036[3]	N/A	Active
ACS LifePath 2037-2039[3]	N/A	Active
ACS LifePath 2040-2042[3]	N/A	Active
ACS LifePath 2043-2045[3]	N/A	Active
ACS LifePath 2046-2048[4]	N/A	Active
ACS LifePath 2049-2051[4]	N/A	Active
ACS LifePath 2052-2054[4]	N/A	Active
ACS LifePath 2055-2057[4]	N/A	Active
BlackRock Defensive Investment Fund[5]	N/A	Active
BlackRock FutureWise 2023-27	N/A	Active
BlackRock FutureWise 2028-32	N/A	Active
BlackRock FutureWise 2033-37	N/A	Active
BlackRock FutureWise 2038-42[6]	N/A	Active
BlackRock FutureWise 2043-47[6]	N/A	Active
BlackRock FutureWise Early Days Aggregator	N/A	Active
BlackRock FutureWise Retirement Aggregator	N/A	Active
BlackRock Growth Allocation Fund	N/A	Active
BlackRock Growth Investment Fund[5]	N/A	Active
BlackRock Intermediate Investment Fund[5]	N/A	Active
BlackRock Pension Growth Fund	Bloomberg Global Aggregate Corporate Index GBP Hedged (10%), MSCI All Country World Index Gross GBP Hedged (45%) and MSCI All Country World Gross TR Index (45%)	Active
BlackRock Retirement Allocation Fund	N/A	Active

1) The Benchmark index is a Comparator benchmark.
2) The Fund terminated on 20 May 2025.
3) The Fund terminated on 2 September 2025.
4) The Fund terminated on 18 July 2025.
5) The Fund launched on 16 June 2025.
6) The Fund launched on 8 January 2025.

INVESTMENT MANAGER'S REPORT (continued)

Performance Summary

The following table outlines the realised Fund performance for financial year ended 31 December 2025.

Further information on the performance measures and calculation used is detailed below:

- The Fund returns disclosed are the performance returns for the primary unit class for each Fund, net of the fees and expenses charged and expenses charged directly within the relevant unit class, which has been selected as a representative unit class. The primary unit class represents the class of unit which is the highest charging unit class, free of any commissions or rebates, and is freely available. Performance returns for any other unit class can be made available on request.
- Fund returns are based on the Net Asset Value ("NAV") per unit calculated in accordance with the Prospectus as at 12 noon for dealing purposes. Where, due to a public holiday or market closure(s), a date relevant to determination of the fund returns would not be a dealing day (such that a NAV would not otherwise be calculated on that day), a NAV may nevertheless be determined and calculated in accordance with the Prospectus for the purposes of these disclosures.
- Due to the Financial Reporting Standard 102 ("FRS 102") and the Statement of Recommended Practice for Authorised Funds ("SORP") requirements, including the accounting policy for the valuation point at 12 noon, there may be differences between the NAV per unit as recorded in the financial statements and the NAV per unit calculated in accordance with the Prospectus.

Fund name	Fund return %	Benchmark index return %
ACS LifePath 2022-2024* - Class X1 Accumulation Units	1.90%	N/A
ACS LifePath 2025-2027** - Class X1 Accumulation Units	4.12%	N/A
ACS LifePath 2028-2030** - Class X1 Accumulation Units	4.34%	N/A
ACS LifePath 2031-2033** - Class X1 Accumulation Units	4.69%	N/A
ACS LifePath 2034-2036** - Class X1 Accumulation Units	4.80%	N/A
ACS LifePath 2037-2039** - Class X1 Accumulation Units	4.95%	N/A
ACS LifePath 2040-2042** - Class X1 Accumulation Units	5.12%	N/A
ACS LifePath 2043-2045** - Class X1 Accumulation Units	5.31%	N/A
ACS LifePath 2046-2048*** - Class X1 Accumulation Units	3.13%	N/A
ACS LifePath 2049-2051*** - Class X1 Accumulation Units	3.07%	N/A
ACS LifePath 2052-2054*** - Class X1 Accumulation Units	3.21%	N/A
ACS LifePath 2055-2057*** - Class X1 Accumulation Units	3.14%	N/A

INVESTMENT MANAGER'S REPORT (continued)

Fund name	Fund return %	Benchmark index return %
BlackRock Defensive Investment Fund** - Class X1 Accumulation Units	7.92%	N/A
BlackRock FutureWise 2023-27 - Class X1 Accumulation Units	9.88%	N/A
BlackRock FutureWise 2028-32 - Class X1 Accumulation Units	12.91%	N/A
BlackRock FutureWise 2033-37 - Class X1 Accumulation Units	15.14%	N/A
BlackRock FutureWise 2038-42^ - Class X1 Accumulation Units	13.45%	N/A
BlackRock FutureWise 2043-47^ - Class X1 Accumulation Units	13.08%	N/A
BlackRock FutureWise Early Days Aggregator - Class X1 Accumulation Units	15.44%	N/A
BlackRock FutureWise Retirement Aggregator - Class X1 Accumulation Units	9.75%	N/A
BlackRock Growth Allocation Fund - Class X1 Accumulation Units	14.07%	N/A
BlackRock Growth Investment Fund^^ - Class X1 Accumulation Units	16.71%	N/A
BlackRock Intermediate Investment Fund^^ - Class X1 Accumulation Units	12.96%	N/A
BlackRock Pension Growth Fund - Class X1 Accumulation Units	17.77%	16.60
BlackRock Retirement Allocation Fund - Class X1 Accumulation Units	8.50%	N/A

** The Fund returns are for the period from 1 January 2025 to the Fund's termination on 20 May 2025.*
*** The Fund returns are for the period from 1 January 2025 to the Fund's termination on 2 September 2025.*
**** The Fund returns are for the period from 1 January 2025 to the Fund's termination on 18 July 2025.*
^ The Fund returns are for the period from the Fund's launch on 8 January 2025 to 31 December 2025.
^^ The Fund returns are for the period from the Fund's launch on 16 June 2025 to 31 December 2025.

Past performance is not a guide to future performance and should not be the sole factor of consideration when selecting a product. All financial investments involve an element of risk. Therefore, the value of your investment and the income from it will vary and your initial investment amount cannot be guaranteed. Levels and bases of taxation may change from time to time. Subscriptions may be made only on the basis of the current Prospectus, of which the most recent annual report and audited financial statements and interim report and unaudited financial statements form an integral part, copies of which are available from Investor Services, the Transfer Agent, the Management Company or any of the Representatives or Distributors.

INVESTMENT MANAGER'S REPORT (continued)

Global Economic Overview

Global equities, as represented by the MSCI All Country World Index, returned 13.91% (in GBP terms) during the twelve months ended 31 December 2025. Equities gained amid declining inflation (the rate of increase in the prices of goods and services), easing monetary policy from the world's largest central banks and strong corporate performance, especially in the technology sector. However, geopolitical tensions, including the conflicts in the Middle East and Europe as well as the introduction of protectionist trade policies in the US, raised the prospect of disruption to the global economy.

The US economy remained resilient throughout the twelve-month period, outperforming other developed nations as consumer spending remained strong. While figures for the first quarter of 2025 indicated a downturn caused by a surge in imports ahead of the expected introduction of the US administration's reciprocal trade tariffs, there was a recovery in the second quarter of 2025. Data for the third quarter of 2025 was considerably stronger than analysts had expected. In Japan, gross domestic product ("GDP") rose more quickly than expected in the second quarter of 2025 but contracted in the third quarter of 2025. UK economic output was positive in early 2025 but slowed as the year progressed. Similarly, Eurozone GDP growth accelerated at the start of 2025 before slowing between April and September 2025.

Major emerging market economies continued to grow. Although the ongoing impact of the recent year of high interest rates presented economic challenges, the resilience of the US economy provided support. In China, fiscal stimulus measures continued to support economic growth and the Chinese GDP remained resilient despite concerns about the impact of US reciprocal trade tariffs. The Indian economy expanded at a robust pace, recording strong growth in the first nine months of 2025. Growth in Brazil accelerated in early 2025 as a result of rising household demand and farm output but slowed somewhat in the months that followed.

The majority of the world's largest central banks continued to loosen monetary policy as inflation remained under control. Having paused its rate cutting programme at the end of 2024, the US Federal Reserve ("the Fed") reduced rates three times in the final four months of the year. The Bank of England ("BoE") and the European Central Bank ("ECB") continued their programmes of rate cuts over the twelve months, while the Bank of Japan ("BoJ") responded to rising domestic inflation by increasing interest rates at both the start and end of 2025.

Global equity performance was positive during the twelve-month period, as the ongoing strength of the world economy averted concerns about a possible recession. In the US, there were concerns at the start of 2025 that the new Trump administration's introduction of reciprocal trade tariffs on major trading partners could lead to higher inflation and slower global growth. However, the Trump administration's willingness to strike a series of trade agreements helped to calm investors' fears. Major technology stocks continued to advance on hopes that artificial intelligence ("AI") would deliver significant productivity gains, but there were concerns about both the scale of the infrastructure investment needed to support AI platforms and high valuations among companies with significant AI exposures.

Globally, investments that factor in companies' environmental, social and governance ("ESG") characteristics faced regulatory concerns and shifting investor sentiment. ESG funds experienced significant outflows in the third quarter of 2025 following a weak start to the year.

Yields (which move inversely to bond prices) on the 10-year US Treasury, a benchmark lending rate for the global bond market, finished the twelve-month period lower. Yields rose in early 2025 due to concerns that President Donald Trump's economic policies could lead to higher inflation and increased government borrowing, but they declined towards the end of the twelve months as the Fed reduced interest rates. In the UK, gilt yields ended lower as concerns about higher levels of government borrowing were offset by BoE interest rate cuts. Eurozone bond yields ended higher over the twelve months as a whole. There was a sharp, but short-lived increase in March 2025 following the German government's announcement of plans to increase borrowing to fund higher levels of defence and infrastructure spending, and yields rose again at the end of the year due to speculation that the ECB could raise interest rates in 2026. Yields in Japan rose as investors reacted to the prospect of increases in interest rates.

Global corporate bonds posted solid gains overall as markets reassessed credit in light of declining inflation and interest rates, while continued resilience in the global economy alleviated credit concerns among issuers of high-yield bonds.

INVESTMENT MANAGER'S REPORT (continued)

Global Economic Overview (continued)

Equities in emerging markets also gained, benefiting from the relatively stable global economic environment and the easing of monetary policy. Emerging market bonds posted a positive return as investors reacted to less restrictive monetary policy in developed economies.

Commodities markets were disrupted by geopolitical tensions and concerns about the impacts of US tariffs. Brent crude oil prices declined as global oil production increased and hopes of a resolution to the conflict between Ukraine and Russia rose. Natural gas prices increased sharply at the start of 2025 as cold weather returned, and investors braced for the impact of tariffs on US imports. Gold prices rose to record highs as a result of geopolitical concerns and the possibility that US trade and foreign policy could lead to ongoing volatility in equity and bond markets.

In the foreign exchange markets, the US dollar's performance against other major global currencies was negative. It fell against the euro, the GBP sterling, the Japanese yen and the Chinese yuan.

INVESTMENT MANAGER'S REPORT (continued)

Fund Performance Review and Activity

ACS LifePath 2022-2024 (closed on 20 May 2025)
ACS LifePath 2025-2027 (closed on 2 September 2025)
ACS LifePath 2028-2030 (closed on 2 September 2025)
ACS LifePath 2031-2033 (closed on 2 September 2025)
ACS LifePath 2034-2036 (closed on 2 September 2025)
ACS LifePath 2037-2039 (closed on 2 September 2025)
ACS LifePath 2040-2042 (closed on 2 September 2025)
ACS LifePath 2043-2045 (closed on 2 September 2025)
ACS LifePath 2046-2048 (closed on 18 July 2025)
ACS LifePath 2049-2051 (closed on 18 July 2025)
ACS LifePath 2052-2054 (closed on 18 July 2025)
ACS LifePath 2055-2057 (closed on 18 July 2025)

Over the financial year from 1 January 2025 to the respective termination dates of each of the Funds, the performance returns were 1.90%, 4.12%, 4.34%, 4.69%, 4.80%, 4.95%, 5.12%, 5.31%, 3.13%, 3.07%, 3.21% and 3.14% for the 12 Funds' respectively.

Markets navigated a turbulent but ultimately rewarding path in 2025. Major asset classes delivered positive returns over the year, supported by resilient global growth, sustained investment in artificial intelligence, and a broad shift toward easier monetary policy across developed markets as inflation pressures moderated. While episodes of sharp volatility punctuated the year, investor confidence recovered as inflation pressures continued to ease and central banks moved decisively toward rate cuts. By year end, 2025 marked the first calendar year since the pandemic in which all major asset classes delivered positive returns.

The first half of the year was dominated by trade tariff tensions after the US increased reciprocal trade tariff rates to levels not seen since the 1930s. These Liberation Day announcements triggered severe market volatility, with developed market equities falling as much as 16.50% in early April and the S&P 500 Index experiencing its fifth largest two-day decline since World War II. Bond markets were also unsettled, most notably in March when Germany's fiscal stimulus announcement drove the largest single day rise in the 10-year German Bund yields (which move inversely to bond prices) since reunification in 1990. However, these shocks ultimately proved to be short lived. As the financial year progressed, attention shifted back to fundamentals, monetary policy support and earnings resilience.

In the second half of 2025, markets focused increasingly on the positive implications of fiscal and monetary stimulus. Central banks began cutting interest rates in response to labour markets showing signs of easing and moderating inflation, helping to underpin risk sentiment and improve investor confidence. The US Federal Reserve lowered policy rates by 0.75% in the second half of the year, while the Bank of England cut rates by 1.00% over the course of 2025. The European Central Bank also pivoted toward a more accommodative stance as inflation moved closer to its target. This environment supported a broad-based rally across asset classes into the financial year end.

Please note that whilst the Funds' performance returns stated above are for the financial year from 1 January 2025 through to the termination dates, the performance figures of the asset classes reported below are for the financial year ended 31 December 2025.

Equities

Equities rose worldwide as investors focused on resilient profits and easing financial conditions. Developed Market ("DM") Large Cap Equities returned +13.20%, while the sterling-hedged counterparts were up +19.20%. Emerging Market Equities, aided by improving global growth, gained +24.40%, and the interest-rate-sensitive DM Small Cap Equities returned +11.60%.

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Fixed Income

Global bond markets also recorded a strong year, delivering their best calendar year performance since 2020. Global Government Bonds ex-UK rose +3.00%. In the UK, Short Gilts returned +5.60% and Short Inflation-Linked Gilts returned +3.20%, while Long Gilts also returned +5.00%. Corporate Bonds outpaced government bond markets as risk appetite improved: Corporate Bonds ex-UK gained +6.80%, and UK Corporate Bonds +6.90%. Emerging Market Debt performed strongly, adding +11.60%.

Liquid Alternatives

Liquid alternatives also contributed positively to Fund returns. Commodities rose +7.80%, led by precious metals. With investors increasingly concerned about long term inflation risks, fiscal sustainability and potential currency debasement, gold and silver recorded their strongest annual gains since 1979. Listed property securities gained modestly at +2.00%, supported by falling interest rate expectations and improved sentiment toward income producing assets.

Environmental, Social and Governance ("ESG") considerations review

Each Fund is a target date retirement fund, whose investment objective is to provide a return on investment (generated through an increase in the value of the assets held by the Fund and/or income received from those assets) with an asset allocation (i.e. mix of assets) that changes over time. Each Fund aims to invest in accordance with its ESG policy.

The Funds may invest in collective investment schemes which invest at least 50% in government bonds ("Government Bond Funds"). Of the assets that it invests in Government Bond Funds, the Funds will invest at least 80% in Government Bond Funds that track benchmark indices comprised of at least 50% of government bond issuers with an ESG sovereign rating of BB or higher (as defined by MSCI or another third-party data vendor) ("ESG Government Bond Funds").

Through the application of the methodology set out in the ESG Policy of the Scheme's Prospectus, the Investment Manager expects to achieve for the Funds' portfolio, as calculated at the end of each calendar quarter, an ESG score that is higher than the Reference Comparator.

ESG scores are a measurement of issuers' ESG credentials. The ESG score of the Funds are calculated by aggregating the weighted ESG scores attributable to each issuer in which the Funds invest (whether directly or indirectly through collective investment schemes), excluding the ESG scores of underlying commodity funds and collective investment schemes held for Efficient Portfolio Management ("EPM") purposes. The same exclusion is applied to the ESG score calculated for the Reference Comparator.

The Funds may also invest in collective investment schemes other than Government Bond Funds, commodity funds and collective investment schemes held for efficient portfolio management purposes ("Other CIS"). At least 80% of Other CIS in which the Funds invest themselves apply ESG criteria within their investment processes. These ESG criteria include: (i) the exclusion or underweighting of issuers or sectors which are involved in activities that are negative from an ESG investing perspective; and (ii) the inclusion or overweighting of issuers or sectors which are positive from an ESG investing perspective. Further detail on these ESG criteria is available in the Scheme's Prospectus.

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Funds	Of allocation to Government Bond Funds, % which track benchmark indices (as described above)	Of allocation to Other CIS, % which apply ESG criteria	Average Fund ESG Score	Average Reference Comparator ESG Score
ACS LifePath 2022-2024*	100.00%	94.61%	6.92	6.52
ACS LifePath 2025-2027**	100.00%	94.28%	7.04	6.54
ACS LifePath 2028-2030**	100.00%	94.20%	7.01	6.55
ACS LifePath 2031-2033**	100.00%	94.00%	6.99	6.55
ACS LifePath 2034-2036**	100.00%	93.80%	6.97	6.55
ACS LifePath 2037-2039**	100.00%	93.40%	6.96	6.55
ACS LifePath 2040-2042**	100.00%	93.30%	6.95	6.55
ACS LifePath 2043-2045**	100.00%	93.10%	6.94	6.56
ACS LifePath 2046-2048***	100.00%	92.97%	6.94	6.57
ACS LifePath 2049-2051***	100.00%	92.90%	6.94	6.58
ACS LifePath 2052-2054***	100.00%	92.88%	6.94	6.58
ACS LifePath 2055-2057***	100.00%	92.76%	6.93	6.58

The 'carbon emission intensity score' of the Funds are calculated by aggregating the weighted carbon emission intensity scores attributed only to the corporate issuers in which the Funds invest (whether directly or indirectly through collective investment schemes). The calculation includes Scope 1 greenhouse gas ("GHG") emissions and Scope 2 GHG emissions but excludes Scope 3 GHG emissions and is based on issuers' reported sales. Please refer to the Risk factors set out in section 24(c)(vii) (Carbon emission intensity calculations and greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions data) of the Scheme's Prospectus, for more information on GHG emissions. The table on the next page presents the Funds' carbon emission intensity score relative to the Reference Comparator.

* Fund closed on 20 May 2025, therefore the metrics disclosed pertain to the end of quarter one of 2025.
** Funds closed on 2 September 2025; therefore, the metrics disclosed relate to the average of the metrics as at the end of the first and second quarters of 2025.
*** Funds closed on 18 July 2025; therefore, the metrics disclosed relate to the average of the metrics as at the end of the first and second quarters of 2025.

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The figures presented in the table below are based on the scores at the end of each quarter during this reference year, which are averaged to produce the single figure shown in the table below.

In respect of corporate issuers (i.e. companies) invested in by the Other CIS held by the Fund, the Investment Manager aims to achieve:

1) a carbon emission intensity score that:

   a) For ACS LifePath 2022-2024 and ACS LifePath 2025-2027, by the Fund's maturity date, the carbon emissions intensity score represents a percentage reduction from the score as at 30 June 2019, consistent with achieving a 50% reduction by 30 June 2029.

Funds	Fund – Carbon Emissions Intensity Score	Reference Comparator – Carbon Emissions Intensity Score	Fund % reduction in absolute Carbon Emission Intensity Score (as described above)
ACS LifePath 2022-2024*	66.18	112.87	66.50%
ACS LifePath 2025-2027**	67.46	114.38	65.10%

   b) For ACS LifePath 2028-2030 through ACS LifePath 2052-2054, by 30 June 2029, the Fund aims to achieve at least a 50% reduction from the carbon emissions intensity score as at 30 June 2019.

Funds	Fund – Carbon Emissions Intensity Score	Reference Comparator – Carbon Emissions Intensity Score	Fund % reduction in absolute Carbon Emission Intensity Score (as described above)
ACS LifePath 2028-2030**	70.46	115.35	62.87%
ACS LifePath 2031-2033**	72.68	115.64	61.11%
ACS LifePath 2034-2036**	74.07	115.65	59.80%
ACS LifePath 2037-2039**	75.52	114.96	58.42%
ACS LifePath 2040-2042**	76.06	114.60	57.62%
ACS LifePath 2043-2045**	76.78	114.22	56.82%
ACS LifePath 2046-2048***	77.42	113.48	56.03%
ACS LifePath 2049-2051***	77.84	112.65	55.57%
ACS LifePath 2052-2054***	77.99	111.93	55.31%

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c) For ACS LifePath 2055-2057, by 30 June 2029, is 50% less than the carbon emission intensity score of BlackRock LifePath 2055-2057 (the "2055-2057 Life Fund") as at 30 June 2019 (the 2055-2057 Life Fund being the predecessor fund of the Fund, having transferred its assets to the Fund on 28 June 2021 (the Fund's launch date)). It is estimated that the Fund's carbon emission intensity score as of its launch date was a reduction of approximately 31% in comparison to the carbon emission intensity score of the 2055-2057 Life Fund as at 30 June 2019; and as calculated at the end of each calendar quarter, a carbon emission intensity score that is less than the Reference Comparator.

Funds	Fund – Carbon Emissions Intensity Score	Reference Comparator – Carbon Emissions Intensity Score	Fund % reduction in absolute Carbon Emission Intensity Score (as described above)
ACS LifePath 2055-2057**	78.42	111.34	55.13%

* Fund closed on 20 May 2025, therefore the metrics disclosed pertain to the end of quarter one of 2025.
** Funds closed on 2 September 2025; therefore, the metrics disclosed relate to the average of the metrics as at the end of the first and second quarters of 2025.
*** Funds closed on 18 July 2025; therefore, the metrics disclosed relate to the average of the metrics as at the end of the first and second quarters of 2025.

INVESTMENT MANAGER'S REPORT (continued)

Fund Performance Review and Activity (continued)

BlackRock Defensive Investment Fund

Over the financial year since the launch on 16 June 2025 to 31 December 2025, the Fund's performance return was 7.92%.

2025 delivered strong outcomes across most major asset classes, despite pronounced volatility and several significant macro and policy-driven shocks. Major asset classes ended the year higher, supported by continued global growth, sustained investment in artificial intelligence ("AI"), and a broad shift toward monetary policy easing as inflation pressures moderated.

Markets experienced notable disruptions early in the year. The release of DeepSeek's AI model prompted a reassessment of technology valuations, resulting in a material sell-off in U.S. mega-cap technology stocks. Then, US reciprocal trade tariff announcements triggered sharp risk-off moves, including one of the largest two-day decline in the S&P 500 Index in decades. In Europe, a decisive shift toward fiscal expansion, led by Germany's defence and infrastructure stimulus, supported equity markets but triggered the largest single day increase in the 10-year German Bund yields (which move inversely to bond prices) since reunification in 1990.

Despite these setbacks, equity markets recovered strongly, with gains broadening beyond US mega-cap technology companies. Contrary to prevailing narratives, value stocks decisively outperformed momentum stocks globally, reflecting broader earnings participation. Several previously underperforming sectors, including sustainable energy, also recovered strongly. Regional leadership also shifted, with emerging markets, Europe, the UK, Japan, and Korea all outperforming US equities, largely driven by local fundamentals rather than currency effects alone.

Fixed income markets delivered their strongest annual performance since 2020, although with sharp regional divergence. US treasuries benefited from a clear pivot by the Federal Reserve toward rate cuts, while Japanese government bond yields rose materially as the Bank of Japan tightened monetary policy alongside plans for fiscal expansion following the appointment of new Prime Minister, Sanae Takaichi. European sovereign credit spreads also diverged, reflecting differing political and fiscal dynamics.

The US dollar recorded its weakest year since 2017, depreciating against all other G10 (Group of Ten consisting of 11 industrialised countries) currencies. While US assets performed well in local currency terms, dollar weakness reduced returns for unhedged non-US investors. Strong demand for real assets persisted amid fiscal and inflation concerns, with gold and silver posting their strongest annual gains in decades.

Overall, 2025 highlighted the importance of diversification across regions, factors, and asset classes. While market narratives remained focused on US technology and AI, returns were ultimately driven by a much broader opportunity set, rewarding diversified portfolios.

Over the financial year, global equities were the largest driver of Fund returns. Developed market equities delivered strong returns, with top contributions coming from global developed market exposures. Although emerging market equities outperformed developed markets overall, the Fund's relatively modest allocation to emerging market equities resulted in a less material impact on total returns.

The Fund's corporate bond and government bond investments also contributed positively to overall performance; however, returns were more muted than equities. The contribution from listed real estate securities was broadly flat over the financial year.

Outlook

Global equities head into 2026 supported by steady earnings and the broad economic impact of large-scale investment in AI. Developed markets led by the US remain resilient, while Japan benefits from firmer economic conditions. Emerging markets continue to gain from improved fundamentals and long-term structural themes.

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In fixed income, elevated public debt levels across major economies keep long-dated yields sensitive to fiscal and inflation dynamics. As inflation gradually moderates, short to medium dated government bonds in the US, UK and Europe offer more balanced income prospects. Emerging market local currency debt remains supported by stronger sovereign balance sheets and limited issuance.

Investors remain cautious of potential risks, including geopolitical tensions, inflationary pressures, and central bank policy decisions, as they navigate the market landscape moving forward.

Environmental, Social and Governance ("ESG") considerations review

As part of its investment process, the Investment Manager applies ESG commitments at a portfolio level to its selection of Collective Investment Schemes ("CIS") in which the Fund invests. Of the total value of the assets at any time that the Fund invests in CIS that primarily invest in government bonds ("Government Bond Funds"), the Fund will invest at least 80% of the total value of such assets in Government Bond Funds that track benchmark indices comprised of at least 50% of government bond issuers with an ESG government rating of BB or higher (as defined by MSCI or the comparable rating of another third-party vendor).

Of the assets that the Fund invests in collective investment schemes other than Government Bond Funds, commodity funds and CIS held for efficient portfolio management ("EPM") purposes ("Other CIS"), the Fund will invest at least 80% of the total value of such assets at any time in Other CIS which themselves apply ESG criteria within their investment process. These criteria include:

a) the exclusion or underweighting of issuers or sectors which are involved in activities that are negative from an ESG investing perspective; and

b) the inclusion or overweighting of issuers or sectors which are positive from an ESG Investing perspective. Further detail on these ESG criteria is available in the Scheme's Prospectus.

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The figures presented are based on the figures as at the end of each quarter during this reference year, which are averaged to produce the single figure shown in the table below.

Sustainability Metric	Description of Metric	Fund achievement
Government Bond Funds	Of the allocation to Government Bond Funds, the % which track benchmark indices comprised of at least 50% of government bond issuers with an ESG government rating of BB or higher Target: At least 80%	100.00%
Other CIS	Of the allocation to Other CIS, the % that apply ESG criteria within their investment process Target: At least 80%	100.00%

The Investment Manager will monitor the application of the ESG commitments described above by measuring the "ESG score" of the Fund's portfolio and the "Carbon emission intensity score" of the Fund's portfolio, including by reference to a "Reference Comparator".

The carbon emission intensity score of the Fund is calculated by aggregating the weighted carbon emission intensity scores attributed only to the corporate issuers in which the Fund invests (whether directly or indirectly through collective investment schemes). The calculation includes Scope 1 greenhouse gas ("GHG") emissions and Scope 2 GHG emissions but excludes Scope 3 GHG emissions and is based on the issuers' reported sales. Please refer to the Risk factors set out in section 24(c)(vii) (Carbon emission intensity calculations and greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions data) of the Scheme's Prospectus, for more information on GHG emissions.

The ESG score of the Fund is calculated by aggregating the weighted ESG scores attributable to each issuer in which the Fund invests (whether directly or indirectly through collective investment schemes), excluding the ESG scores of underlying commodity funds and collective investment schemes held for EPM purposes.

The Reference Comparator of the Fund is a composite benchmark of underlying indices, consisting of one underlying index for each collective investment scheme in which the Fund invests. Each underlying index is weighted within the Reference Comparator based on the weight given to the corresponding collective investment scheme within the Fund's portfolio and accordingly, the composition of the Reference Comparator will vary over time.

Further detail on how the ESG scores and carbon emission intensity scores for the Fund are calculated, and the Reference Comparator, is available in the Scheme's Prospectus.

INVESTMENT MANAGER'S REPORT (continued)

Fund Performance Review and Activity (continued)

The figures presented are based on the figures as at the end of each quarter during this reference year, which are averaged to produce the single figure shown in the table below.

Sustainability Metric	Description of Metric	Fund achievement	Reference comparator achievement
Carbon emission intensity score (applicable to "Other CIS" only)	Carbon emission intensity score relative to the Reference Comparator Target: lower than the Reference Comparator	21.70	41.65
ESG score	ESG scores attributed to the issuers in which the Fund invests Target: higher than the Reference Comparator	6.70	6.50

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BlackRock FutureWise 2023-27
BlackRock FutureWise 2028-32
BlackRock FutureWise 2033-37
BlackRock FutureWise 2038-42
BlackRock FutureWise 2043-47
BlackRock FutureWise Early Days Aggregator
BlackRock FutureWise Retirement Aggregator

Over the financial year to 31 December 2025, the Funds' performance returns were 9.88%, 12.91%, 9.88%, 13.45%*, 13.08%*, 15.44% and 9.75% for the seven Funds respectively.

* The returns for the Fund are from the Fund launch date 8 January 2025 to 30 June 2025.

The Manager has appointed FIL Investments International, who is the Investment Adviser to these Funds, to advise in relation to the composition of portfolio for each of the FutureWise Funds pursuant to an investment advisory agreement. The Investment Adviser provides strategic and tactical asset allocation advice, including advice on the selection of the underlying funds, with regards to the assets of each of the BlackRock FutureWise Funds. In seeking to achieve their investment objectives, the Funds invest at least 70% of their total assets in units of collective investment schemes (i.e. other investment funds). These collective investment schemes (which substantially comprise BlackRock Associated Funds and/or Fidelity Funds) provide the Funds exposure globally to equity securities (i.e. shares), fixed income securities (i.e. both government and non-government bonds) and, on a limited basis, to commodities. The Funds aim to invest in accordance with their environmental, social and governance ("ESG") policies. Refer to the Scheme's Prospectus for more information on the ESG policies of each of the Funds.

Environmental, Social and Governance ("ESG") considerations review

The Funds may invest in collective investment schemes which primarily invest in government bonds ("Government Bond Funds"). Of the assets that they invest in Government Bond Funds, the Funds will invest at least 80% in Government Bond Funds that track benchmark indices primarily comprised of at least 50% of government bond issuers with an ESG government rating of BB or higher (as defined by Morgan Stanley Capital International (MSCI) or another third-party data vendor) ("ESG Government Bond Funds").

Of the total assets that the Funds invest in collective investment schemes other than Government Bond Funds, commodity funds and collective investment schemes held for efficient portfolio management ("EPM") purposes ("Other CIS"), at least 80% apply the following ESG criteria within their investment process:

a) the exclusion or underweighting of issuers or sectors which are involved in activities that are negative from an ESG investing perspective; and

b) the inclusion or overweighting of issuers or sectors which are positive from an ESG investing perspective, with a particular focus on a reduction in 'carbon emission intensity scores', which the Investment Manager will monitor on an ongoing basis.

Through the application of this ESG Policy, the Funds expect to achieve in their portfolios (in respect of only the underlying corporate issuers (i.e., companies) to which the Funds have exposure) a carbon emission intensity score that as calculated at the end of each calendar quarter, that is less than a portfolio that holds equivalent proportions (weighting) of equity securities as the Funds but that does not apply any ESG criteria (such comparable portfolio being represented by a reference benchmark (the "Reference Comparator"). The table below presents the Funds' carbon emission intensity score relative to the Reference Comparator.

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The carbon emission intensity score of the Fund is calculated by aggregating the weighted carbon emission intensity scores attributed only to the corporate issuers in which the Fund invests (whether directly or indirectly through collective investment schemes). The calculation includes Scope 1 greenhouse gas ("GHG") emissions and Scope 2 GHG emissions but excludes Scope 3 GHG emissions and is based on enterprise value including cash (EVIC). Please refer to the Risk factors set out in section 24(c)(vii) (Carbon emission intensity calculations and greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions data) of the Scheme's Prospectus, for more information on GHG emissions.

The figures presented are based on the figures as at the end of each quarter during this reporting year, which are averaged to produce the single figure shown in the table below.

Funds	Fund – Carbon Emission Intensity Score	Reference Comparator – Carbon Emission Intensity Score	Of allocation to Government Bond Funds, % which track benchmark indices (as described above)	Of allocation to Other CIS, % which apply ESG criteria
BlackRock FutureWise 2023-27	25.41	83.89	100.00%	92.76%
BlackRock FutureWise 2028-32	24.62	65.61	100.00%	96.98%
BlackRock FutureWise 2033-37	23.02	41.16	100.00%	99.72%
BlackRock FutureWise 2038-42	17.30	40.62	0.00%*	100.00%
BlackRock FutureWise 2043-47	17.32	40.63	0.00%*	100.00%
BlackRock FutureWise Early Days Aggregator	22.86	40.40	N/A**	100.00%
BlackRock FutureWise Retirement Aggregator	26.17	90.67	100.00%	93.77%

* No allocation to government bonds.
** This is not an ESG commitment in the prospectus of this Fund and therefore is not applicable.

INVESTMENT MANAGER'S REPORT (continued)

Fund Performance Review and Activity (continued)

BlackRock Growth Allocation Fund

Over the financial year to 31 December 2025, the Fund's performance return was 14.07%.

Markets navigated a turbulent but ultimately rewarding path in 2025. Major asset classes delivered positive returns over the year, supported by resilient global growth, sustained investment in artificial intelligence, and a broad shift toward easier monetary policy across developed markets as inflation pressures moderated. While episodes of sharp volatility punctuated the year, investor confidence recovered as inflation pressures continued to ease and central banks moved decisively toward rate cuts. By year end, 2025 marked the first calendar year since the pandemic in which all major asset classes delivered positive returns.

The first half of the year was dominated by trade tariff tensions after the US increased reciprocal trade tariff rates to levels not seen since the 1930s. These Liberation Day announcements triggered severe market volatility, with developed market equities falling as much as 16.50% in early April and the S&P 500 Index experiencing its fifth largest two-day decline since World War II. Bond markets were also unsettled, most notably in March when Germany's fiscal stimulus announcement drove the largest single day rise in the 10-year German Bund yields (which move inversely to bond prices) since reunification in 1990. However, these shocks ultimately proved to be short lived. As the year progressed, attention shifted back to fundamentals, monetary policy support and earnings resilience.

In the second half of 2025, markets focused increasingly on the positive implications of fiscal and monetary stimulus. Central banks began cutting interest rates in response to labour markets showing signs of easing and moderating inflation, helping to underpin risk sentiment and improve investor confidence. The US Federal Reserve lowered policy rates by 0.75% in the second half of the year, while the Bank of England cut rates by 1.00% over the course of 2025. The European Central Bank also pivoted toward a more accommodative stance as inflation moved closer to its target. This environment supported a broad-based rally across asset classes into the financial year end.

Equities

Equities grew worldwide as investors focused on resilient profits and easing financial conditions. Developed Market ("DM") Large Cap Equities returned +13.20%, while the sterling-hedged counterparts were up +19.20%. Emerging Market Equities, aided by improving global growth, gained +24.40%, and the interest-rate-sensitive DM Small Cap Equities returned +11.60%.

Liquid Alternatives

Liquid alternatives also contributed positively to Fund returns. Listed property securities gained modestly at +2.00%, supported by falling interest rate expectations and improved sentiment toward income producing assets.

Outlook

Global equities enter 2026 supported by steady earnings and the broad economic impact of large-scale investment in AI. Developed markets led by the US remain resilient as technology driven productivity supports growth, while Japan benefits from firmer economic conditions. Europe is more balanced, with moderate growth and selective sector strength. Emerging markets are underpinned by improving fundamentals and structural themes such as supply chain diversification and energy transition, with Asia remaining an important contributor to global equity performance. Overall, broad global equity exposure continues to be supported by durable macro trends and the multi-year impact of transformative investment cycles.

Investors remain cautious of potential risks, including geopolitical tensions, inflationary pressures, and central bank policy decisions, as they navigate the market landscape moving forward.

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Fund Performance Review and Activity (continued)

Environmental, Social and Governance ("ESG") considerations review

As part of its investment process, the Investment Manager applies an ESG commitment to its selection of Collective Investment Schemes ("CIS"). Of the total value of the assets at any time that the Fund invests in CIS other than commodity funds, the Fund will invest at least 80% of the total value of such assets at any time in CIS which themselves apply ESG criteria ("ESG Funds") which includes:

a) the exclusion or underweighting of issuers or sectors which are involved (which may be up to a certain threshold) in activities that the Investment Manager considers negative from an ESG investing perspective as outlined in the Scheme's Prospectus; and/or

b) the inclusion or overweighting of issuers or sectors based on activities that the Investment Manager considers positive from an ESG investing perspective.

The figures presented are based on the figures as at the end of each quarter during this reference year, which are averaged to produce the single figure shown in the table below.

Sustainability Metric	Description of Metric	Fund achievement
CIS	Of the allocation to CIS, the % which apply ESG criteria within their investment processes Target: At least 80%	92.98%

The Investment Manager will monitor the application of the ESG commitments described above by measuring the "ESG score" of the Fund's portfolio and the "Carbon emission intensity score" of the Fund's portfolio, including by reference to a "Reference Comparator" (namely a notional portfolio that represents the investment universe of the Fund but which does not apply any ESG commitments).

ESG scores are a measurement of issuers' ability to manage financially relevant ESG risks and opportunities. Each rating takes into consideration an issuer's exposure to potentially material ESG risks, the quality of the issuer's management systems and governance structures relative to those potential ESG risks, and where applicable, how the issuer is positioning to meet market demand for the provision of products and services that have a positive environmental or social contribution.

The carbon emission intensity score of the Fund is calculated by aggregating the weighted carbon emission intensity scores attributed only to the corporate issuers in which the Fund invests (whether directly or indirectly through collective investment schemes). The calculation includes Scope 1 greenhouse gas ("GHG") emissions and Scope 2 GHG emissions but excludes Scope 3 GHG emissions and is based on the issuers' reported sales. Please refer to the Risk factors set out in section 24(c)(vii) (Carbon emission intensity calculations and greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions data) of the Prospectus, for more information on GHG emissions.

INVESTMENT MANAGER'S REPORT (continued)

Fund Performance Review and Activity (continued)

The figures presented are based on the figures as at the end of each quarter during this reference year, which are averaged to produce the single figure shown in the table below.

Sustainability Metric	Description of Metric	Fund achievement	Reference comparator achievement
Carbon emission intensity score	Carbon emission intensity score relative to the Reference Comparator Target: less than the Reference Comparator	76.97	109.21
ESG score	ESG scores attributed to the issuers in which the Fund invests Target: higher than the Reference Comparator	6.92	6.57

INVESTMENT MANAGER'S REPORT (continued)

Fund Performance Review and Activity (continued)

BlackRock Growth Investment Fund

Over the financial year since the launch on 16 June 2025 to 31 December 2025, the Fund's performance return was 16.71%.

2025 delivered strong outcomes across most major asset classes, despite pronounced volatility and several significant macro and policy-driven shocks. Major asset classes ended the year higher, supported by continued global growth, sustained investment in artificial intelligence ("AI"), and a broad shift toward monetary policy easing as inflation pressures moderated.

Markets experienced notable disruptions early in the year. The release of DeepSeek's AI model prompted a reassessment of technology valuations, resulting in a material sell off in US mega-cap technology stocks. Then, US reciprocal trade tariff announcements triggered sharp risk-off moves, including one of the largest two-day decline in the S&P 500 Index in decades. In Europe, a decisive shift toward fiscal expansion, led by Germany's defence and infrastructure stimulus, supported equity markets.

Despite these setbacks, equity markets recovered strongly, with gains broadening beyond US mega-cap technology companies. Contrary to prevailing narratives, value stocks decisively outperformed momentum stocks globally, reflecting broader earnings participation. Several previously underperforming sectors, including sustainable energy, also recovered strongly. Regional leadership also shifted, with emerging markets, Europe, the UK, Japan, and Korea all outperforming US equities, largely driven by local fundamentals rather than currency effects alone.

The US dollar recorded its weakest year since 2017, depreciating against all other G10 (Group of Ten consisting of 11 industrialised countries) currencies. While US assets performed well in local currency terms, dollar weakness reduced returns for unhedged non-US investors.

Overall, 2025 highlighted the importance of diversification across regions, factors, and asset classes. While market narratives remained focused on US technology and AI, returns were ultimately driven by a much broader opportunity set, rewarding diversified portfolios.

Over the financial year, global equities were the primary driver of Fund returns. Developed market equities delivered strong returns, with top contributions coming from the US, Europe, and Japan. Large cap global developed market equities delivered the strongest contribution, while emerging market equities added modestly, due to their overall smaller allocation in the Fund's portfolio. Listed real estate securities had a slight positive contribution over the financial year.

Outlook

Global equities enter 2026 supported by steady earnings and the broad economic impact of large-scale investment in AI. Developed markets led by the US remain resilient as technology driven productivity supports growth, while Japan benefits from firmer economic conditions. Europe is more balanced, with moderate growth and selective sector strength. Emerging markets are underpinned by improving fundamentals and structural themes such as supply chain diversification and energy transition, with Asia remaining an important contributor to global equity performance. Overall, broad global equity exposure continues to be supported by durable macro trends and the multi-year impact of transformative investment cycles.

Investors remain cautious of potential risks, including geopolitical tensions, inflationary pressures, and central bank policy decisions, as they navigate the market landscape moving forward.

INVESTMENT MANAGER'S REPORT (continued)

Fund Performance Review and Activity (continued)

Environmental, Social and Governance ("ESG") considerations review

As part of its investment process, the Investment Manager applies ESG commitments at a portfolio level to its selection of Collective Investment Schemes ("CIS") in which the Fund invests. Of the total value of the assets at any time that the Fund invests in CIS that primarily invest in government bonds ("Government Bond Funds"), the Fund will invest at least 80% of the total value of such assets in Government Bond Funds that track benchmark indices comprised of at least 50% of government bond issuers with an ESG government rating of BB or higher (as defined by MSCI or the comparable rating of another third-party vendor).

Of the assets that the Fund invests in collective investment schemes other than Government Bond Funds, commodity funds and CIS held for efficient portfolio management ("EPM") purposes ("Other CIS"), the Fund will invest at least 80% of the total value of such assets at any time in Other CIS which themselves apply ESG criteria within their investment process. These criteria include:

a) the exclusion or underweighting of issuers or sectors which are involved in activities that are negative from an ESG investing perspective; and

b) the inclusion or overweighting of issuers or sectors which are positive from an ESG Investing perspective. Further detail on these ESG criteria is available in the Scheme's Prospectus.

The figures presented are based on the figures as at the end of each quarter during this reference year, which are averaged to produce the single figure shown in the table below.

Sustainability Metric	Description of Metric	Fund achievement
Government Bond Funds	Of the allocation to Government Bond Funds, the % which track benchmark indices comprised of at least 50% of government bond issuers with an ESG government rating of BB or higher Target: At least 80%	N/A*
Other CIS	Of the allocation to Other CIS, the % that apply ESG criteria within their investment process Target: At least 80%	100.00%

* The Fund does not currently hold Government Bond Funds and therefore this metric is not applicable.

INVESTMENT MANAGER'S REPORT (continued)

Fund Performance Review and Activity (continued)

The Investment Manager will monitor the application of the ESG commitments described above by measuring the "ESG score" of the Fund's portfolio and the "Carbon emission intensity score" of the Fund's portfolio, including by reference to a "Reference Comparator".

The carbon emission intensity score of the Fund is calculated by aggregating the weighted carbon emission intensity scores attributed only to the corporate issuers in which the Fund invests (whether directly or indirectly through collective investment schemes). The calculation includes Scope 1 greenhouse gas ("GHG") emissions and Scope 2 GHG emissions but excludes Scope 3 GHG emissions and is based on the issuers' reported sales. Please refer to the Risk factors set out in section 24(c)(vii) (Carbon emission intensity calculations and greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions data) of the Scheme's Prospectus, for more information on GHG emissions.

The ESG score of the Fund is calculated by aggregating the weighted ESG scores attributable to each issuer in which the Fund invests (whether directly or indirectly through collective investment schemes), excluding the ESG scores of underlying commodity funds and collective investment schemes held for EPM purposes.

The Reference Comparator of the Fund is a composite benchmark of underlying indices, consisting of one underlying index for each collective investment scheme in which the Fund invests. Each underlying index is weighted within the Reference Comparator based on the weight given to the corresponding collective investment scheme within the Fund's portfolio and accordingly, the composition of the Reference Comparator will vary over time.

Further detail on how the ESG scores and carbon emission intensity scores for the Fund are calculated, and the Reference Comparator, is available in the Scheme's Prospectus.

The figures presented are based on the figures as at the end of each quarter during this reference year, which are averaged to produce the single figure shown in the table below.

Sustainability Metric	Description of Metric	Fund achievement	Reference comparator achievement
Carbon emission intensity score (applicable to "Other CIS" only)	Carbon emission intensity score relative to the Reference Comparator Target: lower than the Reference Comparator	22.40	41.45
ESG score	ESG scores attributed to the issuers in which the Fund invests Target: higher than the Reference Comparator	6.85	6.55

INVESTMENT MANAGER'S REPORT (continued)

Fund Performance Review and Activity (continued)

BlackRock Intermediate Investment Fund

Over the financial year since the launch on 16 June 2025 to 31 December 2025, the Fund's performance return was 12.96%.

2025 delivered strong outcomes across most major asset classes, despite pronounced volatility and several significant macro and policy-driven shocks. Major asset classes ended the year higher, supported by continued global growth, sustained investment in artificial intelligence ("AI"), and a broad shift toward monetary policy easing as inflation pressures moderated.

Markets experienced notable disruptions early in the year. The release of DeepSeek's AI model prompted a reassessment of technology valuations, resulting in a material sell-off in US mega-cap technology stocks. Then, US reciprocal trade tariff announcements triggered sharp risk-off moves, including one of the largest two-day decline in the S&P 500 Index in decades. In Europe, a decisive shift toward fiscal expansion, led by Germany's defence and infrastructure stimulus, supported equity markets but triggered the largest single day increase in the 10-year German Bund yields (which move inversely to bond prices) since reunification in 1990.

Despite these setbacks, equity markets recovered strongly, with gains broadening beyond US mega-cap technology companies. Contrary to prevailing narratives, value stocks decisively outperformed momentum stocks globally, reflecting broader earnings participation. Several previously underperforming sectors, including sustainable energy, also recovered strongly. Regional leadership also shifted, with emerging markets, Europe, the UK, Japan, and Korea all outperforming US equities, largely driven by local fundamentals rather than currency effects alone.

Fixed income markets delivered their strongest annual performance since 2020, although with sharp regional divergence. US treasuries benefited from a clear pivot by the Federal Reserve toward rate cuts, while Japanese government bond yields rose materially as the Bank of Japan tightened monetary policy alongside plans for fiscal expansion following the appointment of new Prime Minister, Sanae Takaichi. European sovereign credit spreads also diverged, reflecting differing political and fiscal dynamics.

The US dollar recorded its weakest year since 2017, depreciating against all other G10 (Group of Ten consisting of 11 industrialised countries) currencies. While US assets performed well in local currency terms, dollar weakness reduced returns for unhedged non-US investors. Strong demand for real assets persisted amid fiscal and inflation concerns, with gold and silver posting their strongest annual gains in decades.

Overall, 2025 highlighted the importance of diversification across regions, factors, and asset classes. While market narratives remained focused on US technology and AI, returns were ultimately driven by a much broader opportunity set, rewarding diversified portfolios.

Over the financial year, global equities were the largest driver of Fund returns. Developed market equities delivered strong returns, with top contributions coming from the US, North America, and Europe. Although emerging market equities outperformed developed markets overall, the Fund's relatively modest allocation to emerging market equities resulted in a less material impact on total returns.

The Fund's corporate bonds, emerging market debt and government bond investments also contributed positively to overall performance; however, returns were more muted than equities. The contribution from commodities was broadly flat over the year, while listed real estate securities had a slight positive contribution over the year.

Outlook

Global equities head into 2026 supported by steady earnings and the broad economic impact of large-scale investment in AI. Developed markets led by the US remain resilient, while Japan benefits from firmer economic conditions. Emerging markets continue to gain from improved fundamentals and long-term structural themes.

INVESTMENT MANAGER'S REPORT (continued)

Fund Performance Review and Activity (continued)

In fixed income, elevated public debt levels across major economies keep long-dated yields sensitive to fiscal and inflation dynamics. As inflation gradually moderates, short to medium dated government bonds in the US, UK and Europe offer more balanced income prospects. Emerging market local currency debt remains supported by stronger sovereign balance sheets and limited issuance.

Investors remain cautious of potential risks, including geopolitical tensions, inflationary pressures, and central bank policy decisions, as they navigate the market landscape moving forward.

Environmental, Social and Governance ("ESG") considerations review

As part of its investment process, the Investment Manager applies ESG commitments at a portfolio level to its selection of Collective Investment Schemes ("CIS") in which the Fund invests. Of the total value of the assets at any time that the Fund invests in CIS that primarily invest in government bonds ("Government Bond Funds"), the Fund will invest at least 80% of the total value of such assets in Government Bond Funds that track benchmark indices comprised of at least 50% of government bond issuers with an ESG government rating of BB or higher (as defined by MSCI or the comparable rating of another third-party vendor).

Of the assets that the Fund invests in collective investment schemes other than Government Bond Funds, commodity funds and CIS held for efficient portfolio management ("EPM") purposes ("Other CIS"), the Fund will invest at least 80% of the total value of such assets at any time in Other CIS which themselves apply ESG criteria within their investment process. These criteria include

a) the exclusion or underweighting of issuers or sectors which are involved in activities that are negative from an ESG investing perspective; and

b) the inclusion or overweighting of issuers or sectors which are positive from an ESG Investing perspective. Further detail on these ESG criteria is available in the Scheme's Prospectus.

INVESTMENT MANAGER'S REPORT (continued)

Fund Performance Review and Activity (continued)

The figures presented are based on the figures as at the end of each quarter during this reference year, which are averaged to produce the single figure shown in the table below.

Sustainability Metric	Description of Metric	Fund achievement
Government Bond Funds	Of the allocation to Government Bond Funds, the % which track benchmark indices comprised of at least 50% of government bond issuers with an ESG government rating of BB or higher Target: At least 80%	100.00%
Other CIS	Of the allocation to Other CIS, the % that apply ESG criteria within their investment process Target: At least 80%	100.00%

The Investment Manager will monitor the application of the ESG commitments described above by measuring the "ESG score" of the Fund's portfolio and the "Carbon emission intensity score" of the Fund's portfolio, including by reference to a "Reference Comparator".

The carbon emission intensity score of the Fund is calculated by aggregating the weighted carbon emission intensity scores attributed only to the corporate issuers in which the Fund invests (whether directly or indirectly through collective investment schemes). The calculation includes Scope 1 greenhouse gas ("GHG") emissions and Scope 2 GHG emissions but excludes Scope 3 GHG emissions and is based on the issuers' reported sales. Please refer to the Risk factors set out in section 24(c)(vii) (Carbon emission intensity calculations and greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions data) of the Scheme's Prospectus, for more information on GHG emissions.

The ESG score of the Fund is calculated by aggregating the weighted ESG scores attributable to each issuer in which the Fund invests (whether directly or indirectly through collective investment schemes), excluding the ESG scores of underlying commodity funds and collective investment schemes held for EPM purposes.

The Reference Comparator of the Fund is a composite benchmark of underlying indices, consisting of one underlying index for each collective investment scheme in which the Fund invests. Each underlying index is weighted within the Reference Comparator based on the weight given to the corresponding collective investment scheme within the Fund's portfolio and accordingly, the composition of the Reference Comparator will vary over time.

Further detail on how the ESG scores and carbon emission intensity scores for the Fund are calculated, and the Reference Comparator, is available in the Scheme's Prospectus.

INVESTMENT MANAGER'S REPORT (continued)

Fund Performance Review and Activity (continued)

The figures presented are based on the figures as at the end of each quarter during this reference year, which are averaged to produce the single figure shown in the table below.

Sustainability Metric	Description of Metric	Fund achievement	Reference comparator achievement
Carbon emission intensity score (applicable to "Other CIS" only)	Carbon emission intensity score relative to the Reference Comparator Target: lower than the Reference Comparator	22.60	42.65
ESG score	ESG scores attributed to the issuers in which the Fund invests Target: higher than the Reference Comparator	6.85	6.55

INVESTMENT MANAGER'S REPORT (continued)

Fund Performance Review and Activity (continued)

BlackRock Pension Growth Fund

Over the financial year to 31 December 2025, the Fund's performance return was 17.77% and the active return was 1.17%, outperforming its comparator benchmark, which returned 16.60% (active return is the difference between the Fund's performance return and the return of the comparator benchmark).

2025 delivered strong outcomes across most major asset classes, despite pronounced volatility and several significant macro and policy-driven shocks. Major asset classes ended the year higher, supported by continued global growth, sustained investment in artificial intelligence ("AI"), and a broad shift toward monetary policy easing as inflation pressures moderated.

Markets experienced notable disruptions early in the year. The release of DeepSeek's AI model prompted a reassessment of technology valuations, resulting in a material sell-off in US mega-cap technology stocks. Then, US reciprocal trade tariff announcements triggered sharp risk-off moves, including one of the largest two-day decline in the S&P 500 Index in decades. In Europe, a decisive shift toward fiscal expansion, led by Germany's defence and infrastructure stimulus, supported equity markets but triggered the largest single day increase in the 10-year German Bund yields (which move inversely to bond prices) since reunification in 1990.

Despite these setbacks, equity markets recovered strongly, with gains broadening beyond US mega-cap technology companies. Contrary to prevailing narratives, value stocks decisively outperformed momentum stocks globally, reflecting broader earnings participation. Several previously underperforming sectors, including sustainable energy, also recovered strongly. Regional leadership also shifted, with emerging markets, Europe, the UK, Japan, and Korea all outperforming US equities, largely driven by local fundamentals rather than currency effects alone.

Fixed income markets delivered their strongest annual performance since 2020, although with sharp regional divergence. US treasuries benefited from a clear pivot by the Federal Reserve toward rate cuts, while Japanese government bond yields rose materially as the Bank of Japan tightened monetary policy alongside plans for fiscal expansion following the appointment of new Prime Minister, Sanae Takaichi. European sovereign credit spreads also diverged, reflecting differing political and fiscal dynamics.

The US dollar recorded its weakest year since 2017, depreciating against all other G10 (Group of Ten consisting of 11 industrialised countries) currencies. While US assets performed well in local currency terms, dollar weakness reduced returns for unhedged non-US investors. Strong demand for real assets persisted amid fiscal and inflation concerns, with gold and silver posting their strongest annual gains in decades.

Overall, 2025 highlighted the importance of diversification across regions, factors, and asset classes. While market narratives remained focused on US technology and AI, returns were ultimately driven by a much broader opportunity set, rewarding diversified portfolios.

Over the financial year, global equities were the largest driver of Fund returns. Developed market equities delivered strong returns, with top contributions coming from the US, North America, and Europe. Although emerging market equities outperformed developed markets overall, the Fund's relatively modest allocation to emerging market equities resulted in a less material impact on total returns.

The Fund's corporate bond investments and alternative investments (introduced through the Fund's investment in the Pension Growth Alternative Strategies LTAF) also contributed positively to overall performance. However, their influence was more limited due to smaller portfolio allocation compared to global equities.

INVESTMENT MANAGER'S REPORT (continued)

Fund Performance Review and Activity (continued)

Outlook

Global equities enter 2026 supported by steady earnings and the broad economic impact of large-scale investment in AI. Developed markets led by the US remain resilient, while Japan benefits from firmer economic conditions; Europe is more balanced and emerging markets are supported by improving fundamentals.

Private markets may complement portfolios through diversified return streams, with private credit and long-term infrastructure investment expanding alongside digital, energy-transition and demographic needs.

Investors remain cautious of potential risks, including geopolitical tensions, inflationary pressures, and central bank policy decisions, as they navigate the market landscape moving forward.

Environmental, Social and Governance ("ESG") considerations review

As part of its investment process, the Investment Manager applies an ESG commitment to its selection of Collective Investment Schemes ("CIS"). The Investment Manager will ensure that at least 80% of the Fund's total assets invested in collective investment schemes will be invested in schemes which apply exclusionary screens at the time of investment based on pre-defined screening criteria (which can include, without limitation, segments such as controversial weapons, nuclear weapons, thermal coal, tar sands, civilian firearms, tobacco, and United Nations Global Compact violators).

The figures presented are based on the figures as at the end of each quarter during this reference year, which are averaged to produce the single figure shown in the table below.

Sustainability Metric	Description of Metric	Fund achievement
CIS	% of total assets invested in collective investment schemes which apply exclusionary screens at the time of investment based on predefined screening criteria Target: At least 80%	98.33%

INVESTMENT MANAGER'S REPORT (continued)

Fund Performance Review and Activity (continued)

BlackRock Retirement Allocation Fund

Over the financial year to 31 December 2025, the Fund's performance return was 8.50%.

Markets navigated a turbulent but ultimately rewarding path in 2025. Major asset classes delivered positive returns over the year, supported by resilient global growth, sustained investment in artificial intelligence, and a broad shift toward easier monetary policy across developed markets as inflation pressures moderated. While episodes of sharp volatility punctuated the year, investor confidence recovered as inflation pressures continued to ease and central banks moved decisively toward rate cuts. By year end, 2025 marked the first calendar year since the pandemic in which all major asset classes delivered positive returns.

The first half of the year was dominated by trade tariff tensions after the US increased reciprocal trade tariff rates to levels not seen since the 1930s. These Liberation Day announcements triggered severe market volatility, with developed market equities falling as much as 16.50% in early April and the S&P 500 Index experiencing its fifth largest two-day decline since World War II. Bond markets were also unsettled, most notably in March when Germany's fiscal stimulus announcement drove the largest single day rise in the 10-year German Bund yields (which move inversely to bond prices) since reunification in 1990. However, these shocks ultimately proved to be short lived. As the year progressed, attention shifted back to fundamentals, monetary policy support and earnings resilience.

In the second half of 2025, markets focused increasingly on the positive implications of fiscal and monetary stimulus. Central banks began cutting interest rates in response to labour markets showing signs of easing and moderating inflation, helping to underpin risk sentiment and improve investor confidence. The US Federal Reserve lowered policy rates by 0.75% in the second half of the year, while the Bank of England cut rates by 1.00% over the course of 2025. The European Central Bank also pivoted toward a more accommodative stance as inflation moved closer to its target. This environment supported a broad-based rally across asset classes into the financial year end.

Equities

Equities rose worldwide as investors focused on resilient profits and easing financial conditions. Developed Market ("DM") Large Cap Equities returned +13.20%, while the sterling-hedged counterparts were up +19.20%. Emerging Market Equities, aided by improving global growth, gained +24.4%, and the interest-rate-sensitive DM Small Cap Equities returned +11.60%.

Fixed Income

Global bond markets also recorded a strong year, delivering their best calendar year performance since 2020. Global Government Bonds ex-UK rose +3.00%. In the UK, Short Gilts returned +5.60% and Short Inflation-Linked Gilts returned +3.20%, while Long Gilts also returned +5.00%. Corporate Bonds outpaced government bond markets as risk appetite improved: Corporate Bonds ex-UK returned +6.80%, and UK Corporate Bonds returned +6.90%.

Liquid Alternatives

Liquid alternatives also contributed positively to Fund returns. Commodities rose +7.80%, led by precious metals. With investors increasingly concerned about long term inflation risks, fiscal sustainability and potential currency debasement, gold and silver recorded their strongest annual gains since 1979. Listed property securities gained modestly at +2.00%, supported by falling interest rate expectations and improved sentiment toward income producing assets.

INVESTMENT MANAGER'S REPORT (continued)

Fund Performance Review and Activity (continued)

Outlook

Global equities enter 2026 supported by steady earnings and the broad economic impact of large-scale investment in AI. Developed markets led by the US remain resilient as technology driven productivity supports growth, while Japan benefits from firmer economic conditions. Europe is more balanced, with moderate growth and selective sector strength. Emerging markets are underpinned by improving fundamentals and structural themes such as supply chain diversification and energy transition, with Asia remaining an important contributor to global equity performance. Overall, broad global equity exposure continues to be supported by durable macro trends and the multi-year impact of transformative investment cycles.

In fixed income, elevated public debt levels across major economies keep long-dated yields sensitive to fiscal and inflation dynamics. As inflation gradually moderates, short to medium dated government bonds in the US, UK and Europe offer more balanced income prospects. Emerging market local currency debt remains supported by stronger sovereign balance sheets and limited issuance.

Investors remain cautious of potential risks, including geopolitical tensions, inflationary pressures, and central bank policy decisions, as they navigate the market landscape moving forward.

Environmental, Social and Governance ("ESG") considerations review

As part of its investment process, the Investment Manager applies ESG commitments to its selection of Collective Investment Schemes ("CIS"). Of the total value of the assets at any time that the Fund invests in CIS that primarily invest in government bonds ("Government Bond Funds"), the Fund will invest at least 80% of the total value of such assets in Government Bond Funds that track benchmark indices primarily comprising government bond issuers with an ESG sovereign rating of BB or higher (as defined by MSCI or the comparable rating of another third-party vendor).

Of the assets that the Fund invests in CIS other than Government Bond Funds and commodity funds ("Other CIS"), the Fund will invest at least 80% of the total value of such assets at any time in Other CIS which themselves apply ESG criteria ("ESG Funds") which includes:

a) the exclusion or underweighting of issuers or sectors which are involved (which may be up to a certain threshold) in activities that the Investment Manager considers negative from an ESG investing perspective as outlined in the Scheme's Prospectus; and/or

b) the inclusion or overweighting of issuers or sectors based on activities that the Investment Manager considers positive from an ESG investing perspective.

INVESTMENT MANAGER'S REPORT (continued)

Fund Performance Review and Activity (continued)

The figures presented are based on the figures as at the end of each quarter during this reference year, which are averaged to produce the single figure shown in the table below.

Sustainability Metric	Description of Metric	Fund achievement
Government Bond Funds	Of the allocation to Government Bond Funds, the % which track benchmark indices comprised of at least 50% of government bond issuers with an ESG government rating of BB or higher Target: At least 80%	100.00%
Other CIS	Of the allocation to Other CIS, the % that apply ESG criteria within their investment process Target: At least 80%	94.48%

The Investment Manager will monitor the application of the ESG commitments described above by measuring the "ESG score" of the Fund's portfolio and the "Carbon emission intensity score" of the Fund's portfolio, including by reference to a "Reference Comparator" (namely a notional portfolio that represents the investment universe of the Fund but which does not apply any ESG commitments).

ESG scores are a measurement of issuers' ability to manage financially relevant ESG risks and opportunities. Each rating takes into consideration an issuer's exposure to potentially material ESG risks, the quality of the issuer's management systems and governance structures relative to those potential ESG risks, and where applicable, how the issuer is positioning to meet market demand for the provision of products and services that have a positive environmental or social contribution.

The carbon emission intensity score of the Fund is calculated by aggregating the weighted carbon emission intensity scores attributed only to the corporate issuers in which the Fund invests (whether directly or indirectly through collective investment schemes). The calculation includes Scope 1 greenhouse gas ("GHG") emissions and Scope 2 GHG emissions but excludes Scope 3 GHG emissions and is based on the issuers' reported sales. Please refer to the Risk factors set out in section 24(c)(vii) (Carbon emission intensity calculations and greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions data) of the Scheme's Prospectus, for more information on GHG emissions.

INVESTMENT MANAGER'S REPORT (continued)

Fund Performance Review and Activity (continued)

The figures presented are based on the figures as at the end of each quarter during this reference year, which are averaged to produce the single figure shown in the table below.

Sustainability Metric	Description of Metric	Fund achievement	Reference comparator achievement
Carbon emission intensity score	Carbon emission intensity score relative to the Reference Comparator Target: less than the Reference Comparator	64.40	111.80
ESG score	ESG scores attributed to the issuers in which the Fund invests Target: higher than the Reference Comparator	6.95	6.50

STATEMENT OF MANAGER'S RESPONSIBILITIES

The manager is required by the rules of the COLL Sourcebook to prepare the financial statements for each financial year. These financial statements must be prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting standards in the United Kingdom to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Funds at the year end and of the net revenue and the net capital gains/(losses) for the year. In preparing these financial statements the manager is required to prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Funds will continue in operation. For the reasons stated in note 1.1, the financial statements for the ACS LifePath Funds have not been prepared on a going concern basis.

The financial statements should comply with the disclosure requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice (the "SORP") for Authorised Funds issued by the Investment Association and must comply with any relevant provisions of the Contractual Scheme Deed.

The manager is responsible for keeping such accounting records as are necessary to enable it to ensure that the financial statements comply with the COLL Sourcebook, the SORP and the Contractual Scheme Deed.

BLACKROCK AUTHORISED CONTRACTUAL SCHEME 2

STATEMENT OF THE DEPOSITARY'S RESPONSIBILITIES AND REPORT OF THE DEPOSITARY TO THE UNITHOLDERS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2025

The Depositary must ensure that the Scheme is managed in accordance with the Financial Conduct Authority's Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook, and, from 22 July 2014 the Investment Funds Sourcebook, the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000, as amended, the Collective Investment in Transferable Securities (Contractual Scheme) Regulations 2013 (together "the Regulations") and the Contractual Scheme Deed and Prospectus (together the "Scheme documents") as detailed below.

The Depositary must in the context of its role act honestly, fairly, professionally, independently and in the interests of the Scheme and its investors.

The Depositary is responsible for the safekeeping of all custodial assets and maintaining a record of all other assets of the Scheme in accordance with the Regulations.

The Depositary must ensure that:

- the Scheme's cash flows are properly monitored and that cash of the Scheme is booked in cash accounts in accordance with the Regulations;
- the sale, issue, repurchase, redemption and cancellation of units are carried out in accordance with the Regulations;
- the value of units of the Scheme are calculated in accordance with the Regulations;
- any consideration relating to transactions in the Scheme's assets is remitted to the Scheme within the usual time limits;
- the Scheme's income is applied in accordance with the Regulations; and
- the instructions of the Alternative Investment Fund Manager ("the AIFM") are carried out (unless they conflict with the Regulations).

The Depositary also has a duty to take reasonable care to ensure that Scheme is managed in accordance with Scheme documents and the Regulations in relation to the investment and borrowing powers applicable to the Scheme.

Having carried out such procedures as we considered necessary to discharge our responsibilities as Depositary of the Scheme, it is our opinion, based on the information available to us and the explanations provided, that, in all material respects, the AIFM:

(i) has carried out the issue, sale, redemption and cancellation, and calculation of the price of the Scheme's units and the application of the Scheme's income in accordance with the Regulations and Scheme documents of the Scheme; and

(ii) has observed the investment and borrowing powers and restrictions applicable to the scheme.

Northern Trust Investor Services Limited
UK Trustee and Depositary Services

London
30 March 2026

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE UNITHOLDERS OF BLACKROCK AUTHORISED CONTRACTUAL SCHEME 2

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of BlackRock Authorised Contractual Scheme 2 ("the Scheme") comprising each of its sub-funds for the year ended 31 December 2025, which comprise the Statement of Total Return, the Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Unitholders, the Balance Sheet, the related notes and the Distribution Tables, and the Material Accounting Policies, Distribution Policies and Risk Management Policies of the Scheme, which include a summary of significant accounting policies.

The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards including FRS 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable to the UK and Republic of Ireland' (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Scheme comprising each of its sub-funds as at 31 December 2025 and of the net revenue and the net capital gains/(losses) on the scheme property of the Scheme comprising each of its sub-funds for the financial year then ended; and
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

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 below. We are independent of the Scheme in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the Financial Reporting Council's (the "FRC") 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.

Emphasis of matter – financial statements for the ACS LifePath Funds prepared on a break-up basis

We draw attention to Note 1.1 of the financial statements which explains that the ACS LifePath Funds (the "Funds") have ceased operations and therefore it is not appropriate to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements for these Funds. Accordingly, the financial statements for these Funds only, have been prepared on a break-up basis as described in Note 1.1. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

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Conclusions relating to going concern

The financial statements for the ACS LifePath Funds have been prepared on a break-up basis as disclosed in Note 1.1.

In auditing the financial statements of the remaining sub-funds, we have concluded that the Manager's 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 remaining sub-funds' ability to continue as a going concern for a period assessed by the Manager, which is one year from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the Manager 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 remaining sub-funds' 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 Manager is 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 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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Opinions on other matters prescribed by the rules of the Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook of the Financial Conduct Authority (the "FCA")

In our opinion:

- the financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice relating to Authorised Funds, the rules of the Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook of the FCA and the Contractual Scheme Deed; and
- there is nothing to indicate that adequate accounting records have not been kept or that the financial statements are not in agreement with those records; and
- the information given in the Manager's report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matter in relation to which the Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook of the FCA requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- we have not received all the information and explanations which, to the best of our knowledge and belief, are necessary for the purposes of our audit.

Responsibilities of the Manager

As explained more fully in the Manager's responsibilities statement set out on page 44, the Manager is 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 Manager determines 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 Manager is responsible for assessing the Scheme'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 Manager either intends to wind up or terminate the Scheme or to cease operations, or has 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.

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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.

Our approach was as follows:

- We obtained an understanding of the legal and regulatory frameworks that are applicable to the Scheme and determined that the most significant are United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (UK GAAP), Investment Management Association's Statement of Recommended Practice (IMA SORP), the FCA Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook, the Scheme's Trust Deed and the Prospectus.
- We understood how the Scheme is complying with those frameworks through discussions with the Manager and the Scheme's administrators and a review of the Scheme's documented policies and procedures.
- We assessed the susceptibility of the Scheme's financial statements to material misstatement, including how fraud might occur by considering the risk of management override, specifically management's opportunity to influence revenue and amounts available for distribution.
- Based on this understanding we designed our audit procedures to identify non-compliance with such laws and regulations. Our procedures involved testing of journal entries with a particular focus on manually posted entries and those reflecting large and unusual transactions. We also reviewed the reporting to the Manager with respect to the application of the documented policies and procedures and review of the financial statements to test compliance with the reporting requirements of the Scheme.
- Due to the regulated nature of the Scheme, the Statutory Auditor considered the experience and expertise of the engagement team to ensure that the team had the appropriate competence and capabilities to identify non-compliance with the applicable laws and regulations.

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.

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Use of our report

This report is made solely to the Scheme's unitholders, as a body, pursuant to Paragraph 4.5.12 of the rules of the Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook of the FCA. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Scheme's unitholders 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 Scheme and the Scheme's unitholders as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Ernst & Young LLP
Statutory Auditor
Edinburgh
30 March 2026

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About the Fund

The Fund is a sub-fund of BlackRock Authorised Contractual Scheme 2, a NURS under the COLL Sourcebook. The Fund was authorised by the FCA on 5 April 2018. The Fund's FCA product reference number is 805810.

The Manager has decided to close the Fund on 20 May 2025 and as a result, these financial statements are prepared on a break-up basis for the financial year ended 31 December 2025. Under this basis, all assets are recorded at their estimated realisable amount and all liabilities at their estimate settlement amount. The liquidation costs are borne by the Manager.

Comparative Table

	X1 Accumulation Units		
	For the period from 1.1.2025 to 20.5.2025 Pence per unit	For the year to 31.12.2024 Pence per unit	For the year to 31.12.2023 Pence per unit
Change in net assets per unit			
Opening net asset value per unit	124.68	116.31	106.98
Return before operating charges	0.73	8.39	9.36
Operating charges	0.00	(0.02)	(0.03)
Return after operating charges	0.73	8.37	9.33
Distributions	–	(2.56)	(2.29)
Retained distributions on accumulation units	–	2.56	2.29
Last quoted unit price*	125.41	–	–
Closing net asset value per unit	–	124.68	116.31
After direct transaction costs of:	–	–	–
Performance			
Return after charges[1]	0.59%	7.20%	8.72%
Other Information			
Closing net asset value (£000's)	–	130,949	279,541
Closing number of units	–	105,029,372	240,345,860
Operating charges[2]	0.02%	0.02%	0.02%
Direct transaction costs[3]	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Prices	**Pence per unit**	**Pence per unit**	**Pence per unit**
Highest offer unit price	128.22	126.94	116.58
Lowest bid unit price	118.46	114.32	107.26

* As at the financial year end date, there are no units in issue. Unit class performance provided is as at 20 May 2025 being the last quoted price date before units were reduced to zero.

[1] The return after charges figures are based on the net asset value reported for financial statements purposes and are not the same as the performance returns figures quoted in the Performance Summary section of the Investment Manager's Report which are returns based on NAV per unit as at 12 noon for dealing purposes.

[2] Operating charges are annualised and exclude portfolio trade-related costs, except costs paid to the custodian/depositary and entry/exit charges paid to an underlying collective investment scheme (if any).

[3] Direct transaction costs are annualised and principally comprise commissions and taxes, attributable to the Fund's purchase and sale of debt instruments. See note 14 for further details.

DISTRIBUTION TABLE

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

Final Distribution in Pence per Unit

	X1 Accumulation Units*
Net revenue	N/A
Distribution paid 27.2.2026	**N/A**
Distribution paid 28.2.2025	**2.5606**

* Fund closed on 20 May 2025, therefore no distribution is made for the financial year.

STATEMENT OF TOTAL RETURN

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

	Notes	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Income					
Net capital (losses)/gains	3		(1,314)		9,199
Revenue	4	1,971		4,593	
Expenses	5	(31)		9	
Interest payable and similar charges	6	–		(2)	
Net revenue before taxation		1,940		4,600	
Taxation	7	–		–	
Net revenue after taxation			1,940		4,600
Total return before distributions			626		13,799
Distributions	8		(1,944)		(4,600)
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities			**(1,318)**		**9,199**

STATEMENT OF CHANGE IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Opening net assets attributable to unitholders		130,949		279,541
Amounts receivable on issue of units	94		1,693	
Amounts payable on cancellation of units	(26,502)		(162,173)	
Amounts payable on in-specie transactions	(103,219)		–	
Amounts payable on termination	(4)		–	
		(129,631)		(160,480)
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities		(1,318)		9,199
Retained distribution on accumulation units		–		2,689
Closing net assets attributable to unitholders		**–**		**130,949**

Note: The Fund closed on 20 May 2025.

BALANCE SHEET

As at 31 December 2025

	Notes	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Assets:			
Fixed assets			
– Investment assets		–	130,632
Current assets			
– Debtors	9	28	1,261
– Cash and bank balances		20	1
Total assets		**48**	**131,894**
Liabilities:			
Investment liabilities		–	(352)
Creditors			
– Bank overdrafts		–	(77)
– Amounts payable on termination	10	(11)	–
– Other creditors	10	(37)	(516)
Total liabilities		**(48)**	**(945)**
Net assets attributable to unitholders		**–**	**130,949**

On behalf of the Directors

A Lewis
Director
30 March 2026

A Hoctor-Duncan
Director
30 March 2026

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

1. Accounting and Distribution Policies

The material accounting and distribution policies are set out on pages 348 to 352.

2. Risk Management Policies

The Risk management policies are set out on pages 352 to 382.

3. Net Capital (Losses)/Gains

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
The net capital (losses)/gains comprise:		
(Losses)/gains on non-derivative securities*	(2,530)	7,585
Forward currency contracts	2,180	514
Currency (losses)/gains	(953)	1,125
Custodian transaction costs	(9)	(25)
Other expenses from underlying CIS Holdings	(2)	–
Net capital (losses)/gains	**(1,314)**	**9,199**

* Includes realised gains of £1,026,230 and unrealised losses of £3,556,103 (2024: realised gains of £4,947,334 and unrealised gains of £2,637,593). Where realised gains/losses include gains/losses arising in previous periods, a corresponding gains/losses is included in unrealised gains/losses.

4. Revenue

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Equity distributions on CIS holdings	13	138
Interest distributions on CIS holdings	1,589	3,139
Interest from UK bank deposits	–	4
Overseas dividends	313	1,167
Rebate from underlying CIS holdings	19	6
Securities lending revenue	1	6
UK dividends	26	97
UK REIT dividends	–	4
US REIT dividends	10	32
Total revenue	**1,971**	**4,593**

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

5. Expenses

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Receivable from the Manager or associates of the Manager:		
– Manager's charge and other expenses rebate[#]	–	(48)
Receivable from/Payable to the Depositary or associates of the Depositary:		
– Depositary fee	(1)	10
Other expenses:		
– Audit fee	10	7
– Closure costs	13	–
– Credit administration expenses	1	1
– Index licence fee	1	5
– Legal fee	1	1
– Safe custody fee	6	15
Total expenses	**31**	**(9)**

[#] The Fund received rebates from the Manager to ensure that the operating charge does not exceed 0.02%.

6. Interest Payable and Similar Charges

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Interest on bank overdrafts	–	2
Total interest payable and similar charges	**–**	**2**

7. Taxation

(a) Analysis of tax charge

As the Fund is an Authorised Contractual Scheme, it is exempt from United Kingdom (UK) tax on capital gains realised on the disposal of investments held within the Fund and any UK corporation tax.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

8. Distributions

The distributions take account of revenue received on the issue of units and revenue deducted on the redemption of units and comprise:

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Final accumulation	–	2,689
	–	2,689
Add: Amounts deducted on cancellation of units	209	1,923
Add: Amounts deducted on in-specie transactions	1,736	–
Deduct: Amounts received on issue of units	(1)	(12)
Distributions	**1,944**	**4,600**
The distributable amount has been calculated as follows:		
Net revenue after taxation	1,940	4,600
Add: Capitalised expenses	–	1
Custodian transaction costs	–	(1)
Income deficit	6	–
Other expense from underlying CIS holdings	(2)	–
Distributions	**1,944**	**4,600**

Details of the final distribution per unit are set out in the table on page 53.

9. Debtors

	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Accrued manager's charge and other expenses rebate	17	50
Accrued rebate from underlying CIS holdings	11	13
Accrued revenue	–	761
Sales awaiting settlement	–	437
Total debtors	**28**	**1,261**

10. Other Creditors

	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Accrued audit fee	6	7
Accrued depositary's fee	–	8
Accrued safe custody fee	19	15
Amount payable for cancellation of units	–	459
Amount payable on termination	11	–
Custodian transaction costs	12	27
Total other creditors	**48**	**516**

11. Contingent Assets and Liabilities

There were no significant capital commitments or contingent liabilities as at the 31 December 2025 and 31 December 2024.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

12. Related Parties

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.

The following entities were related parties of the Fund during the financial year ended 31 December 2025:

Directors of the Manager	
Manager:	BlackRock Fund Managers Limited
Investment Manager:	BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited
Stock Lending Agent:	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited

The ultimate holding company of the Manager, Investment Manager and Stock Lending Agent is BlackRock Inc. ("BlackRock"), a company incorporated in Delaware, USA.

The Manager acts as either principal or agent for the Depositary in respect of all transactions of units of the Fund. The aggregate monies received through issue and paid through cancellation of units are disclosed in the Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Unitholders and note 8. Any amounts due to or from the Manager at the financial year end are disclosed in notes 9 and 10. Securities lending revenue earned by the Fund is disclosed in note 4.

The Investment Manager, in accordance with the Contractual Scheme Deed, may enter into commission sharing arrangements with related parties (including, without limitation, brokers who are affiliated to the BlackRock Group), which may result in the Fund benefiting from research or execution services which the Investment Manager believes are useful in the investment decision-making or trade execution process. Such research or execution services may include, without limitation and to the extent permitted by applicable law: research reports on companies, industries and securities; and the provision of economic and financial information and analysis. Due to the bundled nature of these services and the application of such benefits across a number of BlackRock managed funds, it is not feasible to quantify the benefit to the Fund. The Investment Manager may also enter into these arrangements with brokers who are not affiliated to the BlackRock Group.

Holdings in other funds managed by BlackRock

The Fund's investments in other BlackRock related party entities are individually identified on the portfolio statement.

Significant investors

The following investors are:
a. funds managed by the BlackRock Group or are affiliates of BlackRock Inc. ("BlackRock Related Investors") or
b. investors (other than those listed in (a) above) who held 51% or more of the voting units in issue in the Fund and are as a result, considered to be related parties to the Fund ("Significant Investors").

As at 31 December 2025:

Total % of units held by BlackRock Related Investors	Total % of units held by Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors	Number of Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors
Nil	Nil	Nil

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

12. Related Parties (continued)

As at 31 December 2024:

Total % of units held by BlackRock Related Investors	Total % of units held by Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors	Number of Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors
Nil	100%	1

For the financial year ended 31 December 2025, the Fund paid out a total of £103 million (31 December 2024: £Nil) in respect of in-specie transactions with its related parties.

13. Credit Facility

The Fund entered into a credit facility with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. ("JPMorgan"), whereby JPMorgan, together with other syndicated lenders, made a portion of a USD 600 million credit facility available to the Fund. This portion of the USD 600 million credit facility will be allocated to the Fund based on the credit facility agreement dated 17 April 2025. This credit facility may be utilised by the Fund for temporary funding purposes, including, without limitation, the funding of investor redemptions. Any interest and commitment fees in relation to drawdowns from such credit facility are paid out of the assets of the Fund.

A loan commitment fee is charged on a daily basis in relation to this credit facility which is included in the Statement of Total Return under caption "Expenses". The loan commitment fee is charged at 0.10% per annum on the undrawn portion of the loan commitment.

No portion of the credit facility was used during the financial year ended 31 December 2025 and during the financial year ended 31 December 2024.

14. Portfolio Transaction Costs

For the Fund's investment in collective investment scheme holdings there will potentially be dealing spread costs applicable to purchases and sales. However additionally there are indirect transaction costs incurred in those underlying funds, throughout the holding period for the instruments, which are not separately identifiable.

Dealing spread costs incurred by the Fund vary considerably for the different asset/instrument types depending on a number of factors including transaction value and market sentiment.

At the Balance Sheet date, the average portfolio dealing spread (difference between bid and offer prices of all investments expressed as a percentage of the offer price value) was Nil (31 December 2024: 0.01%).

15. Units in Issue

Revenue is allocated each day pro rata to the capital value of assets attributable to each class and taxation is computed by reference to the net revenue after expenses attributable to each class. The distribution per unit class is given in the distribution table. All unit classes have the same rights on winding up.

The movement in units in issue for the financial year ended 31 December 2025 is as follows:

	X1 Accumulation Units
Balance at the beginning of the year	105,029,372
Issued during the year	76,398
Cancelled during the year	(105,105,770)
Balance at the end of the year	**–**

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

16. Subsequent Events

There have been no significant events subsequent to the financial year end, which, in the opinion of the Manager, may have had an impact on the financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2025.

PORTFOLIO STATEMENT

As at 31 December 2025

Holding or Nominal Value	Investment	Market Value £000's	% of Total Net Assets
	COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES - 0.00%; 31.12.24 99.59%		
	Equity Funds - 0.00%; 31.12.24 39.35%		
	Fixed Income Funds - 0.00%; 31.12.24 60.24%		

Holding or Nominal Value	Investment	Underlying Exposure £000's	Market Value £000's	% of Total Net Assets
	DERIVATIVES - 0.00%; 31.12.24 (0.10)%			
	Forward Currency Contracts - 0.00%; 31.12.24 (0.10)%			
	Portfolio of investments		**–**	**–**
	Net other assets		–	–
	Total net assets		**–**	**–**

Note: No Investments are held as the Fund closed on 20 May 2025.

About the Fund

The Fund is a sub-fund of BlackRock Authorised Contractual Scheme 2, a NURS under the COLL Sourcebook. The Fund was authorised by the FCA on 5 April 2018. The Fund's FCA product reference number is 805813.

The Manager has decided to close the Fund on 2 September 2025 and as a result, these financial statements are prepared on a break-up basis for the financial year ended 31 December 2025. Under this basis, all assets are recorded at their estimated realisable amount and all liabilities at their estimate settlement amount. The liquidation costs are borne by the Manager.

Comparative Table

	X1 Accumulation Units		
	For the period from 1.1.2025 to 2.9.2025 Pence per unit	For the year to 31.12.2024 Pence per unit	For the year to 31.12.2023 Pence per unit
Change in net assets per unit			
Opening net asset value per unit	130.15	120.10	109.27
Return before operating charges	5.32	10.08	10.85
Operating charges	(0.01)	(0.03)	(0.02)
Return after operating charges	5.31	10.05	10.83
Distributions	–	(2.76)	(2.25)
Retained distributions on accumulation units	–	2.76	2.25
Last quoted unit price*	135.46	–	–
Closing net asset value per unit	–	130.15	120.10
After direct transaction costs of:	–	–	–
Performance			
Return after charges[1]	4.08%	8.37%	9.91%
Other Information			
Closing net asset value (£000's)	–	1,065,712	887,523
Closing number of units	–	818,854,858	738,984,211
Operating charges[2]	0.02%	0.02%	0.02%
Direct transaction costs[3]	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Prices	**Pence per unit**	**Pence per unit**	**Pence per unit**
Highest offer unit price	135.99	132.63	120.29
Lowest bid unit price	122.84	118.02	109.59

* As at the financial year end date, there are no units in issue. Unit class performance provided is as at 2 September 2025 being the last quoted price date before units were reduced to zero.

[1] The return after charges figures are based on the net asset value reported for financial statements purposes and are not the same as the performance returns figures quoted in the Performance Summary section of the Investment Manager's Report which are returns based on NAV per unit as at 12 noon for dealing purposes.

[2] Operating charges are annualised and exclude portfolio trade-related costs, except costs paid to the custodian/depositary and entry/exit charges paid to an underlying collective investment scheme (if any).

[3] Direct transaction costs are annualised and principally comprise commissions and taxes, attributable to the Fund's purchase and sale of debt instruments. See note 14 for further details.

DISTRIBUTION TABLE

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

Final Distribution in Pence per Unit

	X1 Accumulation Units*
Net revenue	N/A
Distribution paid 27.2.2026	**N/A**
Distribution paid 28.2.2025	**2.7574**

* Fund closed on 2 September 2025, therefore no distribution is made for the financial year.

STATEMENT OF TOTAL RETURN

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

	Notes	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Income					
Net capital gains	3		7,764		57,827
Revenue	4	17,455		21,686	
Expenses	5	(108)		(68)	
Interest payable and similar charges	6	(4)		(1)	
Net revenue before taxation		17,343		21,617	
Taxation	7	–		–	
Net revenue after taxation			17,343		21,617
Total return before distributions			25,107		79,444
Distributions	8		(17,325)		(21,612)
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities			**7,782**		**57,832**

STATEMENT OF CHANGE IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Opening net assets attributable to unitholders		1,065,712		887,523
Amounts receivable on issue of units	25,803		170,444	
Amounts receivable on termination	4		–	
Amounts payable on cancellation of units	(735,039)		(72,666)	
Amounts payable on in-specie transactions	(364,262)		–	
		(1,073,494)		97,778
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities		7,782		57,832
Retained distribution on accumulation units		–		22,579
Closing net assets attributable to unitholders		**–**		**1,065,712**

Note: The Fund closed on 2 September 2025.

BALANCE SHEET

As at 31 December 2025

	Notes	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Assets:			
Fixed assets			
– Investment assets		–	1,059,746
Current assets			
– Debtors	9	24	14,454
– Cash and bank balances		40	–
Total assets		**64**	**1,074,200**
Liabilities:			
Investment liabilities		–	(2,597)
Creditors			
– Bank overdrafts		(2)	(58)
– Amounts payable on termination	10	(26)	–
– Other creditors	10	(36)	(5,833)
Total liabilities		**(64)**	**(8,488)**
Net assets attributable to unitholders		**–**	**1,065,712**

On behalf of the Directors

A Lewis
Director
30 March 2026

A Hoctor-Duncan
Director
30 March 2026

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

1. Accounting and Distribution Policies

The material accounting and distribution policies are set out on pages 348 to 352.

2. Risk Management Policies

The Risk management policies are set out on pages 352 to 382.

3. Net Capital Gains

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
The net capital gains comprise:		
(Losses)/gains on non-derivative securities*	(4,488)	54,869
Forward currency contracts	20,226	(1,571)
Currency (losses)/gains	(7,970)	4,552
Custodian transaction costs	13	(20)
Other expense from underlying CIS holdings	(21)	(2)
Rebate/(expense) from underlying CIS holdings	4	(1)
Net capital gains	**7,764**	**57,827**

* Includes realised gains of £55,215,029 and unrealised losses of £59,703,286 (2024: realised gains of £11,687,456 and unrealised gains of £43,181,748). Where realised gains/losses include gains/losses arising in previous periods, a corresponding gains/losses is included in unrealised gains/losses.

4. Revenue

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Equity distributions on CIS holdings	783	841
Interest distributions on CIS holdings	12,211	13,436
Interest from UK bank deposits	1	28
Overseas dividends	3,954	6,570
Rebate from underlying CIS holdings	8	15
Securities lending revenue	15	36
UK dividends	359	536
UK REIT dividends	–	20
US REIT dividends	124	204
Total revenue	**17,455**	**21,686**

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

5. Expenses

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Receivable from the Manager or associates of the Manager:		
– Manager's charge and other expenses rebate[#]	–	(20)
Payable to the Depositary or associates of the Depositary:		
– Depositary fee	12	30
Other expenses:		
– Audit fee	13	8
– Credit administration expenses	7	1
– Closure costs	41	–
– Index licence fee	17	25
– Legal fee	2	1
– Safe custody fee	16	23
Total expenses	**108**	**68**

[#] The Fund received rebates from the Manager to ensure that the operating charge does not exceed 0.02%.

6. Interest Payable and Similar Charges

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Interest on bank overdrafts	4	1
Total interest payable and similar charges	**4**	**1**

7. Taxation

(a) Analysis of tax charge

As the Fund is an Authorised Contractual Scheme, it is exempt from United Kingdom (UK) tax on capital gains realised on the disposal of investments held within the Fund and any UK corporation tax.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

8. Distributions

The distributions take account of revenue received on the issue of units and revenue deducted on the redemption of units and comprise:

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Final accumulation	–	22,579
	–	22,579
Add: Amounts deducted on cancellation of units	11,618	1,074
Add: Amounts deducted on in-specie transactions	5,855	–
Deduct: Amounts received on issue of units	(148)	(2,041)
Distributions	**17,325**	**21,612**
The distributable amount has been calculated as follows:		
Net revenue after taxation	17,343	21,617
Custodian transaction costs	(1)	(2)
Other expense from underlying CIS holdings	(21)	(2)
Rebate/(expense) from underlying CIS holdings	4	(1)
Distributions	**17,325**	**21,612**

Details of the final distribution per unit are set out in the table on page 65.

9. Debtors

	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Accrued manager's charge rebates	–	20
Accrued rebate from underlying CIS holdings	24	26
Accrued revenue	–	7,068
Amount receivable on issue of units	–	2,300
Sales awaiting settlement	–	5,040
Total debtors	**24**	**14,454**

10. Other Creditors

	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Accrued admin fee	3	–
Accrued audit fee	8	7
Accrued depositary's fee	–	7
Accrued safe custody fee	25	17
Amount payable for cancellation of units	–	4,283
Amount payable on termination	26	–
Custodian transaction costs	–	22
Purchases awaiting settlement	–	1,497
Total other creditors	**62**	**5,833**

11. Contingent Assets and Liabilities

There were no significant capital commitments or contingent liabilities as at the 31 December 2025 and 31 December 2024.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

12. Related Parties

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.

The following entities were related parties of the Fund during the financial year ended 31 December 2025:

Directors of the Manager	
Manager:	BlackRock Fund Managers Limited
Investment Manager:	BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited
Stock Lending Agent:	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited

The ultimate holding company of the Manager, Investment Manager and Stock Lending Agent is BlackRock Inc. ("BlackRock"), a company incorporated in Delaware, USA.

The Manager acts as either principal or agent for the Depositary in respect of all transactions of units of the Fund. The aggregate monies received through issue and paid through cancellation of units are disclosed in the Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Unitholders and note 8. Any amounts due to or from the Manager at the financial year end are disclosed in notes 9 and 10. Securities lending revenue earned by the Fund is disclosed in note 4.

The Investment Manager, in accordance with the Contractual Scheme Deed, may enter into commission sharing arrangements with related parties (including, without limitation, brokers who are affiliated to the BlackRock Group), which may result in the Fund benefiting from research or execution services which the Investment Manager believes are useful in the investment decision-making or trade execution process. Such research or execution services may include, without limitation and to the extent permitted by applicable law: research reports on companies, industries and securities; and the provision of economic and financial information and analysis. Due to the bundled nature of these services and the application of such benefits across a number of BlackRock managed funds, it is not feasible to quantify the benefit to the Fund. The Investment Manager may also enter into these arrangements with brokers who are not affiliated to the BlackRock Group.

Holdings in other funds managed by BlackRock

The Fund's investments in other BlackRock related party entities are individually identified on the portfolio statement.

Significant investors

The following investors are:
a. funds managed by the BlackRock Group or are affiliates of BlackRock Inc. ("BlackRock Related Investors") or
b. investors (other than those listed in (a) above) who held 51% or more of the voting units in issue in the Fund and are as a result, considered to be related parties to the Fund ("Significant Investors").

As at 31 December 2025:

Total % of units held by BlackRock Related Investors	Total % of units held by Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors	Number of Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors
Nil	Nil	Nil

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

12. Related Parties (continued)

As at 31 December 2024:

Total % of units held by BlackRock Related Investors	Total % of units held by Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors	Number of Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors
39%	61%	1

For the financial year ended 31 December 2025, the Fund paid out a total of £364 million (31 December 2024: £Nil) in respect of in-specie transactions with its related parties.

13. Credit Facility

The Fund entered into a credit facility with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. ("JPMorgan"), whereby JPMorgan, together with other syndicated lenders, made a portion of a USD 600 million credit facility available to the Fund. This portion of the USD 600 million credit facility will be allocated to the Fund based on the credit facility agreement dated 17 April 2025. This credit facility may be utilised by the Fund for temporary funding purposes, including, without limitation, the funding of investor redemptions. Any interest and commitment fees in relation to drawdowns from such credit facility are paid out of the assets of the Fund.

A loan commitment fee is charged on a daily basis in relation to this credit facility which is included in the Statement of Total Return under caption "Expenses". The loan commitment fee is charged at 0.10% per annum on the undrawn portion of the loan commitment.

No portion of the credit facility was used during the financial year ended 31 December 2025 and during the financial year ended 31 December 2024.

14. Portfolio Transaction Costs

For the Fund's investment in collective investment scheme holdings there will potentially be dealing spread costs applicable to purchases and sales. However additionally there are indirect transaction costs incurred in those underlying funds, throughout the holding period for the instruments, which are not separately identifiable.

Dealing spread costs incurred by the Fund vary considerably for the different asset/instrument types depending on a number of factors including transaction value and market sentiment.

At the Balance Sheet date, the average portfolio dealing spread (difference between bid and offer prices of all investments expressed as a percentage of the offer price value) was Nil (31 December 2024: 0.01%).

15. Units in Issue

Revenue is allocated each day pro rata to the capital value of assets attributable to each class and taxation is computed by reference to the net revenue after expenses attributable to each class. The distribution per unit class is given in the distribution table. All unit classes have the same rights on winding up.

The movement in units in issue for the financial year ended 31 December 2025 is as follows:

	X1 Accumulation Units
Balance at the beginning of the year	818,854,858
Issued during the year	19,839,629
Cancelled during the year	(838,694,487)
Balance at the end of the year	**–**

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

16. Subsequent Events

There have been no significant events subsequent to the financial year end, which, in the opinion of the Manager, may have had an impact on the financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2025.

PORTFOLIO STATEMENT

As at 31 December 2025

Holding or Nominal Value	Investment	Market Value £000's	% of Total Net Assets
	COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES - 0.00%; 31.12.24 99.31%		
	Equity Funds - 0.00%; 31.12.24 43.65%		
	Fixed Income Funds - 0.00%; 31.12.24 55.66%		

Holding or Nominal Value	Investment	Underlying Exposure £000's	Market Value £000's	% of Total Net Assets
	DERIVATIVES - 0.00%; 31.12.24 (0.11)%			
	Forward Currency Contracts - 0.00%; 31.12.24 (0.11)%			
	Portfolio of investments		**–**	**–**
	Net other assets		–	–
	Total net assets		**–**	**–**

Note: No Investments are held as the Fund closed on 2 September 2025.

About the Fund

The Fund is a sub-fund of BlackRock Authorised Contractual Scheme 2, a NURS under the COLL Sourcebook. The Fund was authorised by the FCA on 5 April 2018. The Fund's FCA product reference number is 805821.

The Manager has decided to close the Fund on 2 September 2025 and as a result, these financial statements are prepared on a break-up basis for the financial year ended 31 December 2025. Under this basis, all assets are recorded at their estimated realisable amount and all liabilities at their estimate settlement amount. The liquidation costs are borne by the Manager.

Comparative Table

	X1 Accumulation Units		
	For the period from 1.1.2025 to 2.9.2025 Pence per unit	For the year to 31.12.2024 Pence per unit	For the year to 31.12.2023 Pence per unit
Change in net assets per unit			
Opening net asset value per unit	135.67	123.63	111.68
Return before operating charges	5.83	12.07	11.97
Operating charges	(0.01)	(0.03)	(0.02)
Return after operating charges	5.82	12.04	11.95
Distributions	–	(2.87)	(2.35)
Retained distributions on accumulation units	–	2.87	2.35
Last quoted unit price*	141.49	–	–
Closing net asset value per unit	–	135.67	123.63
After direct transaction costs of:	–	–	–
Performance			
Return after charges[1]	4.29%	9.74%	10.70%
Other Information			
Closing net asset value (£000's)	–	792,960	722,345
Closing number of units	–	584,497,814	584,267,544
Operating charges[2]	0.02%	0.02%	0.02%
Direct transaction costs[3]	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Prices	**Pence per unit**	**Pence per unit**	**Pence per unit**
Highest offer unit price	142.07	138.29	123.80
Lowest bid unit price	126.56	121.50	112.00

* As at the financial year end date, there are no units in issue. Unit class performance provided is as at 2 September 2025 being the last quoted price date before units were reduced to zero.

[1] The return after charges figures are based on the net asset value reported for financial statements purposes and are not the same as the performance returns figures quoted in the Performance Summary section of the Investment Manager's Report which are returns based on NAV per unit as at 12 noon for dealing purposes.

[2] Operating charges are annualised and exclude portfolio trade-related costs, except costs paid to the custodian/depositary and entry/exit charges paid to an underlying collective investment scheme (if any).

[3] Direct transaction costs are annualised and principally comprise commissions and taxes, attributable to the Fund's purchase and sale of debt instruments. See note 14 for further details.

DISTRIBUTION TABLE

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

Final Distribution in Pence per Unit

	X1 Accumulation Units*
Net revenue	N/A
Distribution paid 27.2.2026	**N/A**
Distribution paid 28.2.2025	**2.8651**

* Fund closed on 2 September 2025, therefore no distribution is made for the financial year.

STATEMENT OF TOTAL RETURN

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

	Notes	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Income					
Net capital gains	3		17,455		54,167
Revenue	4	13,185		16,971	
Expenses	5	(93)		(54)	
Interest payable and similar charges	6	(5)		(2)	
Net revenue before taxation		13,087		16,915	
Taxation	7	–		–	
Net revenue after taxation			13,087		16,915
Total return before distributions			30,542		71,082
Distributions	8		(13,074)		(16,909)
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities			**17,468**		**54,173**

STATEMENT OF CHANGE IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Opening net assets attributable to unitholders		792,960		722,345
Amounts receivable on issue of units	38,997		67,037	
Amounts receivable on termination	7		–	
Amounts payable on cancellation of units	(849,432)		(67,341)	
		(810,428)		(304)
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities		17,468		54,173
Retained distribution on accumulation units		–		16,746
Closing net assets attributable to unitholders		**–**		**792,960**

Note: The Fund closed on 2 September 2025.

BALANCE SHEET

As at 31 December 2025

	Notes	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Assets:			
Fixed assets			
– Investment assets		–	787,626
Current assets			
– Debtors	9	29	10,334
– Cash and bank balances		61	39
Total assets		**90**	**797,999**
Liabilities:			
Investment liabilities		–	(1,852)
Creditors			
– Bank overdrafts		(1)	–
– Amounts payable on termination	10	(35)	–
– Other creditors	10	(54)	(3,187)
Total liabilities		**(90)**	**(5,039)**
Net assets attributable to unitholders		**–**	**792,960**

On behalf of the Directors

A Lewis
Director
30 March 2026

A Hoctor-Duncan
Director
30 March 2026

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

1. Accounting and Distribution Policies

The material accounting and distribution policies are set out on pages 348 to 352.

2. Risk Management Policies

The Risk management policies are set out on pages 352 to 382.

3. Net Capital Gains

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
The net capital gains comprise:		
Gains on non-derivative securities*	10,446	51,924
Forward currency contracts	12,616	(1,485)
Currency (losses)/gains	(5,582)	3,752
Custodian transaction costs	(13)	(21)
Other expense from underlying CIS holdings	(16)	(3)
Rebate from underlying CIS holdings	4	–
Net capital gains	**17,455**	**54,167**

* Includes realised gains of £73,135,956 and unrealised losses of £62,689,885 (2024: realised gains of £13,685,338 and unrealised gains of £38,238,986). Where realised gains/losses include gains/losses arising in previous periods, a corresponding gains/losses is included in unrealised gains/losses.

4. Revenue

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Equity distributions on CIS holdings	740	799
Interest distributions on CIS holdings	8,227	9,703
Interest from UK bank deposits	1	28
Overseas dividends	3,748	5,724
Rebate from underlying CIS holdings	6	9
Securities lending revenue	16	32
UK dividends	332	471
UK REIT dividends	–	16
US REIT dividends	115	189
Total revenue	**13,185**	**16,971**

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

5. Expenses

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Receivable from the Manager or associates of the Manager:		
– Manager's charge and other expenses rebate[#]	(15)	(24)
Payable to the Depositary or associates of the Depositary:		
– Depositary fee	12	27
Other expenses:		
– Audit fee	13	8
– Closure costs	42	–
– Credit administration expenses	6	1
– Index licence fee	15	20
– Legal fee	4	1
– Safe custody fee	16	21
Total expenses	**93**	**54**

[#] The Fund received rebates from the Manager to ensure that the operating charge does not exceed 0.02%.

6. Interest Payable and Similar Charges

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Interest on bank overdrafts	5	2
Total interest payable and similar charges	**5**	**2**

7. Taxation

(a) Analysis of tax charge

As the Fund is an Authorised Contractual Scheme, it is exempt from United Kingdom (UK) tax on capital gains realised on the disposal of investments held within the Fund and any UK corporation tax.

8. Distributions

The distributions take account of revenue received on the issue of units and revenue deducted on the redemption of units and comprise:

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Final accumulation	–	16,746
	–	16,746
Add: Amounts deducted on cancellation of units	13,422	1,001
Deduct: Amounts received on issue of units	(348)	(838)
Distributions	**13,074**	**16,909**
The distributable amount has been calculated as follows:		
Net revenue after taxation	13,087	16,915
Custodian transaction costs	4	(3)
Other expense from underlying CIS holdings	(17)	(3)
Distributions	**13,074**	**16,909**

Details of the final distribution per unit are set out in the table on page 77.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

9. Debtors

	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Accrued manager's charge and other expenses rebate	–	25
Accrued rebate from underlying CIS holdings	29	16
Accrued revenue	–	5,992
Amount receivable on issue of units	–	508
Sales awaiting settlement	–	3,793
Total debtors	**29**	**10,334**

10. Other Creditors

	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Accrued admin fee	2	–
Accrued audit fee	8	7
Accrued depositary's fee	1	8
Accrued safe custody fee	23	16
Amount payable for cancellation of units	–	2,701
Amount payable on termination	35	–
Custodian transaction costs	20	22
Purchases awaiting settlement	–	433
Total other creditors	**89**	**3,187**

11. Contingent Assets and Liabilities

There were no significant capital commitments or contingent liabilities as at the 31 December 2025 and 31 December 2024.

12. Related Parties

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.

The following entities were related parties of the Fund during the financial year ended 31 December 2025:

Directors of the Manager	
Manager:	BlackRock Fund Managers Limited
Investment Manager:	BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited
Stock Lending Agent:	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited

The ultimate holding company of the Manager, Investment Manager and Stock Lending Agent is BlackRock Inc. (“BlackRock”), a company incorporated in Delaware, USA.

The Manager acts as either principal or agent for the Depositary in respect of all transactions of units of the Fund. The aggregate monies received through issue and paid through cancellation of units are disclosed in the Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Unitholders and note 8. Any amounts due to or from the Manager at the financial year end are disclosed in notes 9 and 10. Securities lending revenue earned by the Fund is disclosed in note 4.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

12. Related Parties (continued)

The Investment Manager, in accordance with the Contractual Scheme Deed, may enter into commission sharing arrangements with related parties (including, without limitation, brokers who are affiliated to the BlackRock Group), which may result in the Fund benefiting from research or execution services which the Investment Manager believes are useful in the investment decision-making or trade execution process. Such research or execution services may include, without limitation and to the extent permitted by applicable law: research reports on companies, industries and securities; and the provision of economic and financial information and analysis. Due to the bundled nature of these services and the application of such benefits across a number of BlackRock managed funds, it is not feasible to quantify the benefit to the Fund. The Investment Manager may also enter into these arrangements with brokers who are not affiliated to the BlackRock Group.

Holdings in other funds managed by BlackRock

The Fund's investments in other BlackRock related party entities are individually identified on the portfolio statement.

Significant investors

The following investors are:
a. funds managed by the BlackRock Group or are affiliates of BlackRock Inc. ("BlackRock Related Investors") or
b. investors (other than those listed in (a) above) who held 51% or more of the voting units in issue in the Fund and are as a result, considered to be related parties to the Fund ("Significant Investors").

As at 31 December 2025:

Total % of units held by BlackRock Related Investors	Total % of units held by Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors	Number of Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors
Nil	Nil	Nil

As at 31 December 2024:

Total % of units held by BlackRock Related Investors	Total % of units held by Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors	Number of Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors
9%	91%	1

For the financial year ended 31 December 2025, the Fund did not enter into any in-specie transactions with its related parties (31 December 2024: £Nil).

13. Credit Facility

The Fund entered into a credit facility with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. ("JPMorgan"), whereby JPMorgan, together with other syndicated lenders, made a portion of a USD 600 million credit facility available to the Fund. This portion of the USD 600 million credit facility will be allocated to the Fund based on the credit facility agreement dated 17 April 2025. This credit facility may be utilised by the Fund for temporary funding purposes, including, without limitation, the funding of investor redemptions. Any interest and commitment fees in relation to drawdowns from such credit facility are paid out of the assets of the Fund.

A loan commitment fee is charged on a daily basis in relation to this credit facility which is included in the Statement of Total Return under caption "Expenses". The loan commitment fee is charged at 0.10% per annum on the undrawn portion of the loan commitment.

No portion of the credit facility was used during the financial year ended 31 December 2025 and during the financial year ended 31 December 2024.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

14. Portfolio Transaction Costs

For the Fund's investment in collective investment scheme holdings there will potentially be dealing spread costs applicable to purchases and sales. However additionally there are indirect transaction costs incurred in those underlying funds, throughout the holding period for the instruments, which are not separately identifiable.

Dealing spread costs incurred by the Fund vary considerably for the different asset/instrument types depending on a number of factors including transaction value and market sentiment.

At the Balance Sheet date, the average portfolio dealing spread (difference between bid and offer prices of all investments expressed as a percentage of the offer price value) was Nil (31 December 2024: 0.02%).

15. Units in Issue

Revenue is allocated each day pro rata to the capital value of assets attributable to each class and taxation is computed by reference to the net revenue after expenses attributable to each class. The distribution per unit class is given in the distribution table. All unit classes have the same rights on winding up.

The movement in units in issue for the financial year ended 31 December 2025 is as follows:

	X1 Accumulation Units
Balance at the beginning of the year	584,497,814
Issued during the year	29,183,520
Cancelled during the year	(613,681,334)
Balance at the end of the year	**–**

16. Subsequent Events

There have been no significant events subsequent to the financial year end, which, in the opinion of the Manager, may have had an impact on the financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2025.

PORTFOLIO STATEMENT

As at 31 December 2025

Holding or Nominal Value	Investment	Market Value £000's	% of Total Net Assets
	COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES - 0.00%; 31.12.24 99.21%		
	Equity Funds - 0.00%; 31.12.24 50.60%		
	Fixed Income Funds - 0.00%; 31.12.24 48.61%		

Holding or Nominal Value	Investment	Underlying Exposure £000's	Market Value £000's	% of Total Net Assets
	DERIVATIVES - 0.00%; 31.12.24 (0.11)%			
	Forward Currency Contracts - 0.00%; 31.12.24 (0.11)%			
	Portfolio of investments		**–**	**–**
	Net other assets		–	–
	Total net assets		**–**	**–**

Note: No Investments are held as the Fund closed on 2 September 2025.

About the Fund

The Fund is a sub-fund of BlackRock Authorised Contractual Scheme 2, a NURS under the COLL Sourcebook. The Fund was authorised by the FCA on 5 April 2018. The Fund's FCA product reference number is 805822.

The Manager has decided to close the fund on 2 September 2025 and as a result, these financial statements are prepared on a break-up basis for the financial year ended 31 December 2025. Under this basis, all assets are recorded at their estimated realisable amount and all liabilities at their estimate settlement amount. The liquidation costs are borne by the Manager.

Comparative Table

	X1 Accumulation Units		
	For the period from 1.1.2025 to 2.9.2025 Pence per unit	For the year to 31.12.2024 Pence per unit	For the year to 31.12.2023 Pence per unit
Change in net assets per unit			
Opening net asset value per unit	140.92	126.99	113.95
Return before operating charges	6.54	13.96	13.06
Operating charges	(0.01)	(0.03)	(0.02)
Return after operating charges	6.53	13.93	13.04
Distributions	–	(2.93)	(2.39)
Retained distributions on accumulation units	–	2.93	2.39
Last quoted unit price*	147.45	–	–
Closing net asset value per unit	–	140.92	126.99
After direct transaction costs of:	–	–	–
Performance			
Return after charges[1]	4.63%	10.97%	11.44%
Other Information			
Closing net asset value (£000's)	–	1,802,270	1,522,449
Closing number of units	–	1,278,923,289	1,198,854,080
Operating charges[2]	0.02%	0.02%	0.02%
Direct transaction costs[3]	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Prices	**Pence per unit**	**Pence per unit**	**Pence per unit**
Highest offer unit price	148.13	143.71	127.18
Lowest bid unit price	130.08	124.80	114.00

* As at the financial year end date, there are no units in issue. Unit class performance provided is as at 2 September 2025 being the last quoted price date before units were reduced to zero.

[1] The return after charges figures are based on the net asset value reported for financial statements purposes and are not the same as the performance returns figures quoted in the Performance Summary section of the Investment Manager's Report which are returns based on NAV per unit as at 12 noon for dealing purposes.

[2] Operating charges are annualised and exclude portfolio trade-related costs, except costs paid to the custodian/depositary and entry/exit charges paid to an underlying collective investment scheme (if any).

[3] Direct transaction costs are annualised and principally comprise commissions and taxes, attributable to the Fund's purchase and sale of debt instruments. See note 14 for further details.

DISTRIBUTION TABLE

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

Final Distribution in Pence per Unit

	X1 Accumulation Units*
Net revenue	N/A
Distribution paid 27.2.2026	**N/A**
Distribution paid 28.2.2025	**2.9305**

* Fund closed on 2 September 2025, therefore no distribution is made for the financial year.

STATEMENT OF TOTAL RETURN

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

	Notes	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Income					
Net capital gains	3		11,434		137,133
Revenue	4	27,466		36,572	
Expenses	5	(154)		(146)	
Interest payable and similar charges	6	(7)		(3)	
Net revenue before taxation		27,305		36,423	
Taxation	7	–		–	
Net revenue after taxation			27,305		36,423
Total return before distributions			38,739		173,556
Distributions	8		(27,270)		(36,407)
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities			**11,469**		**137,149**

STATEMENT OF CHANGE IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Opening net assets attributable to unitholders		1,802,270		1,522,449
Amounts receivable on issue of units	50,646		187,684	
Amounts receivable on termination	12		–	
Amounts payable on cancellation of units	(1,054,448)		(82,491)	
Amounts payable on in-specie transactions	(809,949)		–	
		(1,813,739)		105,193
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities		11,469		137,149
Retained distribution on accumulation units		–		37,479
Closing net assets attributable to unitholders		**–**		**1,802,270**

Note: The Fund closed on 2 September 2025.

BALANCE SHEET

As at 31 December 2025

	Notes	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Assets:			
Fixed assets			
– Investment assets		–	1,788,350
Current assets			
– Debtors	9	22	20,218
– Cash and bank balances		40	90
Total assets		**62**	**1,808,658**
Liabilities:			
Investment liabilities		–	(3,807)
Creditors			
– Bank overdrafts		(3)	–
– Amounts payable on termination	10	(21)	–
– Other creditors	10	(38)	(2,581)
Total liabilities		**(62)**	**(6,388)**
Net assets attributable to unitholders		**–**	**1,802,270**

On behalf of the Directors

A Lewis
Director
30 March 2026

A Hoctor-Duncan
Director
30 March 2026

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

1. Accounting and Distribution Policies

The material accounting and distribution policies are set out on pages 348 to 352.

2. Risk Management Policies

The Risk management policies are set out on pages 352 to 382.

3. Net Capital Gains

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
The net capital gains comprise:		
(Losses)/gains on non-derivative securities*	(7,048)	133,499
Forward currency contracts	30,731	(3,622)
Currency (losses)/gains	(12,229)	7,290
Custodian transaction costs	12	(23)
Other expense from underlying CIS holdings	(38)	(11)
Rebate from underlying CIS holdings	6	–
Net capital gains	**11,434**	**137,133**

* Includes realised gains of £173,719,212 and unrealised losses of £180,766,904 (2024: realised gains of £21,212,310 and unrealised gains of £112,287,406). Where realised gains/losses include gains/losses arising in previous periods, a corresponding gains/losses is included in unrealised gains/losses.

4. Revenue

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Equity distributions on CIS holdings	1,751	1,925
Interest distributions on CIS holdings	16,091	18,953
Interest from UK bank deposits	3	77
Overseas dividends	8,501	13,851
Rebate from underlying CIS holdings	17	31
Securities lending revenue	35	80
UK dividends	774	1,139
UK REIT dividends	–	38
US REIT dividends	294	478
Total revenue	**27,466**	**36,572**

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

5. Expenses

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Payable to the Depositary or associates of the Depositary:		
– Depositary fee	27	22
Other expenses:		
– Audit fee	15	10
– Closure cost	42	–
– Credit administration expenses	13	2
– Index licence fee	–	44
– Legal fee	4	1
– Miscellaneous	30	–
– Safe custody fee	23	67
Total expenses	**154**	**146**

6. Interest Payable and Similar Charges

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Interest on bank overdrafts	7	3
Total interest payable and similar charges	**7**	**3**

7. Taxation

(a) Analysis of tax charge

As the Fund is an Authorised Contractual Scheme, it is exempt from United Kingdom (UK) tax on capital gains realised on the disposal of investments held within the Fund and any UK corporation tax.

8. Distributions

The distributions take account of revenue received on the issue of units and revenue deducted on the redemption of units and comprise:

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Final accumulation	–	37,479
	–	37,479
Add: Amounts deducted on cancellation of units	16,469	1,121
Add: Amounts deducted on in-specie transactions	11,124	–
Deduct: Amounts received on issue of units	(322)	(2,193)
Distributions	**27,270**	**36,407**
The distributable amount has been calculated as follows:		
Net revenue after taxation	27,305	36,423
Add: Revenue brought forward	1	1
Deduct: Revenue carried forward	–	(1)
Custodian transaction costs	(3)	(5)
Other expense from underlying CIS holdings	(33)	(11)
Distributions	**27,270**	**36,407**

Details of the final distribution per unit are set out in the table on page 88.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

9. Debtors

	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Accrued rebate from underlying CIS holdings	22	28
Accrued revenue	–	15,091
Amount receivable on issue of units	–	741
Sales awaiting settlement	–	4,358
Total debtors	**22**	**20,218**

10. Other Creditors

	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Accrued admin fee	5	–
Accrued audit fee	8	7
Accrued depositary's fee	–	8
Accrued safe custody fee	25	18
Amount payable for cancellation of units	–	1,900
Amount payable on termination	21	–
Custodian transaction costs	–	22
Purchases awaiting settlement	–	626
Total other creditors	**59**	**2,581**

11. Contingent Assets and Liabilities

There were no significant capital commitments or contingent liabilities as at the 31 December 2025 and 31 December 2024.

12. Related Parties

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.

The following entities were related parties of the Fund during the financial year ended 31 December 2025:

Directors of the Manager	
Manager:	BlackRock Fund Managers Limited
Investment Manager:	BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited
Stock Lending Agent:	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited

The ultimate holding company of the Manager, Investment Manager and Stock Lending Agent is BlackRock Inc. (“BlackRock”), a company incorporated in Delaware, USA.

The Manager acts as either principal or agent for the Depositary in respect of all transactions of units of the Fund. The aggregate monies received through issue and paid through cancellation of units are disclosed in the Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Unitholders and note 8. Any amounts due to or from the Manager at the year end are disclosed in notes 9 and 10. Securities lending revenue earned by the Fund is disclosed in note 4.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

12. Related Parties (continued)

The Investment Manager, in accordance with the Contractual Scheme Deed, may enter into commission sharing arrangements with related parties (including, without limitation, brokers who are affiliated to the BlackRock Group), which may result in the Fund benefiting from research or execution services which the Investment Manager believes are useful in the investment decision-making or trade execution process. Such research or execution services may include, without limitation and to the extent permitted by applicable law: research reports on companies, industries and securities; and the provision of economic and financial information and analysis. Due to the bundled nature of these services and the application of such benefits across a number of BlackRock managed funds, it is not feasible to quantify the benefit to the Fund. The Investment Manager may also enter into these arrangements with brokers who are not affiliated to the BlackRock Group.

Holdings in other funds managed by BlackRock

The Fund's investments in other BlackRock related party entities are individually identified on the portfolio statement.

Significant investors

The following investors are:
a. funds managed by the BlackRock Group or are affiliates of BlackRock Inc. ("BlackRock Related Investors") or
b. investors (other than those listed in (a) above) who held 51% or more of the voting units in issue in the Fund and are as a result, considered to be related parties to the Fund ("Significant Investors").

As at 31 December 2025:

Total % of units held by BlackRock Related Investors	Total % of units held by Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors	Number of Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors
Nil	Nil	Nil

As at 31 December 2024:

Total % of units held by BlackRock Related Investors	Total % of units held by Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors	Number of Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors
50%	Nil	Nil

For the financial year ended 31 December 2025, the Fund paid out a total of £810 million (31 December 2024: £Nil) in respect of in-specie transactions with its related parties.

13. Credit Facility

The Fund entered into a credit facility with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. ("JPMorgan"), whereby JPMorgan, together with other syndicated lenders, made a portion of a USD 600 million credit facility available to the Fund. This portion of the USD 600 million credit facility will be allocated to the Fund based on the credit facility agreement dated 17 April 2025. This credit facility may be utilised by the Fund for temporary funding purposes, including, without limitation, the funding of investor redemptions. Any interest and commitment fees in relation to drawdowns from such credit facility are paid out of the assets of the Fund.

A loan commitment fee is charged on a daily basis in relation to this credit facility which is included in the Statement of Total Return under caption "Expenses". The loan commitment fee is charged at 0.10% per annum on the undrawn portion of the loan commitment.

No portion of the credit facility was used during the financial year ended 31 December 2025 and during the financial year ended 31 December 2024.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

14. Portfolio Transaction Costs

For the Fund's investment in collective investment scheme holdings there will potentially be dealing spread costs applicable to purchases and sales. However additionally there are indirect transaction costs incurred in those underlying funds, throughout the holding period for the instruments, which are not separately identifiable.

Dealing spread costs incurred by the Fund vary considerably for the different asset/instrument types depending on a number of factors including transaction value and market sentiment.

At the Balance Sheet date, the average portfolio dealing spread (difference between bid and offer prices of all investments expressed as a percentage of the offer price value) was Nil (31 December 2024: 0.02%).

15. Units in Issue

Revenue is allocated each day pro rata to the capital value of assets attributable to each class and taxation is computed by reference to the net revenue after expenses attributable to each class. The distribution per unit class is given in the distribution table. All unit classes have the same rights on winding up.

The movement in units in issue for the financial year ended 31 December 2025 is as follows:

	X1 Accumulation Units
Balance at the beginning of the year	1,278,923,289
Issued during the year	36,220,728
Cancelled during the year	(1,315,144,017)
Balance at the end of the year	**–**

16. Units in Issue

There have been no significant events subsequent to the financial year end, which, in the opinion of the Manager, may have had an impact on the financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2025.

PORTFOLIO STATEMENT

As at 31 December 2025

Holding or Nominal Value	Investment	Market Value £000's	% of Total Net Assets
	COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES - 0.00%; 31.12.24 99.13%		
	Equity Funds - 0.00%; 31.12.24 56.78%		
	Fixed Income Funds - 0.00%; 31.12.24 42.35%		

Holding or Nominal Value	Investment	Underlying Exposure £000's	Market Value £000's	% of Total Net Assets
	DERIVATIVES - 0.00%; 31.12.24 (0.11)%			
	Forward Currency Contracts - 0.00%; 31.12.24 (0.11)%			
	Portfolio of investments		**–**	**–**
	Net other assets		–	–
	Total net assets		**–**	**–**

Note: No Investments are held as the Fund closed on 2 September 2025

About the Fund

The Fund is a sub-fund of BlackRock Authorised Contractual Scheme 2, a NURS under the COLL Sourcebook. The Fund was authorised by the FCA on 5 April 2018. The Fund's FCA product reference number is 805823.

The Manager has decided to close the Fund on 2 September 2025 and as a result, these financial statements are prepared on a break-up basis for the financial year ended 31 December 2025. Under this basis, all assets are recorded at their estimated realisable amount and all liabilities at their estimate settlement amount. The liquidation costs are borne by the Manager.

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Comparative Table

	X1 Accumulation Units		
	For the period from 1.1.2025 to 2.9.2025 Pence per unit	For the year to 31.12.2024 Pence per unit	For the year to 31.12.2023 Pence per unit
Change in net assets per unit			
Opening net asset value per unit	146.18	130.41	116.27
Return before operating charges	6.94	15.80	14.16
Operating charges	(0.01)	(0.03)	(0.02)
Return after operating charges	6.93	15.77	14.14
Distributions	–	(3.01)	(2.49)
Retained distributions on accumulation units	–	3.01	2.49
Last quoted unit price*	153.11	–	–
Closing net asset value per unit	–	146.18	130.41
After direct transaction costs of:	–	–	–
Performance			
Return after charges[1]	4.74%	12.09%	12.16%
Other Information			
Closing net asset value (£000's)	–	1,049,008	909,945
Closing number of units	–	717,613,714	697,771,412
Operating charges[2]	0.02%	0.02%	0.02%
Direct transaction costs[3]	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Prices	**Pence per unit**	**Pence per unit**	**Pence per unit**
Highest offer unit price	153.88	149.12	130.64
Lowest bid unit price	133.51	128.16	117.00

* As at the financial year end date, there are no units in issue. Unit class performance provided is as at 2 September 2025 being the last quoted price date before units were reduced to zero.

[1] The return after charges figures are based on the net asset value reported for financial statements purposes and are not the same as the performance returns figures quoted in the Performance Summary section of the Investment Manager's Report which are returns based on NAV per unit as at 12 noon for dealing purposes.

[2] Operating charges are annualised and exclude portfolio trade-related costs, except costs paid to the custodian/depositary and entry/exit charges paid to an underlying collective investment scheme (if any).

[3] Direct transaction costs are annualised and principally comprise commissions and taxes, attributable to the Fund's purchase and sale of debt instruments. See note 14 for further details.

DISTRIBUTION TABLE

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

Final Distribution in Pence per Unit

	X1 Accumulation Units*
Net revenue	N/A
Distribution paid 27.2.2026	**N/A**
Distribution paid 28.2.2025	**3.0082**

* Fund closed on 2 September 2025, therefore no distribution is made for the financial year.

STATEMENT OF TOTAL RETURN

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

	Notes	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Income					
Net capital gains	3		27,331		91,084
Revenue	4	16,031		21,546	
Expenses	5	(133)		(76)	
Interest payable and similar charges	6	(8)		(3)	
Net revenue before taxation		15,890		21,467	
Taxation	7	–		–	
Net revenue after taxation			15,890		21,467
Total return before distributions			43,221		112,551
Distributions	8		(15,871)		(21,419)
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities			**27,350**		**91,132**

STATEMENT OF CHANGE IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Opening net assets attributable to unitholders		1,049,008		909,945
Amounts receivable on issue of units	25,156		73,222	
Amounts receivable on termination	13		–	
Amounts payable on cancellation of units	(1,101,527)		(46,878)	
		(1,076,358)		26,344
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities		27,350		91,132
Retained distribution on accumulation units		–		21,587
Closing net assets attributable to unitholders		**–**		**1,049,008**

Note: The Fund closed on 2 September 2025.

BALANCE SHEET

As at 31 December 2025

	Notes	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Assets:			
Fixed assets			
– Investment assets		–	1,039,957
Current assets			
– Debtors	9	18	12,627
– Cash and bank balances		71	52
Total assets		**89**	**1,052,636**
Liabilities:			
Investment liabilities		–	(1,931)
Creditors			
– Bank overdrafts		(2)	–
– Amounts payable on termination	10	(29)	
– Other creditors	10	(58)	(1,697)
Total liabilities		**(89)**	**(3,628)**
Net assets attributable to unitholders		**–**	**1,049,008**

On behalf of the Directors

A Lewis
Director
30 March 2026

A Hoctor-Duncan
Director
30 March 2026

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

1. Accounting and Distribution Policies

The material accounting and distribution policies are set out on pages 348 to 352.

2. Risk Management Policies

The Risk management policies are set out on pages 352 to 382.

3. Net Capital Gains

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
The net capital gains comprise:		
Gains on non-derivative securities*	19,042	89,282
Forward currency contracts	14,273	(1,784)
Currency (losses)/gains	(5,952)	3,654
Custodian transaction costs	(14)	(26)
Other expense from underlying CIS holdings	(23)	(41)
Rebate/(expense) from underlying CIS holdings	5	(1)
Net capital gains	**27,331**	**91,084**

* Includes realised gains of £151,776,205 and unrealised loss of £132,734,156 (2024: realised gains of £13,551,540 and unrealised gains of £75,730,485). Where realised gains/losses include gains/losses arising in previous periods, a corresponding gains/losses is included in unrealised gains/losses.

4. Revenue

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Equity distributions on CIS holdings	1,179	1,344
Interest distributions on CIS holdings	8,179	10,056
Interest from UK bank deposits	485	63
Overseas dividends	5,442	8,918
Rebate from underlying CIS holdings	24	32
Securities lending revenue	58	53
UK dividends	471	737
UK REIT dividends	58	24
US REIT dividends	135	319
Total revenue	**16,031**	**21,546**

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

5. Expenses

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Payable to the Depositary or associates of the Depositary:		
– Depositary fee	20	39
Other expenses:		
– Audit fee	15	9
– Credit administration expenses	8	1
– Closure costs	42	–
– Index licence fee	21	–
– Legal fee	7	1
– Safe custody fee	20	26
Total expenses	**133**	**76**

6. Interest Payable and Similar Charges

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Interest on bank overdrafts	8	3
Total interest payable and similar charges	**8**	**3**

7. Taxation

(a) Analysis of tax charge

As the Fund is an Authorised Contractual Scheme, it is exempt from United Kingdom (UK) tax on capital gains realised on the disposal of investments held within the Fund and any UK corporation tax.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

8. Distributions

The distributions take account of revenue received on the issue of units and revenue deducted on the redemption of units and comprise:

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Final accumulation	–	21,587
	–	21,587
Add: Amounts deducted on cancellation of units	16,101	648
Deduct: Amounts received on issue of units	(230)	(816)
Distributions	**15,871**	**21,419**
The distributable amount has been calculated as follows:		
Net revenue after taxation	15,890	21,467
Add: Revenue brought forward	1	–
Deduct: Revenue carried forward	–	(1)
Custodian transaction costs	(2)	(5)
Other expense from underlying CIS holdings	(23)	(41)
Rebates/(expense) from underlying CIS holdings	5	(1)
Distributions	**15,871**	**21,419**

Details of the final distribution per unit are set out in the table on page 99.

9. Debtors

	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Accrued rebate from underlying CIS holdings	18	27
Accrued revenue	–	9,598
Amount receivable on issue of units	–	593
Sales awaiting settlement	–	2,409
Total debtors	**18**	**12,627**

10. Other Creditors

	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Accrued admin fee	3	–
Accrued audit fee	8	7
Accrued depositary's fee	–	8
Accrued legal fee	1	–
Accrued safe custody fee	24	17
Amount payable for cancellation of units	–	1,050
Amount payable on termination	29	–
Custodian transaction costs	22	22
Purchases awaiting settlement	–	593
Total other creditors	**87**	**1,697**

11. Contingent Assets and Liabilities

There were no significant capital commitment or contingent liabilities as at the 31 December 2025 and 31 December 2024.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

12. Related Parties

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.

The following entities were related parties of the Fund during the financial year ended 31 December 2025:

Directors of the Manager	
Manager:	BlackRock Fund Managers Limited
Investment Manager:	BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited
Stock Lending Agent:	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited

The ultimate holding company of the Manager, Investment Manager and Stock Lending Agent is BlackRock Inc. ("BlackRock"), a company incorporated in Delaware, USA.

The Manager acts as either principal or agent for the Depositary in respect of all transactions of units of the Fund. The aggregate monies received through issue and paid through cancellation of units are disclosed in the Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Unitholders and note 8. Any amounts due to or from the Manager at the financial year end are disclosed in notes 9 and 10. Securities lending revenue earned by the Fund is disclosed in note 4.

The Investment Manager, in accordance with the Contractual Scheme Deed, may enter into commission sharing arrangements with related parties (including, without limitation, brokers who are affiliated to the BlackRock Group), which may result in the Fund benefiting from research or execution services which the Investment Manager believes are useful in the investment decision-making or trade execution process. Such research or execution services may include, without limitation and to the extent permitted by applicable law: research reports on companies, industries and securities; and the provision of economic and financial information and analysis. Due to the bundled nature of these services and the application of such benefits across a number of BlackRock managed funds, it is not feasible to quantify the benefit to the Fund. The Investment Manager may also enter into these arrangements with brokers who are not affiliated to the BlackRock Group.

Holdings in other funds managed by BlackRock

The Fund's investments in other BlackRock related party entities are individually identified on the portfolio statement.

Significant investors

The following investors are:
a. funds managed by the BlackRock Group or are affiliates of BlackRock Inc. ("BlackRock Related Investors") or
b. investors (other than those listed in (a) above) who held 51% or more of the voting units in issue in the Fund and are as a result, considered to be related parties to the Fund ("Significant Investors").

As at 31 December 2025:

Total % of units held by BlackRock Related Investors	Total % of units held by Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors	Number of Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors
Nil	Nil	Nil

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

12. Related Parties (continued)

As at 31 December 2024:

Total % of units held by BlackRock Related Investors	Total % of units held by Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors	Number of Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors
Nil	100%	1

For the financial year ended 31 December 2025, the Fund did not enter any in-specie transactions with its related parties (31 December 2024: £Nil).

13. Credit Facility

The Fund entered into a credit facility with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. ("JPMorgan"), whereby JPMorgan, together with other syndicated lenders, made a portion of a USD 600 million credit facility available to the Fund. This portion of the USD 600 million credit facility will be allocated to the Fund based on the credit facility agreement dated 17 April 2025. This credit facility may be utilised by the Fund for temporary funding purposes, including, without limitation, the funding of investor redemptions. Any interest and commitment fees in relation to drawdowns from such credit facility are paid out of the assets of the Fund.

A loan commitment fee is charged on a daily basis in relation to this credit facility which is included in the Statement of Total Return under caption "Expenses". The loan commitment fee is charged at 0.10% per annum on the undrawn portion of the loan commitment.

No portion of the credit facility was used during the financial year ended 31 December 2025 and during the financial year ended 31 December 2024.

14. Portfolio Transaction Costs

For the Fund's investment in collective investment scheme holdings there will potentially be dealing spread costs applicable to purchases and sales. However additionally there are indirect transaction costs incurred in those underlying funds, throughout the holding period for the instruments, which are not separately identifiable.

Dealing spread costs incurred by the Fund vary considerably for the different asset/instrument types depending on a number of factors including transaction value and market sentiment.

At the Balance Sheet date, the average portfolio dealing spread (difference between bid and offer prices of all investments expressed as a percentage of the offer price value) was Nil (31 December 2024: 0.02%).

15. Units in Issue

Revenue is allocated each day pro rata to the capital value of assets attributable to each class and taxation is computed by reference to the net revenue after expenses attributable to each class. The distribution per unit class is given in the distribution table. All unit classes have the same rights on winding up.

The movement in units in issue for the financial year ended 31 December 2025 is as follows:

	X1 Accumulation Units
Balance at the beginning of the year	717,613,714
Issued during the year	17,616,617
Cancelled during the year	(735,230,331)
Balance at the end of the year	**–**

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

16. Subsequent Events

There have been no significant events subsequent to the financial year end, which, in the opinion of the Manager, may have had an impact on the financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2025.

PORTFOLIO STATEMENT

As at 31 December 2025

Holding or Nominal Value	Investment	Market Value £000's	% of Total Net Assets
	COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES - 0.00%; 31.12.24 99.05%		
	Equity Funds - 0.00%; 31.12.24 62.74%		
	Fixed Income Funds - 0.00%; 31.12.24 36.31%		

Holding or Nominal Value	Investment	Underlying Exposure £000's	Market Value £000's	% of Total Net Assets
	DERIVATIVES - 0.00%; 31.12.24 (0.10)%			
	Forward Currency Contracts - 0.00%; 31.12.24 (0.10)%			
	Portfolio of investments		**–**	**–**
	Net other assets		–	–
	Total net assets		**–**	**–**

Note: No Investments are held as the Fund closed on 2 September 2025.

About the Fund

The Fund is a sub-fund of BlackRock Authorised Contractual Scheme 2, a NURS under the COLL Sourcebook. The Fund was authorised by the FCA on 5 April 2018. The Fund's FCA product reference number is 805824.

The Manager has decided to close the Fund on 2 September 2025 and as a result, these financial statements are prepared on a break-up basis for the financial year ended 31 December 2025. Under this basis, all assets are recorded at their estimated realisable amount and all liabilities at their estimate settlement amount. The liquidation costs are borne by the Manager.

Comparative Table

	X1 Accumulation Units		
	For the period from 1.1.2025 to 2.9.2025 Pence per unit	For the year to 31.12.2024 Pence per unit	For the year to 31.12.2023 Pence per unit
Change in net assets per unit			
Opening net asset value per unit	152.26	134.47	118.93
Return before operating charges	7.47	17.82	15.55
Operating charges	(0.01)	(0.03)	(0.01)
Return after operating charges	7.46	17.79	15.54
Distributions	–	(3.04)	(2.55)
Retained distributions on accumulation units	–	3.04	2.55
Last quoted unit price*	159.72	–	–
Closing net asset value per unit	–	152.26	134.47
After direct transaction costs of:	–	–	–
Performance			
Return after charges[1]	4.90%	13.23%	13.07%
Other Information			
Closing net asset value (£000's)	–	1,984,547	1,591,344
Closing number of units	–	1,303,401,538	1,183,447,066
Operating charges[2]	0.02%	0.02%	0.01%
Direct transaction costs[3]	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Prices	**Pence per unit**	**Pence per unit**	**Pence per unit**
Highest offer unit price	160.57	155.39	134.73
Lowest bid unit price	137.72	132.13	119.00

* As at the financial year end date, there are no units in issue. Unit class performance provided is as at 2 September 2025 being the last quoted price date before units were reduced to zero.

[1] The return after charges figures are based on the net asset value reported for financial statements purposes and are not the same as the performance returns figures quoted in the Performance Summary section of the Investment Manager's Report which are returns based on NAV per unit as at 12 noon for dealing purposes.

[2] Operating charges are annualised and exclude portfolio trade-related costs, except costs paid to the custodian/depositary and entry/exit charges paid to an underlying collective investment scheme (if any).

[3] Direct transaction costs are annualised and principally comprise commissions and taxes, attributable to the Fund's purchase and sale of debt instruments. See note 14 for further details.

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DISTRIBUTION TABLE

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

Final Distribution in Pence per Unit

	X1 Accumulation Units*
Net revenue	N/A
Distribution paid 27.2.2026	**N/A**
Distribution paid 28.2.2025	**3.0444**

* Fund closed on 2 September 2025, therefore no distribution is made for the financial year.

STATEMENT OF TOTAL RETURN

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

	Notes	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Income					
Net capital gains	3		12,165		184,202
Revenue	4	27,633		38,205	
Expenses	5	(177)		(170)	
Interest payable and similar charges	6	(10)		(3)	
Net revenue before taxation		27,446		38,032	
Taxation	7	–		–	
Net revenue after taxation			27,446		38,032
Total return before distributions			39,611		222,234
Distributions	8		(27,404)		(38,002)
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities			**12,207**		**184,232**

STATEMENT OF CHANGE IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Opening net assets attributable to unitholders		1,984,547		1,591,344
Amounts receivable on issue of units	69,746		209,224	
Amounts receivable on termination	16		–	
Amounts payable on cancellation of units	(1,164,900)		(39,934)	
Amounts payable on in-specie transactions	(901,616)		–	
		(1,996,754)		169,290
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities		12,207		184,232
Retained distribution on accumulation units		–		39,681
Closing net assets attributable to unitholders		**–**		**1,984,547**

Note: The Fund closed on 2 September 2025.

BALANCE SHEET

As at 31 December 2025

	Notes	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Assets:			
Fixed assets			
– Investment assets		–	1,965,573
Current assets			
– Debtors	9	12	24,365
– Cash and bank balances		46	98
Total assets		**58**	**1,990,036**
Liabilities:			
Investment liabilities		–	(3,018)
Creditors			
– Bank overdrafts		(3)	–
– Amounts payable on termination	10	(19)	–
– Other creditors	10	(36)	(2,471)
Total liabilities		**(58)**	**(5,489)**
Net assets attributable to unitholders		**–**	**1,984,547**

On behalf of the Directors

A Lewis
Director
30 March 2026

A Hoctor-Duncan
Director
30 March 2026

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

1. Accounting and Distribution Policies

The material accounting and distribution policies are set out on pages 348 to 352.

2. Risk Management Policies

The Risk management policies are set out on pages 352 to 382.

3. Net Capital Gains

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
The net capital gains comprise:		
(Losses)/gains on non-derivative securities*	(2,936)	181,849
Forward currency contracts	25,040	(3,118)
Currency (losses)/gains	(9,912)	5,519
Custodian transaction costs	11	(28)
Other expense from underlying CIS holdings	(46)	(20)
Rebate from underlying CIS holdings	8	–
Net capital gains	**12,165**	**184,202**

* Includes realised gains of £281,245,784 and unrealised losses of £284,181,909 (2024: realised gains of £14,689,301 and unrealised gains of £167,159,504). Where realised gains/losses include gains/losses arising in previous periods, a corresponding gains/losses is included in unrealised gains/losses.

4. Revenue

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Equity distributions on CIS holdings	2,186	2,683
Interest distributions on CIS holdings	12,681	15,613
Interest from UK bank deposits	3	117
Overseas dividends	11,256	17,505
Rebate from underlying CIS holdings	32	40
Securities lending revenue	50	107
UK dividends	1,021	1,447
UK REIT dividends	–	47
US REIT dividends	404	646
Total revenue	**27,633**	**38,205**

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

5. Expenses

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Payable to the Depositary or associates of the Depositary:		
– Depositary fee	37	71
Other expenses:		
– Audit fee	17	11
– Credit administration expenses	14	2
– Closure costs	42	–
– Index licence fee	33	48
– Legal fee	5	2
– Miscellaneous	1	–
– Safe custody fee	28	36
Total expenses	**177**	**170**

6. Interest Payable and Similar Charges

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Interest on bank overdrafts	10	3
Total interest payable and similar charges	**10**	**3**

7. Taxation

(a) Analysis of tax charge

As the Fund is an Authorised Contractual Scheme, it is exempt from United Kingdom (UK) tax on capital gains realised on the disposal of investments held within the Fund and any UK corporation tax.

8. Distributions

The distributions take account of revenue received on the issue of units and revenue deducted on the redemption of units and comprise:

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Final accumulation	–	39,681
	–	39,681
Add: Amounts deducted on cancellation of units	16,982	547
Add: Amounts deducted on in-specie transactions	10,813	–
Deduct: Amounts received on issue of units	(391)	(2,226)
Distributions	**27,404**	**38,002**
The distributable amount has been calculated as follows:		
Net revenue after taxation	27,446	38,032
Custodian transaction costs	(4)	(10)
Other expense from underlying CIS holdings	(46)	(20)
Rebate from underlying CIS holdings	8	–
Distributions	**27,404**	**38,002**

Details of the final distribution per unit are set out in the table on page 111.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

9. Debtors

	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Accrued rebate from underlying CIS holdings	12	22
Accrued revenue	–	19,732
Amount receivable on issue of units	–	3,065
Sales awaiting settlement	–	1,546
Total debtors	**12**	**24,365**

10. Other Creditors

	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Accrued admin fee	5	–
Accrued audit fee	8	7
Accrued depositary's fee	–	8
Accrued safe custody fee	23	16
Amount payable for cancellation of units	–	95
Amount payable on termination	19	–
Custodian transaction costs	–	21
Purchases awaiting settlement	–	2,324
Total other creditors	**55**	**2,471**

11. Contingent Assets and Liabilities

There were no significant capital commitments or contingent liabilities as at the 31 December 2025 and 31 December 2024.

12. Related Parties

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.

The following entities were related parties of the Fund during the financial year ended 31 December 2025:

Directors of the Manager	
Manager:	BlackRock Fund Managers Limited
Investment Manager:	BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited
Stock Lending Agent:	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited

The ultimate holding company of the Manager, Investment Manager and Stock Lending Agent is BlackRock Inc. (“BlackRock”), a company incorporated in Delaware, USA.

The Manager acts as either principal or agent for the Depositary in respect of all transactions of units of the Fund. The aggregate monies received through issue and paid through cancellation of units are disclosed in the Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Unitholders and note 8. Any amounts due to or from the Manager at the financial year end are disclosed in notes 9 and 10. Securities lending revenue earned by the Fund is disclosed in note 4.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

12. Related Parties (continued)

The Investment Manager, in accordance with the Contractual Scheme Deed, may enter into commission sharing arrangements with related parties (including, without limitation, brokers who are affiliated to the BlackRock Group), which may result in the Fund benefiting from research or execution services which the Investment Manager believes are useful in the investment decision-making or trade execution process. Such research or execution services may include, without limitation and to the extent permitted by applicable law: research reports on companies, industries and securities; and the provision of economic and financial information and analysis. Due to the bundled nature of these services and the application of such benefits across a number of BlackRock managed funds, it is not feasible to quantify the benefit to the Fund. The Investment Manager may also enter into these arrangements with brokers who are not affiliated to the BlackRock Group.

Holdings in other funds managed by BlackRock

The Fund's investments in other BlackRock related party entities are individually identified on the portfolio statement.

Significant investors

The following investors are:
a. funds managed by the BlackRock Group or are affiliates of BlackRock Inc. ("BlackRock Related Investors") or
b. investors (other than those listed in (a) above) who held 51% or more of the voting units in issue in the Fund and are as a result, considered to be related parties to the Fund ("Significant Investors").

As at 31 December 2025:

Total % of units held by BlackRock Related Investors	Total % of units held by Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors	Number of Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors
Nil	Nil	Nil

As at 31 December 2024:

Total % of units held by BlackRock Related Investors	Total % of units held by Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors	Number of Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors
46%	54%	1

For the financial year ended 31 December 2025, the Fund paid out a total of £902 million (31 December 2024: £Nil) in respect of in-specie transactions with its related parties.

13. Credit Facility

The Fund entered into a credit facility with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. ("JPMorgan"), whereby JPMorgan, together with other syndicated lenders, made a portion of a USD 600 million credit facility available to the Fund. This portion of the USD 600 million credit facility will be allocated to the Fund based on the credit facility agreement dated 17 April 2025. This credit facility may be utilised by the Fund for temporary funding purposes, including, without limitation, the funding of investor redemptions. Any interest and commitment fees in relation to drawdowns from such credit facility are paid out of the assets of the Fund.

A loan commitment fee is charged on a daily basis in relation to this credit facility which is included in the Statement of Total Return under caption "Expenses". The loan commitment fee is charged at 0.10% per annum on the undrawn portion of the loan commitment.

No portion of the credit facility was used during the financial year ended 31 December 2025 and during the financial year ended 31 December 2024.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

14. Portfolio Transaction Costs

For the Fund's investment in collective investment scheme holdings there will potentially be dealing spread costs applicable to purchases and sales. However additionally there are indirect transaction costs incurred in those underlying funds, throughout the holding period for the instruments, which are not separately identifiable.

Dealing spread costs incurred by the Fund vary considerably for the different asset/instrument types depending on a number of factors including transaction value and market sentiment.

At the Balance Sheet date, the average portfolio dealing spread (difference between bid and offer prices of all investments expressed as a percentage of the offer price value) was Nil (31 December 2024: 0.02%).

15. Units in Issue

Revenue is allocated each day pro rata to the capital value of assets attributable to each class and taxation is computed by reference to the net revenue after expenses attributable to each class. The distribution per unit class is given in the distribution table. All unit classes have the same rights on winding up.

The movement in units in issue for the financial year ended 31 December 2025 is as follows:

	X1 Accumulation Units
Balance at the beginning of the year	1,303,401,538
Issued during the year	46,410,258
Cancelled during the year	(1,349,811,796)
Balance at the end of the year	**–**

16. Subsequent Events

There have been no significant events subsequent to the financial year end, which, in the opinion of the Manager, may have had an impact on the financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2025.

PORTFOLIO STATEMENT

As at 31 December 2025

Holding or Nominal Value	Investment	Market Value £000's	% of Total Net Assets
	COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES - 0.00%; 31.12.24 98.98%		
	Equity Funds - 0.00%; 31.12.24 68.66%		
	Fixed Income Funds - 0.00%; 31.12.24 30.32%		

Holding or Nominal Value	Investment	Underlying Exposure £000's	Market Value £000's	% of Total Net Assets
	DERIVATIVES - 0.00%; 31.12.24 (0.09)%			
	Forward Currency Contracts - 0.00%; 31.12.24 (0.09)%			
	Portfolio of investments		**–**	**–**
	Net other assets		–	–
	Total net assets		**–**	**–**

Note: No Investments are held as the Fund closed on 2 September 2025.

About the Fund

The Fund is a sub-fund of BlackRock Authorised Contractual Scheme 2, a NURS under the COLL Sourcebook. The Fund was authorised by the FCA on 5 April 2018. The Fund's FCA product reference number is 805825.

The Manager has decided to close the Fund on 2 September 2025 and as a result, these financial statements are prepared on a break-up basis for the financial year ended 31 December 2025. Under this basis, all assets are recorded at their estimated realisable amount and all liabilities at their estimate settlement amount. The liquidation costs are borne by the Manager.

Comparative Table

	X1 Accumulation Units		
	For the period from 1.1.2025 to 2.9.2025 Pence per unit	For the year to 31.12.2024 Pence per unit	For the year to 31.12.2023 Pence per unit
Change in net assets per unit			
Opening net asset value per unit	158.59	138.54	121.39
Return before operating charges	8.02	20.08	17.19
Operating charges	(0.01)	(0.03)	(0.04)
Return after operating charges	8.01	20.05	17.15
Distributions	–	(3.09)	(2.64)
Retained distributions on accumulation units	–	3.09	2.64
Last quoted unit price*	166.60	–	–
Closing net asset value per unit	–	158.59	138.54
After direct transaction costs of:	–	–	–
Performance			
Return after charges[1]	5.05%	14.47%	14.13%
Other Information			
Closing net asset value (£000's)	–	966,012	795,966
Closing number of units	–	609,119,519	574,542,093
Operating charges[2]	0.02%	0.02%	0.02%
Direct transaction costs[3]	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Prices	**Pence per unit**	**Pence per unit**	**Pence per unit**
Highest offer unit price	167.53	161.92	138.84
Lowest bid unit price	141.93	136.16	121.61

* As at the financial year end date, there are no units in issue. Unit class performance provided is as at 2 September 2025 being the last quoted price date before units were reduced to zero.

[1] The return after charges figures are based on the net asset value reported for financial statements purposes and are not the same as the performance returns figures quoted in the Performance Summary section of the Investment Manager's Report which are returns based on NAV per unit as at 12 noon for dealing purposes.

[2] Operating charges are annualised and exclude portfolio trade-related costs, except costs paid to the custodian/depositary and entry/exit charges paid to an underlying collective investment scheme (if any).

[3] Direct transaction costs are annualised and principally comprise commissions and taxes, attributable to the Fund's purchase and sale of debt instruments. See note 14 for further details.

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DISTRIBUTION TABLE

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

Final Distribution in Pence per Unit

	X1 Accumulation Units*
Net revenue	**N/A**
Distribution paid 27.2.2026	**N/A**
Distribution paid 28.2.2025	**3.0908**

* Fund closed on 2 September 2025, therefore no distribution is made for the financial year.

STATEMENT OF TOTAL RETURN

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

	Notes	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Income					
Net capital gains	3		27,542		101,146
Revenue	4	13,484		18,536	
Expenses	5	(125)		(111)	
Interest payable and similar charges	6	(10)		(1)	
Net revenue before taxation		13,349		18,424	
Taxation	7	–		–	
Net revenue after taxation			13,349		18,424
Total return before distributions			40,891		119,570
Distributions	8		(13,329)		(18,408)
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities			**27,562**		**101,162**

STATEMENT OF CHANGE IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Opening net assets attributable to unitholders		966,012		795,966
Amounts receivable on issue of units	34,003		77,272	
Amounts receivable on termination	13		–	
Amounts payable on cancellation of units	(1,027,590)		(27,215)	
		(993,574)		50,057
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities		27,562		101,162
Retained distribution on accumulation units		–		18,827
Closing net assets attributable to unitholders		**–**		**966,012**

Note: The Fund closed on 2 September 2025.

BALANCE SHEET

As at 31 December 2025

	Notes	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Assets:			
Fixed assets			
– Investment assets		–	955,894
Current assets			
– Debtors	9	12	12,286
– Cash and bank balances		74	48
Total assets		**86**	**968,228**
Liabilities:			
Investment liabilities		–	(1,152)
Creditors			
– Bank Overdrafts		(1)	–
– Amounts payable on termination	10	(29)	–
– Other creditors	10	(56)	(1,064)
Total liabilities		**(86)**	**(2,216)**
Net assets attributable to unitholders		**–**	**966,012**

On behalf of the Directors

A Lewis
Director
30 March 2026

A Hoctor-Duncan
Director
30 March 2026

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

1. Accounting and Distribution Policies

The material accounting and distribution policies are set out on pages 348 to 352.

2. Risk Management Policies

The Risk management policies are set out on pages 352 to 382.

3. Net Capital Gains

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
The net capital gains comprise:		
Gains on non-derivative securities*	22,832	100,314
Forward currency contracts	8,681	(1,234)
Currency (losses)/gains	(3,939)	2,102
Custodian transaction costs	(14)	(23)
Other expense from underlying CIS holdings	(23)	(12)
Rebate/(expense) from underlying CIS holdings	5	(1)
Net capital gains	**27,542**	**101,146**

* Includes realised gains of £190,131,143 and unrealised losses of £167,298,544 (2024: realised gains of £8,305,483 and unrealised gains of £92,008,243). Where realised gains/losses include gains/losses arising in previous periods, a corresponding gains/losses is included in unrealised gains/losses.

4. Revenue

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Equity distributions on CIS holdings	1,324	1,466
Interest distributions on CIS holdings	4,903	6,419
Interest from UK bank deposits	3	64
Overseas dividends	6,416	9,337
Rebate from underlying CIS holdings	21	41
Securities lending revenue	32	58
UK dividends	566	775
UK REIT dividends	–	24
US REIT dividends	219	352
Total revenue	**13,484**	**18,536**

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

5. Expenses

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Receivable from/Payable to the Manager or associates of the Manager:		
– Manager's charge and other expenses rebate[#]	(7)	10
Payable to the Depositary or associates of the Depositary:		
– Depositary fee	21	41
Other expenses:		
– Audit fee	15	9
– Closure costs	42	–
– Credit administration expenses	8	1
– FCA fee	–	1
– Index licence fee	20	24
– Legal fee	6	1
– Miscellaneous	–	(1)
– Safe custody fee	20	25
Total expenses	**125**	**111**

[#] The Fund received rebates from the Manager to ensure that the operating charge does not exceed 0.02%.

6. Interest Payable and Similar Charges

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Interest on bank overdrafts	10	1
Total interest payable and similar charges	**10**	**1**

7. Taxation

(a) Analysis of tax charge

As the Fund is an Authorised Contractual Scheme, it is exempt from United Kingdom (UK) tax on capital gains realised on the disposal of investments held within the Fund and any UK corporation tax.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

8. Distributions

The distributions take account of revenue received on the issue of units and revenue deducted on the redemption of units and comprise:

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Final accumulation	–	18,827
	–	18,827
Add: Amounts deducted on cancellation of units	13,543	391
Deduct: Amounts received on issue of units	(214)	(810)
Distributions	**13,329**	**18,408**
The distributable amount has been calculated as follows:		
Net revenue after taxation	13,349	18,424
Custodian transaction costs	(2)	(3)
Other expense from underlying CIS holdings	(23)	(12)
Rebate/(expense) from underlying CIS holdings	5	(1)
Distributions	**13,329**	**18,408**

Details of the final distribution per unit are set out in the table on page 122.

9. Debtors

	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Accrued manager's charge rebates	7	–
Accrued rebate from underlying CIS holdings	5	29
Accrued revenue	–	10,407
Amount receivable on issue of units	–	1,280
Sales awaiting settlement	–	570
Total debtors	**12**	**12,286**

10. Other Creditors

	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Accrued admin fee	2	–
Accrued audit fee	8	7
Accrued depositary's fee	1	8
Accrued legal fee	1	–
Accrued manager's charge	–	10
Accrued safe custody fee	21	15
Amount payable on termination	29	–
Custodian transaction costs	23	22
Purchases awaiting settlement	–	1,002
Total other creditors	**85**	**1,064**

11. Contingent Assets and Liabilities

There were no significant capital commitments or contingent liabilities as at the 31 December 2025 and 31 December 2024.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

12. Related Parties

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.

The following entities were related parties of the Fund during the financial year ended 31 December 2025:

Directors of the Manager	
Manager:	BlackRock Fund Managers Limited
Investment Manager:	BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited
Stock Lending Agent:	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited

The ultimate holding company of the Manager, Investment Manager and Stock Lending Agent is BlackRock Inc. ("BlackRock"), a company incorporated in Delaware, USA.

The Manager acts as either principal or agent for the Depositary in respect of all transactions of units of the Fund. The aggregate monies received through issue and paid through cancellation of units are disclosed in the Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Unitholders and note 8. Any amounts due to or from the Manager at the financial year end are disclosed in notes 9 and 10. Securities lending revenue earned by the Fund is disclosed in note 4.

The Investment Manager, in accordance with the Contractual Scheme Deed, may enter into commission sharing arrangements with related parties (including, without limitation, brokers who are affiliated to the BlackRock Group), which may result in the Fund benefiting from research or execution services which the Investment Manager believes are useful in the investment decision-making or trade execution process. Such research or execution services may include, without limitation and to the extent permitted by applicable law: research reports on companies, industries and securities; and the provision of economic and financial information and analysis. Due to the bundled nature of these services and the application of such benefits across a number of BlackRock managed funds, it is not feasible to quantify the benefit to the Fund. The Investment Manager may also enter into these arrangements with brokers who are not affiliated to the BlackRock Group.

Holdings in other funds managed by BlackRock

The Fund's investments in other BlackRock related party entities are individually identified on the portfolio statement.

Significant investors

The following investors are:
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b. investors (other than those listed in (a) above) who held 51% or more of the voting units in issue in the Fund and are as a result, considered to be related parties to the Fund ("Significant Investors").

As at 31 December 2025:

Total % of units held by BlackRock Related Investors	Total % of units held by Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors	Number of Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors
Nil	Nil	Nil

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

12. Related Parties (continued)

As at 31 December 2024:

Total % of units held by BlackRock Related Investors	Total % of units held by Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors	Number of Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors
Nil	100%	1

For the financial year ended 31 December 2025, the Fund did not enter any in-specie transactions with its related parties (31 December 2024: £Nil).

13. Credit Facility

The Fund entered into a credit facility with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. ("JPMorgan"), whereby JPMorgan, together with other syndicated lenders, made a portion of a USD 600 million credit facility available to the Fund. This portion of the USD 600 million credit facility will be allocated to the Fund based on the credit facility agreement dated 17 April 2025. This credit facility may be utilised by the Fund for temporary funding purposes, including, without limitation, the funding of investor redemptions. Any interest and commitment fees in relation to drawdowns from such credit facility are paid out of the assets of the Fund.

A loan commitment fee is charged on a daily basis in relation to this credit facility which is included in the Statement of Total Return under caption "Expenses". The loan commitment fee is charged at 0.10% per annum on the undrawn portion of the loan commitment.

No portion of the credit facility was used during the financial year ended 31 December 2025 and during the financial year ended 31 December 2024.

14. Portfolio Transaction Costs

For the Fund's investment in collective investment scheme holdings there will potentially be dealing spread costs applicable to purchases and sales. However additionally there are indirect transaction costs incurred in those underlying funds, throughout the holding period for the instruments, which are not separately identifiable.

Dealing spread costs incurred by the Fund vary considerably for the different asset/instrument types depending on a number of factors including transaction value and market sentiment.

At the Balance Sheet date, the average portfolio dealing spread (difference between bid and offer prices of all investments expressed as a percentage of the offer price value) was Nil (31 December 2024: 0.02%).

15. Units in Issue

Revenue is allocated each day pro rata to the capital value of assets attributable to each class and taxation is computed by reference to the net revenue after expenses attributable to each class. The distribution per unit class is given in the distribution table. All unit classes have the same rights on winding up.

The movement in units in issue for the financial year ended 31 December 2025 is as follows:

	X1 Accumulation Units
Balance at the beginning of the year	609,119,519
Issued during the year	21,811,510
Cancelled during the year	(630,931,029)
Balance at the end of the year	**–**

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

16. Subsequent Events

There have been no significant events subsequent to the financial year end, which, in the opinion of the Manager, may have had an impact on the financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2025.

PORTFOLIO STATEMENT

As at 31 December 2025

Holding or Nominal Value	Investment	Market Value £000's	% of Total Net Assets
	COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES - 0.00%; 31.12.24 98.90%		
	Equity Funds - 0.00%; 31.12.24 75.07%		
	Fixed Income Funds - 0.00%; 31.12.24 23.83%		

Holding or Nominal Value	Investment	Underlying Exposure £000's	Market Value £000's	% of Total Net Assets
	DERIVATIVES - 0.00%; 31.12.24 (0.07)%			
	Forward Currency Contracts - 0.00%; 31.12.24 (0.07)%			
	Portfolio of investments		**–**	**–**
	Net other assets		–	–
	Total net assets		**–**	**–**

Note: No Investments are held as the Fund closed on 2 September 2025.

About the Fund

The Fund is a sub-fund of BlackRock Authorised Contractual Scheme 2, a NURS under the COLL Sourcebook. The Fund was authorised by the FCA on 5 April 2018. The Fund's FCA product reference number is 805826.

The Manager has decided to close the Fund on 2 September 2025 and as a result, these financial statements are prepared on a break-up basis for the financial year ended 31 December 2025. Under this basis, all assets are recorded at their estimated realisable amount and all liabilities at their estimate settlement amount. The liquidation costs are borne by the Manager.

Comparative Table

	X1 Accumulation Units		
	For the period from 1.1.2025 to 2.9.2025 Pence per unit	For the year to 31.12.2024 Pence per unit	For the year to 31.12.2023 Pence per unit
Change in net assets per unit			
Opening net asset value per unit	164.61	142.62	123.94
Return before operating charges	8.63	22.02	18.71
Operating charges	(0.01)	(0.03)	(0.03)
Return after operating charges	8.62	21.99	18.68
Distributions	–	(3.14)	(2.73)
Retained distributions on accumulation units	–	3.14	2.73
Last quoted unit price*	173.23	–	–
Closing net asset value per unit	–	164.61	142.62
After direct transaction costs of:	–	–	–
Performance			
Return after charges[1]	5.24%	15.42%	15.07%
Other Information			
Closing net asset value (£000's)	–	1,776,703	1,379,578
Closing number of units	–	1,079,349,274	967,311,864
Operating charges[2]	0.02%	0.02%	0.02%
Direct transaction costs[3]	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Prices	**Pence per unit**	**Pence per unit**	**Pence per unit**
Highest offer unit price	174.27	168.16	142.94
Lowest bid unit price	146.06	140.18	124.14

* As at the financial year end date, there are no units in issue. Unit class performance provided is as at 2 September 2025 being the last quoted price date before units were reduced to zero.

[1] The return after charges figures are based on the net asset value reported for financial statements purposes and are not the same as the performance returns figures quoted in the Performance Summary section of the Investment Manager's Report which are returns based on NAV per unit as at 12 noon for dealing purposes.

[2] Operating charges are annualised and exclude portfolio trade-related costs, except costs paid to the custodian/depositary and entry/exit charges paid to an underlying collective investment scheme (if any).

[3] Direct transaction costs are annualised and principally comprise commissions and taxes, attributable to the Fund's purchase and sale of debt instruments. See note 14 for further details.

DISTRIBUTION TABLE

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

Final Distribution in Pence per Unit

	X1 Accumulation Units*
Net revenue	N/A
Distribution paid 27.2.2026	**N/A**
Distribution paid 28.2.2025	**3.1385**

* Fund closed on 2 September 2025, therefore no distribution is made for the financial year.

STATEMENT OF TOTAL RETURN

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

	Notes	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Income					
Net capital gains	3		8,052		193,812
Revenue	4	22,394		32,513	
Expenses	5	(175)		(122)	
Interest payable and similar charges	6	(13)		(2)	
Net revenue before taxation		22,206		32,389	
Taxation	7	–		–	
Net revenue after taxation			22,206		32,389
Total return before distributions			30,258		226,201
Distributions	8		(22,165)		(32,303)
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities			**8,093**		**193,898**

STATEMENT OF CHANGE IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Opening net assets attributable to unitholders		1,776,703		1,379,578
Amounts receivable on issue of units	68,254		197,891	
Amounts receivable on termination	13		–	
Amounts payable on cancellation of units	(996,947)		(28,539)	
Amounts payable on in-specie transactions	(856,116)		–	
		(1,784,796)		169,352
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities		8,093		193,898
Retained distribution on accumulation units		–		33,875
Closing net assets attributable to unitholders		**–**		**1,776,703**

Note: The Fund closed on 2 September 2025.

BALANCE SHEET

As at 31 December 2025

	Notes	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Assets:			
Fixed assets			
– Investment assets		–	1,756,680
Current assets			
– Debtors	9	3	24,368
– Cash and bank balances		55	88
Total assets		**58**	**1,781,136**
Liabilities:			
Investment liabilities		–	(2,168)
Creditors			
– Bank overdrafts		(3)	–
– Amounts payable on termination	10	(25)	–
– Other creditors	10	(30)	(2,265)
Total liabilities		**(58)**	**(4,433)**
Net assets attributable to unitholders		**–**	**1,776,703**

On behalf of the Directors

A Lewis
Director
30 March 2026

A Hoctor-Duncan
Director
30 March 2026

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

1. Accounting and Distribution Policies

The material accounting and distribution policies are set out on pages 348 to 352.

2. Risk Management Policies

The Risk management policies are set out on pages 352 to 382.

3. Net Capital Gains

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
The net capital gains comprise:		
(Losses)/gains on non-derivative securities*	(825)	195,384
Forward currency contracts	16,104	(3,194)
Currency (losses)/gains	(7,201)	1,727
Custodian transaction costs	10	(28)
Other expense from underlying CIS holdings	(43)	(75)
Rebate/(expense) from underlying CIS holdings	7	(2)
Net capital gains	**8,052**	**193,812**

* Includes realised gains of £326,651,970 and unrealised losses of £327,476,852 (2024: realised gains of £8,929,984 and unrealised gains of £186,454,336). Where realised gains/losses include gains/losses arising in previous periods, a corresponding gains/losses is included in unrealised gains/losses.

4. Revenue

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Equity distributions on CIS holdings	2,218	3,286
Interest distributions on CIS holdings	7,017	8,960
Interest from UK bank deposits	3	139
Overseas dividends	11,581	17,761
Rebate from underlying CIS holdings	38	45
Securities lending revenue	55	114
UK dividends	1,049	1,474
UK REIT dividends	–	46
US REIT dividends	433	688
Total revenue	**22,394**	**32,513**

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

5. Expenses

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Payable to the Depositary or associates of the Depositary:		
– Depositary fee	38	72
Other expenses:		
– Audit fee	18	11
– Closure costs	42	–
– Credit administration expenses	13	2
– Index licence fee	30	–
– Legal fee	5	2
– Miscellaneous	1	–
– Safe custody fee	28	35
Total expenses	**175**	**122**

6. Interest Payable and Similar Charges

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Interest on bank overdrafts	13	2
Total interest payable and similar charges	**13**	**2**

7. Taxation

(a) Analysis of tax charge

As the Fund is an Authorised Contractual Scheme, it is exempt from United Kingdom (UK) tax on capital gains realised on the disposal of investments held within the Fund and any UK corporation tax.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

8. Distributions

The distributions take account of revenue received on the issue of units and revenue deducted on the redemption of units and comprise:

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Final accumulation	–	33,875
	–	33,875
Add: Amounts deducted on cancellation of units	13,514	392
Add: Amounts deducted on in-specie transactions	8,968	–
Deduct: Amounts received on issue of units	(317)	(1,964)
Distributions	**22,165**	**32,303**
The distributable amount has been calculated as follows:		
Net revenue after taxation	22,206	32,389
Add: Revenue brought forward	–	1
Custodian transaction costs	(5)	(10)
Other expense from underlying CIS holdings	(43)	(75)
Rebate/(expense) from underlying CIS holdings	7	(2)
Distributions	**22,165**	**32,303**

Details of the final distribution per unit are set out in the table on page 134.

9. Debtors

	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Accrued rebate from underlying CIS holdings	3	17
Accrued revenue	–	20,504
Amount receivable on issue of units	–	2,224
Sales awaiting settlement	–	1,623
Total debtors	**3**	**24,368**

10. Other Creditors

	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Accrued admin fee	2	–
Accrued audit fee	8	7
Accrued depositary's fee	1	8
Accrued safe custody fee	19	15
Amount payable for cancellation of units	–	241
Amount payable on termination	25	–
Custodian transaction costs	–	22
Purchases awaiting settlement	–	1,972
Total other creditors	**55**	**2,265**

11. Contingent Assets and Liabilities

There were no significant capital commitments or contingent liabilities as at the 31 December 2025 and 31 December 2024.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

12. Related Parties

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.

The following entities were related parties of the Fund during the financial year ended 31 December 2025:

Directors of the Manager	
Manager:	BlackRock Fund Managers Limited
Investment Manager:	BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited
Stock Lending Agent:	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited

The ultimate holding company of the Manager, Investment Manager and Stock Lending Agent is BlackRock Inc. ("BlackRock"), a company incorporated in Delaware, USA.

The Manager acts as either principal or agent for the Depositary in respect of all transactions of units of the Fund. The aggregate monies received through issue and paid through cancellation of units are disclosed in the Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Unitholders and note 8. Any amounts due to or from the Manager at the financial year end are disclosed in notes 9 and 10. Securities lending revenue earned by the Fund is disclosed in note 4.

The Investment Manager, in accordance with the Contractual Scheme Deed, may enter into commission sharing arrangements with related parties (including, without limitation, brokers who are affiliated to the BlackRock Group), which may result in the Fund benefiting from research or execution services which the Investment Manager believes are useful in the investment decision-making or trade execution process. Such research or execution services may include, without limitation and to the extent permitted by applicable law: research reports on companies, industries and securities; and the provision of economic and financial information and analysis. Due to the bundled nature of these services and the application of such benefits across a number of BlackRock managed funds, it is not feasible to quantify the benefit to the Fund. The Investment Manager may also enter into these arrangements with brokers who are not affiliated to the BlackRock Group.

Holdings in other funds managed by BlackRock

The Fund's investments in other BlackRock related party entities are individually identified on the portfolio statement.

Significant investors

The following investors are:
a. funds managed by the BlackRock Group or are affiliates of BlackRock Inc. ("BlackRock Related Investors") or
b. investors (other than those listed in (a) above) who held 51% or more of the voting units in issue in the Fund and are as a result, considered to be related parties to the Fund ("Significant Investors").

As at 31 December 2025:

Total % of units held by BlackRock Related Investors	Total % of units held by Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors	Number of Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors
Nil	Nil	Nil

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

12. Related Parties (continued)

As at 31 December 2024:

Total % of units held by BlackRock Related Investors	Total % of units held by Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors	Number of Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors
48%	52%	1

For the financial year ended 31 December 2025, the Fund paid out a total of £856 million (31 December 2024: £Nil) in-specie transactions with its related parties.

13. Credit Facility

The Fund entered into a credit facility with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. ("JPMorgan"), whereby JPMorgan, together with other syndicated lenders, made a portion of a USD 600 million credit facility available to the Fund. This portion of the USD 600 million credit facility will be allocated to the Fund based on the credit facility agreement dated 17 April 2025. This credit facility may be utilised by the Fund for temporary funding purposes, including, without limitation, the funding of investor redemptions. Any interest and commitment fees in relation to drawdowns from such credit facility are paid out of the assets of the Fund.

A loan commitment fee is charged on a daily basis in relation to this credit facility which is included in the Statement of Total Return under caption "Expenses". The loan commitment fee is charged at 0.10% per annum on the undrawn portion of the loan commitment.

No portion of the credit facility was used during the financial year ended 31 December 2025 and during the financial year ended 31 December 2024.

14. Portfolio Transaction Costs

For the Fund's investment in collective investment scheme holdings there will potentially be dealing spread costs applicable to purchases and sales. However additionally there are indirect transaction costs incurred in those underlying funds, throughout the holding period for the instruments, which are not separately identifiable.

Dealing spread costs incurred by the Fund vary considerably for the different asset/instrument types depending on a number of factors including transaction value and market sentiment.

At the Balance Sheet date, the average portfolio dealing spread (difference between bid and offer prices of all investments expressed as a percentage of the offer price value) was Nil (31 December 2024: 0.02%).

15. Units in Issue

Revenue is allocated each day pro rata to the capital value of assets attributable to each class and taxation is computed by reference to the net revenue after expenses attributable to each class. The distribution per unit class is given in the distribution table. All unit classes have the same rights on winding up.

The movement in units in issue for the financial year ended 31 December 2025 is as follows:

	X1 Accumulation Units
Balance at the beginning of the year	1,079,349,274
Issued during the year	42,085,989
Cancelled during the year	(1,121,435,263)
Balance at the end of the year	**–**

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

16. Subsequent Events

There have been no significant events subsequent to the financial year end, which, in the opinion of the Manager, may have had an impact on the financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2025.

PORTFOLIO STATEMENT

As at 31 December 2025

Holding or Nominal Value	Investment	Market Value £000's	% of Total Net Assets
	COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES - 0.00%; 31.12.24 98.82%		
	Equity Funds - 0.00%; 31.12.24 80.76%		
	Fixed Income Funds - 0.00%; 31.12.24 18.06%		

Holding or Nominal Value	Investment	Underlying Exposure £000's	Market Value £000's	% of Total Net Assets
	DERIVATIVES - 0.00%; 31.12.24 (0.07)%			
	Forward Currency Contracts - 0.00%; 31.12.24 (0.07)%			
	Portfolio of investments		**–**	**–**
	Net other assets		–	–
	Total net assets		**–**	**–**

Note: No Investments are held as the Fund closed on 2 September 2025.

About the Fund

The Fund is a sub-fund of BlackRock Authorised Contractual Scheme 2, a NURS under the COLL Sourcebook. The Fund was authorised by the FCA on 5 April 2018. The Fund's FCA product reference number is 805827.

The Manager has decided to close the Fund on 18 July 2025 and as a result, these financial statements are prepared on a break-up basis for the financial year ended 31 December 2025. Under this basis, all assets are recorded at their estimated realisable amount and all liabilities at their estimate settlement amount. The liquidation costs are borne by the Manager.

Comparative Table

	X1 Accumulation Units		
	For the period from 1.1.2025 to 18.7.2025 Pence per unit	For the year to 31.12.2024 Pence per unit	For the year to 31.12.2023 Pence per unit
Change in net assets per unit			
Opening net asset value per unit	171.01	146.40	126.36
Return before operating charges	5.31	24.64	20.07
Operating charges	(0.01)	(0.03)	(0.03)
Return after operating charges	5.30	24.61	20.04
Distributions	–	(3.14)	(2.83)
Retained distributions on accumulation units	–	3.14	2.83
Last quoted unit price*	176.31	–	–
Closing net asset value per unit	–	171.01	146.40
After direct transaction costs of:	–	–	–
Performance			
Return after charges[1]	3.10%	16.81%	15.86%
Other Information			
Closing net asset value (£000's)	–	854,914	677,748
Closing number of units	–	499,917,828	462,940,093
Operating charges[2]	0.02%	0.02%	0.02%
Direct transaction costs[3]	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Prices	**Pence per unit**	**Pence per unit**	**Pence per unit**
Highest offer unit price	178.57	174.72	146.74
Lowest bid unit price	150.07	143.90	127.00

* As at the financial year end date, there are no units in issue. Unit class performance provided is as at 18 July 2025 being the last quoted price date before units were reduced to zero.

[1] The return after charges figures are based on the net asset value reported for financial statements purposes and are not the same as the performance returns figures quoted in the Performance Summary section of the Investment Manager's Report which are returns based on NAV per unit as at 12 noon for dealing purposes.

[2] Operating charges are annualised and exclude portfolio trade-related costs, except costs paid to the custodian/depositary and entry/exit charges paid to an underlying collective investment scheme (if any).

[3] Direct transaction costs are annualised and principally comprise commissions and taxes, attributable to the Fund's purchase and sale of debt instruments. See note 14 for further details.

DISTRIBUTION TABLE

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

Final Distribution in Pence per Unit

	X1 Accumulation Units*
Net revenue	N/A
Distribution paid 27.2.2026	**N/A**
Distribution paid 28.2.2025	**3.1390**

* Fund closed on 18 July 2025, therefore no distribution is made for the financial year.

STATEMENT OF TOTAL RETURN

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

	Notes	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Income					
Net capital (losses)/gains	3		(8,998)		104,232
Revenue	4	9,777		15,338	
Expenses	5	(104)		(83)	
Interest payable and similar charges	6	(3)		(1)	
Net revenue before taxation		9,670		15,254	
Taxation	7	–		–	
Net revenue after taxation			9,670		15,254
Total return before distributions			672		119,486
Distributions	8		(9,645)		(15,236)
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities			**(8,973)**		**104,250**

STATEMENT OF CHANGE IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Opening net assets attributable to unitholders		854,914		677,748
Amounts receivable on issue of units	33,453		78,782	
Amounts payable on cancellation of units	(77,286)		(21,559)	
Amounts payable on in-specie transactions	(802,104)		–	
Amounts payable on termination	(4)		–	
		(845,941)		57,223
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities		(8,973)		104,250
Retained distribution on accumulation units		–		15,693
Closing net assets attributable to unitholders		**–**		**854,914**

Note: The Fund closed on 18 July 2025.

BALANCE SHEET

As at 31 December 2025

	Notes	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Assets:			
Fixed assets			
– Investment assets		–	844,491
Current assets			
– Debtors	9	11	12,005
– Cash and bank balances		93	43
Total assets		**104**	**856,539**
Liabilities:			
Investment liabilities		–	(717)
Creditors			
– Bank overdrafts		(2)	–
– Amounts payable on termination	10	(47)	–
– Other creditors	10	(55)	(908)
Total liabilities		**(104)**	**(1,625)**
Net assets attributable to unitholders		**–**	**854,914**

On behalf of the Directors

A Lewis
Director
30 March 2026

A Hoctor-Duncan
Director
30 March 2026

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

1. Accounting and Distribution Policies

The material accounting and distribution policies are set out on pages 348 to 352.

2. Risk Management Policies

The Risk management policies are set out on pages 352 to 382.

3. Net Capital (Losses)/Gains

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
The net capital (losses)/gains comprise:		
(Losses)/gains on non-derivative securities*	(13,407)	103,844
Forward currency contracts	6,945	(839)
Currency (losses)/gains	(2,501)	1,267
Custodian transaction costs	(13)	(25)
Other expense from underlying CIS holding	(23)	(14)
Rebate/(expense) from underlying CIS holdings	1	(1)
Net capital (losses)/gains	**(8,998)**	**104,232**

***** Includes realised gains of £168,618,366 and unrealised losses of £182,024,800 (2024: realised gains of £5,378,682 and unrealised gains of £98,464,519). Where realised gains/losses include gains/losses arising in previous periods, a corresponding gains/losses is included in unrealised gains/losses.

4. Revenue

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Equity distributions on CIS holdings	869	1,494
Interest distributions on CIS holdings	2,415	3,276
Interest from UK bank deposits	1	64
Overseas dividends	5,704	9,260
Rebate from underlying CIS holdings	18	25
Securities lending revenue	26	60
UK dividends	512	773
UK REIT dividends	–	25
US REIT dividends	232	361
Total revenue	**9,777**	**15,338**

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

5. Expenses

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Receivable from the Manager or associates of the Manager:		
– Manager's charge and other expenses rebate[#]	(10)	(18)
Payable to the Depositary or associates of the Depositary:		
– Depositary fee	17	41
Other expenses:		
– Audit fee	14	9
– Credit administration expenses	6	1
– FCA fee	–	1
– Hedging fee	44	–
– Index licence fee	11	21
– Legal fee	6	1
– Safe custody fee	16	27
Total expenses	**104**	**83**

[#] The Fund received rebates from the Manager to ensure that the operating charge does not exceed 0.02%.

6. Interest Payable and Similar Charges

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Interest on bank overdrafts	3	1
Total interest payable and similar charges	**3**	**1**

7. Taxation

(a) Analysis of tax charge

As the Fund is an Authorised Contractual Scheme, it is exempt from United Kingdom (UK) tax on capital gains realised on the disposal of investments held within the Fund and any UK corporation tax.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

8. Distributions

The distributions take account of revenue received on the issue of units and revenue deducted on the redemption of units and comprise:

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Final accumulation	–	15,693
	–	15,693
Add: Amounts deducted on cancellation of units	1,703	284
Add: Amounts deducted on in-specie transactions	8,139	–
Deduct: Amounts received on issue of units	(197)	(741)
Distributions	**9,645**	**15,236**
The distributable amount has been calculated as follows:		
Net revenue after taxation	9,670	15,254
Add: Revenue brought forward	1	–
Custodian transaction costs	(2)	(3)
Dividends payable on contract for differences	(23)	(14)
Expense from underlying CIS holdings	(1)	(1)
Distributions	**9,645**	**15,236**

Details of the final distribution per unit are set out in the table on page 146.

9. Debtors

	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Accrued manager's charge rebates	–	18
Accrued rebate from underlying CIS holdings	11	8
Accrued revenue	–	10,579
Amount receivable on issue of units	–	1,025
Sales awaiting settlement	–	375
Total debtors	**11**	**12,005**

10. Other Creditors

	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Accrued admin fee	2	–
Accrued audit fee	7	7
Accrued depositary's fee	1	8
Accrued safe custody fee	21	17
Amount payable on termination	47	–
Custodian transaction costs	24	24
Purchases awaiting settlement	–	852
Total other creditors	**102**	**908**

11. Contingent Assets and Liabilities

There were no significant capital commitments or contingent liabilities as at the 31 December 2025 and 31 December 2024.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

12. Related Parties

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.

The following entities were related parties of the Fund during the financial year ended 31 December 2025:

Directors of the Manager	
Manager:	BlackRock Fund Managers Limited
Investment Manager:	BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited
Stock Lending Agent:	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited

The ultimate holding company of the Manager, Investment Manager and Stock Lending Agent is BlackRock Inc. ("BlackRock"), a company incorporated in Delaware, USA.

The Manager acts as either principal or agent for the Depositary in respect of all transactions of units of the Fund. The aggregate monies received through issue and paid through cancellation of units are disclosed in the Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Unitholders and note 8. Any amounts due to or from the Manager at the financial year end are disclosed in notes 9 and 10. Securities lending revenue earned by the Fund is disclosed in note 4.

The Investment Manager, in accordance with the Contractual Scheme Deed, may enter into commission sharing arrangements with related parties (including, without limitation, brokers who are affiliated to the BlackRock Group), which may result in the Fund benefiting from research or execution services which the Investment Manager believes are useful in the investment decision-making or trade execution process. Such research or execution services may include, without limitation and to the extent permitted by applicable law: research reports on companies, industries and securities; and the provision of economic and financial information and analysis. Due to the bundled nature of these services and the application of such benefits across a number of BlackRock managed funds, it is not feasible to quantify the benefit to the Fund. The Investment Manager may also enter into these arrangements with brokers who are not affiliated to the BlackRock Group.

Holdings in other funds managed by BlackRock

The Fund's investments in other BlackRock related party entities are individually identified on the portfolio statement.

Significant investors

The following investors are:
a. funds managed by the BlackRock Group or are affiliates of BlackRock Inc. ("BlackRock Related Investors") or
b. investors (other than those listed in (a) above) who held 51% or more of the voting units in issue in the Fund and are as a result, considered to be related parties to the Fund ("Significant Investors").

As at 31 December 2025:

Total % of units held by BlackRock Related Investors	Total % of units held by Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors	Number of Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors
Nil	Nil	Nil

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

12. Related Parties (continued)

As at 31 December 2024:

Total % of units held by BlackRock Related Investors	Total % of units held by Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors	Number of Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors
Nil	100%	1

For the financial year ended 31 December 2025, the Fund paid out total of £802 million (31 December 2024: £Nil) in-specie transactions with its related parties.

13. Credit Facility

The Fund entered into a credit facility with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. ("JPMorgan"), whereby JPMorgan, together with other syndicated lenders, made a portion of a USD 600 million credit facility available to the Fund. This portion of the USD 600 million credit facility will be allocated to the Fund based on the credit facility agreement dated 17 April 2025. This credit facility may be utilised by the Fund for temporary funding purposes, including, without limitation, the funding of investor redemptions. Any interest and commitment fees in relation to drawdowns from such credit facility are paid out of the assets of the Fund.

A loan commitment fee is charged on a daily basis in relation to this credit facility which is included in the Statement of Total Return under caption "Expenses". The loan commitment fee is charged at 0.10% per annum on the undrawn portion of the loan commitment.

No portion of the credit facility was used during the financial year ended 31 December 2025 and during the financial year ended 31 December 2024.

14. Portfolio Transaction Costs

For the Fund's investment in collective investment scheme holdings there will potentially be dealing spread costs applicable to purchases and sales. However additionally there are indirect transaction costs incurred in those underlying funds, throughout the holding period for the instruments, which are not separately identifiable.

Dealing spread costs incurred by the Fund vary considerably for the different asset/instrument types depending on a number of factors including transaction value and market sentiment.

At the Balance Sheet date, the average portfolio dealing spread (difference between bid and offer prices of all investments expressed as a percentage of the offer price value) was Nil (31 December 2024: Nil).

15. Units in Issue

Revenue is allocated each day pro rata to the capital value of assets attributable to each class and taxation is computed by reference to the net revenue after expenses attributable to each class. The distribution per unit class is given in the distribution table. All unit classes have the same rights on winding up.

The movement in units in issue for the financial year ended 31 December 2025 is as follows:

	X1 Accumulation Units
Balance at the beginning of the year	499,917,828
Issued during the year	20,135,561
Cancelled during the year	(520,053,389)
Balance at the end of the year	**–**

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

16. Subsequent Events

There have been no significant events subsequent to the financial year end, which, in the opinion of the Manager, may have had an impact on the financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2025.

PORTFOLIO STATEMENT

As at 31 December 2025

Holding or Nominal Value	Investment	Market Value £000's	% of Total Net Assets
	COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES - 0.00%; 31.12.24 98.75%		
	Equity Funds - 0.00%; 31.12.24 86.74%		
	Fixed Income Funds - 0.00%; 31.12.24 12.01%		

Holding or Nominal Value	Investment	Underlying Exposure £000's	Market Value £000's	% of Total Net Assets
	DERIVATIVES - 0.00%; 31.12.24 (0.05)%			
	Forward Currency Contracts - 0.00%; 31.12.24 (0.05)%			
	Portfolio of investments		**–**	**–**
	Net other assets		–	–
	Total net assets		**–**	**–**

Note: No Investments are held as the Fund closed on 18 July 2025.

About the Fund

The Fund is a sub-fund of BlackRock Authorised Contractual Scheme 2, a NURS under the COLL Sourcebook. The Fund was authorised by the FCA on 5 April 2018. The Fund's FCA product reference number is 805828.

The Manager has decided to close the Fund on 18 July 2025 and as a result, these financial statements are prepared on a break-up basis for the financial year ended 31 December 2025. Under this basis, all assets are recorded at their estimated realisable amount and all liabilities at their estimate settlement amount. The liquidation costs are borne by the Manager.

Comparative Table

	X1 Accumulation Units		
	For the period from 1.1.2025 to 18.7.2025 Pence per unit	For the year to 31.12.2024 Pence per unit	For the year to 31.12.2023 Pence per unit
Change in net assets per unit			
Opening net asset value per unit	175.17	148.79	127.70
Return before operating charges	5.34	26.41	21.12
Operating charges	(0.01)	(0.03)	(0.03)
Return after operating charges	5.33	26.38	21.09
Distributions	–	(3.13)	(2.89)
Retained distributions on accumulation units	–	3.13	2.89
Last quoted unit price*	180.50	–	–
Closing net asset value per unit	–	175.17	148.79
After direct transaction costs of:	–	–	–
Performance			
Return after charges[1]	3.04%	17.73%	16.52%
Other Information			
Closing net asset value (£000's)	–	1,481,185	1,088,239
Closing number of units	–	845,570,681	731,408,490
Operating charges[2]	0.02%	0.02%	0.02%
Direct transaction costs[3]	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Prices	**Pence per unit**	**Pence per unit**	**Pence per unit**
Highest offer unit price	183.36	179.01	149.15
Lowest bid unit price	152.31	146.24	128.00

* As at the financial year end date, there are no units in issue. Unit class performance provided is as at 18 July 2025 being the last quoted price date before units were reduced to zero.

[1] The return after charges figures are based on the net asset value reported for financial statements purposes and are not the same as the performance returns figures quoted in the Performance Summary section of the Investment Manager's Report which are returns based on NAV per unit as at 12 noon for dealing purposes.

[2] Operating charges are annualised and exclude portfolio trade-related costs, except costs paid to the custodian/depositary and entry/exit charges paid to an underlying collective investment scheme (if any).

[3] Direct transaction costs are annualised and principally comprise commissions and taxes, attributable to the Fund's purchase and sale of debt instruments. See note 14 for further details.

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DISTRIBUTION TABLE

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

Final Distribution in Pence per Unit

	X1 Accumulation Units*
Net revenue	N/A
Distribution paid 27.2.2026	**N/A**
Distribution paid 28.2.2025	**3.1278**

* Fund closed on 18 July 2025, therefore no distribution is made for the financial year.

STATEMENT OF TOTAL RETURN

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

	Notes	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Income					
Net capital (losses)/gains	3		(24,883)		184,133
Revenue	4	16,019		25,124	
Expenses	5	(143)		(150)	
Interest payable and similar charges	6	(5)		(2)	
Net revenue before taxation		15,871		24,972	
Taxation	7	–		–	
Net revenue after taxation			15,871		24,972
Total return before distributions			(9,012)		209,105
Distributions	8		(15,810)		(24,940)
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities			**(24,822)**		**184,165**

STATEMENT OF CHANGE IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025.

	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Opening net assets attributable to unitholders		1,481,185		1,088,239
Amounts receivable on issue of units	71,305		198,864	
Amounts payable on cancellation of units	(75,779)		(16,531)	
Amounts payable on in-specie transactions	(1,451,887)		–	
Amounts payable on termination	(2)		–	
		(1,456,363)		182,333
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities		(24,822)		184,165
Retained distribution on accumulation units		–		26,448
Closing net assets attributable to unitholders		**–**		**1,481,185**

Note: The Fund closed on 18 July 2025.

BALANCE SHEET

As at 31 December 2025

	Notes	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Assets:			
Fixed assets			
– Investment assets		–	1,461,812
Current assets			
– Debtors	9	–	21,467
– Cash and bank balances		76	74
Total assets		**76**	**1,483,353**
Liabilities:			
Investment liabilities		–	(630)
Creditors			
– Bank overdrafts		(3)	–
– Amounts payable on termination	10	(43)	–
– Other creditors	10	(30)	(1,538)
Total liabilities		**(76)**	**(2,168)**
Net assets attributable to unitholders		**–**	**1,481,185**

On behalf of the Directors

A Lewis
Director
30 March 2026

A Hoctor-Duncan
Director
30 March 2026

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

1. Accounting and Distribution Policies

The material accounting and distribution policies are set out on pages 348 to 352.

2. Risk Management Policies

The Risk management policies are set out on pages 352 to 382.

3. Net Capital Gains

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
The net capital (losses)/gains comprise:		
(Losses)/gains on non-derivative securities*	(28,632)	183,892
Forward currency contracts	6,036	(793)
Currency (losses)/gains	(2,245)	1,093
Custodian transaction costs	14	(33)
Other expense from underlying CIS holdings	(58)	(25)
Rebate/(expense) from underlying CIS holdings	2	(1)
Net capital (losses)/gains	**(24,883)**	**184,133**

* Includes realised gains of £282,756,475 and unrealised losses of £311,388,305 (2024: realised gains of £3,473,027 and unrealised gains of £180,418,920). Where realised gains/losses include gains/losses arising in previous periods, a corresponding gains/losses is included in unrealised gains/losses.

4. Revenue

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Equity distributions on CIS holdings	1,506	2,620
Interest distributions on CIS holdings	2,807	3,823
Interest from UK bank deposits	2	104
Overseas dividends	10,262	16,373
Rebate from underlying CIS holdings	34	48
Securities lending revenue	48	109
UK dividends	939	1,362
UK REIT dividends	–	45
US REIT dividends	421	640
Total revenue	**16,019**	**25,124**

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

5. Expenses

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Receivable from the Manager or associates of the Manager:		
– Manager's charge and other expenses rebate[#]	–	(5)
Payable to the Depositary or associates of the Depositary:		
– Depositary fee	30	67
Other expenses:		
– Audit fee	16	11
– Credit administration expenses	10	5
– Closure costs	41	–
– Index licence fee	19	36
– Legal fee	4	1
– Miscellaneous	(1)	(1)
– Safe custody fee	24	36
Total expenses	**143**	**150**

[#] The Fund received rebates from the Manager to ensure that the operating charge does not exceed 0.02%.

6. Interest Payable and Similar Charges

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Interest on bank overdrafts	5	2
Total interest payable and similar charges	**5**	**2**

7. Taxation

(a) Analysis of tax charge

As the Fund is an Authorised Contractual Scheme, it is exempt from United Kingdom (UK) tax on capital gains realised on the disposal of investments held within the Fund and any UK corporation tax.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

8. Distributions

The distributions take account of revenue received on the issue of units and revenue deducted on the redemption of units and comprise:

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Final accumulation	–	26,448
	–	26,448
Add: Amounts deducted on cancellation of units	7,604	211
Add: Amounts deducted on in-specie transactions	8,482	–
Deduct: Amounts received on issue of units	(276)	(1,719)
Distributions	**15,810**	**24,940**
The distributable amount has been calculated as follows:		
Net revenue after taxation	15,871	24,972
Custodian transaction costs	(5)	(6)
Other expense from underlying CIS holdings	(58)	(25)
Rebate/(expense) from underlying CIS holdings	2	(1)
Distributions	**15,810**	**24,940**

Details of the final distribution per unit are set out in the table on page 158.

9. Debtors

	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Accrued manager's charge rebates	–	5
Accrued rebate from underlying CIS holdings	–	16
Accrued revenue	–	19,476
Amount receivable on issue of units	–	1,498
Sales awaiting settlement	–	472
Total debtors	**–**	**21,467**

10. Other Creditors

	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Accrued audit fee	7	7
Accrued depositary's fee	–	8
Accrued safe custody fee	22	17
Amount payable for cancellation of units	–	463
Amount payable on termination	43	–
Custodian transaction costs	1	31
Purchases awaiting settlement	–	1,012
Total other creditors	**73**	**1,538**

11. Contingent Assets and Liabilities

There were no significant capital commitments or contingent liabilities as at the 31 December 2025 and 31 December 2024.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

12. Related Parties

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.

The following entities were related parties of the Fund during the financial year ended 31 December 2025:

Directors of the Manager	
Manager:	BlackRock Fund Managers Limited
Investment Manager:	BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited
Stock Lending Agent:	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited

The ultimate holding company of the Manager, Investment Manager and Stock Lending Agent is BlackRock Inc. ("BlackRock"), a company incorporated in Delaware, USA.

The Manager acts as either principal or agent for the Depositary in respect of all transactions of units of the Fund. The aggregate monies received through issue and paid through cancellation of units are disclosed in the Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Unitholders and note 8. Any amounts due to or from the Manager at the financial year end are disclosed in notes 9 and 10. Securities lending revenue earned by the Fund is disclosed in note 4.

The Investment Manager, in accordance with the Contractual Scheme Deed, may enter into commission sharing arrangements with related parties (including, without limitation, brokers who are affiliated to the BlackRock Group), which may result in the Fund benefiting from research or execution services which the Investment Manager believes are useful in the investment decision-making or trade execution process. Such research or execution services may include, without limitation and to the extent permitted by applicable law: research reports on companies, industries and securities; and the provision of economic and financial information and analysis. Due to the bundled nature of these services and the application of such benefits across a number of BlackRock managed funds, it is not feasible to quantify the benefit to the Fund. The Investment Manager may also enter into these arrangements with brokers who are not affiliated to the BlackRock Group.

Holdings in other funds managed by BlackRock

The Fund's investments in other BlackRock related party entities are individually identified on the portfolio statement.

Significant investors

The following investors are:
a. funds managed by the BlackRock Group or are affiliates of BlackRock Inc. ("BlackRock Related Investors") or
b. investors (other than those listed in (a) above) who held 51% or more of the voting units in issue in the Fund and are as a result, considered to be related parties to the Fund ("Significant Investors").

As at 31 December 2025:

Total % of units held by BlackRock Related Investors	Total % of units held by Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors	Number of Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors
Nil	Nil	Nil

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

12. Related Parties (continued**)**

As at 31 December 2024:

Total % of units held by BlackRock Related Investors	Total % of units held by Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors	Number of Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors
49%	51%	1

For the financial year ended 31 December 2025, the Fund paid out a total of £1,452 million (31 December 2024: £Nil) in respect of in-specie transactions with its related parties.

13. Credit Facility

The Fund entered into a credit facility with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. ("JPMorgan"), whereby JPMorgan, together with other syndicated lenders, made a portion of a USD 600 million credit facility available to the Fund. This portion of the USD 600 million credit facility will be allocated to the Fund based on the credit facility agreement dated 17 April 2025. This credit facility may be utilised by the Fund for temporary funding purposes, including, without limitation, the funding of investor redemptions. Any interest and commitment fees in relation to drawdowns from such credit facility are paid out of the assets of the Fund.

A loan commitment fee is charged on a daily basis in relation to this credit facility which is included in the Statement of Total Return under caption "Expenses". The loan commitment fee is charged at 0.10% per annum on the undrawn portion of the loan commitment.

No portion of the credit facility was used during the financial year ended 31 December 2025 and during the financial year ended 31 December 2024.

14. Portfolio Transaction Costs

For the Fund's investment in collective investment scheme holdings there will potentially be dealing spread costs applicable to purchases and sales. However additionally there are indirect transaction costs incurred in those underlying funds, throughout the holding period for the instruments, which are not separately identifiable.

Dealing spread costs incurred by the Fund vary considerably for the different asset/instrument types depending on a number of factors including transaction value and market sentiment.

At the Balance Sheet date, the average portfolio dealing spread (difference between bid and offer prices of all investments expressed as a percentage of the offer price value) was Nil (31 December 2024: Nil).

15. Units in Issue

Revenue is allocated each day pro rata to the capital value of assets attributable to each class and taxation is computed by reference to the net revenue after expenses attributable to each class. The distribution per unit class is given in the distribution table. All unit classes have the same rights on winding up.

The movement in units in issue for the financial year ended 31 December 2025 is as follows:

	X1 Accumulation Units
Balance at the beginning of the year	845,570,681
Issued during the year	41,461,370
Cancelled during the year	(887,032,051)
Balance at the end of the year	**–**

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

16. Subsequent Events

There have been no significant events subsequent to the financial year end, which, in the opinion of the Manager, may have had an impact on the financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2025.

PORTFOLIO STATEMENT

As at 31 December 2025

Holding or Nominal Value	Investment	Market Value £000's	% of Total Net Assets
	COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES - 0.00%; 31.12.24 98.68%		
	Equity Funds - 0.00%; 31.12.24 92.06%		
	Fixed Income Funds - 0.00%; 31.12.24 6.62%		

Holding or Nominal Value	Investment	Underlying Exposure £000's	Market Value £000's	% of Total Net Assets
	DERIVATIVES - 0.00%; 31.12.24 (0.03)%			
	Forward Currency Contracts - 0.00%; 31.12.24 (0.03)%			
	Portfolio of investments		**–**	**–**
	Net other assets		–	–
	Total net assets		**–**	**–**

Note: No Investments are held as the Fund closed on 18 July 2025.

About the Fund

The Fund is a sub-fund of BlackRock Authorised Contractual Scheme 2, a NURS under the COLL Sourcebook. The Fund was authorised by the FCA on 5 April 2018. The Fund's FCA product reference number is 805829.

The Manager has decided to close the Fund on 18 July 2025 and as a result, these financial statements are prepared on a break-up basis for the financial year ended 31 December 2025. Under this basis, all assets are recorded at their estimated realisable amount and all liabilities at their estimate settlement amount. The liquidation costs are borne by the Manager.

Comparative Table

	X1 Accumulation Units		
	For the period from 1.1.2025 to 18.7.2025 Pence per unit	For the year to 31.12.2024 Pence per unit	For the year to 31.12.2023 Pence per unit
Change in net assets per unit			
Opening net asset value per unit	178.25	150.57	128.65
Return before operating charges	5.67	27.71	21.95
Operating charges	(0.01)	(0.03)	(0.03)
Return after operating charges	5.66	27.68	21.92
Distributions	–	(3.09)	(2.96)
Retained distributions on accumulation units	–	3.09	2.96
Last quoted unit price*	183.91	–	–
Closing net asset value per unit	–	178.25	150.57
After direct transaction costs of:	–	–	–
Performance			
Return after charges[1]	3.18%	18.38%	17.04%
Other Information			
Closing net asset value (£000's)	–	641,412	486,030
Closing number of units	–	359,829,883	322,794,441
Operating charges[2]	0.02%	0.02%	0.02%
Direct transaction costs[3]	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Prices	**Pence per unit**	**Pence per unit**	**Pence per unit**
Highest offer unit price	186.84	182.22	150.93
Lowest bid unit price	153.95	147.97	129.00

* As at the financial year end date, there are no units in issue. Unit class performance provided is as at 18 July 2025 being the last quoted price date before units were reduced to zero.

[1] The return after charges figures are based on the net asset value reported for financial statements purposes and are not the same as the performance returns figures quoted in the Performance Summary section of the Investment Manager's Report which are returns based on NAV per unit as at 12 noon for dealing purposes.

[2] Operating charges are annualised and exclude portfolio trade-related costs, except costs paid to the custodian/depositary and entry/exit charges paid to an underlying collective investment scheme (if any).

[3] Direct transaction costs are annualised and principally comprise commissions and taxes, attributable to the Fund's purchase and sale of debt instruments. See note 14 for further details.

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DISTRIBUTION TABLE

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

Final Distribution in Pence per Unit

	X1 Accumulation Units*
Net revenue	N/A
Distribution paid 27.2.2026	**N/A**
Distribution paid 28.2.2025	**3.0946**

* Fund closed on 18 July 2025, therefore no distribution is made for the financial year.

STATEMENT OF TOTAL RETURN

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

	Notes	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Income					
Net capital (losses)/gains	3		(8,307)		84,164
Revenue	4	6,824		10,713	
Expenses	5	(86)		(54)	
Interest payable and similar charges	6	(2)		(1)	
Net revenue before taxation		6,736		10,658	
Taxation	7	–		–	
Net revenue after taxation			6,736		10,658
Total return before distributions			(1,571)		94,822
Distributions	8		(6,709)		(10,639)
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities			**(8,280)**		**84,183**

STATEMENT OF CHANGE IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Opening net assets attributable to unitholders		641,412		486,030
Amounts receivable on issue of units	31,829		71,732	
Amounts payable on cancellation of units	(58,942)		(11,668)	
Amounts payable on in-specie transactions	(606,018)		–	
Amounts payable on termination	(1)		–	
		(633,132)		60,064
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities		(8,280)		84,183
Retained distribution on accumulation units		–		11,135
Closing net assets attributable to unitholders		**–**		**641,412**

Note: The Fund closed on 18 July 2025.

BALANCE SHEET

As at 31 December 2025

	Notes	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Assets:			
Fixed assets			
– Investment assets		–	632,739
Current assets			
– Debtors	9	15	9,881
– Cash and bank balances		83	31
Total assets		**98**	**642,651**
Liabilities:			
Investment liabilities		–	(279)
Creditors			
– Bank overdrafts		(1)	–
– Amounts payable on termination	10	(43)	–
– Other creditors	10	(54)	(960)
Total liabilities		**(98)**	**(1,239)**
Net assets attributable to unitholders		**–**	**641,412**

On behalf of the Directors

A Lewis
Director
30 March 2026

A Hoctor-Duncan
Director
30 March 2026

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

1. Accounting and Distribution Policies

The material accounting and distribution policies are set out on pages 348 to 352.

2. Risk Management Policies

The Risk management policies are set out on pages 352 to 382.

3. Net Capital (Losses)/Gains

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
The net capital (losses)/gains comprise:		
(Losses)/gains on non-derivative securities*	(10,016)	84,069
Forward currency contracts	2,727	(338)
Currency (losses)/gains	(979)	470
Custodian transaction costs	(13)	(24)
Expense from underlying CIS holdings	–	(1)
Other expense from underlying CIS holdings	(26)	(12)
Net capital (losses)/gains	**(8,307)**	**84,164**

*Includes realised gains of £136,247,262 and unrealised losses of £146,262,660 (2024: realised gains of £2,402,678 and unrealised gains of £81,666,768). Where realised gains/losses include gains/losses arising in previous periods, a corresponding gains/losses is included in unrealised gains/losses.

4. Revenue

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Equity distributions on CIS holdings	658	1,130
Interest distributions on CIS holdings	739	1,100
Interest from UK bank deposits	–	45
Overseas dividends	4,765	7,432
Rebate from underlying CIS holdings	17	25
Securities lending revenue	23	50
UK dividends	426	620
UK REIT dividends	–	20
US REIT dividends	196	291
Total revenue	**6,824**	**10,713**

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

5. Expenses

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Receivable from the Manager or associates of the Manager:		
– Manager's charge and other expenses rebate[#]	(15)	(30)
Payable to the Depositary or associates of the Depositary:		
– Depositary fee	13	34
Other expenses:		
– Audit fee	14	9
– Credit administration expenses	5	2
– Closure cost	42	–
– Index licence fee	8	16
– Legal fee	4	–
– Miscellaneous	–	(1)
– Safe custody fee	15	24
Total expenses	**86**	**54**

[#] The Fund received rebates from the Manager to ensure that the operating charge does not exceed 0.02%.

6. Interest Payable and Similar Charges

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Interest on bank overdrafts	2	1
Total interest payable and similar charges	**2**	**1**

7. Taxation

(a) Analysis of tax charge

As the Fund is an Authorised Contractual Scheme, it is exempt from United Kingdom (UK) tax on capital gains realised on the disposal of investments held within the Fund and any UK corporation tax.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

8. Distributions

The distributions take account of revenue received on the issue of units and revenue deducted on the redemption of units and comprise:

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Final accumulation	–	11,135
	–	11,135
Add: Amounts deducted on cancellation of units	1,103	145
Add: Amounts deducted on in-specie transactions	5,766	–
Deduct: Amounts received on issue of units	(160)	(641)
Distributions	**6,709**	**10,639**
The distributable amount has been calculated as follows:		
Net revenue after taxation	6,736	10,658
Add: Capitalised expenses	–	(1)
Add: Revenue brought forward	1	–
Deduct: Revenue carried forward	–	(1)
Custodian transaction cost	(2)	(4)
Expense from underlying CIS holdings	–	(1)
Other expense from underlying CIS holdings	(26)	(12)
Distributions	**6,709**	**10,639**

Details of the final distribution per unit are set out in the table on page 170.

9. Debtors

	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Accrued manager's charge rebates	–	29
Accrued rebate from underlying CIS holdings	15	7
Accrued revenue	–	8,744
Amount receivable on issue of units	–	1,101
Total debtors	**15**	**9,881**

10. Other Creditors

	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Accrued admin fee	1	–
Accrued audit fee	7	7
Accrued depositary's fee	1	8
Accrued safe custody fee	21	17
Amount payable on termination	43	–
Custodian transaction costs	24	24
Purchases awaiting settlement	–	904
Total other creditors	**97**	**960**

11. Contingent Assets and Liabilities

There were no significant capital commitments or contingent liabilities as at the 31 December 2025 and 31 December 2024.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

12. Related Parties

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.

The following entities were related parties of the Fund during the financial year ended 31 December 2025:

Directors of the Manager	
Manager:	BlackRock Fund Managers Limited
Investment Manager:	BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited
Stock Lending Agent:	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited

The ultimate holding company of the Manager, Investment Manager and Stock Lending Agent is BlackRock Inc. ("BlackRock"), a company incorporated in Delaware, USA.

The Manager acts as either principal or agent for the Depositary in respect of all transactions of units of the Fund. The aggregate monies received through issue and paid through cancellation of units are disclosed in the Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Unitholders and note 8. Any amounts due to or from the Manager at the financial year end are disclosed in notes 9 and 10. Securities lending revenue earned by the Fund is disclosed in note 4.

The Investment Manager, in accordance with the Contractual Scheme Deed, may enter into commission sharing arrangements with related parties (including, without limitation, brokers who are affiliated to the BlackRock Group), which may result in the Fund benefiting from research or execution services which the Investment Manager believes are useful in the investment decision-making or trade execution process. Such research or execution services may include, without limitation and to the extent permitted by applicable law: research reports on companies, industries and securities; and the provision of economic and financial information and analysis. Due to the bundled nature of these services and the application of such benefits across a number of BlackRock managed funds, it is not feasible to quantify the benefit to the Fund. The Investment Manager may also enter into these arrangements with brokers who are not affiliated to the BlackRock Group.

Holdings in other funds managed by BlackRock

The Fund's investments in other BlackRock related party entities are individually identified on the portfolio statement.

Significant investors

The following investors are:
a. funds managed by the BlackRock Group or are affiliates of BlackRock Inc. ("BlackRock Related Investors") or
b. investors (other than those listed in (a) above) who held 51% or more of the voting units in issue in the Fund and are as a result, considered to be related parties to the Fund ("Significant Investors").

As at 31 December 2025:

Total % of units held by BlackRock Related Investors	Total % of units held by Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors	Number of Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors
Nil	Nil	Nil

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

12. Related Parties (continued)

As at 31 December 2024:

Total % of units held by BlackRock Related Investors	Total % of units held by Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors	Number of Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors
Nil	100%	1

For the financial year ended 31 December 2025, the Fund paid out a total of £606 million (31 December 2024: £Nil) in respect of in-specie transactions with its related parties.

13. Credit Facility

The Fund entered into a credit facility with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. ("JPMorgan"), whereby JPMorgan, together with other syndicated lenders, made a portion of a USD 600 million credit facility available to the Fund. This portion of the USD 600 million credit facility will be allocated to the Fund based on the credit facility agreement dated 17 April 2025. This credit facility may be utilised by the Fund for temporary funding purposes, including, without limitation, the funding of investor redemptions. Any interest and commitment fees in relation to drawdowns from such credit facility are paid out of the assets of the Fund.

A loan commitment fee is charged on a daily basis in relation to this credit facility which is included in the Statement of Total Return under caption "Expenses". The loan commitment fee is charged at 0.10% per annum on the undrawn portion of the loan commitment.

No portion of the credit facility was used during the financial year ended 31 December 2025 and during the financial year ended 31 December 2024.

14. Portfolio Transaction Costs

For the Fund's investment in collective investment scheme holdings there will potentially be dealing spread costs applicable to purchases and sales. However additionally there are indirect transaction costs incurred in those underlying funds, throughout the holding period for the instruments, which are not separately identifiable.

Dealing spread costs incurred by the Fund vary considerably for the different asset/instrument types depending on a number of factors including transaction value and market sentiment.

At the Balance Sheet date, the average portfolio dealing spread (difference between bid and offer prices of all investments expressed as a percentage of the offer price value) was Nil (31 December 2024: 0.02%).

15. Units in Issue

Revenue is allocated each day pro rata to the capital value of assets attributable to each class and taxation is computed by reference to the net revenue after expenses attributable to each class. The distribution per unit class is given in the distribution table. All unit classes have the same rights on winding up.

The movement in units in issue for the financial year ended 31 December 2025 is as follows:

	X1 Accumulation Units
Balance at the beginning of the year	359,829,883
Issued during the year	18,320,745
Cancelled during the year	(378,150,628)
Balance at the end of the year	**–**

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

16. Subsequent Events

There have been no significant events subsequent to the financial year end, which, in the opinion of the Manager, may have had an impact on the financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2025.

PORTFOLIO STATEMENT

As at 31 December 2025

Holding or Nominal Value	Investment	Market Value £000's	% of Total Net Assets
	COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES - 0.00%; 31.12.24 98.63%		
	Equity Funds - 0.00%; 31.12.24 95.71%		
	Fixed Income Funds - 0.00%; 31.12.24 2.92%		

Holding or Nominal Value	Investment	Underlying Exposure £000's	Market Value £000's	% of Total Net Assets
	DERIVATIVES - 0.00%; 31.12.24 (0.03)%			
	Forward Currency Contracts - 0.00%; 31.12.24 (0.03)%			
	Portfolio of investments		**–**	**–**
	Net other assets		–	–
	Total net assets		**–**	**–**

Note: No Investments are held as the Fund closed on 18 July 2025.

About the Fund

The Fund is a sub-fund of BlackRock Authorised Contractual Scheme 2, a NURS under the COLL Sourcebook. The Fund was authorised by the FCA on 10 June 2021. The Fund's FCA product reference number is 953803.

The Manager decided to close the Fund on 18 July 2025 and as a result, the financial statements are prepared on a break-up basis for the financial year ended 31 December 2025. Under this basis, all assets are recorded at their estimated realisable amount and all liabilities at their estimate settlement amount. The liquidation costs are borne by the Manager.

Comparative Table

	X1 Accumulation Units		
	For the period from 1.1.2025 to 18.7.2025 Pence per unit	For the year to 31.12.2024 Pence per unit	For the year to 31.12.2023 Pence per unit
Change in net assets per unit			
Opening net asset value per unit	129.42	109.03	93.02
Return before operating charges	4.03	20.41	16.03
Operating charges	(0.01)	(0.02)	(0.02)
Return after operating charges	4.02	20.39	16.01
Distributions	–	(2.21)	(2.13)
Retained distributions on accumulation units	–	2.21	2.13
Last quoted unit price*	133.44	–	–
Closing net asset value per unit	–	129.42	109.03
After direct transaction costs of:	–	–	–
Performance			
Return after charges[1]	3.11%	18.70%	17.21%
Other Information			
Closing net asset value (£000's)	–	967,432	677,319
Closing number of units	–	747,498,978	621,236,825
Operating charges[2]	0.02%	0.02%	0.02%
Direct transaction costs[3]	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Prices	**Pence per unit**	**Pence per unit**	**Pence per unit**
Highest offer unit price	135.78	132.35	109.31
Lowest bid unit price	111.07	107.16	93.15

* As at the financial year end date, there are no units in issue. Unit class performance provided is as at 18 July 2025 being the last quoted price date before units were reduced to zero.

[1] The return after charges figures are based on the net asset value reported for financial statements purposes and are not the same as the performance returns figures quoted in the Performance Summary section of the Investment Manager's Report which are returns based on NAV per unit as at 12 noon for dealing purposes.

[2] Operating charges are annualised and exclude portfolio trade-related costs, except costs paid to the custodian/depositary and entry/exit charges paid to an underlying collective investment scheme (if any).

[3] Direct transaction costs are annualised and principally comprise commissions and taxes, attributable to the Fund's purchase and sale of debt instruments. See note 14 for further details.

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DISTRIBUTION TABLE

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

Final Distribution in Pence per Unit

	X1 Accumulation Units*
Net revenue	N/A
Distribution paid 27.2.2026	**N/A**
Distribution paid 28.2.2025	**2.2143**

* Fund closed on 18 July 2025, therefore no distribution is made for the financial year.

STATEMENT OF TOTAL RETURN

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

	Notes	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Income					
Net capital gains	3		1,365		124,807
Revenue	4	6,339		15,421	
Expenses	5	(99)		(61)	
Interest payable and similar charges	6	(16)		(4)	
Net revenue before taxation		6,224		15,356	
Taxation	7	–		–	
Net revenue after taxation			6,224		15,356
Total return before distributions			7,589		140,163
Distributions	8		(6,194)		(15,332)
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities			**1,395**		**124,831**

STATEMENT OF CHANGE IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Opening net assets attributable to unitholders		967,432		677,319
Amounts receivable on issue of units	42,140		179,005	
Amounts payable on cancellation of units	(421,123)		(30,275)	
Amounts payable on in-specie transactions	(589,827)		–	
Amounts payable on termination	(17)		–	
		(968,827)		148,730
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities		1,395		124,831
Retained distribution on accumulation units		–		16,552
Closing net assets attributable to unitholders		**–**		**967,432**

Note: The Fund closed on 18 July 2025.

BALANCE SHEET

As at 31 December 2025

	Notes	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Assets:			
Fixed assets			
– Investment assets		–	953,999
Current assets			
– Debtors	9	–	15,037
– Cash and bank balances		65	47
Total assets		**65**	**969,083**
Liabilities:			
Investment liabilities		–	(421)
Creditors			
– Bank overdrafts		(1)	–
– Amounts payable on termination	10	(56)	
– Other creditors	10	(8)	(1,230)
Total liabilities		**(65)**	**(1,651)**
Net assets attributable to unitholders		**–**	**967,432**

On behalf of the Directors

A Lewis
Director
30 March 2026

A Hoctor-Duncan
Director
30 March 2026

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

1. Accounting and Distribution Policies

The material accounting and distribution policies are set out on pages 348 to 352.

2. Risk Management Policies

The Risk management policies are set out on pages 352 to 382.

3. Net Capital Gains

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
The net capital gains comprise:		
Gains on non-derivative securities*	939	124,717
Forward currency contracts	1,436	(548)
Currency (losses)/gains	(1,005)	692
Custodian transaction costs	20	(36)
Other expense from underlying CIS holdings	(27)	(18)
Rebate from underlying CIS holdings	2	–
Net capital gains	**1,365**	**124,807**

* Includes realised gains of £174,048,440 and unrealised loss of £173,109,359 (2024: realised gains of £2,092,220 and unrealised gains of £122,625,563). Where realised gains/(losses) includes gains/(losses) arising in previous periods, a corresponding gains/(losses) is included in unrealised gains/(losses).

4. Revenue

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Equity distributions on CIS holdings	597	2,186
Interest distributions on CIS holdings	79	647
Interest from UK bank deposits	16	44
Overseas dividends	4,955	11,047
Rebate from underlying CIS holdings	28	41
Securities lending revenue	25	74
UK dividends	429	919
UK REIT dividends	–	30
US REIT dividends	210	433
Total revenue	**6,339**	**15,421**

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

5. Expenses

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Receivable from the Manager or associates of the Manager:		
– Manager's charge and other expenses rebate[#]	–	(22)
Payable to the Depositary or associates of the Depositary:		
– Depositary fee	17	48
Other expenses:		
– Audit fee	14	10
– Credit administration expenses	6	1
– Closure costs	40	–
– Index licence fee	10	–
– Legal fee	2	9
– Safe custody fee	10	15
Total expenses	**99**	**61**

[#] The Fund received rebates from the Manager to ensure that the operating charges does not exceed 0.02%.

6. Interest Payable and Similar Charges

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Interest on bank overdrafts	16	4
Total interest payable and similar charges	**16**	**4**

7. Taxation

(a) Analysis of tax charge

As the Fund is an Authorised Contractual Scheme, it is exempt from United Kingdom (UK) tax on capital gains realised on the disposal of investments held within the Fund and any UK corporation tax.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

8. Distributions

The distributions take account of revenue received on the issue of units and revenue deducted on the redemption of units and comprise:

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Final accumulation	–	16,552
	–	16,552
Add: Amounts deducted on cancellation of units	11,071	143
Add: Amounts deducted on in-specie transactions	(4,707)	–
Deduct: Amounts received on issue of units	(170)	(1,363)
Distributions	**6,194**	**15,332**
The distributable amount has been calculated as follows:		
Net revenue after taxation	6,224	15,356
Custodian transaction costs	(3)	(6)
Other expense from underlying CIS holdings	(27)	(18)
Distributions	**6,194**	**15,332**

Details of the final distribution per unit are set out in the table on page 182 .

9. Debtors

	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Accrued manager's charge rebates	–	22
Accrued rebate from underlying CIS holdings	–	12
Accrued revenue	–	13,510
Amount receivable on issue of units	–	1,493
Total debtors	–	**15,037**

10. Other Creditors

	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Accrued audit fee	7	7
Accrued depositary's fee	–	8
Accrued safe custody fee	–	2
Amount payable on termination	56	–
Custodian transaction costs	1	37
Purchases awaiting settlement	–	1,176
Total other creditors	**64**	**1,230**

11. Contingent Assets and Liabilities

There were no significant capital commitments or contingent liabilities at the 31 December 2025 and 31 December 2024.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

12. Related Parties

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.

The following entities were related parties of the Fund during the financial year ended 31 December 2025:

Directors of the Manager	
Manager:	BlackRock Fund Managers Limited
Investment Manager:	BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited
Stock Lending Agent:	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited

The ultimate holding company of the Manager, Investment Manager and Securities Lending Agent is BlackRock Inc. ("BlackRock"), a company incorporated in Delaware, USA.

The Manager acts as either principal or agent for the Depositary in respect of all transactions of units of the Fund. The aggregate monies received through issue and paid through cancellation of units are disclosed in the Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Unitholders and note 8. Any amounts due to or from the Manager at the financial year end are disclosed in notes 9 and 10. Securities lending revenue earned by the Fund is disclosed in note 4.

The Investment Manager, in accordance with the Contractual Scheme Deed, may enter into commission sharing arrangements with related parties (including, without limitation, brokers who are affiliated to the BlackRock Group), which may result in the Fund benefiting from research or execution services which the Investment Manager believes are useful in the investment decision-making or trade execution process. Such research or execution services may include, without limitation and to the extent permitted by applicable law: research reports on companies, industries and securities; and the provision of economic and financial information and analysis. Due to the bundled nature of these services and the application of such benefits across a number of BlackRock managed funds, it is not feasible to quantify the benefit to the Fund. The Investment Manager may also enter into these arrangements with brokers who are not affiliated to the BlackRock Group.

Holdings in other funds managed by BlackRock

The Fund's investments in other BlackRock related party entities are individually identified on the portfolio statement.

Significant investors

The following investors are:
a. funds managed by the BlackRock Group or are affiliates of BlackRock Inc. ("BlackRock Related Investors") or
b. investors (other than those listed in (a) above) who held 51% or more of the voting units in issue in the Fund and are as a result, considered to be related parties to the Fund ("Significant Investors").

As at 31 December 2025:

Total % of units held by BlackRock Related Investors	Total % of units held by Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors	Number of Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors
Nil	Nil	Nil

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

12. Related Parties (continued**)**

As at 31 December 2024:

Total % of units held by BlackRock Related Investors	Total % of units held by Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors	Number of Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors
46%	54%	1

For the financial year ended 31 December 2025, the Fund paid out a total of £590 million (31 December 2024: £Nil) in respect of in-specie transactions with its related parties.

13. Credit Facility

The Fund entered into a credit facility with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. ("JPMorgan"), whereby JPMorgan, together with other syndicated lenders, made a portion of a USD 600 million credit facility available to the Fund. This portion of the USD 600 million credit facility will be allocated to the Fund based on the credit facility agreement dated 17 April 2025. This credit facility may be utilised by the Fund for temporary funding purposes, including, without limitation, the funding of investor redemptions. Any interest and commitment fees in relation to drawdowns from such credit facility are paid out of the assets of the Fund.

A loan commitment fee is charged on a daily basis in relation to this credit facility which is included in the Statement of Total Return under caption "Expenses". The loan commitment fee is charged at 0.10% per annum on the undrawn portion of the loan commitment.

No portion of the credit facility was used during the financial year ended 31 December 2025 and during the financial year ended 31 December 2024.

14. Portfolio Transaction Costs

For the Fund's investment in collective investment scheme holdings there will potentially be dealing spread costs applicable to purchases and sales. However additionally there are indirect transaction costs incurred in those underlying funds, throughout the holding period for the instruments, which are not separately identifiable.

Dealing spread costs incurred by the Fund vary considerably for the different asset/instrument types depending on a number of factors including transaction value and market sentiment.

At the Balance Sheet date, the average portfolio dealing spread (difference between bid and offer prices of all investments expressed as a percentage of the offer price value) was Nil (31 December 2024: 0.02%).

15. Units in Issue

Revenue is allocated each day pro rata to the capital value of assets attributable to each class and taxation is computed by reference to the net revenue after expenses attributable to each class. The distribution per unit class is given in the distribution table. All unit classes have the same rights on winding up.

The movement in units in issue for the financial year ended 31 December 2025 is as follows:

	X1 Accumulation Units
Balance at the beginning of the year	747,498,978
Issued during the year	33,283,743
Cancelled during the year	(780,782,721)
Balance at the end of the year	**–**

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

16. Subsequent Events

There have been no significant events subsequent to the financial year end, which, in the opinion of the Manager, may have had an impact on the financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2025.

PORTFOLIO STATEMENT

As at 31 December 2025

Holding or Nominal Value	Investment	Market Value £000's	% of Total Net Assets
	COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES - 0.00%; 31.12.24 98.59%		
	Equity Funds - 0.00%; 31.12.24 97.87%		
	Fixed Income Funds - 0.00%; 31.12.24 0.72%		

Holding or Nominal Value	Investment	Market Value £000's	% of Total Net
	DERIVATIVES - 0.00%; 31.12.24 (0.03)%		
	Forward Currency Contracts - 0.00%; 31.12.24 (0.03)%		
	Portfolio of investments	**–**	**–**
	Net other assets	–	–
	Total net assets	**–**	**–**

Note: No Investments are held as the Fund closed on 18 July 2025.

BLACKROCK DEFENSIVE INVESTMENT FUND

About the Fund

The Fund is a sub-fund of BlackRock Authorised Contractual Scheme 2, a NURS under the COLL Sourcebook. The Fund was authorised by the FCA on 19 May 2025 and launched on 16 June 2025. The Fund's FCA product reference number is 1034680.

Comparative Table

	X1 Accumulation Units
	For the period from 16.6.2025* to 31.12.2025 Pence per unit
Change in net assets per unit	
Opening net asset value per unit	100.00
Return before operating charges	7.91
Operating charges	(0.01)
Return after operating charges	7.90
Distributions	(0.71)
Retained distributions on accumulation units	0.71
Closing net asset value per unit	107.90
After direct transaction costs of:	–
Performance	
Return after charges[1]	7.90%
Other Information	
Closing net asset value (£000's)	1,687,955
Closing number of units	1,564,318,024
Operating charges[2]	0.02%
Direct transaction costs[3]	0.00%
Prices	**Pence per unit**
Highest offer unit price	108.17
Lowest bid unit price	99.41

* The date of commencement of operations.

[1] The return after charges figures are based on the net asset value reported for financial statements purposes and are not the same as the performance returns figures quoted in the Performance Summary section of the Investment Manager's Report which are returns based on NAV per unit as at 12 noon for dealing purposes.

[2] Operating charges are annualised and exclude portfolio trade-related costs, except costs paid to the custodian/depositary and entry/exit charges paid to an underlying collective investment scheme (if any).

[3] Direct transaction costs are annualised and principally comprise commissions and taxes, attributable to the Fund’s purchase and sale of equity instruments. See note 14 for further details.

BLACKROCK DEFENSIVE INVESTMENT FUND

DISTRIBUTION TABLE

for the financial period from 16 June 2025 to 31 December 2025

Final Distribution in Pence per Unit

	X1 Accumulation Units
Net revenue	0.7071
Distribution paid 27.2.2026	**0.7071**

Note: The Fund launched on 16 June 2025, therefore no comparatives have been presented.

STATEMENT OF TOTAL RETURN

for the financial period from 16 June 2025 to 31 December 2025

	Notes	£000's	For the period from 16.6.2025 to 31.12.2025[1] £000's
Income			
Net capital gains	3		78,686
Revenue	4	8,746	
Expenses	5	(54)	
Interest payable and similar charges	6	(2)	
Net revenue before taxation		8,690	
Taxation	7	(2)	
Net revenue after taxation			8,688
Total return before distributions			87,374
Distributions	8		(8,683)
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities			**78,691**

STATEMENT OF CHANGE IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS

for the financial period from 16 June 2025 to 31 December 2025

	£000's	For the period from 16.6.2025 to 31.12.2025[1] £000's
Opening net assets attributable to unitholders		–
Amounts receivable on issue of units	1,258,545	
Amounts receivable on in-specie transactions	389,996	
Amounts payable on cancellation of units	(50,338)	
		1,598,203
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities		78,691
Retained distribution on accumulation units		11,061
Closing net assets attributable to unitholders		**1,687,955**

[1] The Fund launched on 16 June 2025, therefore no comparatives have been presented.

BALANCE SHEET

As at 31 December 2025

	Notes	31.12.2025[1] £000's
Assets:		
Fixed assets		
– Investment assets		1,633,718
Current assets		
– Debtors	9	86,283
– Cash and bank balances		169
Total assets		**1,720,170**
Liabilities:		
Investment liabilities		(121)
Creditors		
– Other creditors	10	(32,094)
Total liabilities		**(32,215)**
Net assets attributable to unitholders		**1,687,955**

[1] The Fund launched on 16 June 2025, therefore no comparatives have been presented.

On behalf of the Directors

A Lewis
Director
30 March 2026

A Hoctor-Duncan
Director
30 March 2026

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the financial period from 16 June 2025 to 31 December 2025

1. Accounting and Distribution Policies

The material accounting and distribution policies are set out on pages 348 to 352.

2. Risk Management Policies

The Risk management policies are set out on pages 352 to 382.

3. Net Capital Gains

	For the period from 16.6.2025 to 31.12.2025 £000's
The net capital gains comprise:	
Gains on non-derivative securities*	75,592
Forward currency contracts	(653)
Currency gains	3,825
Custodian transaction costs	(75)
Other expense from underlying CIS holdings	(3)
Net capital gains	**78,686**

* Includes realised gains of £8,272,613 and unrealised gains of £67,319,366. Where realised gains/losses include gains/losses arising in previous periods, a corresponding gains/losses is included in unrealised gains/losses.

4. Revenue

	For the period from 16.6.2025 to 31.12.2025 £000's
Equity distributions on CIS holdings	89
Interest distributions on CIS holdings	5,339
Interest from UK bank deposits	2
Overseas dividends	3,026
Rebate from underlying CIS holdings	23
Securities lending revenue	16
UK dividends	163
US REIT dividends	88
Total revenue	**8,746**

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

5. Expenses

	For the period from 16.6.2025 to 31.12.2025 £000's
Receivable from/Payable to the Manager or associates of the Manager:	
– Annual service charge	33
– Manager's charge and other expenses rebate[#]	(14)
Payable to the Depositary or associates of the Depositary:	
– Depositary fee	18
Other expenses:	
– Audit fee	9
– Legal fee	4
– Safe custody fee	4
Total expenses	**54**

[#] The Fund received rebates from the Manager to ensure that the operating charge does not exceed 0.02%.

6. Interest Payable and Similar Charges

	For the period from 16.6.2025 to 31.12.2025 £000's
Interest on bank overdrafts	2
Total interest payable and similar charges	**2**

7. Taxation

(a) Analysis of tax charge

As the Fund is an Authorised Contractual Scheme, it is exempt from United Kingdom (UK) tax on capital gains realised on the disposal of investments held within the Fund and any UK corporation tax.

8. Distributions

The distributions take account of revenue received on the issue of units and revenue deducted on the redemption of units and comprise:

	For the period from 16.6.2025 to 31.12.2025 £000's
Final accumulation	11,061
	11,061
Add: Amounts deducted on cancellation of units	378
Deduct: Amounts received on issue of units	(2,693)
Deduct: Amounts received on in-specie transactions	(63)
Distributions	**8,683**
The distributable amount has been calculated as follows:	
Net revenue after taxation	8,688
Custodian transaction costs	(2)
Other expense from underlying CIS holdings	(3)
Distributions	**8,683**

Details of the final distribution per unit are set out in the table on page 194.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

9. Debtors

	31.12.2025 £000's
Accrued rebate from underlying CIS holdings	14
Accrued revenue	3,978
Amount receivable on issue of units	82,290
Overseas tax recoverable	1
Total debtors	**86,283**

10. Other Creditors

	31.12.2025 £000's
Accrued admin fee	20
Accrued audit fee	8
Accrued depositary's fee	3
Accrued legal fee	4
Currency deals awaiting settlement	3
Custodian transaction costs	1
Purchases awaiting settlement	32,055
Total other creditors	**32,094**

11. Contingent Assets and Liabilities

There were no significant capital commitments or contingent liabilities as at the 31 December 2025 and 31 December 2024.

12. Related Parties

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.

The following entities were related parties of the Fund during the financial period ended 31 December 2025:

Directors of the Manager	
Manager:	BlackRock Fund Managers Limited
Investment Manager:	BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited
Stock Lending Agent:	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited

The ultimate holding company of the Manager, Investment Manager and Stock Lending Agent is BlackRock Inc. (“BlackRock”), a company incorporated in Delaware, USA.

The Manager acts as either principal or agent for the Depositary in respect of all transactions of units of the Fund. The aggregate monies received through issue and paid through cancellation of units are disclosed in the Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Unitholders and note 8. Any amounts due to or from the Manager at the financial period end are disclosed in notes 9 and 10. Securities lending revenue earned by the Fund is disclosed in note 4.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

12. Related Parties (continued)

The Investment Manager, in accordance with the Contractual Scheme Deed, may enter into commission sharing arrangements with related parties (including, without limitation, brokers who are affiliated to the BlackRock Group), which may result in the Fund benefiting from research or execution services which the Investment Manager believes are useful in the investment decision-making or trade execution process. Such research or execution services may include, without limitation and to the extent permitted by applicable law: research reports on companies, industries and securities; and the provision of economic and financial information and analysis. Due to the bundled nature of these services and the application of such benefits across a number of BlackRock managed funds, it is not feasible to quantify the benefit to the Fund. The Investment Manager may also enter into these arrangements with brokers who are not affiliated to the BlackRock Group.

Holdings in other funds managed by BlackRock

The Fund's investments in other BlackRock related party entities are individually identified on the portfolio statement.

Significant investors

The following investors are:
a. funds managed by the BlackRock Group or are affiliates of BlackRock Inc. ("BlackRock Related Investors") or
b. investors (other than those listed in (a) above) who held 51% or more of the voting units in issue in the Fund and are as a result, considered to be related parties to the Fund ("Significant Investors").

As at 31 December 2025:

Total % of units held by BlackRock Related Investors	Total % of units held by Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors	Number of Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors
Nil	100%	1

For the financial period ended 31 December 2025, the Fund received a total of £390 million in respect of in-specie transactions with its related parties.

13. Credit Facility

The Fund entered into a credit facility with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. ("JPMorgan"), whereby JPMorgan, together with other syndicated lenders, made a portion of a USD 600 million credit facility available to the Fund. This portion of the USD 600 million credit facility will be allocated to the Fund based on the credit facility agreement dated 17 April 2025. This credit facility may be utilised by the Fund for temporary funding purposes, including, without limitation, the funding of investor redemptions. Any interest and commitment fees in relation to drawdowns from such credit facility are paid out of the assets of the Fund.

A loan commitment fee is charged on a daily basis in relation to this credit facility which is included in the Statement of Total Return under caption "Expenses". The loan commitment fee is charged at 0.10% per annum on the undrawn portion of the loan commitment.

No portion of the credit facility was used during the financial period ended 31 December 2025.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

14. Portfolio Transaction Costs

For the financial period from 16 June 2025 to 31 December 2025

		Direct Transaction Costs			
Purchases (excluding derivatives)	Transaction Value £000's	Commissions £000's	%	Taxes £000's	%
Collective Investment Schemes	1,370,226	–	–	–	–
Equity instruments	187,548	3	0.00	20	0.01
In-Specie Transactions	388,488	–	–	–	–
Total purchases	**1,946,262**	**3**		**20**	
Total purchases including transaction costs	**1,946,285**				

		Direct Transaction Costs			
Sales (excluding derivatives)	Transaction Value £000's	Commissions £000's	%	Taxes £000's	%
Collective Investment Schemes	205,841	–	–	–	–
Equity instruments	194,435	3	0.00	1	0.00
Total sales	**400,276**	**3**		**1**	
Total sales net of transaction costs	**400,272**				
Total transaction costs		**6**		**21**	
Total transaction costs as a % of average net assets		**0.00%**		**0.00%**	

The above analysis covers direct transaction costs incurred by the Fund during the period. However, it is important to understand the nature of other transaction costs associated with different investment asset classes and instruments types.

Separately identifiable direct transaction costs (such as commissions and taxes) are attributable to the Fund's purchase and sale of equity instruments. Additionally for equity shares there is a dealing spread cost (the difference between the buying and selling prices) which will be incurred on purchase and sale transactions.

For the Fund's investment in collective investment scheme holdings there will potentially be dealing spread costs applicable to purchases and sales. However additionally there are indirect transaction costs incurred in those underlying funds, throughout the holding period for the instruments, which are not separately identifiable and do not form part of the above analysis.

Transaction costs for derivatives positions will be either incurred as direct costs or form part of the dealing spread for the instruments. Any direct costs are identified in the above analysis.

Dealing spread costs incurred by the Fund vary considerably for the different asset/instrument types depending on a number of factors including transaction value and market sentiment.

At the Balance Sheet date, the average portfolio dealing spread (difference between bid and offer prices of all investments expressed as a percentage of the offer price value) was 0.00%.

15. Units in Issue

Revenue is allocated each day pro rata to the capital value of assets attributable to each class and taxation is computed by reference to the net revenue after expenses attributable to each class. The distribution per unit class is given in the distribution table. All unit classes have the same rights on winding up.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

15. Units in Issue (continued)

The movement in units in issue for the financial period ended 31 December 2025 is as follows:

	X1 Accumulation Units
Balance at the beginning of the period	–
Issued during the period	1,612,222,899
Cancelled during the period	(47,904,875)
Balance at the end of the period	**1,564,318,024**

16. Subsequent Events

There have been no significant events subsequent to the financial period end, which, in the opinion of the Manager, may have had an impact on the financial statements for the financial period ended 31 December 2025.

PORTFOLIO STATEMENT

As at 31 December 2025

Holding or Nominal Value	Investment	Market Value £000's	% of Total Net Assets
COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES - 96.39%			
Equity Funds - 42.25%			
471,584,513	ACS World ESG insights Equity Fund	552,961	32.76
34,328,257	ACS World Small Cap ESG Screened Equity Tracker Fund	39,765	2.36
33,036,263	BlackRock Emerging Markets ESG Insights Equity Fund	39,350	2.33
3,134,536	iShares Bloomberg Enhanced Roll Yield Commodity Swap UCITS ETF	20,089	1.19
6,784,460	iShares Environment & Low Carbon Tilt Real Estate Index Fund (UK)	15,114	0.89
47,726,213	iShares ESG Sterling Corporate Bond Index Fund (UK)	45,930	2.72
		713,209	**42.25**
Fixed Income Funds - 54.14%			
45,632,637	BlackRock Global Corporate ESG Insights Bond Fund	55,540	3.29
299,226,937	iShares Overseas Government Bond Index Fund (UK)	349,689	20.72
200,588,400	iShares UK Gilts All Stocks Index Fund (UK)	221,556	13.13
58,805,286	iShares Up to 10 Years Gilts Index Fund (UK)	66,918	3.96
201,691,944	iShares Up to 10 Years Index Linked Gilt Index Fund (UK)	220,132	13.04
		913,835	**54.14**

Holding or Nominal Value	Investment	Underlying Exposure £000's	Market Value £000's	% of Total Net Assets
DERIVATIVES - 0.39%				
Forward Currency Contracts - 0.39%				
AUD 460,732	Australian dollar vs UK sterling	229	1	0.00
EUR 380,518	Euro vs UK sterling	332	(2)	0.00
GBP 11,188,745	UK sterling vs Australian dollar	(11,243)	(54)	0.00
GBP 17,181,078	UK sterling vs Canadian dollar	(17,185)	(3)	0.00
GBP 2,094,612	UK sterling vs Danish krone	(2,083)	11	0.00
GBP 114,183,344	UK sterling vs Euro	(113,215)	606	0.04
GBP 1,708,692	UK sterling vs Hong Kong dollar	(1,685)	24	0.00
GBP 1,094,323	UK sterling vs Israel shekel	(1,101)	(6)	0.00
GBP 75,252,690	UK sterling vs Japanese yen	(73,655)	1,381	0.08
GBP 4,140,933	UK sterling vs Korean won	(4,149)	(8)	0.00
GBP 201,855	UK sterling vs New Zealand dollar	(200)	2	0.00
GBP 425,907	UK sterling vs Norwegian krone	(422)	4	0.00
GBP 297,339	UK sterling vs Polish zloty	(296)	1	0.00
GBP 1,306,174	UK sterling vs Singapore dollar	(1,297)	9	0.00
GBP 3,337,260	UK sterling vs Swedish krona	(3,362)	(25)	0.00
GBP 6,676,468	UK sterling vs Swiss franc	(6,637)	40	0.00

PORTFOLIO STATEMENT (continued)

Holding or Nominal Value	Investment	Underlying Exposure £000's	Market Value £000's	% of Total Net Assets
GBP 395,607,205	UK sterling vs United States dollar	(390,241)	4,595	0.27
USD 3,772,260	United States dollar vs UK sterling	2,804	(23)	0.00
		(623,406)	**6,553**	**0.39**
Portfolio of investments			**1,633,597**	**96.78**
Net other assets			54,358	3.22
Total net assets			**1,687,955**	**100.00**

Note: The Fund launched on 16 June 2025, therefore no comparatives have been presented.

Underlying exposure has been calculated according to the guidelines issued by the European Securities and Markets Authority ("ESMA") (as adopted by the FCA) and represents the market value of an equivalent position in the assets underlying each financial derivative instrument.

All underlying funds are managed by a related party.

The counterparties for the forward currency contracts are disclosed in note 3.4.1.2.

About the Fund

The Fund is a sub-fund of BlackRock Authorised Contractual Scheme 2, a NURS under the COLL Sourcebook. The Fund was authorised by the FCA on 17 August 2022. The Fund's FCA product reference number is 988111.

Comparative Table

	X1 Accumulation Units		
	For the year to 31.12.2025 Pence per unit	For the year to 31.12.2024 Pence per unit	For the year to 31.12.2023 Pence per unit
Change in net assets per unit			
Opening net asset value per unit	121.35	110.55	98.40
Return before operating charges	11.98	10.81	12.17
Operating charges	(0.01)	(0.01)	(0.02)
Return after operating charges	11.97	10.80	12.15
Distributions	(4.25)	(3.14)	(0.94)
Retained distributions on accumulation units	4.25	3.14	0.94
Closing net asset value per unit	133.32	121.35	110.55
After direct transaction costs of:	0.00	0.00	0.00
Performance			
Return after charges[1]	9.86%	9.77%	12.35%
Other Information			
Closing net asset value (£000's)	1,584,704	1,383,835	787,438
Closing number of units	1,188,610,902	1,140,389,820	712,308,864
Operating charges[2]	0.01%	0.01%	0.02%
Direct transaction costs[3]	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Prices	**Pence per unit**	**Pence per unit**	**Pence per unit**
Highest offer unit price	134.09	123.37	110.66
Lowest bid unit price	113.71	108.91	98.84

[1] The return after charges figures are based on the net asset value reported for financial statements purposes and are not the same as the performance returns figures quoted in the Performance Summary section of the Investment Manager's Report which are returns based on NAV per unit as at 12 noon for dealing purposes.
[2] Operating charges are annualised and exclude portfolio trade-related costs, except costs paid to the custodian/depositary and entry/exit charges paid to an underlying collective investment scheme (if any).
[3] Direct transaction costs are annualised and principally comprise commissions and taxes, attributable to the Fund’s purchase and sale of equity instruments. See note 15 for further details.

DISTRIBUTION TABLE

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

Final Distribution in Pence per Unit

	X1 Accumulation Units
Net revenue	4.2466
Distribution paid 27.2.2026	**4.2466**
Distribution paid 28.2.2025	**3.1393**

STATEMENT OF TOTAL RETURN

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

	Notes	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Income					
Net capital gains	3		89,782		58,825
Revenue	4	50,783		33,418	
Expenses	5	(90)		(65)	
Interest payable and similar charges	6	–		(1)	
Net revenue before taxation		50,693		33,352	
Taxation	7	–		–	
Net revenue after taxation			50,693		33,352
Total return before distributions			140,475		92,177
Distributions	8		(50,693)		(33,350)
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities			**89,782**		**58,827**

STATEMENT OF CHANGE IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Opening net assets attributable to unitholders		1,383,835		787,438
Amounts receivable on issue of units	191,393		567,486	
Amounts payable on cancellation of units	(130,782)		(65,716)	
		60,611		501,770
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities		89,782		58,827
Retained distribution on accumulation units		50,476		35,800
Closing net assets attributable to unitholders		**1,584,704**		**1,383,835**

BALANCE SHEET

As at 31 December 2025

	Notes	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Assets:			
Fixed assets			
– Investment assets		1,578,095	1,375,121
Current assets			
– Debtors	9	7,284	10,355
– Cash and bank balances		155	139
– Cash equivalents	10	3,146	–
Total assets		**1,588,680**	**1,385,615**
Liabilities:			
Creditors			
– Other creditors	11	(3,976)	(1,780)
Total liabilities		**(3,976)**	**(1,780)**
Net assets attributable to unitholders		**1,584,704**	**1,383,835**

On behalf of the Directors

A Lewis
Director
30 March 2026

A Hoctor-Duncan
Director
30 March 2026

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

1. Accounting and Distribution Policies

The material accounting and distribution policies are set out on pages 348 to 352.

2. Risk Management Policies

The Risk management policies are set out on pages 352 to 382.

3. Net Capital Gains

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
The net capital gains comprise:		
Gains on non-derivative securities*	87,375	56,731
Custodian transaction costs	12	(11)
Other expense from underlying CIS holdings	–	1
Rebate from underlying CIS holdings	2,395	2,104
Net capital gains	**89,782**	**58,825**

*Includes realised gains of £42,207,951 and unrealised gains of £45,167,401 (2024: realised gains of £38,692,060 and unrealised gains of £18,039,310). Where realised gains/losses include gains/losses arising in previous periods, a corresponding gains/losses is included in unrealised gains/losses.

4. Revenue

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Equity distributions on CIS holdings	947	1,051
Interest distributions on CIS holdings	42,318	25,936
Interest from UK bank deposits	43	72
Overseas dividends	5,738	5,249
Rebate from underlying CIS holdings	983	344
Securities lending revenue	12	10
UK dividends	508	536
UK REIT dividends	–	17
US REIT dividends	234	203
Total revenue	**50,783**	**33,418**

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

5. Expenses

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Payable to/Receivable from the Manager or associates of the Manager:		
– Annual service charge	–	52
– Annual service charge rebate	–	(52)
Payable to the Depositary or associates of the Depositary:		
– Depositary fee	26	27
Other expenses:		
– Audit fee	9	8
– Credit administration expenses	6	1
– Legal fee	5	–
– Safe custody fee	44	29
Total expenses	**90**	**65**

6. Interest Payable and Similar Charges

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Interest on bank overdrafts	–	(1)
Total interest payable and similar charges	**–**	**(1)**

7. Taxation

(a) Analysis of tax charge

As the Fund is an Authorised Contractual Scheme, it is exempt from United Kingdom (UK) tax on capital gains realised on the disposal of investments held within the Fund and any UK corporation tax.

8. Distributions

The distributions take account of revenue received on the issue of units and revenue deducted on the redemption of units and comprise:

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Final accumulation	50,476	35,800
	50,476	35,800
Add: Amounts deducted on cancellation of units	1,496	832
Deduct: Amounts received on issue of units	(1,279)	(3,282)
Distributions	**50,693**	**33,350**
The distributable amount has been calculated as follows:		
Net revenue after taxation	50,693	33,352
Add: Revenue brought forward	1	1
Deduct: Revenue carried forward	–	(1)
Custodian transaction costs	–	(2)
Expense from underlying CIS holdings	–	(1)
Other expense from underlying CIS holdings	(1)	1
Distributions	**50,693**	**33,350**

Details of the final distribution per unit are set out in the table on page 207.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

9. Debtors

	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Accrued rebate from underlying CIS holdings	728	1,072
Accrued revenue	5,482	6,800
Amount receivable on issue of units	221	871
Sales awaiting settlement	853	1,612
Total debtors	**7,284**	**10,355**

10. Cash Equivalents

	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Investment in short-term money market funds	3,146	–
Total cash equivalents	**3,146**	**–**

11. Other Creditors

	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Accrued audit fee	5	5
Accrued bank interest charge	–	(1)
Accrued depositary's fee	8	8
Accrued safe custody fee	39	25
Amount payable for cancellation of units	3,917	1,612
Custodian transaction costs	7	18
Purchases awaiting settlement	–	113
Total other creditors	**3,976**	**1,780**

12. Contingent Assets and Liabilities

There were no significant capital commitments or contingent liabilities as at the 31 December 2025 and 31 December 2024.

13. Related Parties

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.

The following entities were related parties of the Fund during the financial year ended 31 December 2025:

Directors of the Manager	
Manager:	BlackRock Fund Managers Limited
Investment Manager:	BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited
Investment Adviser:	FIL Investments International
Stock Lending Agent:	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited

The ultimate holding company of the Manager, Investment Manager, Investment Adviser and Stock Lending Agent is BlackRock Inc. (“BlackRock”), a company incorporated in Delaware, USA.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

13. Related Parties (continued)

The Manager acts as either principal or agent for the Depositary in respect of all transactions of units of the Fund. The aggregate monies received through issue and paid through cancellation of units are disclosed in the Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Unitholders and note 8. Any amounts due to or from the Manager at the financial year end are disclosed in notes 9 and 11. Securities lending revenue earned by the Fund is disclosed in note 4.

The Investment Manager, in accordance with the Contractual Scheme Deed, may enter into commission sharing arrangements with related parties (including, without limitation, brokers who are affiliated to the BlackRock Group), which may result in the Fund benefiting from research or execution services which the Investment Manager believes are useful in the investment decision-making or trade execution process. Such research or execution services may include, without limitation and to the extent permitted by applicable law: research reports on companies, industries and securities; and the provision of economic and financial information and analysis. Due to the bundled nature of these services and the application of such benefits across a number of BlackRock managed funds, it is not feasible to quantify the benefit to the Fund. The Investment Manager may also enter into these arrangements with brokers who are not affiliated to the BlackRock Group.

Investment Adviser has appointed FIL Investments International to advise in relation to the composition of the portfolio of each of the BlacRock FutureWise Funds pursuant to an investment advisory agreement (the “IAA”).

Holdings in other funds managed by BlackRock

The Fund’s investments in other BlackRock related party entities are individually identified on the portfolio statement.

Significant investors

The following investors are:
a. funds managed by the BlackRock Group or are affiliates of BlackRock Inc. (“BlackRock Related Investors”) or
b. investors (other than those listed in (a) above) who held 51% or more of the voting units in issue in the Fund and are as a result, considered to be related parties to the Fund (“Significant Investors”).

As at 31 December 2025:

Total % of units held by BlackRock Related Investors	Total % of units held by Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors	Number of Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors
Nil	100%	1

As at 31 December 2024:

Total % of units held by BlackRock Related Investors	Total % of units held by Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors	Number of Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors
Nil	100%	1

For the financial year ended 31 December 2025, the Fund did not enter into any in-specie transactions with its related parties (31 December 2024: £Nil).

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

14. Credit Facility

The Fund entered into a credit facility with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. ("JPMorgan"), whereby JPMorgan, together with other syndicated lenders, made a portion of a USD 600 million credit facility available to the Fund. This portion of the USD 600 million credit facility will be allocated to the Fund based on the credit facility agreement dated 17 April 2025. This credit facility may be utilised by the Fund for temporary funding purposes, including, without limitation, the funding of investor redemptions. Any interest and commitment fees in relation to drawdowns from such credit facility are paid out of the assets of the Fund.

A loan commitment fee is charged on a daily basis in relation to this credit facility which is included in the Statement of Total Return under caption "Expenses". The loan commitment fee is charged at 0.10% per annum on the undrawn portion of the loan commitment.

No portion of the credit facility was used during the financial year ended 31 December 2025 and during the financial year ended 31 December 2024.

15. Portfolio Transaction Costs

Transactions in money market instruments to manage the Fund's daily liquidity position are excluded from the analysis.

For the Fund's investment in collective investment scheme holdings there will potentially be dealing spread costs applicable to purchases and sales. However additionally there are indirect transaction costs incurred in those underlying funds, throughout the holding period for the instruments, which are not separately identifiable.

Dealing spread costs incurred by the Fund vary considerably for the different asset/instrument types depending on a number of factors including transaction value and market sentiment.

At the Balance Sheet date, the average portfolio dealing spread (difference between bid and offer prices of all investments expressed as a percentage of the offer price value) was 0.33% (31 December 2024: 0.52%).

16. Units in Issue

Revenue is allocated each day pro rata to the capital value of assets attributable to each class and taxation is computed by reference to the net revenue after expenses attributable to each class. The distribution per unit class is given in the distribution table. All unit classes have the same rights on winding up.

The movement in units in issue for the financial year ended 31 December 2025 is as follows:

	X1 Accumulation Units
Balance at the beginning of the year	1,140,389,820
Issued during the year	152,907,419
Cancelled during the year	(104,686,337)
Balance at the end of the year	**1,188,610,902**

17. Subsequent Events

There have been no significant events subsequent to the financial year end, which, in the opinion of the Manager, may have had an impact on the financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2025.

PORTFOLIO STATEMENT

As at 31 December 2025

Holding or Nominal Value	Investment	Market Value £000's	% of Total Net Assets
COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES - 99.58%; 31.12.24 99.37%			
Equity Funds - 30.68%; 31.12.24 35.48%			
14,488,855	ACS Europe ex UK ESG Insights Equity Fund**	21,350	1.35
26,701,718	ACS Japan ESG Insights Equity Fund**	38,001	2.40
187,250,764	ACS North America ESG Insights Equity Fund**	301,420	19.02
10,575,278	ACS UK ESG Insights Equity Fund**	15,047	0.95
14,933,984	Fidelity Emerging Markets Equity Research Enhanced UCITS ETF	68,039	4.29
2,130,541	Fidelity Pacific ex-Japan Equity Research Enhanced UCITS ETF	10,806	0.68
389,843	iShares Edge S&P 500 Minimum Volatility UCITS ETF**	31,609	1.99
		486,272	**30.68**
Exchange Traded Commodities - 1.93%; 31.12.24 0.00%			
490,863	iShares Physical Gold ETC**	**30,522**	**1.93**
Fixed Income Funds - 66.97%; 31.12.24 63.89%			
18,417,829	Fidelity ESG USD EM Bond UCITS ETF	94,723	5.98
20,017,161	Fidelity EUR Corporate Bond Research Enhanced PAB UCITS ETF	117,701	7.43
1,729,001	Fidelity EUR High Yield Corporate Bond Research Enhanced PAB UCITS ETF	9,475	0.60
67,700,602	Fidelity Funds - Climate Transition Bond Fund	69,461	4.38
40,393,512	Fidelity Global Corporate Bond Research Enhanced PAB UCITS ETF	208,107	13.13
37,346,120	Fidelity Global Government Bond Climate Aware UCITS ETF	205,889	12.99
7,289,470	Fidelity Global High Yield Corporate Bond Research Enhanced PAB UCITS ETF	47,359	2.99
39,754,284	Fidelity USD Corporate Bond Research Enhanced PAB UCITS ETF	238,844	15.07
7,017,155	Fidelity USD High Yield Corporate Bond Research Enhanced PAB UCITS ETF	38,012	2.40
6,036,906	iShares USD Short Duration Bond UCITS ETF**	31,730	2.00
		1,061,301	**66.97**
Portfolio of investments		**1,578,095**	**99.58**

PORTFOLIO STATEMENT (continued)

Holding or Nominal Value	Investment	Market Value £000's	% of Total Net Assets
CASH EQUIVALENTS			
Short-term Money Market Funds - 0.20%; 31.12.24 0.00%			
3,146,442	BlackRock Institutional Cash Series Sterling Liquidity Fund**	**3,146**	**0.20**
Net other assets		3,463	0.22
Total net assets		**1,584,704**	**100.00**

Underlying exposure has been calculated according to the guidelines issued by the European Securities and Markets Authority ("ESMA") (as adopted by the FCA) and represents the market value of an equivalent position in the assets underlying each financial derivative instrument.

** Managed by a related party.

About the Fund

The Fund is a sub-fund of BlackRock Authorised Contractual Scheme 2, a NURS under the COLL Sourcebook. The Fund was authorised by the FCA on 17 August 2022. The Fund's FCA product reference number is 988112.

Comparative Table

	X1 Accumulation Units		
	For the year to 31.12.2025 Pence per unit	For the year to 31.12.2024 Pence per unit	For the year to 31.12.2023 Pence per unit
Change in net assets per unit			
Opening net asset value per unit	129.34	112.10	98.03
Return before operating charges	16.63	17.25	14.10
Operating charges	(0.01)	(0.01)	(0.03)
Return after operating charges	16.62	17.24	14.07
Distributions	(3.13)	(2.58)	(1.47)
Retained distributions on accumulation units	3.13	2.58	1.47
Closing net asset value per unit	145.96	129.34	112.10
After direct transaction costs of:	0.00	0.00	0.00
Performance			
Return after charges[1]	12.85%	15.38%	14.35%
Other Information			
Closing net asset value (£000's)	3,245,781	2,520,919	1,369,457
Closing number of units	2,223,719,638	1,949,075,450	1,221,609,958
Operating charges[2]	0.01%	0.01%	0.02%
Direct transaction costs[3]	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Prices	**Pence per unit**	**Pence per unit**	**Pence per unit**
Highest offer unit price	147.21	131.93	112.34
Lowest bid unit price	115.49	110.42	98.37

[1] The return after charges figures are based on the net asset value reported for financial statements purposes and are not the same as the performance returns figures quoted in the Performance Summary section of the Investment Manager's Report which are returns based on NAV per unit as at 12 noon for dealing purposes.
[2] Operating charges are annualised and exclude portfolio trade-related costs, except costs paid to the custodian/depositary and entry/exit charges paid to an underlying collective investment scheme (if any).
[3] Direct transaction costs are annualised and principally comprise commissions and taxes, attributable to the Fund’s purchase and sale of debt instruments. See note 15 for further details.

DISTRIBUTION TABLE

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

Final Distribution in Pence per Unit

	X1 Accumulation Units
Net revenue	3.1315
Distribution paid 27.2.2026	**3.1315**
Distribution paid 28.2.2025	**2.5753**

STATEMENT OF TOTAL RETURN

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

	Notes	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Income					
Net capital gains	3		291,874		213,753
Revenue	4	67,512		42,812	
Expenses	5	(194)		(125)	
Interest payable and similar charges	6	(1)		(1)	
Net revenue before taxation		67,317		42,686	
Taxation	7	–		–	
Net revenue after taxation			67,317		42,686
Total return before distributions			359,191		256,439
Distributions	8		(67,308)		(42,681)
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities			**291,883**		**213,758**

STATEMENT OF CHANGE IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Opening net assets attributable to unitholders		2,520,919		1,369,457
Amounts receivable on issue of units	468,343		936,577	
Amounts payable on cancellation of units	(105,000)		(49,068)	
		363,343		887,509
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities		291,883		213,758
Retained distribution on accumulation units		69,636		50,195
Closing net assets attributable to unitholders		**3,245,781**		**2,520,919**

BALANCE SHEET

As at 31 December 2025

	Notes	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Assets:			
Fixed assets			
– Investment assets		3,219,744	2,494,886
Current assets			
– Debtors	9	29,589	27,205
– Cash and bank balances		157	311
– Cash equivalents	10	612	–
Total assets		**3,250,102**	**2,522,402**
Liabilities:			
Creditors			
– Other creditors	11	(4,321)	(1,483)
Total liabilities		**(4,321)**	**(1,483)**
Net assets attributable to unitholders		**3,245,781**	**2,520,919**

On behalf of the Directors

A Lewis
Director
30 March 2026

A Hoctor-Duncan
Director
30 March 2026

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

1. Accounting and Distribution Policies

The material accounting and distribution policies are set out on pages 348 to 352.

2. Risk Management Policies

The Risk management policies are set out on pages 352 to 382.

3. Net Capital Gains

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
The net capital gains comprise:		
Gains on non-derivative securities*	289,022	211,724
Custodian transaction costs	17	(7)
Other expense from underlying CIS holdings	(8)	5
Rebate from underlying CIS holdings	2,843	2,031
Net capital gains	**291,874**	**213,753**

* Includes realised gains of £85,667,175 and unrealised gains of £203,354,796 (2024: realised gains of £40,450,868 and unrealised gains of £171,274,158). Where realised gains/losses include gains/losses arising in previous periods, a corresponding gains/losses is included in unrealised gains/losses.

4. Revenue

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Equity distributions on CIS holdings	4,087	3,394
Interest distributions on CIS holdings	35,706	18,888
Interest from UK bank deposits	113	234
Overseas dividends	23,084	17,612
Rebate from underlying CIS holdings	926	257
Revenue from short-term money market funds	585	–
Securities lending revenue	48	30
UK dividends	2,026	1,659
UK REIT dividends	–	55
US REIT dividends	937	683
Total revenue	**67,512**	**42,812**

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

5. Expenses

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Payable to/Receivable from the Manager or associates of the Manager:		
– Annual service charge	15	11
– Annual service charge rebate	(15)	(11)
Payable to the Depositary or associates of the Depositary:		
– Depositary fee	94	78
Other expenses:		
– Audit fee	14	11
– Credit administration expenses	12	2
– Legal fee	5	–
– Miscellaneous	1	–
– Safe custody fee	68	34
Total expenses	**194**	**125**

* This charge relates to the Fund's proportionate share in expenses from tax transparent underlying CIS holdings.

6. Interest Payable and Similar Charges

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Interest on bank overdrafts	1	1
Total interest payable and similar charges	**1**	**1**

7. Taxation

(a) Analysis of tax charge

As the Fund is an Authorised Contractual Scheme, it is exempt from United Kingdom (UK) tax on capital gains realised on the disposal of investments held within the Fund and any UK corporation tax.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

8. Distributions

The distributions take account of revenue received on the issue of units and revenue deducted on the redemption of units and comprise:

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Final accumulation	69,636	50,195
	69,636	50,195
Add: Amounts deducted on cancellation of units	1,005	461
Deduct: Amounts received on issue of units	(3,333)	(7,975)
Distributions	**67,308**	**42,681**
The distributable amount has been calculated as follows:		
Net revenue after taxation	67,317	42,686
Add: Revenue brought forward	1	1
Deduct: Revenue carried forward	–	(1)
Custodian transaction costs	–	(8)
Expense from underlying CIS holdings	(2)	(2)
Other expense from underlying CIS holdings	(8)	5
Distributions	**67,308**	**42,681**

Details of the final distribution per unit are set out in the table on page 219.

9. Debtors

	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Accrued rebate from underlying CIS holdings	847	993
Accrued revenue	25,287	24,341
Amount receivable on issue of units	2,904	1,871
Sales awaiting settlement	551	–
Total debtors	**29,589**	**27,205**

10. Cash Equivalents

	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Investment in short-term money market funds	612	–
Total cash equivalents	**612**	**–**

11. Other Creditors

	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Accrued audit fee	5	5
Accrued depositary's fee	8	8
Accrued safe custody fee	39	25
Amount payable for cancellation of units	996	–
Custodian transaction costs	7	20
Purchases awaiting settlement	3,266	1,425
Total other creditors	**4,321**	**1,483**

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

12. Contingent Assets and Liabilities

There were no significant capital commitments or contingent liabilities as at the 31 December 2025 and 31 December 2024.

13. Related Parties

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.

The following entities were related parties of the Fund during the financial year ended 31 December 2025:

Directors of the Manager	
Manager:	BlackRock Fund Managers Limited
Investment Manager:	BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited
Investment Adviser:	FIL Investments International
Stock Lending Agent:	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited

The ultimate holding company of the Manager, Investment Manager, Investment Adviser and Stock Lending Agent is BlackRock Inc. (“BlackRock”), a company incorporated in Delaware, USA.

The Manager acts as either principal or agent for the Depositary in respect of all transactions of units of the Fund. The aggregate monies received through issue and paid through cancellation of units are disclosed in the Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Unitholders and note 8. Any amounts due to or from the Manager at the financial year end are disclosed in notes 9 and 11. Securities lending revenue earned by the Fund is disclosed in note 4.

The Investment Manager, in accordance with the Contractual Scheme Deed, may enter into commission sharing arrangements with related parties (including, without limitation, brokers who are affiliated to the BlackRock Group), which may result in the Fund benefiting from research or execution services which the Investment Manager believes are useful in the investment decision-making or trade execution process. Such research or execution services may include, without limitation and to the extent permitted by applicable law: research reports on companies, industries and securities; and the provision of economic and financial information and analysis. Due to the bundled nature of these services and the application of such benefits across a number of BlackRock managed funds, it is not feasible to quantify the benefit to the Fund. The Investment Manager may also enter into these arrangements with brokers who are not affiliated to the BlackRock Group.

Investment Adviser has appointed FIL Investments International to advise in relation to the composition of the portfolio of each of the BlacRock FutureWise Funds pursuant to an investment advisory agreement (the “IAA”).

Holdings in other funds managed by BlackRock

The Fund’s investments in other BlackRock related party entities are individually identified on the portfolio statement.

Significant investors

The following investors are:
a. funds managed by the BlackRock Group or are affiliates of BlackRock Inc. (“BlackRock Related Investors”) or
b. investors (other than those listed in (a) above) who held 51% or more of the voting units in issue in the Fund and are as a result, considered to be related parties to the Fund (“Significant Investors”).

As at 31 December 2025:

Total % of units held by BlackRock Related Investors	Total % of units held by Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors	Number of Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors
Nil	100%	1

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

13. Related Parties (continued)

As at 31 December 2024:

Total % of units held by BlackRock Related Investors	Total % of units held by Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors	Number of Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors
Nil	100%	1

For the financial year ended 31 December 2025, the Fund did not enter into any in-specie transactions with its related parties (31 December 2024: £Nil).

14. Credit Facility

The Fund entered into a credit facility with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. ("JPMorgan"), whereby JPMorgan, together with other syndicated lenders, made a portion of a USD 600 million credit facility available to the Fund. This portion of the USD 600 million credit facility will be allocated to the Fund based on the credit facility agreement dated 17 April 2025. This credit facility may be utilised by the Fund for temporary funding purposes, including, without limitation, the funding of investor redemptions. Any interest and commitment fees in relation to drawdowns from such credit facility are paid out of the assets of the Fund.

A loan commitment fee is charged on a daily basis in relation to this credit facility which is included in the Statement of Total Return under caption "Expenses". The loan commitment fee is charged at 0.10% per annum on the undrawn portion of the loan commitment.

No portion of the credit facility was used during the financial year ended 31 December 2025 and during the financial year ended 31 December 2024.

15. Portfolio Transaction Costs

Transactions in money market instruments to manage the Fund's daily liquidity position are excluded from the analysis.

For the Fund's investment in collective investment scheme holdings there will potentially be dealing spread costs applicable to purchases and sales. However additionally there are indirect transaction costs incurred in those underlying funds, throughout the holding period for the instruments, which are not separately identifiable.

Dealing spread costs incurred by the Fund vary considerably for the different asset/instrument types depending on a number of factors including transaction value and market sentiment.

At the Balance Sheet date, the average portfolio dealing spread (difference between bid and offer prices of all investments expressed as a percentage of the offer price value) was 0.23% (31 December 2024: 0.32%).

16. Units in Issue

Revenue is allocated each day pro rata to the capital value of assets attributable to each class and taxation is computed by reference to the net revenue after expenses attributable to each class. The distribution per unit class is given in the distribution table. All unit classes have the same rights on winding up.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

16. Units in Issue (continued)

The movement in units in issue for the financial year ended 31 December 2025 is as follows:

	X1 Accumulation Units
Balance at the beginning of the year	1,949,075,450
Issued during the year	353,028,778
Cancelled during the year	(78,384,590)
Balance at the end of the year	**2,223,719,638**

17. Subsequent Events

There have been no significant events subsequent to the financial year end, which, in the opinion of the Manager, may have had an impact on the financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2025.

PORTFOLIO STATEMENT

As at 31 December 2025

Holding or Nominal Value	Investment	Market Value £000's	% of Total Net Assets
COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES - 99.20%; 31.12.24 98.97%			
Equity Funds - 61.83%; 31.12.24 70.06%			
128,886,697	ACS Europe ex UK ESG Insights Equity Fund**	189,912	5.85
88,988,019	ACS Japan ESG Insights Equity Fund**	126,645	3.90
667,328,088	ACS North America ESG Insights Equity Fund**	1,074,213	33.10
44,728,335	ACS UK ESG Insights Equity Fund**	63,644	1.96
138,519,693	ACS US ESG Insights Equity Fund**	224,719	6.92
55,015,344	Fidelity Emerging Markets Equity Research Enhanced UCITS ETF	250,650	7.72
2,539,158	Fidelity Pacific ex-Japan Equity Research Enhanced UCITS ETF	12,879	0.40
790,877	iShares Edge S&P 500 Minimum Volatility UCITS ETF**	64,125	1.98
		2,006,787	**61.83**
Exchange Traded Commodities- 2.01%; 31.12.24 0.00%			
1,051,446	iShares Physical Gold ETC**	**65,379**	**2.01**
Fixed Income Funds - 35.36%; 31.12.24 28.91%			
26,310,900	Fidelity ESG USD EM Bond UCITS ETF	135,317	4.17
22,442,621	Fidelity EUR Corporate Bond Research Enhanced PAB UCITS ETF	131,963	4.06
1,954,354	Fidelity EUR High Yield Corporate Bond Research Enhanced PAB UCITS ETF	10,710	0.33
65,993,454	Fidelity Funds - Climate Transition Bond Fund	67,709	2.09
39,403,050	Fidelity Global Corporate Bond Research Enhanced PAB UCITS ETF	203,004	6.25
36,536,993	Fidelity Global Government Bond Climate Aware UCITS ETF	201,428	6.21
8,226,408	Fidelity Global High Yield Corporate Bond Research Enhanced PAB UCITS ETF	53,447	1.65
44,743,938	Fidelity USD Corporate Bond Research Enhanced PAB UCITS ETF	268,822	8.28
7,903,307	Fidelity USD High Yield Corporate Bond Research Enhanced PAB UCITS ETF	42,812	1.32
6,157,927	iShares USD Short Duration Bond UCITS ETF**	32,366	1.00
		1,147,578	**35.36**
Portfolio of investments		**3,219,744**	**99.20**

PORTFOLIO STATEMENT (continued)

Holding or Nominal Value	Investment	Market Value £000's	% of Total Net Assets
CASH EQUIVALENTS			
Short-term Money Market Funds - 0.02%; 31.12.24 0.00%			
612,390	BlackRock Institutional Cash Series Sterling Liquidity Fund**	**612**	**0.02**
Net other assets		25,425	0.78
Total net assets		**3,245,781**	**100.00**

Underlying exposure has been calculated according to the guidelines issued by the European Securities and Markets Authority ("ESMA") (as adopted by the FCA) and represents the market value of an equivalent position in the assets underlying each financial derivative instrument.

** Managed by a related party.

About the Fund

The Fund is a sub-fund of BlackRock Authorised Contractual Scheme 2, a NURS under the COLL Sourcebook. The Fund was authorised by the FCA on 17 August 2022. The Fund's FCA product reference number is 988113.

Comparative Table

	X1 Accumulation Units		
	For the year to 31.12.2025 Pence per unit	For the year to 31.12.2024 Pence per unit	For the year to 31.12.2023 Pence per unit
Change in net assets per unit			
Opening net asset value per unit	135.41	112.96	97.82
Return before operating charges	20.42	22.48	15.17
Operating charges	(0.01)	(0.03)	(0.03)
Return after operating charges	20.41	22.45	15.14
Distributions	(2.24)	(2.15)	(1.79)
Retained distributions on accumulation units	2.24	2.15	1.79
Closing net asset value per unit	155.82	135.41	112.96
After direct transaction costs of:	0.00	0.00	0.00
Performance			
Return after charges[1]	15.07%	19.87%	15.48%
Other Information			
Closing net asset value (£000's)	4,248,998	3,305,731	1,891,672
Closing number of units	2,726,928,424	2,441,315,472	1,674,671,879
Operating charges[2]	0.01%	0.02%	0.01%
Direct transaction costs[3]	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Prices	**Pence per unit**	**Pence per unit**	**Pence per unit**
Highest offer unit price	157.84	138.09	113.28
Lowest bid unit price	114.24	111.26	98.13

[1] The return after charges figures are based on the net asset value reported for financial statements purposes and are not the same as the performance returns figures quoted in the Performance Summary section of the Investment Manager's Report which are returns based on NAV per unit as at 12 noon for dealing purposes.
[2] Operating charges are annualised and exclude portfolio trade-related costs, except costs paid to the custodian/depositary and entry/exit charges paid to an underlying collective investment scheme (if any).
[3] Direct transaction costs are annualised and principally comprise commissions and taxes, attributable to the Fund’s purchase and sale of debt instruments. See note 13 for further details.

DISTRIBUTION TABLE

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

Final Distribution in Pence per Unit

	X1 Accumulation Units
Net revenue	2.2421
Distribution paid 27.2.2026	**2.2421**
Distribution paid 28.2.2025	**2.1539**

STATEMENT OF TOTAL RETURN

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

	Notes	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Income					
Net capital gains	3		498,337		396,173
Revenue	4	58,079		43,064	
Expenses	5	(296)		(185)	
Interest payable and similar charges		–		–	
Net revenue before taxation		57,783		42,879	
Taxation	6	–		–	
Net revenue after taxation			57,783		42,879
Total return before distributions			556,120		439,052
Distributions	7		(57,762)		(42,866)
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities			**498,358**		**396,186**

STATEMENT OF CHANGE IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Opening net assets attributable to unitholders		3,305,731		1,891,672
Amounts receivable on issue of units	566,404		1,013,917	
Amounts payable on cancellation of units	(182,635)		(48,627)	
		383,769		965,290
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities		498,358		396,186
Retained distribution on accumulation units		61,140		52,583
Closing net assets attributable to unitholders		**4,248,998**		**3,305,731**

BALANCE SHEET

As at 31 December 2025

	Notes	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Assets:			
Fixed assets			
– Investment assets		4,196,492	3,261,003
Current assets			
– Debtors	8	53,569	46,218
– Cash and bank balances		95	337
Total assets		**4,250,156**	**3,307,558**
Liabilities:			
Creditors			
– Other creditors	9	(1,158)	(1,827)
Total liabilities		**(1,158)**	**(1,827)**
Net assets attributable to unitholders		**4,248,998**	**3,305,731**

On behalf of the Directors

A Lewis
Director
30 March 2026

A Hoctor-Duncan
Director
30 March 2026

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

1. Accounting and Distribution Policies

The material accounting and distribution policies are set out on pages 348 to 352.

2. Risk Management Policies

The Risk management policies are set out on pages 352 to 382.

3. Net Capital Gains

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
The net capital gains comprise:		
Gains on non-derivative securities*	496,984	395,297
Currency gains/(losses)	2	(9)
Custodian transaction costs	10	(13)
Other expense from underlying CIS holdings	(16)	11
Rebate from underlying CIS holdings	1,357	887
Net capital gains	**498,337**	**396,173**

* Includes realised gains of £62,291,662 and unrealised gains of £434,692,397 (2024: realised gains of £25,791,019 and unrealised gains of £369,506,224). Where realised gains/losses include gains/losses arising in previous periods, a corresponding gains/losses is included in unrealised gains/losses.

4. Revenue

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Equity distributions on CIS holdings	7,151	6,179
Interest from UK bank deposits	147	428
Overseas dividends	44,492	32,205
Rebate from underlying CIS holdings	89	–
Revenue from short-term money market funds	301	–
Securities lending revenue	83	52
UK dividends	3,985	2,856
UK REIT dividends	–	99
US REIT dividends	1,831	1,245
Total revenue	**58,079**	**43,064**

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

5. Expenses

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Payable to/Receivable from the Manager or associates of the Manager:		
– Annual service charge	180	123
– Annual service charge rebate	(180)	(123)
Payable to the Depositary or associates of the Depositary:		
– Depositary fee	181	138
Other expenses:		
– Audit fee	21	13
– Credit administration expenses	16	3
– Legal fee	7	–
– Miscellaneous	–	(1)
– Safe custody fee	71	32
Total expenses	**296**	**185**

6. Taxation

(a) Analysis of tax charge

As the Fund is an Authorised Contractual Scheme, it is exempt from United Kingdom (UK) tax on capital gains realised on the disposal of investments held within the Fund and any UK corporation tax.

7. Distributions

The distributions take account of revenue received on the issue of units and revenue deducted on the redemption of units and comprise:

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Final accumulation	61,140	52,583
	61,140	52,583
Add: Amounts deducted on cancellation of units	1,830	425
Deduct: Amounts received on issue of units	(5,208)	(10,142)
Distributions	**57,762**	**42,866**
The distributable amount has been calculated as follows:		
Net revenue after taxation	57,783	42,879
Add: Revenue brought forward	2	–
Deduct: Revenue carried forward	(3)	(2)
Custodian transaction costs	–	(16)
Expense from underlying CIS holdings	(4)	(6)
Other expense from underlying CIS holdings	(16)	11
Distributions	**57,762**	**42,866**

Details of the final distribution per unit are set out in the table on page 232.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

8. Debtors

	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Accrued rebate from underlying CIS holdings	344	338
Accrued revenue	51,226	43,021
Amount receivable on issue of units	1,502	2,859
Sales awaiting settlement	497	–
Total debtors	**53,569**	**46,218**

9. Other Creditors

	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Accrued audit fee	5	5
Accrued bank interest charge	1	–
Accrued depositary's fee	8	8
Accrued safe custody fee	16	18
Amount payable for cancellation of units	488	–
Custodian transaction costs	5	16
Purchases awaiting settlement	635	1,780
Total other creditors	**1,158**	**1,827**

10. Contingent Assets and Liabilities

There were no significant capital commitments or contingent liabilities as at the 31 December 2025 and 31 December 2024.

11. Related Parties

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.

The following entities were related parties of the Fund during the financial year ended 31 December 2025:

Directors of the Manager	
Manager:	BlackRock Fund Managers Limited
Investment Manager:	BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited
Investment Adviser:	FIL Investments International
Stock Lending Agent:	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited

The ultimate holding company of the Manager, Investment Manager, Investment Adviser and Stock Lending Agent is BlackRock Inc. (“BlackRock”), a company incorporated in Delaware, USA.

The Manager acts as either principal or agent for the Depositary in respect of all transactions of units of the Fund. The aggregate monies received through issue and paid through cancellation of units are disclosed in the Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Unitholders and note 7. Any amounts due to or from the Manager at the year end are disclosed in notes 8 and 9. Securities lending revenue earned by the Fund is disclosed in note 4.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

11. Related Parties (continued)

The Investment Manager, in accordance with the Contractual Scheme Deed, may enter into commission sharing arrangements with related parties (including, without limitation, brokers who are affiliated to the BlackRock Group), which may result in the Fund benefiting from research or execution services which the Investment Manager believes are useful in the investment decision-making or trade execution process. Such research or execution services may include, without limitation and to the extent permitted by applicable law: research reports on companies, industries and securities; and the provision of economic and financial information and analysis. Due to the bundled nature of these services and the application of such benefits across a number of BlackRock managed funds, it is not feasible to quantify the benefit to the Fund. The Investment Manager may also enter into these arrangements with brokers who are not affiliated to the BlackRock Group.

Investment Adviser has appointed FIL Investments International to advise in relation to the composition of the portfolio of each of the BlacRock FutureWise Funds pursuant to an investment advisory agreement (the “IAA”).

Holdings in other funds managed by BlackRock

The Fund’s investments in other BlackRock related party entities are individually identified on the portfolio statement.

Significant investors

The following investors are:
a. funds managed by the BlackRock Group or are affiliates of BlackRock Inc. (“BlackRock Related Investors”) or
b. investors (other than those listed in (a) above) who held 51% or more of the voting units in issue in the Fund and are as a result, considered to be related parties to the Fund (“Significant Investors”).

As at 31 December 2025:

Total % of units held by BlackRock Related Investors	Total % of units held by Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors	Number of Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors
Nil	100%	1

As at 31 December 2024:

Total % of units held by BlackRock Related Investors	Total % of units held by Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors	Number of Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors
Nil	100%	1

For the financial year ended 31 December 2025, the Fund did not enter into any in-specie transactions with its related parties (31 December 2024: £Nil).

12. Credit Facility

The Fund entered into a credit facility with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. (“JPMorgan”), whereby JPMorgan, together with other syndicated lenders, made a portion of a USD 600 million credit facility available to the Fund. This portion of the USD 600 million credit facility will be allocated to the Fund based on the credit facility agreement dated 17 April 2025. This credit facility may be utilised by the Fund for temporary funding purposes, including, without limitation, the funding of investor redemptions. Any interest and commitment fees in relation to drawdowns from such credit facility are paid out of the assets of the Fund.

A loan commitment fee is charged on a daily basis in relation to this credit facility which is included in the Statement of Total Return under caption “Expenses”. The loan commitment fee is charged at 0.10% per annum on the undrawn portion of the loan commitment.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

12. Credit Facility (continued)

No portion of the credit facility was used during the financial year ended 31 December 2025 and during the financial year ended 31 December 2024.

13. Portfolio Transaction Costs

For the Fund's investment in collective investment scheme holdings there will potentially be dealing spread costs applicable to purchases and sales. However additionally there are indirect transaction costs incurred in those underlying funds, throughout the holding period for the instruments, which are not separately identifiable.

Dealing spread costs incurred by the Fund vary considerably for the different asset/instrument types depending on a number of factors including transaction value and market sentiment.

At the Balance Sheet date, the average portfolio dealing spread (difference between bid and offer prices of all investments expressed as a percentage of the offer price value) was 0.11% (31 December 2024: 0.18%).

14. Units in Issue

Revenue is allocated each day pro rata to the capital value of assets attributable to each class and taxation is computed by reference to the net revenue after expenses attributable to each class. The distribution per unit class is given in the distribution table. All unit classes have the same rights on winding up.

The movement in units in issue for the financial year ended 31 December 2025 is as follows:

	X1 Accumulation Units
Balance at the beginning of the year	2,441,315,472
Issued during the year	413,578,746
Cancelled during the year	(127,965,794)
Balance at the end of the year	**2,726,928,424**

15. Subsequent Events

There have been no significant events subsequent to the financial year end, which, in the opinion of the Manager, may have had an impact on the financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2025.

PORTFOLIO STATEMENT

As at 31 December 2025

Holding or Nominal Value	Investment	Market Value £000's	% of Total Net Assets
COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES - 98.76%; 31.12.24 98.65%			
Equity Funds - 95.27%; 31.12.24 98.65%			
251,204,645	ACS Europe ex UK ESG Insights Equity Fund**	370,123	8.71
165,712,385	ACS Japan ESG Insights Equity Fund**	235,844	5.55
885,445,439	ACS North America ESG Insights Equity Fund**	1,425,318	33.54
92,460,559	ACS UK ESG Insights Equity Fund**	131,557	3.10
803,876,818	ACS US ESG Insights Equity Fund**	1,304,157	30.69
107,355,777	Fidelity Emerging Markets Equity Research Enhanced UCITS ETF	489,113	11.51
9,857,756	Fidelity Pacific ex-Japan Equity Research Enhanced UCITS ETF	49,999	1.18
519,657	iShares Edge S&P 500 Minimum Volatility UCITS ETF**	42,134	0.99
		4,048,245	**95.27**
Fixed Income Funds - 3.49%; 31.12.24 0.00%			
1,640,419	Fidelity ESG USD EM Bond UCITS ETF	8,437	0.20
2,666,197	Fidelity EUR Corporate Bond Research Enhanced PAB UCITS ETF	15,677	0.37
232,150	Fidelity EUR High Yield Corporate Bond Research Enhanced PAB UCITS ETF	1,272	0.03
11,688,179	Fidelity Funds - Climate Transition Bond Fund	11,992	0.28
6,980,228	Fidelity Global Corporate Bond Research Enhanced PAB UCITS ETF	35,962	0.85
5,749,064	Fidelity Global Government Bond Climate Aware UCITS ETF	31,695	0.74
977,181	Fidelity Global High Yield Corporate Bond Research Enhanced PAB UCITS ETF	6,349	0.15
5,289,302	Fidelity USD Corporate Bond Research Enhanced PAB UCITS ETF	31,778	0.75
938,801	Fidelity USD High Yield Corporate Bond Research Enhanced PAB UCITS ETF	5,085	0.12
		148,247	**3.49**
Portfolio of investments		**4,196,492**	**98.76**
Net other assets		52,506	1.24
Total net assets		**4,248,998**	**100.00**

Underlying exposure has been calculated according to the guidelines issued by the European Securities and Markets Authority ("ESMA") (as adopted by the FCA) and represents the market value of an equivalent position in the assets underlying each financial derivative instrument.

** Managed by a related party.

About the Fund

The Fund is a sub-fund of BlackRock Authorised Contractual Scheme 2, a NURS under the COLL Sourcebook. The Fund was authorised by the FCA on 4 November 2025 and launched on 8 January 2025. The Fund's FCA product reference number is 1025484.

Comparative Table

	X1 Accumulation Units For the period from 8.1.2025* to 31.12.2025 Pence per unit
Change in net assets per unit	
Opening net asset value per unit	100.00
Return before operating charges	13.24
Operating charges	(0.01)
Return after operating charges	13.23
Distributions	(1.59)
Retained distributions on accumulation units	1.59
Closing net asset value per unit	113.23
After direct transaction costs of:	0.00
Performance	
Return after charges[1]	13.23%
Other Information	
Closing net asset value (£000's)	4,289,191
Closing number of units	3,787,895,514
Operating charges[2]	0.01%
Direct transaction costs[3]	0.00%
Prices	**Pence per unit**
Highest offer unit price	114.72
Lowest bid unit price	82.95

* The date of commencement of operations.

[1] The return after charges figures are based on the net asset value reported for financial statements purposes and are not the same as the performance returns figures quoted in the Performance Summary section of the Investment Manager's Report which are returns based on NAV per unit as at 12 noon for dealing purposes.

[2] Operating charges are annualised and exclude portfolio trade-related costs, except costs paid to the custodian/depositary and entry/exit charges paid to an underlying collective investment scheme (if any).

[3] Direct transaction costs are annualised and principally comprise commissions and taxes, attributable to the Fund’s purchase and sale of debt instruments. See note 15 for further details.

DISTRIBUTION TABLE

for the financial period 8 January 2025 to 31 December 2025

Final Distribution in Pence per Unit

	X1 Accumulation Units
Net revenue	1.5889
Distribution paid 27.2.2026	**1.5889**

Note: The fund launched on 8 January 2025, therefore no comparatives have been presented.

STATEMENT OF TOTAL RETURN

for the financial period from 8 January 2025 to 31 December 2025

	Notes	£000's	For the period from 8.1.2025 to 31.12.2025[1] £000's
Income			
Net capital gains	3		448,510
Revenue	4	55,986	
Expenses	5	(278)	
Interest payable and similar charges	6	(1)	
Net revenue before taxation		55,707	
Taxation	7	–	
Net revenue after taxation			55,707
Total return before distributions			504,217
Distributions	8		(55,704)
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities			**448,513**

STATEMENT OF CHANGE IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS

for the financial period from 8 January 2025 to 31 December 2025

	£000's	For the period from 8.1.2025 to 31.12.2025[1] £000's
Opening net assets attributable to unitholders		–
Amounts receivable on issue of units	675,209	
Amounts receivable on in-specie transactions	3,221,869	
Amounts payable on cancellation of units	(116,586)	
		3,780,492
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities		448,513
Retained distribution on accumulation units		60,186
Closing net assets attributable to unitholders		**4,289,191**

[1] The Fund launched on 8 January 2025, therefore no comparatives have been presented.

BALANCE SHEET

As at 31 December 2025

	Notes	31.12.2025[1] £000's
Assets:		
Fixed assets		
– Investment assets		4,236,068
Current assets		
– Debtors	9	53,505
– Cash and bank balances		107
– Cash equivalents	10	375
Total assets		**4,290,055**
Liabilities:		
Creditors		
– Other creditors	11	(864)
Total liabilities		**(864)**
Net assets attributable to unitholders		**4,289,191**

[1] The Fund launched on 8 January 2025, therefore no comparatives have been presented.

On behalf of the Directors

A Lewis
Director
30 March 2026

A Hoctor-Duncan
Director
30 March 2026

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the financial period ended 8 January 2025 to 31 December 2025

1. Accounting and Distribution Policies

The material accounting and distribution policies are set out on pages 348 to 352.

2. Risk Management Policies

The Risk management policies are set out on pages 352 to 382.

3. Net Capital Gains

	For the period from 8.1.2025 to 31.12.2025 £000's
The net capital gains comprise:	
Gains on non-derivative securities*	447,252
Currency gains	6
Custodian transaction costs	8
Rebate from underlying CIS holdings	1,259
Stock dividends	(15)
Net capital gains	**448,510**

* Includes realised gains of £447,424,806 and unrealised losses of £173,470.

4. Revenue

	For the period from 8.1.2025 to 31.12.2025 £000's
Equity distributions on CIS holdings	7,004
Interest from UK bank deposits	116
Overseas dividends	42,869
Rebate from underlying CIS holdings	54
Revenue from short-term money market funds	363
Securities lending revenue	82
UK dividends	3,894
US REIT dividends	1,604
Total revenue	**55,986**

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

5. Expenses

	For the period from 8.1.2025 to 31.12.2025 £000's
Payable to the Depositary or associates of the Depositary:	
– Depositary fee	178
Other expenses:	
– Audit fee	21
– Credit administration expenses	3
– Legal fee	1
– Safe custody fee	58
– Set-up cost	17
Total expenses	**278**

6. Interest Payable and Similar Charges

	For the period from 8.1.2025 to 31.12.2025 £000's
Interest on bank overdrafts	1
Total interest payable and similar charges	**1**

7. Taxation

(a) Analysis of tax charge

As the Fund is an Authorised Contractual Scheme, it is exempt from United Kingdom (UK) tax on capital gains realised on the disposal of investments held within the Fund and any UK corporation tax.

8. Distributions

The distributions take account of revenue received on the issue of units and revenue deducted on the redemption of units and comprise:

	For the period from 8.1.2025 to 31.12.2025 £000's
Final accumulation	60,186
	60,186
Add: Amounts deducted on cancellation of units	987
Add: Amounts deducted on in-specie transactions	117
Deduct: Amounts received on issue of units	(5,586)
Distributions	**55,704**
The distributable amount has been calculated as follows:	
Net revenue after taxation	55,707
Add: Capitalised expenses	17
Custodian transaction costs	(1)
Expense from underlying CIS holdings	(4)
Other expense from underlying CIS holdings	(15)
Distributions	**55,704**

Details of the final distribution per unit are set out in the table on page 243.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

9. Debtors

	31.12.2025 £000's
Accrued rebate from underlying CIS holdings	298
Accrued revenue	52,189
Amount receivable on issue of units	1,018
Total debtors	**53,505**

10. Cash Equivalents

	31.12.2025 £000's
Investment in short-term money market funds	375
Total cash equivalents	**375**

11. Other Creditors

	31.12.2025 £000's
Accrued audit fee	7
Accrued depositary's fee	6
Amount payable for cancellation of units	263
Custodian transaction costs	4
Purchases awaiting settlement	584
Total other creditors	**864**

12. Contingent Assets and Liabilities

There were no significant capital commitments or contingent liabilities as at the 31 December 2025 and 31 December 2024.

13. Related Parties

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.

The following entities were related parties of the Fund during the financial period ended 31 December 2025:

Directors of the Manager	
Manager:	BlackRock Fund Managers Limited
Investment Manager:	BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited
Investment Adviser:	FIL Investments International
Stock Lending Agent:	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited

The ultimate holding company of the Manager, Investment Manager, Investment Adviser and Stock Lending Agent is BlackRock Inc. (“BlackRock”), a company incorporated in Delaware, USA.

The Manager acts as either principal or agent for the Depositary in respect of all transactions of units of the Fund. The aggregate monies received through issue and paid through cancellation of units are disclosed in the Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Unitholders and note 8. Any amounts due to or from the Manager at the financial period end are disclosed in notes 9 and 11. Securities lending revenue earned by the Fund is disclosed in note 4.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

13. Related Parties (continued)

The Investment Manager, in accordance with the Contractual Scheme Deed, may enter into commission sharing arrangements with related parties (including, without limitation, brokers who are affiliated to the BlackRock Group), which may result in the Fund benefiting from research or execution services which the Investment Manager believes are useful in the investment decision-making or trade execution process. Such research or execution services may include, without limitation and to the extent permitted by applicable law: research reports on companies, industries and securities; and the provision of economic and financial information and analysis. Due to the bundled nature of these services and the application of such benefits across a number of BlackRock managed funds, it is not feasible to quantify the benefit to the Fund. The Investment Manager may also enter into these arrangements with brokers who are not affiliated to the BlackRock Group.

Investment Adviser has appointed FIL Investments International to advise in relation to the composition of the portfolio of each of the BlacRock FutureWise Funds pursuant to an investment advisory agreement (the “IAA”).

Holdings in other funds managed by BlackRock

The Fund’s investments in other BlackRock related party entities are individually identified on the portfolio statement.

Significant investors

The following investors are:
a. funds managed by the BlackRock Group or are affiliates of BlackRock Inc. (“BlackRock Related Investors”) or
b. investors (other than those listed in (a) above) who held 51% or more of the voting units in issue in the Fund and are as a result, considered to be related parties to the Fund (“Significant Investors”).

As at 31 December 2025:

Total % of units held by BlackRock Related Investors	Total % of units held by Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors	Number of Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors
Nil	100%	1

For the financial period ended 31 December 2025, the Fund did not enter into any in-specie transactions with its related parties.

14. Credit Facility

The Fund entered into a credit facility with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. (“JPMorgan”), whereby JPMorgan, together with other syndicated lenders, made a portion of a USD 600 million credit facility available to the Fund. This portion of the USD 600 million credit facility will be allocated to the Fund based on the credit facility agreement dated 17 April 2025. This credit facility may be utilised by the Fund for temporary funding purposes, including, without limitation, the funding of investor redemptions. Any interest and commitment fees in relation to drawdowns from such credit facility are paid out of the assets of the Fund.

A loan commitment fee is charged on a daily basis in relation to this credit facility which is included in the Statement of Total Return under caption “Expenses”. The loan commitment fee is charged at 0.10% per annum on the undrawn portion of the loan commitment.

No portion of the credit facility was used during the financial period ended 31 December 2025.

15. Portfolio Transaction Costs

Transactions in money market instruments to manage the Fund’s daily liquidity position are excluded from the analysis.

For the Fund’s investment in collective investment scheme holdings there will potentially be dealing spread costs applicable to purchases and sales. However additionally there are indirect transaction costs incurred in those underlying funds, throughout the holding period for the instruments, which are not separately identifiable.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

15. Portfolio Transaction Costs (continued)

Transaction costs for derivatives positions will be either incurred as direct costs or form part of the dealing spread for the instruments.

Dealing spread costs incurred by the Fund vary considerably for the different asset/instrument types depending on a number of factors including transaction value and market sentiment.

At the Balance Sheet date, the average portfolio dealing spread (difference between bid and offer prices of all investments expressed as a percentage of the offer price value) was 0.00%.

16. Units in Issue

Revenue is allocated each day pro rata to the capital value of assets attributable to each class and taxation is computed by reference to the net revenue after expenses attributable to each class. The distribution per unit class is given in the distribution table. All unit classes have the same rights on winding up.

The movement in units in issue for the financial period ended 31 December 2025 is as follows:

	X1 Accumulation Units*
Balance at the beginning of the period	–
Issued during the period	3,900,800,554
Cancelled during the period	(112,905,040)
Converted during the period	–
Balance at the end of the period	**3,787,895,514**

17. Subsequent Events

There have been no significant events subsequent to the financial period end, which, in the opinion of the Manager, may have had an impact on the financial statements for the financial period ended 31 December 2025.

PORTFOLIO STATEMENT

As at 31 December 2025

Holding or Nominal Value	Investment	Market Value £000's	% of Total Net Assets
COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES - 98.76%			
Equity Funds - 98.76%			
322,085,527	ACS Europe ex UK ESG Insights Equity Fund**	388,157	9.05
213,080,069	ACS Japan ESG Insights Equity Fund**	244,780	5.71
1,315,473,711	ACS North America ESG Insights Equity Fund**	1,440,418	33.58
113,161,229	ACS UK ESG Insights Equity Fund**	135,073	3.15
1,303,976,314	ACS US ESG Insights Equity Fund**	1,419,600	33.10
112,320,329	Fidelity Emerging Markets Equity Research Enhanced UCITS ETF	511,731	11.93
10,495,415	Fidelity Pacific ex-Japan Equity Research Enhanced UCITS ETF	53,233	1.24
526,123	iShares Edge S&P 500 Minimum Volatility UCITS ETF	42,658	0.99
45,403	iShares MSCI USA ESG Enhanced CTB UCITS ETF	418	0.01
		4,236,068	**98.76**
Portfolio of investments		**4,236,068**	**98.76**

Holding or Nominal Value	Investment	Market Value £000's	% of Total Net Assets
CASH EQUIVALENTS			
Short-term Money Market Funds - 0.01%			
375,017	BlackRock Institutional Cash Series Sterling Liquidity Fund**	**375**	**0.01**
Net other assets		52,748	1.23
Total net assets		**4,289,191**	**100.00**

Note: The Fund launched on 8 January 2025, therefore no comparatives have been presented.

Underlying exposure has been calculated according to the guidelines issued by the European Securities and Markets Authority (“ESMA”) (as adopted by the FCA) and represents the market value of an equivalent position in the assets underlying each financial derivative instrument.

** Managed by a related party.

About the Fund

The Fund is a sub-fund of BlackRock Authorised Contractual Scheme 2, a NURS under the COLL Sourcebook. The Fund was authorised by the FCA on 4 November 2024 and launched on 8 January 2025. The Fund's FCA product reference number is 1025485.

Comparative Table

	X1 Accumulation Units For the period from 8.1.2025* to 31.12.2025 Pence per unit
Change in net assets per unit	
Opening net asset value per unit	100.00
Return before operating charges	12.87
Operating charges	–
Return after operating charges	12.87
Distributions	(1.60)
Retained distributions on accumulation units	1.60
Closing net asset value per unit	112.87
After direct transaction costs of:	0.00
Performance	
Return after charges[1]	12.87%
Other Information	
Closing net asset value (£000's)	3,688,461
Closing number of units	3,267,984,759
Operating charges[2]	0.00%
Direct transaction costs[3]	0.00%
Prices	**Pence per unit**
Highest offer unit price	114.30
Lowest bid unit price	83.33

* The date of commencement of operations.

[1] The return after charges figures are based on the net asset value reported for financial statements purposes and are not the same as the performance returns figures quoted in the Performance Summary section of the Investment Manager's Report which are returns based on NAV per unit as at 12 noon for dealing purposes.

[2] Operating charges are annualised and exclude portfolio trade-related costs, except costs paid to the custodian/depositary and entry/exit charges paid to an underlying collective investment scheme (if any).

[3] Direct transaction costs are annualised and principally comprise commissions and taxes, attributable to the Fund’s purchase and sale of debt instruments. See note 14 for further details.

DISTRIBUTION TABLE

for the financial period from 8 January 2025 to 31 December 2025

Final Distribution in Pence per Unit

	X1 Accumulation Units
Net revenue	1.5973
Distribution payable 27.2.2026	**1.5973**

Note: The Fund launched on 8 January 2025, therefore no comparatives have been presented.

STATEMENT OF TOTAL RETURN

for the financial period from 8 January 2025 to 31 December 2025

	Notes	£000's	For the period from 8.1.2025 to 31.12.2025[1] £000's
Income			
Net capital gains	3		375,509
Revenue	4	47,608	
Expenses	5	(255)	
Interest payable and similar charges		–	
Net revenue before taxation		47,353	
Taxation	6	–	
Net revenue after taxation			47,353
Total return before distributions			422,862
Distributions	7		(47,371)
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities			**375,491**

STATEMENT OF CHANGE IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS

for the financial period from 8 January 2025 to 31 December 2025

	£000's	For the period from 8.1.2025 to 31.12.2025[1] £000's
Opening net assets attributable to unitholders		–
Amounts receivable on issue of units	664,825	
Amounts receivable on in-specie transactions	2,671,684	
Amounts payable on cancellation of units	(75,739)	
		3,260,770
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities		375,491
Retained distribution on accumulation units		52,200
Closing net assets attributable to unitholders		**3,688,461**

[1]The Fund launched on 8 January 2025, therefore no comparatives have been presented.

BALANCE SHEET

As at 31 December 2025

	Notes	31.12.2025[1] £000's
Assets:		
Fixed assets		
– Investment assets		3,644,084
Current assets		
– Debtors	8	45,791
– Cash and bank balances		85
– Cash equivalents	9	291
Total assets		**3,690,251**
Liabilities:		
Creditors		
– Other creditors	10	(1,790)
Total liabilities		**(1,790)**
Net assets attributable to unitholders		**3,688,461**

[1]The Fund launched on 8 January 2025, therefore no comparatives have been presented.

On behalf of the Directors

A Lewis
Director
30 March 2026

A Hoctor-Duncan
Director
30 March 2026

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the financial period from 8 January 2025 to 31 December 2025

1. Accounting and Distribution Policies

The material accounting and distribution policies are set out on pages 348 to 352.

2. Risk Management Policies

The Risk management policies are set out on pages 352 to 382.

3. Net Capital Gains

	For the period from 8.1.2025 to 31.12.2025 £000's
The net capital gains comprise:	
Gains on non-derivative securities*	374,488
Custodian transaction costs	(2)
Other expense from underlying CIS holdings	(13)
Rebate from underlying CIS holdings	1,036
Net capital gains	**375,509**

* Includes realised losses of £629,430 and unrealised gains of £375,117,157 (2024: realised gains of Nil and unrealised gains of Nil). Where realised gains/losses include gains/losses arising in previous periods, a corresponding gains/losses is included in unrealised gains/losses.

4. Revenue

	For the period from 8.1.2025 to 31.12.2025 £000's
Equity distributions on CIS holdings	5,625
Interest distributions on CIS holdings	959
Interest from UK bank deposits	99
Overseas dividends	35,210
Rebate from underlying CIS holdings	840
Revenue from short-term money market funds	300
Securities lending revenue	67
UK dividends	3,190
US REIT dividends	1,318
Total revenue	**47,608**

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

5. Expenses

	For the period from 8.1.2025 to 31.12.2025 £000's
Payable to/Receivable from the Manager or associates of the Manager:	
– Annual service charge	146
– Annual service charge rebate	(145)
Payable to the Depositary or associates of the Depositary:	
– Depositary fee	148
Other expenses:	
– Audit fee	19
– Credit administration expenses	2
– Legal fee	1
– Miscellaneous	1
– Safe custody fee	48
– Set-up cost	35
Total expenses	**255**

6. Taxation

(a) Analysis of tax charge

As the Fund is an Authorised Contractual Scheme, it is exempt from United Kingdom (UK) tax on capital gains realised on the disposal of investments held within the Fund and any UK corporation tax.

7. Distributions

The distributions take account of revenue received on the issue of units and revenue deducted on the redemption of units and comprise:

	For the period from 8.1.2025 to 31.12.2025 £000's
Final accumulation	52,200
	52,200
Add: Amounts deducted on cancellation of units	690
Deduct: Amounts received on issue of units	(5,422)
Deduct: Amounts received on in-specie transactions	(97)
Distributions	**47,371**
The distributable amount has been calculated as follows:	
Net revenue after taxation	47,353
Add: Capitalised expenses	35
Custodian transaction cost	(1)
Expense from underlying CIS holdings	(3)
Other expense from underlying CIS holdings	(13)
Distributions	**47,371**

Details of the final distribution per unit are set out in the table on page 254.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

8. Debtors

	31.12.2025 £000's
Accrued rebate from underlying CIS holdings	529
Accrued revenue	43,299
Amount receivable on issue of units	1,963
Total debtors	**45,791**

9. Cash Equivalents

	31.12.2025 £000's
Investment in short-term money market funds	291
Total cash equivalents	**291**

10. Other Creditors

	31.12.2025 £000's
Accrued audit fee	7
Accrued depositary's fee	6
Amount payable for cancellation of units	89
Custodian transaction costs	4
Purchases awaiting settlement	1,684
Total other creditors	**1,790**

11. Contingent Assets and Liabilities

There were no significant capital commitments or contingent liabilities as at the 31 December 2025.

12. Related Parties

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.

The following entities were related parties of the Fund during the financial period ended 31 December 2025:

Directors of the Manager	
Manager:	BlackRock Fund Managers Limited
Investment Manager:	BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited
Investment Adviser:	FIL Investments International
Stock Lending Agent:	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited

The ultimate holding company of the Manager, Investment Manager, Investment Adviser and Stock Lending Agent is BlackRock Inc. (“BlackRock”), a company incorporated in Delaware, USA.

The Manager acts as either principal or agent for the Depositary in respect of all transactions of units of the Fund. The aggregate monies received through issue and paid through cancellation of units are disclosed in the Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Unitholders and note 7. Any amounts due to or from the Manager at the financial year end are disclosed in notes 8 and 10. Securities lending revenue earned by the Fund is disclosed in note 4.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

12. Related Parties (continued)

The Investment Manager, in accordance with the Contractual Scheme Deed, may enter into commission sharing arrangements with related parties (including, without limitation, brokers who are affiliated to the BlackRock Group), which may result in the Fund benefiting from research or execution services which the Investment Manager believes are useful in the investment decision-making or trade execution process. Such research or execution services may include, without limitation and to the extent permitted by applicable law: research reports on companies, industries and securities; and the provision of economic and financial information and analysis. Due to the bundled nature of these services and the application of such benefits across a number of BlackRock managed funds, it is not feasible to quantify the benefit to the Fund. The Investment Manager may also enter into these arrangements with brokers who are not affiliated to the BlackRock Group.

Investment Adviser has appointed FIL Investments International to advise in relation to the composition of the portfolio of each of the BlacRock FutureWise Funds pursuant to an investment advisory agreement (the “IAA”).

Holdings in other funds managed by BlackRock

The Fund’s investments in other BlackRock related party entities are individually identified on the portfolio statement.

Significant investors

The following investors are:
a. funds managed by the BlackRock Group or are affiliates of BlackRock Inc. (“BlackRock Related Investors”) or
b. investors (other than those listed in (a) above) who held 51% or more of the voting units in issue in the Fund and are as a result, considered to be related parties to the Fund (“Significant Investors”).

As at 31 December 2025:

Total % of units held by BlackRock Related Investors	Total % of units held by Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors	Number of Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors
Nil	100%	1

For the financial period ended 31 December 2025, the Fund received a total of £2,672 million in respect of in-specie transactions with its related parties.

13. Credit Facility

The Fund entered into a credit facility with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. (“JPMorgan”), whereby JPMorgan, together with other syndicated lenders, made a portion of a USD 600 million credit facility available to the Fund. This portion of the USD 600 million credit facility will be allocated to the Fund based on the credit facility agreement dated 17 April 2025. This credit facility may be utilised by the Fund for temporary funding purposes, including, without limitation, the funding of investor redemptions. Any interest and commitment fees in relation to drawdowns from such credit facility are paid out of the assets of the Fund.

A loan commitment fee is charged on a daily basis in relation to this credit facility which is included in the Statement of Total Return under caption “Expenses”. The loan commitment fee is charged at 0.10% per annum on the undrawn portion of the loan commitment.

No portion of the credit facility was used during the financial period ended 31 December 2025.

14. Portfolio Transaction Costs

Transactions in money market instruments to manage the Fund’s daily liquidity position are excluded from the analysis.

For the Fund’s investment in collective investment scheme holdings there will potentially be dealing spread costs applicable to purchases and sales. However additionally there are indirect transaction costs incurred in those underlying funds, throughout the holding period for the instruments, which are not separately identifiable.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

14. Portfolio Transaction Costs (continued)

Transaction costs for derivatives positions will be either incurred as direct costs or form part of the dealing spread for the instruments.

Dealing spread costs incurred by the Fund vary considerably for the different asset/instrument types depending on a number of factors including transaction value and market sentiment.

At the Balance Sheet date, the average portfolio dealing spread (difference between bid and offer prices of all investments expressed as a percentage of the offer price value) was 0.10% (31 December 2024: Nil).

15. Units in Issue

Revenue is allocated each day pro rata to the capital value of assets attributable to each class and taxation is computed by reference to the net revenue after expenses attributable to each class. The distribution per unit class is given in the distribution table. All unit classes have the same rights on winding up.

The movement in units in issue for the financial period ended 31 December 2025 is as follows:

	X1 Accumulation Units
Balance at the beginning of the period	–
Issued during the period	3,342,039,812
Cancelled during the period	(74,055,053)
Balance at the end of the period	**3,267,984,759**

16. Subsequent Events

There have been no significant events subsequent to the financial period end, which, in the opinion of the Manager, may have had an impact on the financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2025.

PORTFOLIO STATEMENT

As at 31 December 2025

Holding or Nominal Value	Investment	Market Value £000's	% of Total Net Assets
COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES - 98.80%			
Equity Funds - 98.80%			
268,303,156	ACS Europe ex UK ESG Insights Equity Fund**	323,344	8.77
176,707,671	ACS Japan ESG Insights Equity Fund**	202,996	5.50
1,091,048,421	ACS North America ESG Insights Equity Fund**	1,194,677	32.39
93,827,893	ACS UK ESG Insights Equity Fund**	111,996	3.04
1,082,105,745	ACS US ESG Insights Equity Fund**	1,178,056	31.94
1,253,044	Fidelity Diversified Private Assets Long Term Asset Fund	129,891	3.52
92,794,177	Fidelity Emerging Markets Equity Research Enhanced UCITS ETF	422,770	11.46
8,867,621	Fidelity Pacific ex-Japan Equity Research Enhanced UCITS ETF	44,977	1.22
437,975	iShares Edge S&P 500 Minimum Volatility UCITS ETF**	35,377	0.96
		3,644,084	**98.80**
Portfolio of investments		**3,644,084**	**98.80**

Holding or Nominal Value	Investment	Market Value £000's	% of Total Net Assets
CASH EQUIVALENTS			
Short-term Money Market Funds - 0.01%			
291,185	BlackRock Institutional Cash Series Sterling Liquidity Fund**	**291**	**0.01**
Net other assets		44,086	1.19
Total net assets		**3,688,461**	**100.00**

Note: The Fund launched on 8 January 2025, therefore no comparatives have been presented.

Underlying exposure has been calculated according to the guidelines issued by the European Securities and Markets Authority ("ESMA") (as adopted by the FCA) and represents the market value of an equivalent position in the assets underlying each financial derivative instrument.

** Managed by a related party.

BLACKROCK FUTUREWISE EARLY DAYS AGGREGATOR

About the Fund

The Fund is a sub-fund of BlackRock Authorised Contractual Scheme 2, a NURS under the COLL Sourcebook. The Fund was authorised by the FCA on 17 August 2022. The Fund's FCA product reference number is 988109.

Comparative Table

	X1 Accumulation Units		
	For the year to 31.12.2025 Pence per unit	For the year to 31.12.2024 Pence per unit	For the year to 31.12.2023 Pence per unit
Change in net assets per unit			
Opening net asset value per unit	135.81	113.16	97.85
Return before operating charges	20.88	22.68	15.32
Operating charges	0.00	(0.03)	(0.01)
Return after operating charges	20.88	22.65	15.31
Distributions	(2.31)	(2.16)	(1.80)
Retained distributions on accumulation units	2.31	2.16	1.80
Closing net asset value per unit	156.69	135.81	113.16
After direct transaction costs of:	0.00	0.00	0.00
Performance			
Return after charges[1]	15.37%	20.02%	15.65%
Other Information			
Closing net asset value (£000's)	6,165,465	9,821,517	6,183,236
Closing number of units	3,934,922,645	7,231,977,690	5,464,084,654
Operating charges[2]	0.00%	0.02%	0.01%
Direct transaction costs[3]	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Prices	**Pence per unit**	**Pence per unit**	**Pence per unit**
Highest offer unit price	158.59	138.35	113.49
Lowest bid unit price	115.73	111.46	98.20

[1] The return after charges figures are based on the net asset value reported for financial statements purposes and are not the same as the performance returns figures quoted in the Performance Summary section of the Investment Manager's Report which are returns based on NAV per unit as at 12 noon for dealing purposes.
[2] Operating charges are annualised and exclude portfolio trade-related costs, except costs paid to the custodian/depositary and entry/exit charges paid to an underlying collective investment scheme (if any).
[3] Direct transaction costs are annualised and principally comprise commissions and taxes, attributable to the Fund’s purchase and sale of equity instruments. See note 14 for further details.

BLACKROCK FUTUREWISE EARLY DAYS AGGREGATOR

DISTRIBUTION TABLE

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

Final Distribution in Pence per Unit

	X1 Accumulation Units
Net revenue	2.3084
Distribution paid 27.2.2026	**2.3084**
Distribution paid 28.2.2025	**2.1613**

STATEMENT OF TOTAL RETURN

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

	Notes	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Income					
Net capital gains	3		814,436		1,232,000
Revenue	4	83,071		133,584	
Expenses	5	(514)		(531)	
Interest payable and similar charges		–		–	
Net revenue before taxation		82,557		133,053	
Taxation	6	–		–	
Net revenue after taxation			82,557		133,053
Total return before distributions			896,993		1,365,053
Distributions	7		(82,524)		(133,023)
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities			**814,469**		**1,232,030**

STATEMENT OF CHANGE IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Opening net assets attributable to unitholders		9,821,517		6,183,236
Amounts receivable on issue of units	1,398,253		2,259,610	
Amounts payable on cancellation of units	(68,363)		(9,664)	
Amounts payable on in-specie transactions	(5,891,245)		–	
		(4,561,355)		2,249,946
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities		814,469		1,232,030
Retained distribution on accumulation units		90,834		156,305
Closing net assets attributable to unitholders		**6,165,465**		**9,821,517**

BALANCE SHEET

As at 31 December 2025

	Notes	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Assets:			
Fixed assets			
– Investment assets		6,089,061	9,679,748
Current assets			
– Debtors	8	83,971	152,765
– Cash and bank balances		127	484
– Cash equivalents	9	85	–
Total assets		**6,173,244**	**9,832,997**
Liabilities:			
Creditors			
– Other creditors	10	(7,779)	(11,480)
Total liabilities		**(7,779)**	**(11,480)**
Net assets attributable to unitholders		**6,165,465**	**9,821,517**

On behalf of the Directors

A Lewis
Director
30 March 2026

A Hoctor-Duncan
Director
30 March 2026

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

1. Accounting and Distribution Policies

The material accounting and distribution policies are set out on pages 348 to 352.

2. Risk Management Policies

The Risk management policies are set out on pages 352 to 382.

3. Net Capital Gains

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
The net capital gains comprise:		
Gains on non-derivative securities*	812,676	1,228,929
Currency losses	(1)	(5)
Custodian transaction costs	20	(52)
Other expense from underlying CIS holdings	(29)	32
Rebate from underlying CIS holdings	1,770	3,096
Net capital gains	**814,436**	**1,232,000**

* Includes realised gains of £1,083,819,719 and unrealised losses of £271,144,607 (2024: realised gains of £923,364 and unrealised gains of £1,228,005,443). Where realised gains/losses include gains/losses arising in previous periods, a corresponding gains/losses is included in unrealised gains/losses.

4. Revenue

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Equity distributions on CIS holdings	10,893	19,942
Interest distributions on CIS holdings	2,150	–
Interest from UK bank deposits	175	1,295
Overseas dividends	60,106	99,416
Rebate from underlying CIS holdings	1,803	–
Securities lending revenue	115	163
UK dividends	5,127	8,637
UK REIT dividends	–	301
US REIT dividends	2,702	3,830
Total revenue	**83,071**	**133,584**

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

5. Expenses

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Payable to/Receivable from the Manager or associates of the Manager:		
– Annual service charge	–	382
– Annual service charge rebate	–	(382)
Payable to the Depositary or associates of the Depositary:		
– Depositary fee	246	412
Other expenses:		
– Audit fee	26	27
– Credit administration expenses	34	10
– Legal fee	52	1
-Miscellaneous	–	(4)
– Safe custody fee	156	85
Total expenses	**514**	**531**

6. Taxation

(a) Analysis of tax charge

As the Fund is an Authorised Contractual Scheme, it is exempt from United Kingdom (UK) tax on capital gains realised on the disposal of investments held within the Fund and any UK corporation tax.

7. Distributions

The distributions take account of revenue received on the issue of units and revenue deducted on the redemption of units and comprise:

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Final accumulation	90,834	156,305
	90,834	156,305
Add: Amounts deducted on cancellation of units	3,175	86
Deduct: Amounts received on issue of units	(8,964)	(23,368)
Deduct: Amounts received on in-specie transactions	(2,521)	–
Distributions	**82,524**	**133,023**
The distributable amount has been calculated as follows:		
Net revenue after taxation	82,557	133,053
Add: Revenue brought forward	–	4
Custodian transaction costs	2	(49)
Expense from underlying CIS holdings	(6)	(17)
Other expense from underlying CIS holdings	(29)	32
Distributions	**82,524**	**133,023**

Details of the final distribution per unit are set out in the table on page 265.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

8. Debtors

	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Accrued rebate from underlying CIS holdings	998	1,061
Accrued revenue	75,128	132,838
Amount receivable on issue of units	7,845	18,866
Total debtors	**83,971**	**152,765**

9. Cash Equivalents

	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Investment in short-term money market funds	85	–
Total cash equivalents	**85**	**–**

10. Other Creditors

	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Accrued audit fee	5	5
Accrued depositary's fee	8	8
Accrued safe custody fee	55	42
Amount payable for cancellation of units	11	–
Currency deals awaiting settlement	–	10
Custodian transaction costs	3	17
Purchases awaiting settlement	7,697	11,398
Total other creditors	**7,779**	**11,480**

11. Contingent Assets and Liabilities

There were no significant capital commitments or contingent liabilities as at the 31 December 2025 and 31 December 2024.

12. Related Parties

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.

The following entities were related parties of the Fund during the financial year ended 31 December 2025:

Directors of the Manager	
Manager:	BlackRock Fund Managers Limited
Investment Manager:	BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited
Investment Adviser:	FIL Investments International
Stock Lending Agent:	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited

The ultimate holding company of the Manager, Investment Manager, Investment Adviser and Stock Lending Agent is BlackRock Inc. (“BlackRock”), a company incorporated in Delaware, USA.

The Manager acts as either principal or agent for the Depositary in respect of all transactions of units of the Fund. The aggregate monies received through issue and paid through cancellation of units are disclosed in the Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Unitholders and note 7. Any amounts due to or from the Manager at the financial year end are disclosed in notes 8 and 10. Securities lending revenue earned by the Fund is disclosed in note 4.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

12. Related Parties (continued)

The Investment Manager, in accordance with the Contractual Scheme Deed, may enter into commission sharing arrangements with related parties (including, without limitation, brokers who are affiliated to the BlackRock Group), which may result in the Fund benefiting from research or execution services which the Investment Manager believes are useful in the investment decision-making or trade execution process. Such research or execution services may include, without limitation and to the extent permitted by applicable law: research reports on companies, industries and securities; and the provision of economic and financial information and analysis. Due to the bundled nature of these services and the application of such benefits across a number of BlackRock managed funds, it is not feasible to quantify the benefit to the Fund. The Investment Manager may also enter into these arrangements with brokers who are not affiliated to the BlackRock Group.

Investment Adviser has appointed FIL Investments International to advise in relation to the composition of the portfolio of each of the BlacRock FutureWise Funds pursuant to an investment advisory agreement (the “IAA”).

Holdings in other funds managed by BlackRock

The Fund’s investments in other BlackRock related party entities are individually identified on the portfolio statement.

Significant investors

The following investors are:
a. funds managed by the BlackRock Group or are affiliates of BlackRock Inc. (“BlackRock Related Investors”) or
b. investors (other than those listed in (a) above) who held 51% or more of the voting units in issue in the Fund and are as a result, considered to be related parties to the Fund (“Significant Investors”).

As at 31 December 2025:

Total % of units held by Blackrock Related Investors	Total % of units held by Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors	Number of Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors
Nil	100%	1

As at 31 December 2024:

Total % of units held by Blackrock Related Investors	Total % of units held by Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors	Number of Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors
Nil	100%	1

For the financial year ended 31 December 2025, the Fund paid out a total of £5,891 million (31 December 2024: £Nil) in respect of in-specie transactions with its related parties.

13. Credit Facility

The Fund entered into a credit facility with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. (“JPMorgan”), whereby JPMorgan, together with other syndicated lenders, made a portion of a USD 600 million credit facility available to the Fund. This portion of the USD 600 million credit facility will be allocated to the Fund based on the credit facility agreement dated 17 April 2025. This credit facility may be utilised by the Fund for temporary funding purposes, including, without limitation, the funding of investor redemptions. Any interest and commitment fees in relation to drawdowns from such credit facility are paid out of the assets of the Fund.

A loan commitment fee is charged on a daily basis in relation to this credit facility which is included in the Statement of Total Return under caption “Expenses”. The loan commitment fee is charged at 0.10% per annum on the undrawn portion of the loan commitment.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

13. Credit Facility (continued)

No portion of the credit facility was used during the financial year ended 31 December 2025 and during the financial year ended 31 December 2024.

14. Portfolio Transaction Costs

Transactions in money market instruments to manage the Fund's daily liquidity position are excluded from the analysis.

For the Fund's investment in collective investment scheme holdings there will potentially be dealing spread costs applicable to purchases and sales. However additionally there are indirect transaction costs incurred in those underlying funds, throughout the holding period for the instruments, which are not separately identifiable.

Dealing spread costs incurred by the Fund vary considerably for the different asset/instrument types depending on a number of factors including transaction value and market sentiment.

At the Balance Sheet date, the average portfolio dealing spread (difference between bid and offer prices of all investments expressed as a percentage of the offer price value) was 0.09% (31 December 2024: 0.12%).

15. Units in Issue

Revenue is allocated each day pro rata to the capital value of assets attributable to each class and taxation is computed by reference to the net revenue after expenses attributable to each class. The distribution per unit class is given in the distribution table. All unit classes have the same rights on winding up.

The movement in units in issue for the financial year ended 31 December 2025 is as follows:

	X1 Accumulation Units
Balance at the beginning of the year	7,231,977,690
Issued during the year	1,016,072,431
Cancelled during the year	(4,313,127,476)
Balance at the end of the year	**3,934,922,645**

16. Subsequent Events

There have been no significant events subsequent to the financial year end, which, in the opinion of the Manager, may have had an impact on the financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2025.

BLACKROCK FUTUREWISE EARLY DAYS AGGREGATOR

PORTFOLIO STATEMENT

As at 31 December 2025

Holding or Nominal Value	Investment	Market Value £000's	% of Total Net Assets
COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES - 98.76%; 31.12.24 98.56%			
Equity Funds - 94.06%; 31.12.24 98.56%			
440,317,905	ACS Europe ex UK ESG Insights Equity Fund**	648,753	10.52
195,268,415	ACS Japan ESG Insights Equity Fund**	277,894	4.51
1,224,907,475	ACS North America ESG Insights Equity Fund**	1,971,792	31.98
129,760,058	ACS UK ESG Insights Equity Fund**	184,626	2.99
1,197,691,282	ACS US ESG Insights Equity Fund**	1,943,065	31.52
140,778,359	Fidelity Emerging Markets Equity Research Enhanced UCITS ETF	641,386	10.40
25,987,491	Fidelity Pacific ex-Japan Equity Research Enhanced UCITS ETF	131,809	2.14
		5,799,325	**94.06**
Open Ended Funds - 4.70%; 31.12.24 0.00%			
2,795,063	Fidelity Diversified Private Assets Long Term Asset Fund	**289,736**	**4.70**
Portfolio of investments		**6,089,061**	**98.76**

Holding or Nominal Value	Investment	Market Value £000's	% of Total Net Assets
CASH EQUIVALENTS			
Short-term Money Market Funds - 0.00%; 31.12.24 0.00%			
85,054	BlackRock Institutional Cash Series Sterling Liquidity Fund**	**85**	**0.00**
Net other assets		76,319	1.24
Total net assets		**6,165,465**	**100.00**

Underlying exposure has been calculated according to the guidelines issued by the European Securities and Markets Authority ("ESMA") (as adopted by the FCA) and represents the market value of an equivalent position in the assets underlying each financial derivative instrument.

** Managed by a related party.

BLACKROCK FUTUREWISE RETIREMENT AGGREGATOR

About the Fund

The Fund is a sub-fund of BlackRock Authorised Contractual Scheme 2, a NURS under the COLL Sourcebook. The Fund was authorised by the FCA on 17 August 2022. The Fund's FCA product reference number is 988110.

Comparative Table

	X1 Accumulation Units		
	For the year to 31.12.2025 Pence per unit	For the year to 31.12.2024 Pence per unit	For the year to 31.12.2023 Pence per unit
Change in net assets per unit			
Opening net asset value per unit	119.13	109.76	98.60
Return before operating charges	11.6	9.39	11.19
Operating charges	(0.01)	(0.02)	(0.03)
Return after operating charges	11.59	9.37	11.16
Distributions	(4.51)	(3.10)	(0.85)
Retained distributions on accumulation units	4.51	3.10	0.85
Closing net asset value per unit	130.72	119.13	109.76
After direct transaction costs of:	–	–	–
Performance			
Return after charges[1]	9.73%	8.54%	11.32%
Other Information			
Closing net asset value (£000's)	502,626	458,491	256,543
Closing number of units	384,518,729	384,856,109	233,720,169
Operating charges[2]	0.01%	0.02%	0.03%
Direct transaction costs[3]	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Prices	**Pence per unit**	**Pence per unit**	**Pence per unit**
Highest offer unit price	131.42	121.65	109.90
Lowest bid unit price	111.91	108.13	98.97

[1] The return after charges figures are based on the net asset value reported for financial statements purposes and are not the same as the performance returns figures quoted in the Performance Summary section of the Investment Manager's Report which are returns based on NAV per unit as at 12 noon for dealing purposes.
[2] Operating charges are annualised and exclude portfolio trade-related costs, except costs paid to the custodian/depositary and entry/exit charges paid to an underlying collective investment scheme (if any).
[3] Direct transaction costs are annualised and principally comprise commissions and taxes, attributable to the Fund’s purchase and sale of equity instruments. See note 14 for further details.

BLACKROCK FUTUREWISE RETIREMENT AGGREGATOR

DISTRIBUTION TABLE

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

Final Distribution in Pence per Unit

	X1 Accumulation Units
Net revenue	4.5130
Distribution paid 27.2.2026	**4.5130**
Distribution paid 28.2.2025	**3.1046**

STATEMENT OF TOTAL RETURN

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

	Notes	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Income					
Net capital gains	3		27,480		14,511
Revenue	4	17,727		11,630	
Expenses	5	(36)		(35)	
Interest payable and similar charges		–		–	
Net revenue before taxation		17,691		11,595	
Taxation	6	–		–	
Net revenue after taxation			17,691		11,595
Total return before distributions			45,171		26,106
Distributions	7		(17,691)		(11,595)
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities			**27,480**		**14,511**

STATEMENT OF CHANGE IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Opening net assets attributable to unitholders		458,491		256,543
Amounts receivable on issue of units	59,739		234,356	
Amounts payable on cancellation of units	(60,437)		(58,867)	
		(698)		175,489
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities		27,480		14,511
Retained distribution on accumulation units		17,353		11,948
Closing net assets attributable to unitholders		**502,626**		**458,491**

BALANCE SHEET

As at 31 December 2025

	Notes	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Assets:			
Fixed assets			
– Investment assets		491,244	456,809
Current assets			
– Debtors	8	1,963	3,308
– Cash and bank balances		158	22
– Cash equivalents	9	9,716	–
Total assets		**503,081**	**460,139**
Liabilities:			
Creditors			
– Other creditors	10	(455)	(1,648)
Total liabilities		**(455)**	**(1,648)**
Net assets attributable to unitholders		**502,626**	**458,491**

On behalf of the Directors

A Lewis
Director
30 March 2026

A Hoctor-Duncan
Director
30 March 2026

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

1. Accounting and Distribution Policies

The material accounting and distribution policies are set out on pages 348 to 352.

2. Risk Management Policies

The Risk management policies are set out on pages 352 to 382.

3. Net Capital Gains

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
The net capital gains comprise:		
Gain on non-derivative securities*	26,705	13,766
Custodian transaction costs	7	(15)
Rebate from underlying CIS holdings	768	760
Net capital gains	**27,480**	**14,511**

* Includes realised gains of £10,982,083 and unrealised gains of £15,723,318 (2024: realised gains of £13,115,410 and unrealised gains of £649,852). Where realised gains/losses include gains/losses arising in previous periods, a corresponding gains/losses is included in unrealised gains/losses.

4. Revenue

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Equity distributions on CIS holdings	268	250
Interest distributions on CIS holdings	14,350	9,674
Interest from UK bank deposits	20	20
Overseas dividends	1,772	1,362
Rebate from underlying CIS holdings	310	118
Revenue from short-term money market funds	773	–
Securities lending revenue	4	3
UK dividends	158	146
UK REIT dividends	–	4
US REIT dividends	72	53
Total revenue	**17,727**	**11,630**

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

5. Expenses

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Payable to/Receivable from the Manager or associates of the Manager:		
– Annual service charge	–	17
– Annual service charge rebate	–	(17)
Payable to the Depositary or associates of the Depositary:		
– Depositary fee	11	12
Other expenses:		
– Audit fee	8	7
– Credit administration expenses	2	–
– Legal fee	4	–
– Safe custody fee	11	16
Total expenses	**36**	**35**

6. Taxation

(a) Analysis of tax charge

As the Fund is an Authorised Contractual Scheme, it is exempt from United Kingdom (UK) tax on capital gains realised on the disposal of investments held within the Fund and any UK corporation tax.

7. Distributions

The distributions take account of revenue received on the issue of units and revenue deducted on the redemption of units and comprise:

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Final accumulation	17,353	11,948
	17,353	11,948
Add: Amounts deducted on cancellation of units	661	553
Deduct: Amounts received on issue of units	(323)	(906)
Distributions	**17,691**	**11,595**
The distributable amount has been calculated as follows:		
Net revenue after taxation	17,691	11,595
Distributions	**17,691**	**11,595**

Details of the final distribution per unit are set out in the table on page 276.

8. Debtors

	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Accrued rebate from underlying CIS holdings	227	397
Accrued revenue	1,736	2,005
Amount receivable on issue of units	–	8
Sales awaiting settlement	–	898
Total debtors	**1,963**	**3,308**

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

9. Cash Equivalents

	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Investment in short-term money market funds	9,716	–
Total cash equivalents	**9,716**	**–**

10. Other Creditors

	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Accrued audit fee	5	5
Accrued depositary's fee	8	7
Accrued safe custody fee	14	14
Amount payable for cancellation of units	420	1,603
Custodian transaction costs	8	19
Total other creditors	**455**	**1,648**

11. Contingent Assets and Liabilities

There were no significant capital commitments or contingent liabilities as at the 31 December 2025 and 31 December 2024.

12. Related Parties

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.

The following entities were related parties of the Fund during the financial year ended 31 December 2025:

Directors of the Manager	
Manager:	BlackRock Fund Managers Limited
Investment Manager:	BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited
Investment Adviser:	FIL Investments International
Securities Lending Agent :	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited

The ultimate holding company of the Manager, Investment Manager, Investment Adviser and Securities Lending Agent is BlackRock Inc. (“BlackRock”), a company incorporated in Delaware, USA.

The Manager acts as either principal or agent for the Depositary in respect of all transactions of units of the Fund. The aggregate monies received through issue and paid through cancellation of units are disclosed in the Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Unitholders and note 7. Any amounts due to or from the Manager at the financial year end are disclosed in notes 8 and 10. Securities lending revenue earned by the Fund is disclosed in note 4.

The Investment Manager, in accordance with the Contractual Scheme Deed, may enter into commission sharing arrangements with related parties (including, without limitation, brokers who are affiliated to the BlackRock Group), which may result in the Fund benefiting from research or execution services which the Investment Manager believes are useful in the investment decision-making or trade execution process. Such research or execution services may include, without limitation and to the extent permitted by applicable law: research reports on companies, industries and securities; and the provision of economic and financial information and analysis. Due to the bundled nature of these services and the application of such benefits across a number of BlackRock managed funds, it is not feasible to quantify the benefit to the Fund. The Investment Manager may also enter into these arrangements with brokers who are not affiliated to the BlackRock Group.

Investment Adviser has appointed FIL Investments International to advise in relation to the composition of the portfolio of each of the BlacRock FutureWise Funds pursuant to an investment advisory agreement (the “IAA”).

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

12. Related Parties (continued)

Holdings in other funds managed by BlackRock

The Fund's investments in other BlackRock related party entities are individually identified on the portfolio statement.

Significant investors

The following investors are:
a. funds managed by the BlackRock Group or are affiliates of BlackRock Inc. ("BlackRock Related Investors") or
b. investors (other than those listed in (a) above) who held 51% or more of the voting units in issue in the Fund and are as a result, considered to be related parties to the Fund ("Significant Investors").

As at 31 December 2025:

Total % of units held by BlackRock Related Investors	Total % of units held by Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors	Number of Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors
Nil	100%	1

As at 31 December 2024:

Total % of units held by BlackRock Related Investors	Total % of units held by Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors	Number of Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors
Nil	100%	1

For the financial year ended 31 December 2025, the Fund did not enter into any in-specie transactions with its related parties (31 December 2024: Nil).

13. Credit Facility

The Fund entered into a credit facility with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. ("JPMorgan"), whereby JPMorgan, together with other syndicated lenders, made a portion of a USD 600 million credit facility available to the Fund. This portion of the USD 600 million credit facility will be allocated to the Fund based on the credit facility agreement dated 17 April 2025. This credit facility may be utilised by the Fund for temporary funding purposes, including, without limitation, the funding of investor redemptions. Any interest and commitment fees in relation to drawdowns from such credit facility are paid out of the assets of the Fund.

A loan commitment fee is charged on a daily basis in relation to this credit facility which is included in the Statement of Total Return under caption "Expenses". The loan commitment fee is charged at 0.10% per annum on the undrawn portion of the loan commitment.

No portion of the credit facility was used during the financial year ended 31 December 2025 and during the financial year ended 31 December 2024.

14. Portfolio Transaction Costs

Transactions in money market instruments to manage the Fund's daily liquidity position are excluded from the analysis.

For the Fund's investment in collective investment scheme holdings there will potentially be dealing spread costs applicable to purchases and sales. However additionally there are indirect transaction costs incurred in those underlying funds, throughout the holding period for the instruments, which are not separately identifiable.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

14. Portfolio Transaction Costs (continued)

Dealing spread costs incurred by the Fund vary considerably for the different asset/instrument types depending on a number of factors including transaction value and market sentiment.

At the Balance Sheet date, the average portfolio dealing spread (difference between bid and offer prices of all investments expressed as a percentage of the offer price value) was 0.34% (31 December 2024: 0.54%).

15. Units in Issue

Revenue is allocated each day pro rata to the capital value of assets attributable to each class and taxation is computed by reference to the net revenue after expenses attributable to each class. The distribution per unit class is given in the distribution table. All unit classes have the same rights on winding up.

The movement in units in issue for the financial year ended 31 December 2025 is as follows:

	X1 Accumulation Units
Balance at the beginning of the year	384,856,109
Issued during the year	49,256,563
Cancelled during the year	(49,593,943)
Balance at the end of the year	**384,518,729**

16. Subsequent Events

There have been no significant events subsequent to the financial year end, which, in the opinion of the Manager, may have had an impact on the financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2025.

PORTFOLIO STATEMENT

As at 31 December 2025

Holding or Nominal Value	Investment	Market Value £000's	% of Total Net Assets
COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES - 97.74%; 31.12.24 99.63%			
Equity Funds - 30.72%; 31.12.24 31.49%			
4,422,623	ACS Europe ex UK ESG Insights Equity Fund**	6,516	1.30
8,520,821	ACS Japan ESG Insights Equity Fund**	12,127	2.41
59,462,521	ACS North America ESG Insights Equity Fund**	95,717	19.04
3,377,675	ACS UK ESG Insights Equity Fund**	4,806	0.96
4,764,878	Fidelity Emerging Markets Equity Research Enhanced UCITS ETF	21,708	4.32
679,307	Fidelity Pacific ex-Japan Equity Research Enhanced UCITS ETF	3,445	0.68
123,971	iShares Edge S&P 500 Minimum Volatility UCITS ETF**	10,052	2.00
		154,371	**30.71**
Exchange Traded Commodities - 2.02%; 31.12.24 0.00%			
163,087	iShares Physical Gold ETC**	**10,141**	**2.02**
Fixed Income Funds - 65.00%; 31.12.24 68.14%			
7,851,719	Fidelity ESG USD EM Bond UCITS ETF	40,381	8.03
6,377,388	Fidelity EUR Corporate Bond Research Enhanced PAB UCITS ETF	37,499	7.46
555,981	Fidelity EUR High Yield Corporate Bond Research Enhanced PAB UCITS ETF	3,047	0.61
20,217,471	Fidelity Funds - Climate Transition Bond Fund	20,743	4.13
12,071,158	Fidelity Global Corporate Bond Research Enhanced PAB UCITS ETF	62,191	12.37
9,076,548	Fidelity Global Government Bond Climate Aware UCITS ETF	50,039	9.96
2,337,693	Fidelity Global High Yield Corporate Bond Research Enhanced PAB UCITS ETF	15,188	3.02
12,596,680	Fidelity USD Corporate Bond Research Enhanced PAB UCITS ETF	75,681	15.06
2,234,669	Fidelity USD High Yield Corporate Bond Research Enhanced PAB UCITS ETF	12,105	2.41
1,875,629	iShares USD Short Duration Bond UCITS ETF**	9,858	1.96
		326,732	**65.01**
Portfolio of investments		**491,244**	**97.74**

PORTFOLIO STATEMENT (continued)

Holding or Nominal Value	Investment	Market Value £000's	% of Total Net Assets
CASH EQUIVALENTS			
Short-term Money Market Funds - 1.93%; 31.12.24 0.00%			
9,716,376	BlackRock Institutional Cash Series Sterling Liquidity Fund**	**9,716**	**1.93**
Net other assets		1,666	0.33
Total net assets		**502,626**	**100.00**

Underlying exposure has been calculated according to the guidelines issued by the European Securities and Markets Authority ("ESMA") (as adopted by the FCA) and represents the market value of an equivalent position in the assets underlying each financial derivative instrument.

** Managed by a related party.

BLACKROCK GROWTH ALLOCATION FUND

About the Fund

The Fund is a sub-fund of BlackRock Authorised Contractual Scheme 2, a NURS under the COLL Sourcebook. The Fund was authorised by the FCA on 27 April 2023. The Fund's FCA product reference number is 997135.

Comparative Table

	X1R Accumulation Units		
	For the year to 31.12.2025 Pence per unit	For the year to 31.12.2024 Pence per unit	For the period from 14.6.2023* to 31.12.2023 Pence per unit
Change in net assets per unit			
Opening net asset value per unit	127.28	107.13	100.00
Return before operating charges	17.80	20.15	7.13
Operating charges	0.00	0.00	0.00
Return after operating charges	17.80	20.15	7.13
Distributions	(2.35)	(2.20)	(1.08)
Retained distributions on accumulation units	2.35	2.20	1.08
Closing net asset value per unit	145.08	127.28	107.13
After direct transaction costs of:	0.00	0.00	0.00
Performance			
Return after charges[1]	13.98%	18.81%	7.13%
Other Information			
Closing net asset value (£000's)	1,328,456	1,055,395	794,294
Closing number of units	915,662,757	829,184,037	741,464,175
Operating charges[2]	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Direct transaction costs[3]	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Prices	**Pence per unit**	**Pence per unit**	**Pence per unit**
Highest offer unit price	146.99	130.19	107.47
Lowest bid unit price	108.97	105.26	96.05

* The date of commencement of operations.

[1] The return after charges figures are based on the net asset value reported for financial statements purposes and are not the same as the performance returns figures quoted in the Performance Summary section of the Investment Manager's Report which are returns based on NAV per unit as at 12 noon for dealing purposes.

[2] Operating charges are annualised and exclude portfolio trade-related costs, except costs paid to the custodian/depositary and entry/exit charges paid to an underlying collective investment scheme (if any).

[3] Direct transaction costs are annualised and principally comprise commissions and taxes, attributable to the Fund's purchase and sale of equity instruments. See note 13 for further details.

BLACKROCK GROWTH ALLOCATION FUND

DISTRIBUTION TABLE

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

Final Distribution in Pence per Unit

	X1R Accumulation Units
Net revenue	2.3543
Distribution paid 27.2.2026	**2.3543**
Distribution paid 28.2.2025	**2.1987**

STATEMENT OF TOTAL RETURN

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

	Notes	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Income					
Net capital gains	3		141,282		141,402
Revenue	4	20,865		17,452	
Expenses	5	(15)		40	
Interest payable and similar charges		–		–	
Net revenue before taxation		20,850		17,492	
Taxation	6	–		–	
Net revenue after taxation			20,850		17,492
Total return before distributions			162,132		158,894
Distributions	7		(20,733)		(17,435)
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities			**141,399**		**141,459**

STATEMENT OF CHANGE IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Opening net assets attributable to unitholders		1,055,395		794,294
Amounts receivable on issue of units	243,380		218,238	
Amounts payable on cancellation of units	(133,275)		(116,827)	
		110,105		101,411
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities		141,399		141,459
Retained distribution on accumulation units		21,557		18,231
Closing net assets attributable to unitholders		**1,328,456**		**1,055,395**

BALANCE SHEET

As at 31 December 2025

	Notes	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Assets:			
Fixed assets			
– Investment assets		1,310,959	1,040,393
Current assets			
– Debtors	8	18,386	16,063
– Cash and bank balances		305	83
Total assets		**1,329,650**	**1,056,539**
Liabilities:			
Investment liabilities		(14)	(463)
Creditors			
– Other creditors	9	(1,180)	(681)
Total liabilities		**(1,194)**	**(1,144)**
Net assets attributable to unitholders		**1,328,456**	**1,055,395**

On behalf of the Directors

A Lewis
Director
30 March 2026

A Hoctor-Duncan
Director
30 March 2026

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

1. Accounting and Distribution Policies

The material accounting and distribution policies are set out on pages 348 to 352.

2. Risk Management Policies

The Risk management policies are set out on pages 352 to 382.

3. Net Capital Gains

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
The net capital gains comprise:		
Gains on non-derivative securities*	140,131	141,261
Forward currency contracts	2,613	(566)
Currency (losses)/gains	(1,347)	780
Custodian transaction costs	567	(23)
Payment from affiliate	(584)	–
Rebate/(expense) from underlying CIS holdings	3	(1)
Stock dividends	(101)	(49)
Net capital gains	**141,282**	**141,402**

* Includes realised gains of £11,932,152 and unrealised gains of £128,199,029 (2024: realised gains of £8,236,613 and unrealised gains of £133,024,599). Where realised gains/losses include gains/losses arising in previous periods, a corresponding gain/loss is included in unrealised gains/losses.

4. Revenue

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Equity distributions on CIS holdings	2,008	1,804
Interest distributions on CIS holdings	1,311	1,086
Interest from UK bank deposits	2	104
Overseas dividends	15,403	12,613
Rebate from underlying CIS holdings	147	187
Securities lending revenue	93	84
UK dividends	1,292	1,049
UK REIT dividends	–	35
US REIT dividends	609	490
Total revenue	**20,865**	**17,452**

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

5. Expenses

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Receivable from the Manager or associates of the Manager:		
– Annual service charge	–	46
– Manager's charge and other expenses rebate[#]	(224)	(202)
Payable to the Depositary or associates of the Depositary:		
– Depositary fee	65	53
Other expenses:		
– Audit fee	26	12
– Credit administration expenses	64	–
– Index licence fee	35	26
– Legal fee	11	1
– Safe custody fee	38	24
Total expenses	**15**	**(40)**

[#] The Fund received rebates from the Manager to ensure that the operating charge does not exceed 0.00%.

6. Taxation

(a) Analysis of tax charge

As the Fund is an Authorised Contractual Scheme, it is exempt from United Kingdom (UK) tax on capital gains realised on the disposal of investments held within the Fund and any UK corporation tax.

7. Distributions

The distributions take account of revenue received on the issue of units and revenue deducted on the redemption of units and comprise:

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Final accumulation	21,557	18,231
	21,557	18,231
Add: Amounts deducted on cancellation of units	1,100	992
Deduct: Amounts received on issue of units	(1,924)	(1,788)
Distributions	**20,733**	**17,435**
The distributable amount has been calculated as follows:		
Net revenue after taxation	20,850	17,492
Custodian transactions costs	(19)	(7)
Other expense from underlying CIS holdings	(101)	(49)
Rebate/(expense) from underlying CIS holdings	3	(1)
Distributions	**20,733**	**17,435**

Details of the final distribution per unit are set out in the table on page 288.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

8. Debtors

	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Accrued manager's charge rebates	–	202
Accrued rebate from underlying CIS holdings	41	34
Accrued revenue	17,838	14,928
Amount receivable on issue of units	507	157
Sales awaiting settlement	–	742
Total debtors	**18,386**	**16,063**

9. Other Creditors

	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Accrued admin fee	22	65
Accrued audit fee	12	10
Accrued bank interest charge	–	1
Accrued depositary's fee	8	8
Accrued manager's charge	–	3
Accrued safe custody fee	5	11
Amount payable for cancellation of units	1,034	567
Custodian transaction costs	9	16
Purchases awaiting settlement	90	–
Total other creditors	**1,180**	**681**

10. Contingent Assets and Liabilities

There were no significant capital commitments or contingent liabilities as at 31 December 2025 and 31 December 2024.

11. Related Parties

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.

The following entities were related parties of the Fund during the financial year ended 31 December 2025:

Directors of the Manager	
Manager:	BlackRock Fund Managers Limited
Investment Manager:	BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited
Stock Lending Agent:	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited

The ultimate holding company of the Manager, Investment Manager and Stock Lending Agent is BlackRock Inc. (“BlackRock”), a company incorporated in Delaware, USA.

The Manager acts as either principal or agent for the Depositary in respect of all transactions of units of the Fund. The aggregate monies received through issue and paid through cancellation of units are disclosed in the Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Unitholders and note 7. Any amounts due to or from the Manager at the financial year end are disclosed in notes 8 and 9. Securities lending revenue earned by the Fund is disclosed in note 4.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

11. Related Parties (continued)

The Investment Manager, in accordance with the Contractual Scheme Deed, may enter into commission sharing arrangements with related parties (including, without limitation, brokers who are affiliated to the BlackRock Group), which may result in the Fund benefiting from research or execution services which the Investment Manager believes are useful in the investment decision-making or trade execution process. Such research or execution services may include, without limitation and to the extent permitted by applicable law: research reports on companies, industries and securities; and the provision of economic and financial information and analysis. Due to the bundled nature of these services and the application of such benefits across a number of BlackRock managed funds, it is not feasible to quantify the benefit to the Fund. The Investment Manager may also enter into these arrangements with brokers who are not affiliated to the BlackRock Group.

Holdings in other funds managed by BlackRock

The Fund's investments in other BlackRock related party entities are individually identified on the portfolio statement.

Significant investors

The following investors are:
a. funds managed by the BlackRock Group or are affiliates of BlackRock Inc. ("BlackRock Related Investors") or
b. investors (other than those listed in (a) above) who held 51% or more of the voting units in issue in the Fund and are as a result, considered to be related parties to the Fund ("Significant Investors").

As at 31 December 2025:

Total % of units held by BlackRock Related Investors	Total % of units held by Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors	Number of Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors
Nil	100%	1

As at 31 December 2024:

Total % of units held by BlackRock Related Investors	Total % of units held by Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors	Number of Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors
Nil	100%	1

For the financial year ended 31 December 2025, the Fund did not enter into any in-specie transactions with its related parties (31 December 2024: Nil).

12. Credit Facility

The Fund entered into a credit facility with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. ("JPMorgan"), whereby JPMorgan, together with other syndicated lenders, made a portion of a USD 600 million credit facility available to the Fund. This portion of the USD 600 million credit facility will be allocated to the Fund based on the credit facility agreement dated 17 April 2025. This credit facility may be utilised by the Fund for temporary funding purposes, including, without limitation, the funding of investor redemptions. Any interest and commitment fees in relation to drawdowns from such credit facility are paid out of the assets of the Fund.

A loan commitment fee is charged on a daily basis in relation to this credit facility which is included in the Statement of Total Return under caption "Expenses". The loan commitment fee is charged at 0.10% per annum on the undrawn portion of the loan commitment.

No portion of the credit facility was used during the financial year ended 31 December 2025 and during the financial year ended 31 December 2024.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

13. Portfolio Transaction Costs

For the Fund's investment in collective investment scheme holdings there will potentially be dealing spread costs applicable to purchases and sales. However additionally there are indirect transaction costs incurred in those underlying funds, throughout the holding period for the instruments, which are not separately identifiable.

Transaction costs for derivatives positions will be either incurred as direct costs or form part of the dealing spread for the instruments.

Dealing spread costs incurred by the Fund vary considerably for the different asset/instrument types depending on a number of factors including transaction value and market sentiment.

At the Balance Sheet date, the average portfolio dealing spread (difference between bid and offer prices of all investments expressed as a percentage of the offer price value) was 0.01% (31 December 2024: Nil).

14. Units in Issue

Revenue is allocated each day pro rata to the capital value of assets attributable to each class and taxation is computed by reference to the net revenue after expenses attributable to each class. The distribution per unit class is given in the distribution table. All unit classes have the same rights on winding up.

The movement in units in issue for the financial year ended 31 December 2025 is as follows:

	X1R Accumulation Units
Balance at the beginning of the year	829,184,037
Issued during the year	188,326,326
Cancelled during the year	(101,847,606)
Balance at the end of the year	**915,662,757**

15. Subsequent Events

There have been no significant events subsequent to the year end, which, in the opinion of the Manager, may have had an impact on the financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2025.

BLACKROCK GROWTH ALLOCATION FUND

PORTFOLIO STATEMENT

As at 31 December 2025

Holding or Nominal Value	Investment	Market Value £000's	% of Total Net Assets
COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES - 98.63%; 31.12.24 98.56%			
Equity Funds - 98.63%; 31.12.24 98.56%			
5,488,112	ACS UK Equity Tracker Fund	7,095	0.54
297,196,231	ACS World ESG Screened and Optimised Equity Tracker Fund	431,394	32.47
289,023,867	ACS World ESG Screened Equity Tracker Fund	431,904	32.51
125,898,564	ACS World Ex UK Equity Tracker Fund	185,871	13.99
74,206,097	ACS World Small Cap ESG Screened Equity Tracker Fund	96,416	7.26
29,140,695	iShares Environment & Low Carbon Tilt Real Estate Index Fund (UK)	64,917	4.89
2,378,681	iShares MSCI Emerging Markets UCITS ETF	92,602	6.97
		1,310,199	**98.63**

Holding or Nominal Value	Investment	Underlying Exposure £000's	Market Value £000's	% of Total Net Assets
DERIVATIVES - 0.06%; 31.12.24 (0.03)%				
Forward Currency Contracts - 0.06%; 31.12.24 (0.03)%				
GBP 1,028,593	UK sterling vs Australian dollar	(1,032)	(4)	0.00
GBP 1,919,498	UK sterling vs Canadian dollar^	(1,920)	–	0.00
GBP 253,818	UK sterling vs Danish krone	(252)	1	0.00
GBP 4,854,087	UK sterling vs Euro	(4,830)	24	0.00
GBP 290,367	UK sterling vs Hong Kong dollar	(286)	5	0.00
GBP 185,660	UK sterling vs Israel shekel	(187)	(1)	0.00
GBP 3,664,400	UK sterling vs Japanese yen	(3,583)	81	0.01
GBP 124,197	UK sterling vs Korean won^	(124)	–	0.00
GBP 43,371	UK sterling vs New Zealand dollar	(43)	1	0.00
GBP 168,861	UK sterling vs Norwegian krone	(167)	2	0.00
GBP 9,287	UK sterling vs Polish zloty^	(9)	–	0.00
GBP 231,921	UK sterling vs Singapore dollar	(230)	2	0.00
GBP 454,624	UK sterling vs Swedish krona	(458)	(4)	0.00
GBP 1,242,663	UK sterling vs Swiss franc	(1,235)	8	0.00
GBP 41,910,877	UK sterling vs United States dollar	(41,275)	636	0.05

PORTFOLIO STATEMENT (continued)

Holding or Nominal Value	Investment	Underlying Exposure £000's	Market Value £000's	% of Total Net Assets
USD 471,198	United States dollar vs UK sterling	350	(5)	0.00
		(55,281)	**746**	**0.06**
Portfolio of investments			**1,310,945**	**98.69**
Net other assets			17,511	1.31
Total net assets			**1,328,456**	**100.00**

Underlying exposure has been calculated according to the guidelines issued by the European Securities and Markets Authority ("ESMA") (as adopted by the FCA) and represents the market value of an equivalent position in the assets underlying each financial derivative instrument.

All underlying funds are managed by a related party.

^ Investments which are less than £500 are rounded to zero.

The counterparties for the forward currency contracts are disclosed in note 3.4.1.2.

BLACKROCK GROWTH INVESTMENT FUND

About the Fund

The Fund is a sub-fund of BlackRock Authorised Contractual Scheme 2, a NURS under the COLL Sourcebook. The Fund was authorised by the FCA on 19 May 2025 and launched on 16 June 2025. The Fund's FCA product reference number is 1034678.

Comparative Table

	X1 Accumulation Units For the period from 16.6.2025* to 31.12.2025 Pence per unit
Change in net assets per unit	
Opening net asset value per unit	100.00
Return before operating charges	16.66
Operating charges	(0.01)
Return after operating charges	16.65
Distributions	(0.77)
Retained distributions on accumulation units	0.77
Closing net asset value per unit	116.65
After direct transaction costs of:	0.01
Performance	
Return after charges[1]	16.65
Other Information	
Closing net asset value (£000's)	8,008,772
Closing number of units	6,865,677,324
Operating charges[2]	0.02%
Direct transaction costs[3]	0.01%
Prices	**Pence per unit**
Highest offer unit price	117.68
Lowest bid unit price	99.85

* The date of commencement of operations.

[1] The return after charges figures are based on the net asset value reported for financial statements purposes and are not the same as the performance returns figures quoted in the Performance Summary section of the Investment Manager's Report which are returns based on NAV per unit as at 12 noon for dealing purposes.

[2] Operating charges are annualised and exclude portfolio trade-related costs, except costs paid to the custodian/depositary and entry/exit charges paid to an underlying collective investment scheme (if any).

[3] Direct transaction costs are annualised and principally comprise commissions and taxes, attributable to the Fund’s purchase and sale of equity instruments. See note 14 for further details.

BLACKROCK GROWTH INVESTMENT FUND

DISTRIBUTION TABLE

for the financial period from 16 June 2025 to 31 December 2025

Final Distribution in Pence per Unit

	X1 Accumulation Units
Net revenue	0.7704
Distribution paid 27.2.2026	**0.7704**

Note: The Fund launched on 16 June 2025, therefore no comparatives have been presented.

STATEMENT OF TOTAL RETURN

for the financial period from 16 June 2025 to 31 December 2025

	Notes	£000's	For the period from 16.6.2025 to 31.12.2025[1] £000's
Income			
Net capital gains	3		871,709
Revenue	4	49,109	
Expenses	5	(455)	
Interest payable and similar charges	6	(12)	
Net revenue before taxation		48,642	
Taxation	7	(33)	
Net revenue after taxation			48,609
Total return before distributions			920,318
Distributions	8		(48,562)
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities			**871,756**

STATEMENT OF CHANGE IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS

for the financial period from 16 June 2025 to 31 December 2025

	£000's	For the period from 16.6.2025 to 31.12.2025[1] £000's
Opening net assets attributable to unitholders		–
Amounts receivable on issue of units	4,053,673	
Amounts receivable on in-specie transactions	3,333,506	
Amounts payable on cancellation of units	(303,056)	
		7,084,123
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities		871,756
Retained distribution on accumulation units		52,893
Closing net assets attributable to unitholders		**8,008,772**

[1] The Fund launched on 16 June 2025, therefore no comparatives have been presented.

BALANCE SHEET

As at 31 December 2025

	Notes	31.12.2025[1] £000's
Assets:		
Fixed assets		
– Investment assets		7,985,152
Current assets		
– Debtors	9	106,224
– Cash and bank balances		1,102
Total assets		**8,092,478**
Liabilities:		
Investment liabilities		(1,865)
Creditors		
– Other creditors	10	(81,841)
Total liabilities		**(83,706)**
Net assets attributable to unitholders		**8,008,772**

[1] The Fund launched on 16 June 2025, therefore no comparatives have been presented.

On behalf of the Directors

A Lewis
Director
30 March 2026

A Hoctor-Duncan
Director
30 March 2026

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the financial period from 16 June 2025 to 31 December 2025

1. Accounting and Distribution Policies

The material accounting and distribution policies are set out on pages 348 to 352.

2. Risk Management Policies

The Risk management policies are set out on pages 352 to 382.

3. Net Capital Gains

	For the period from 16.6.2025 to 31.12.2025 £000's
The net capital gains comprise:	
Gains on non-derivative securities*	859,015
Forward currency contracts	13,586
Currency losses	(225)
Custodian transaction costs	(649)
Expense from underlying CIS holdings	(4)
Stock dividends	(14)
Net capital gains	**871,709**

* Includes realised gains of £108,964,271 and unrealised gains of £750,050,404. Where realised gains/losses include gains/losses arising in previous periods, a corresponding gains/losses is included in unrealised gains/losses.

4. Revenue

	For the period from 16.6.2025 to 31.12.2025 £000's
Equity distributions on CIS holdings	3,380
Interest distributions on CIS holdings	2,788
Interest from UK bank deposits	76
Overseas dividends	38,273
Rebate from underlying CIS holdings	9
Securities lending revenue	304
Stock dividends	162
UK dividends	2,708
US REIT dividends	1,409
Total revenue	**49,109**

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

5. Expenses

	For the period from 16.6.2025 to 31.12.2025 £000's
Receivable from the Manager or associates of the Manager:	
– Annual service charge	33
– Manager's charge and other expenses rebate[#]	(88)
Payable to the Depositary or associates of the Depositary:	
– Depositary fee	187
Other expenses:	
– Audit fee	24
– Credit administration expenses	221
– Miscellaneous fee	2
– Legal fee	23
– Safe custody fee	53
Total expenses	**455**

[#] The Fund received rebates from the Manager to ensure that the operating charge does not exceed 0.02%.

6. Interest Payable and Similar Charges

	For the period from 16.6.2025 to 31.12.2025 £000's
Interest on bank overdrafts	12
Total interest payable and similar charges	**12**

7. Taxation

(a) Analysis of tax charge

	For the period from 16.6.2025 to 31.12.2025 £000's
Overseas tax	2
Stock dividends	31
Total tax charge	**33**

(b) Factors affecting the tax charge

As the Fund is an Authorised Contractual Scheme, it is exempt from United Kingdom (UK) tax on capital gains realised on the disposal of investments held within the Fund and any UK corporation tax.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

8. Distributions

The distributions take account of revenue received on the issue of units and revenue deducted on the redemption of units and comprise:

	For the period from 16.6.2025 to 31.12.2025 £000's
Final accumulation	52,893
	52,893
Add: Amounts deducted on cancellation of units	1,693
Deduct: Amounts received on issue of units	(5,839)
Deduct: Amounts received on in-specie transactions	(185)
Distributions	**48,562**
The distributable amount has been calculated as follows:	
Net revenue after taxation	48,609
Custodian transaction costs	(29)
Expense from underlying CIS holdings	(4)
Dividends payable on contract for differences	(14)
Distributions	**48,562**

Details of the final distribution per unit are set out in the table on page 3.

9. Debtors

	31.12.2025 £000's
Accrued revenue	49,625
Amount receivable on issue of units	5,518
Overseas tax recoverable	13
Sales awaiting settlement	51,068
Total debtors	**106,224**

10. Other Creditors

	31.12.2025 £000's
Accrued admin fee	101
Accrued audit fee	8
Accrued depositary's fee	13
Accrued legal fee	19
Amount payable for cancellation of units	76,213
Custodian transaction costs	1
Purchases awaiting settlement	5,486
Total other creditors	**81,841**

11. Contingent Assets and Liabilities

There were no significant capital commitments or contingent liabilities as at the 31 December 2025.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

12. Related Parties

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.

The following entities were related parties of the Fund during the financial period ended 31 December 2025:

Directors of the Manager	
Manager:	BlackRock Fund Managers Limited
Investment Manager:	BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited
Stock Lending Agent:	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited

The ultimate holding company of the Manager, Investment Manager and Stock Lending Agent is BlackRock Inc. ("BlackRock"), a company incorporated in Delaware, USA.

The Manager acts as either principal or agent for the Depositary in respect of all transactions of units of the Fund. The aggregate monies received through issue and paid through cancellation of units are disclosed in the Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Unitholders and note 8. Any amounts due to or from the Manager at the financial period end are disclosed in notes 9 and 10. Securities lending revenue earned by the Fund is disclosed in note 4.

The Investment Manager, in accordance with the Contractual Scheme Deed, may enter into commission sharing arrangements with related parties (including, without limitation, brokers who are affiliated to the BlackRock Group), which may result in the Fund benefiting from research or execution services which the Investment Manager believes are useful in the investment decision-making or trade execution process. Such research or execution services may include, without limitation and to the extent permitted by applicable law: research reports on companies, industries and securities; and the provision of economic and financial information and analysis. Due to the bundled nature of these services and the application of such benefits across a number of BlackRock managed funds, it is not feasible to quantify the benefit to the Fund. The Investment Manager may also enter into these arrangements with brokers who are not affiliated to the BlackRock Group.

Holdings in other funds managed by BlackRock

The Fund's investments in other BlackRock related party entities are individually identified on the portfolio statement.

Significant investors

The following investors are:
a. funds managed by the BlackRock Group or are affiliates of BlackRock Inc. ("BlackRock Related Investors") or
b. investors (other than those listed in (a) above) who held 51% or more of the voting units in issue in the Fund and are as a result, considered to be related parties to the Fund ("Significant Investors").

As at 31 December 2025:

Total % of units held by BlackRock Related Investors	Total % of units held by Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors	Number of Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors
Nil	100%	1

For the financial period ended 31 December 2025, the Fund received a total of £3,333 million in respect of in-specie transactions with its related parties.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

13. Credit Facility

The Fund entered into a credit facility with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. ("JPMorgan"), whereby JPMorgan, together with other syndicated lenders, made a portion of a USD 600 million credit facility available to the Fund. This portion of the USD 600 million credit facility will be allocated to the Fund based on the credit facility agreement dated 17 April 2025. This credit facility may be utilised by the Fund for temporary funding purposes, including, without limitation, the funding of investor redemptions. Any interest and commitment fees in relation to drawdowns from such credit facility are paid out of the assets of the Fund.

A loan commitment fee is charged on a daily basis in relation to this credit facility which is included in the Statement of Total Return under caption "Expenses". The loan commitment fee is charged at 0.10% per annum on the undrawn portion of the loan commitment.

No portion of the credit facility was used during the financial period ended 31 December 2025.

14. Portfolio Transaction Costs

For the financial period from 16 June 2025 to 31 December 2025

		Direct Transaction Costs			
Purchases (excluding derivatives)	**Transaction Value £000's**	**Commissions £000's**	**%**	**Taxes £000's**	**%**
Collective Investment Schemes	7,056,505	–	–	–	–
Equities	3,499,122	50	0.00	297	0.00
In-Specie Transactions	3,332,133	–	–	–	–
Total purchases	**13,887,760**	**50**		**297**	
Total purchases including transaction costs	**13,888,107**	**–**			

		Direct Transaction Costs			
Sales (excluding derivatives)	**Transaction Value £000's**	**Commissions £000's**	**%**	**Taxes £000's**	**%**
Collective Investment Schemes	3,216,717	–	–	–	–
Equities	3,568,249	48	0.00	14	0.00
Total sales	**6,784,966**	**48**		**14**	
Total sales net of transaction costs	**6,784,904**				
Total transaction costs		**98**		**311**	
Total transaction costs as a % of average net assets		**0.00%**		**0.00%**	

The above analysis covers direct transaction costs incurred by the Fund during the period. However, it is important to understand the nature of other transaction costs associated with different investment asset classes and instruments types.

Separately identifiable direct transaction costs (such as commissions and taxes) are attributable to the Fund's purchase and sale of equity instruments. Additionally for equity shares there is a dealing spread cost (the difference between the buying and selling prices) which will be incurred on purchase and sale transactions.

For the Fund's investment in collective investment scheme holdings there will potentially be dealing spread costs applicable to purchases and sales. However additionally there are indirect transaction costs incurred in those underlying funds, throughout the holding period for the instruments, which are not separately identifiable and do not form part of the above analysis.

Transaction costs for derivatives positions will be either incurred as direct costs or form part of the dealing spread for the instruments. Any direct costs are identified in the above analysis.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

14. Portfolio Transaction Costs (continued)

Dealing spread costs incurred by the Fund vary considerably for the different asset/instrument types depending on a number of factors including transaction value and market sentiment.

At the Balance Sheet date, the average portfolio dealing spread (difference between bid and offer prices of all investments expressed as a percentage of the offer price value) was 0.00%.

15. Units in Issue

Revenue is allocated each day pro rata to the capital value of assets attributable to each class and taxation is computed by reference to the net revenue after expenses attributable to each class. The distribution per unit class is given in the distribution table. All unit classes have the same rights on winding up.

The movement in units in issue for the financial period ended 31 December 2025 is as follows:

	X1 Accumulation Units
Balance at the beginning of the period	–
Issued during the period	7,131,746,453
Cancelled during the period	(266,069,129)
Balance at the end of the period	**6,865,677,324**

16. Subsequent Events

There have been no significant events subsequent to the financial period end, which, in the opinion of the Manager, may have had an impact on the financial statements for the financial period ended 31 December 2025.

PORTFOLIO STATEMENT

As at 31 December 2025

Holding or Nominal Value	Investment	Market Value £000's	% of Total Net Assets
COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES - 99.50%			
Equity Funds - 99.50%			
135,437,956	ACS Asia Pacific ex Japan ESG Insights Equity Fund	164,228	2.05
425,421,228	ACS Europe ex UK ESG Insights Equity Fund	469,647	5.87
204,316,541	ACS Japan ESG Insights Equity Fund	235,781	2.94
2,211,998,057	ACS North America ESG Insights Equity Fund	2,630,170	32.84
125,793,138	ACS UK ESG Insights Equity Fund	138,195	1.73
85,358,645	ACS US ESG Insights Equity Fund	101,130	1.26
2,239,777,591	ACS World ESG insights Equity Fund	2,626,204	32.79
550,203,715	ACS World Small Cap ESG Screened Equity Tracker Fund	637,302	7.96
478,781,520	BlackRock Emerging Markets ESG Insights Equity Fund	570,290	7.12
177,564,512	iShares Environment & Low Carbon Tilt Real Estate Index Fund (UK)	395,563	4.94
		7,968,510	**99.50**

Holding or Nominal Value	Investment	Underlying Exposure £000's	Market Value £000's	% of Total Net Assets
DERIVATIVES - 0.18%				
Forward Currency Contracts - 0.18%				
GBP 76,649,437	UK sterling vs Australian dollar	(77,187)	(537)	(0.01)
GBP 119,689,137	UK sterling vs Canadian dollar	(119,762)	(73)	0.00
GBP 16,661,861	UK sterling vs Danish krone	(16,570)	92	0.00
GBP 307,974,366	UK sterling vs Euro	(306,211)	1,763	0.02
GBP 23,489,555	UK sterling vs Hong Kong dollar	(23,376)	114	0.00
GBP 9,477,509	UK sterling vs Israel shekel	(9,559)	(82)	0.00
GBP 270,768,069	UK sterling vs Japanese yen	(267,158)	3,610	0.05
GBP 49,432,813	UK sterling vs Korean won	(50,353)	(920)	(0.01)
GBP 2,788,553	UK sterling vs New Zealand dollar	(2,768)	20	0.00
GBP 6,925,243	UK sterling vs Norwegian krone	(6,995)	(69)	0.00
GBP 3,603,417	UK sterling vs Polish zloty	(3,583)	20	0.00
GBP 18,934,796	UK sterling vs Singapore dollar	(18,911)	24	0.00
GBP 36,217,475	UK sterling vs Swedish krona	(36,401)	(184)	0.00
GBP 84,321,224	UK sterling vs Swiss franc	(84,024)	298	0.00

PORTFOLIO STATEMENT (continued)

Holding or Nominal Value	Investment	Underlying Exposure £000's	Market Value £000's	% of Total Net Assets
GBP 2,558,770,323	UK sterling vs United States dollar	(2,548,069)	10,701	0.13
		(3,570,927)	**14,777**	**0.18**
Portfolio of investments			**7,983,287**	**99.68**
Net other assets			25,485	0.32
Total net assets			**8,008,772**	**100.00**

Note: The Fund launched on 16 June 2025, therefore no comparatives have been presented.

Underlying exposure has been calculated according to the guidelines issued by the European Securities and Markets Authority ("ESMA") (as adopted by the FCA) and represents the market value of an equivalent position in the assets underlying each financial derivative instrument.

All underlying funds are managed by a related party.

The counterparties for the forward currency contracts are disclosed in note 3.4.1.2.

BLACKROCK INTERMEDIATE INVESTMENT FUND

About the Fund

The Fund is a sub-fund of BlackRock Authorised Contractual Scheme 2, a NURS under the COLL Sourcebook. The Fund was authorised by the FCA on 19 May 2025 and launched on 16 June 2025. The Fund's FCA product reference number is 1034679.

Comparative Table

	X1 Accumulation Units For the period from 16.6.2025* to 31.12.2025 Pence per unit
Change in net assets per unit	
Opening net asset value per unit	100.00
Return before operating charges	12.89
Operating charges	(0.01)
Return after operating charges	12.88
Distributions	(0.72)
Retained distributions on accumulation units	0.72
Closing net asset value per unit	112.88
After direct transaction costs of:	0.00
Performance	
Return after charges[1]	–
Other Information	
Closing net asset value (£000's)	2,834,859
Closing number of units	2,511,395,267
Operating charges[2]	0.02%
Direct transaction costs[3]	0.00%
Prices	**Pence per unit**
Highest offer unit price	113.43
Lowest bid unit price	99.69

* The date of commencement of operations.

[1] The return after charges figures are based on the net asset value reported for financial statements purposes and are not the same as the performance returns figures quoted in the Performance Summary section of the Investment Manager's Report which are returns based on NAV per unit as at 12 noon for dealing purposes.

[2] Operating charges are annualised and exclude portfolio trade-related costs, except costs paid to the custodian/depositary and entry/exit charges paid to an underlying collective investment scheme (if any).

[3] Direct transaction costs are annualised and principally comprise commissions and taxes, attributable to the Fund’s purchase and sale of debt instruments. See note 13 for further details.

BLACKROCK INTERMEDIATE INVESTMENT FUND

DISTRIBUTION TABLE

for the financial period from 16 June 2025 to 31 December 2025

Final Distribution in Pence per Unit

	X1 Accumulation Units
Net revenue	0.7198
Distribution paid 27.2.2026	**0.7198**

Note: The Fund launched on 16 June 2025, therefore no comparatives have been presented.

STATEMENT OF TOTAL RETURN

for the financial period from 16 June 2025 to 31 December 2025

	Notes	£000's	For the period from 16.6.2025 to 31.12.2025[1] £000's
Income			
Net capital gains	3		194,949
Revenue	4	14,795	
Expenses	5	(108)	
Interest payable and similar charges		–	
Net revenue before taxation		14,687	
Taxation	6	–	
Net revenue after taxation			14,687
Total return before distributions			209,636
Distributions	7		(14,675)
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities			**194,961**

STATEMENT OF CHANGE IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS

for the financial period from 16 June 2025 to 31 December 2025

	£000's	For the period from 16.6.2025 to 31.12.2025[1] £000's
Opening net assets attributable to unitholders		–
Amounts receivable on issue of units	2,721,322	
Amounts payable on cancellation of units	(99,501)	
		2,621,821
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities		194,961
Retained distribution on accumulation units		18,077
Closing net assets attributable to unitholders		**2,834,859**

[1] The Fund launched on 16 June 2025, therefore no comparatives have been presented.

BALANCE SHEET

As at 31 December 2025

	Notes	31.12.2025[1] £000's
Assets:		
Fixed assets		
– Investment assets		2,832,904
Current assets		
– Debtors	8	18,030
– Cash and bank balances		182
Total assets		**2,851,116**
Liabilities:		
Investment liabilities		(391)
Creditors		
– Other creditors	9	(15,866)
Total liabilities		**(16,257)**
Net assets attributable to unitholders		**2,834,859**

[1] The Fund launched on 16 June 2025, therefore no comparatives have been presented.

On behalf of the Directors

A Lewis
Director
30 March 2026

A Hoctor-Duncan
Director
30 March 2026

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the financial period from 16 June 2025 to 31 December 2025

1. Accounting and Distribution Policies

The material accounting and distribution policies are set out on pages 348 to 352.

2. Risk Management Policies

The Risk management policies are set out on pages 352 to 382.

3. Net Capital Gains

	For the period from 16.6.2025 to 31.12.2025 £000's
The net capital gains comprise:	
Gains on non-derivative securities*	188,186
Forward currency contracts	3,009
Currency gains	3,767
Custodian transaction costs	(8)
Expense from underlying CIS holdings	(1)
Other expense from underlying CIS holdings	(4)
Net capital gains	**194,949**

* Includes realised gains of £6,408,124 and unrealised gains of £181,777,780. Where realised gains/losses include gains/losses arising in previous periods, a corresponding gains/losses is included in unrealised gains/losses.

4. Revenue

	For the period from 16.6.2025 to 31.12.2025 £000's
Equity distributions on CIS holdings	49
Interest distributions on CIS holdings	4,896
Interest from UK bank deposits	10
Overseas dividends	8,838
Rebate from underlying CIS holdings	5
Securities lending revenue	62
UK dividends	589
US REIT dividends	346
Total revenue	**14,795**

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

5. Expenses

	For the period from 16.6.2025 to 31.12.2025 £000's
Receivable from the Manager or associates of the Manager:	
– Manager's charge and other expenses rebate[#]	(36)
Payable to the Depositary or associates of the Depositary:	
– Depositary fee	44
Other expenses:	
– Advisory fee	13
– Audit fee	12
– Credit administration expenses	55
– Legal fee	8
– Safe Custody fee	12
Total expenses	**108**

[#] The Fund received rebates from the Manager to ensure that the operating charge does not exceed 0.02%.

6. Taxation

(a) Analysis of tax charge

As the Fund is an Authorised Contractual Scheme, it is exempt from United Kingdom (UK) tax on capital gains realised on the disposal of investments held within the Fund and any UK corporation tax.

7. Distributions

The distributions take account of revenue received on the issue of units and revenue deducted on the redemption of units and comprise:

	For the period from 16.6.2025 to 31.12.2025 £000's
Final accumulation	18,077
	18,077
Add: Amounts deducted on cancellation of units	770
Deduct: Amounts received on issue of units	(4,172)
Distributions	**14,675**
The distributable amount has been calculated as follows:	
Net revenue after taxation	14,687
Custodian transaction costs	(7)
Management fee	(1)
Other expense from underlying CIS holdings	(4)
Distributions	**14,675**

Details of the final distribution per unit are set out in the table on page 313.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

8. Debtors

	31.12.2025 £000's
Accrued rebate from underlying CIS holdings	3
Accrued revenue	12,365
Amount receivable on issue of units	711
CIS income tax recoverable	64
Sales awaiting settlement	4,887
Total debtors	**18,030**

9. Other Creditors

	31.12.2025 £000's
Accrued admin fee	36
Accrued audit fee	8
Accrued depositary's fee	3
Accrued legal fee	7
Amount payable for cancellation of units	15,100
Custodian transaction costs	1
Purchases awaiting settlement	711
Total other creditors	**15,866**

10. Contingent Assets and Liabilities

There were no significant capital commitments or contingent liabilities as at the 31 December 2025.

11. Related Parties

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.

The following entities were related parties of the Fund during the financial period ended 31 December 2025:

Directors of the Manager	
Manager:	BlackRock Fund Managers Limited
Investment Manager:	BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited
Stock Lending Agent:	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited

The ultimate holding company of the Manager, Investment Manager and Stock Lending Agent is BlackRock Inc. (“BlackRock”), a company incorporated in Delaware, USA.

The Manager acts as either principal or agent for the Depositary in respect of all transactions of units of the Fund. The aggregate monies received through issue and paid through cancellation of units are disclosed in the Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Unitholders and note 7. Any amounts due to or from the Manager at the financial period end are disclosed in notes 8 and 9. Securities lending revenue earned by the Fund is disclosed in note 4.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

11. Related Parties (continued)

The Investment Manager, in accordance with the Contractual Scheme Deed, may enter into commission sharing arrangements with related parties (including, without limitation, brokers who are affiliated to the BlackRock Group), which may result in the Fund benefiting from research or execution services which the Investment Manager believes are useful in the investment decision-making or trade execution process. Such research or execution services may include, without limitation and to the extent permitted by applicable law: research reports on companies, industries and securities; and the provision of economic and financial information and analysis. Due to the bundled nature of these services and the application of such benefits across a number of BlackRock managed funds, it is not feasible to quantify the benefit to the Fund. The Investment Manager may also enter into these arrangements with brokers who are not affiliated to the BlackRock Group.

Holdings in other funds managed by BlackRock

The Fund's investments in other BlackRock related party entities are individually identified on the portfolio statement.

Significant investors

The following investors are:
a. funds managed by the BlackRock Group or are affiliates of BlackRock Inc. ("BlackRock Related Investors") or
b. investors (other than those listed in (a) above) who held 51% or more of the voting units in issue in the Fund and are as a result, considered to be related parties to the Fund ("Significant Investors").

As at 31 December 2025:

Total % of units held by BlackRock Related Investors	Total % of units held by Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors	Number of Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors
Nil	100%	1

For the financial period ended 31 December 2025, the Fund did not enter into any in-specie transactions with its related parties.

12. Credit Facility

The Fund entered into a credit facility with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. ("JPMorgan"), whereby JPMorgan, together with other syndicated lenders, made a portion of a USD 600 million credit facility available to the Fund. This portion of the USD 600 million credit facility will be allocated to the Fund based on the credit facility agreement dated 17 April 2025. This credit facility may be utilised by the Fund for temporary funding purposes, including, without limitation, the funding of investor redemptions. Any interest and commitment fees in relation to drawdowns from such credit facility are paid out of the assets of the Fund.

A loan commitment fee is charged on a daily basis in relation to this credit facility which is included in the Statement of Total Return under caption "Expenses". The loan commitment fee is charged at 0.10% per annum on the undrawn portion of the loan commitment.

No portion of the credit facility was used during the financial period ended 31 December 2025.

13. Portfolio Transaction Costs

For the Fund's investment in collective investment scheme holdings there will potentially be dealing spread costs applicable to purchases and sales. However additionally there are indirect transaction costs incurred in those underlying funds, throughout the holding period for the instruments, which are not separately identifiable.

Transaction costs for derivatives positions will be either incurred as direct costs or form part of the dealing spread for the instruments.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

13. Portfolio Transaction Costs (continued)

Dealing spread costs incurred by the Fund vary considerably for the different asset/instrument types depending on a number of factors including transaction value and market sentiment.

At the Balance Sheet date, the average portfolio dealing spread (difference between bid and offer prices of all investments expressed as a percentage of the offer price value) was Nil.

14. Units in Issue

Revenue is allocated each day pro rata to the capital value of assets attributable to each class and taxation is computed by reference to the net revenue after expenses attributable to each class. The distribution per unit class is given in the distribution table. All unit classes have the same rights on winding up.

The movement in units in issue for the financial period ended 31 December 2025 is as follows:

	X1 Accumulation Units
Balance at the beginning of the period	–
Issued during the period	2,601,995,413
Cancelled during the period	(90,600,146)
Balance at the end of the period	**2,511,395,267**

15. Subsequent Events

There have been no significant events subsequent to the financial period end, which, in the opinion of the Manager, may have had an impact on the financial statements for the financial period ended 31 December 2025.

BLACKROCK INTERMEDIATE INVESTMENT FUND

PORTFOLIO STATEMENT

As at 31 December 2025

Holding or Nominal Value	Investment	Market Value £000's	% of Total Net Assets
COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES - 99.60%			
Equity Funds - 73.68%			
24,021,237	ACS Asia Pacific ex Japan ESG Insights Equity Fund	29,127	1.03
75,417,760	ACS Europe ex UK ESG Insights Equity Fund	83,258	2.94
35,944,249	ACS Japan ESG Insights Equity Fund	41,480	1.46
410,910,994	ACS North America ESG Insights Equity Fund	488,593	17.24
22,470,698	ACS UK ESG Insights Equity Fund	24,686	0.87
796,240,422	ACS World ESG insights Equity Fund	933,617	32.93
129,342,115	ACS World Small Cap ESG Screened Equity Tracker Fund	149,817	5.28
119,066,405	BlackRock Emerging Markets ESG Insights Equity Fund	141,823	5.00
779,634	iShares Bloomberg Enhanced Roll Yield Commodity Swap UCITS ETF	4,997	0.18
36,533,838	iShares Environment & Low Carbon Tilt Real Estate Index Fund (UK)	81,387	2.87
114,156,270	iShares ESG Sterling Corporate Bond Index Fund (UK)	109,860	3.88
		2,088,645	**73.68**
Fixed Income Funds - 25.92%			
109,093,565	BlackRock Global Corporate ESG Insights Bond Fund	132,779	4.68
192,173	iShares Emerging Markets Government Bond Index Fund (LU)	23,521	0.83
238,568,878	iShares Overseas Government Bond Index Fund (UK)	278,801	9.83
201,414,979	iShares UK Gilts All Stocks Index Fund (UK)	222,469	7.85
6,703,893	iShares Up to 10 Years Gilts Index Fund (UK)	7,629	0.27
63,932,588	iShares Up to 10 Years Index Linked Gilt Index Fund (UK)	69,778	2.46
		734,977	**25.92**

Holding or Nominal Value	Investment	Underlying Exposure £000's	Market Value £000's	% of Total Net Assets
DERIVATIVES - 0.31%				
Forward Currency Contracts - 0.31%				
GBP 22,957,977	UK sterling vs Australian dollar	(23,094)	(135)	0.00
GBP 36,454,061	UK sterling vs Canadian dollar	(36,469)	(15)	0.00
GBP 4,771,749	UK sterling vs Danish krone	(4,746)	26	0.00
GBP 147,420,249	UK sterling vs Euro	(146,608)	812	0.03
GBP 5,695,501	UK sterling vs Hong Kong dollar	(5,648)	47	0.00
GBP 2,658,505	UK sterling vs Israel shekel	(2,679)	(20)	0.00
GBP 109,618,299	UK sterling vs Japanese yen	(107,859)	1,759	0.06
GBP 12,518,931	UK sterling vs Korean won	(12,658)	(140)	(0.01)

PORTFOLIO STATEMENT (continued)

Holding or Nominal Value	Investment	Underlying Exposure £000's	Market Value £000's	% of Total Net Assets
GBP 675,551	UK sterling vs New Zealand dollar	(671)	5	0.00
GBP 1,703,903	UK sterling vs Norwegian krone	(1,708)	(4)	0.00
GBP 908,847	UK sterling vs Polish zloty	(904)	5	0.00
GBP 4,519,179	UK sterling vs Singapore dollar	(4,502)	17	0.00
GBP 9,350,990	UK sterling vs Swedish krona	(9,409)	(58)	0.00
GBP 20,963,735	UK sterling vs Swiss franc	(20,868)	96	0.00
GBP 812,276,242	UK sterling vs United States dollar	(805,761)	6,515	0.23
USD 1,622,428	United States dollar vs UK sterling	1,206	(19)	0.00
		(1,182,378)	**8,891**	**0.31**
Portfolio of investments			**2,832,513**	**99.91**
Net other assets			2,346	0.09
Total net assets			**2,834,859**	**100.00**

Note: The Fund launched on 16 June 2025, therefore no comparatives have been presented.

Underlying exposure has been calculated according to the guidelines issued by the European Securities and Markets Authority ("ESMA") (as adopted by the FCA) and represents the market value of an equivalent position in the assets underlying each financial derivative instrument.

All underlying funds are managed by a related party.

The counterparties for the forward currency contracts are disclosed in note 3.4.1.2.

BLACKROCK PENSION GROWTH FUND

About the Fund

The Fund is a sub-fund of BlackRock Authorised Contractual Scheme 2, a NURS under the COLL Sourcebook. The Fund was authorised by the FCA on 5 April 2018. The Fund's FCA product reference number is 805830.

Comparative Table

	X1 Accumulation Units		
	For the year to 31.12.2025 Pence per unit	For the year to 31.12.2024 Pence per unit	For the year to 31.12.2023 Pence per unit
Change in net assets per unit			
Opening net asset value per unit	160.17	140.96	125.44
Return before operating charges	28.35	19.21	15.55
Operating charges	0.00	0.00	(0.03)
Return after operating charges	28.35	19.21	15.52
Distributions	(3.10)	(4.14)	(3.30)
Retained distributions on accumulation units	3.10	4.14	3.30
Closing net asset value per unit	188.52	160.17	140.96
After direct transaction costs of:	0.00	0.03	0.00
Performance			
Return after charges[1]	17.70%	13.63%	12.37%
Other Information			
Closing net asset value (£000's)	11,165,867	10,571,783	8,567,760
Closing number of units	5,922,793,143	6,600,338,068	6,078,322,125
Operating charges[2]	0.00%	0.00%	0.02%
Direct transaction costs[3]	0.00%	0.02%	0.00%
Prices	**Pence per unit**	**Pence per unit**	**Pence per unit**
Highest offer unit price	189.06	163.71	141.06
Lowest bid unit price	139.52	138.84	126.12

[1] The return after charges figures are based on the net asset value reported for financial statements purposes and are not the same as the performance returns figures quoted in the Performance Summary section of the Investment Manager's Report which are returns based on NAV per unit as at 12 noon for dealing purposes.
[2] Operating charges are annualised and exclude portfolio trade-related costs, except costs paid to the custodian/depositary and entry/exit charges paid to an underlying collective investment scheme (if any).
[3] Direct transaction costs are annualised and principally comprise commissions and taxes, attributable to the Fund’s purchase and sale of debt instruments. See note 15 for further details.

BLACKROCK PENSION GROWTH FUND

DISTRIBUTION TABLE

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

Final Distribution in Pence per Unit

	X1 Accumulation Units
Net revenue	3.0972
Distribution paid 27.2.2026	**3.0972**
Distribution paid 28.2.2025	**4.1422**

STATEMENT OF TOTAL RETURN

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

	Notes	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Income					
Net capital gains	3		1,587,118		933,205
Revenue	4	196,450		251,777	
Expenses	5	1,656		(91)	
Interest payable and similar charges	6	(23)		(50)	
Net revenue before taxation		198,083		251,636	
Taxation	7	(5)		(39)	
Net revenue after taxation			198,078		251,597
Total return before distributions			1,785,196		1,184,802
Distributions	8		(198,004)		(251,594)
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities			**1,587,192**		**933,208**

STATEMENT OF CHANGE IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Opening net assets attributable to unitholders		10,571,783		8,567,760
Amounts receivable on issue of units	62,753		91,897	
Amounts receivable on in-specie transactions	–		1,283,038	
Amounts payable on cancellation of units	(1,239,302)		(577,519)	
		(1,176,549)		797,416
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities		1,587,192		933,208
Retained distribution on accumulation units		183,441		273,399
Closing net assets attributable to unitholders		**11,165,867**		**10,571,783**

BALANCE SHEET

As at 31 December 2025

	Notes	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Assets:			
Fixed assets			
– Investment assets		10,964,229	10,291,975
Current assets			
– Debtors	9	134,297	30,822
– Cash and bank balances		6,109	32,734
– Cash equivalents	10	65,021	330,235
Total assets		**11,169,656**	**10,685,766**
Liabilities:			
Investment liabilities		(901)	(112,826)
Creditors			
– Bank overdrafts		–	(13)
– Other creditors	11	(2,888)	(1,144)
Total liabilities		**(3,789)**	**(113,983)**
Net assets attributable to unitholders		**11,165,867**	**10,571,783**

On behalf of the Directors

A Lewis
Director
30 March 2026

A Hoctor-Duncan
Director
30 March 2026

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

1. Accounting and Distribution Policies

The material accounting and distribution policies are set out on pages 348 to 352.

2. Risk Management Policies

The Risk management policies are set out on pages 352 to 382.

3. Net Capital Gains

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
The net capital gains comprise:		
Gains on non-derivative securities*	1,387,248	961,123
Gains/(losses) on derivative securities	10,361	(3,878)
Forward currency contracts	185,783	(27,593)
Currency gains	3,796	3,562
Custodian transaction costs	(10)	(13)
Expense from underlying CIS holdings	(14)	(3)
Other expense from underlying CIS holdings	(46)	7
Net capital gains	**1,587,118**	**933,205**

* Includes realised gains of £207,075,951 and unrealised gains of £1,180,172,074 (2024: realised gains of £2,029,128,312 and unrealised losses of £1,071,884,985). Where realised gains/losses include gains/losses arising in previous periods, a corresponding gains/losses is included in unrealised gains/losses.

4. Revenue

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Equity distributions on CIS holdings	4,782	92,541
Interest distributions on CIS holdings	29,465	85,533
Interest from UK bank deposits	723	1,556
Interest on debt securities	7	2,939
Overseas dividends	132,704	52,786
Rental Income	5,054	–
Revenue from short-term money market funds	7,439	11,175
Securities lending revenue	226	127
UK dividends	11,125	2,993
UK REIT dividends	–	77
US REIT dividends	4,925	2,050
Total revenue	**196,450**	**251,777**

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

5. Expenses

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Receivable from/Payable to the Manager or associates of the Manager:		
– Annual service charge	1,144	–
– Manager's charge and other expenses rebate[#]	(4,704)	(394)
Payable to the Depositary or associates of the Depositary:		
– Depositary fee	543	241
Other expenses:		
– Audit fee	52	15
– Credit administration expenses	473	85
– Property expenses	620	–
– Legal fee	32	104
– Miscellaneous	(3)	(2)
– Safe custody fee	187	42
Total expenses	**(1,656)**	**91**

[#] The Fund received rebates from the Manager to ensure that the operating charge does not exceed 0.00%.

6. Interest payable and Similar Charges

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Interest on bank overdrafts	23	48
M&C futures (expensed)	–	2
Total interest payable and similar charges	**23**	**50**

7. Taxation

(a) Analysis of tax charge

As the Fund is an Authorised Contractual Scheme, it is exempt from United Kingdom (UK) tax on capital gains realised on the disposal of investments held within the Fund and any UK corporation tax.

8. Distributions

The distributions take account of revenue received on the issue of units and revenue deducted on the redemption of units and comprise:

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Final accumulation	183,441	273,399
	183,441	273,399
Add: Amounts deducted on cancellation of units	15,143	7,491
Deduct: Amounts received on issue of units	(580)	(920)
Deduct: Amounts received on in-specie transactions	–	(28,376)
Distributions	**198,004**	**251,594**

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

8. Distributions (continued)

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
The distributable amount has been calculated as follows:		
Net revenue after taxation	198,078	251,597
Add: Revenue brought forward	3	5
Deduct: Revenue carried forward	(7)	(3)
Custodian transaction costs	(10)	(9)
Expense from underlying CIS holdings	(14)	(3)
Other expense from underlying CIS holdings	(46)	7
Distributions	**198,004**	**251,594**

Details of the final distribution per unit are set out in the table on page 325.

9. Debtors

	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Accrued manager's charge rebates	–	394
Accrued rebate from underlying CIS holdings	3	4
Accrued revenue	132,888	28,623
Amount receivable on issue of units	776	738
Overseas tax recoverable	630	1,063
Total debtors	**134,297**	**30,822**

10. Cash Equivalents

	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Investment in short-term money market funds	65,021	330,235
Total cash equivalents	**65,021**	**330,235**

11. Other Creditors

	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Accrued audit fee	3	7
Accrued bank interest charge	2	2
Accrued depositary's fee	62	27
Accrued legal fee	51	58
Accrued safe custody fee	3	21
Amount payable for cancellation of units	2,763	1,023
Custodian transaction costs	4	6
Total other creditors	**2,888**	**1,144**

12. Contingent Assets and Liabilities

There were no significant capital commitments or contingent liabilities as at the 31 December 2025 and 31 December 2024.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

13. Related Parties

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.

The following entities were related parties of the Fund during the financial year ended 31 December 2025:

Directors of the Manager	
Manager:	BlackRock Fund Managers Limited
Investment Manager:	BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited
Stock Lending Agent:	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited

The ultimate holding company of the Manager, Investment Manager and Stock Lending Agent is BlackRock Inc. ("BlackRock"), a company incorporated in Delaware, USA.

The Manager acts as either principal or agent for the Depositary in respect of all transactions of units of the Fund. The aggregate monies received through issue and paid through cancellation of units are disclosed in the Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Unitholders and note 8. Any amounts due to or from the Manager at the financial year end are disclosed in notes 9 and 11. Securities lending revenue earned by the Fund is disclosed in note 4.

The Investment Manager, in accordance with the Contractual Scheme Deed, may enter into commission sharing arrangements with related parties (including, without limitation, brokers who are affiliated to the BlackRock Group), which may result in the Fund benefiting from research or execution services which the Investment Manager believes are useful in the investment decision-making or trade execution process. Such research or execution services may include, without limitation and to the extent permitted by applicable law: research reports on companies, industries and securities; and the provision of economic and financial information and analysis. Due to the bundled nature of these services and the application of such benefits across a number of BlackRock managed funds, it is not feasible to quantify the benefit to the Fund. The Investment Manager may also enter into these arrangements with brokers who are not affiliated to the BlackRock Group.

Holdings in other funds managed by BlackRock

The Fund's investments in other BlackRock related party entities are individually identified on the portfolio statement.

Significant investors

The following investors are:
a. funds managed by the BlackRock Group or are affiliates of BlackRock Inc. ("BlackRock Related Investors") or
b. investors (other than those listed in (a) above) who held 51% or more of the voting units in issue in the Fund and are as a result, considered to be related parties to the Fund ("Significant Investors").

As at 31 December 2025:

Total % of units held by BlackRock Related Investors	Total % of units held by Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors	Number of Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors
Nil	100%	1

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

13. Related Parties (continued)

As at 31 December 2024:

Total % of units held by BlackRock Related Investors	Total % of units held by Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors	Number of Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors
Nil	100%	1

For the financial year ended 31 December 2025, the Fund received a total of £Nil (31 December 2024: £1,283 million) in respect of in-specie transactions with its related parties.

14. Credit Facility

The Fund entered into a credit facility with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. ("JPMorgan"), whereby JPMorgan, together with other syndicated lenders, made a portion of a USD 600 million credit facility available to the Fund. This portion of the USD 600 million credit facility will be allocated to the Fund based on the credit facility agreement dated 17 April 2025. This credit facility may be utilised by the Fund for temporary funding purposes, including, without limitation, the funding of investor redemptions. Any interest and commitment fees in relation to drawdowns from such credit facility are paid out of the assets of the Fund.

A loan commitment fee is charged on a daily basis in relation to this credit facility which is included in the Statement of Total Return under caption "Expenses". The loan commitment fee is charged at 0.10% per annum on the undrawn portion of the loan commitment.

No portion of the credit facility was used during the financial year ended 31 December 2025 and during the financial year ended 31 December 2024.

15. Portfolio Transaction Costs

For the financial year ended 31 December 2025, the Fund does not have direct transaction costs.

For the financial year ended 31 December 2024

		Direct Transaction Costs			
Purchases (excluding derivatives)	Transaction Value £000's	Commissions £000's	%	Taxes £000's	%
Equity instruments	8,843,134	359	0.00	281	0.00
Bonds	1,344,384	92	0.01	–	–
Collective Investment Schemes	12,232,352	–	–	–	–
Total purchases	**22,419,870**	**451**		**281**	
Total purchases including transaction costs	**22,420,602**				

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

15. Portfolio Transaction Costs (continued)

		Direct Transaction Costs			
Sales (excluding derivatives)	Transaction Value £000's	Commissions £000's	%	Taxes £000's	%
Equity instruments	8,981,042	773	0.01	43	0.00
Bonds	1,342,990	93	0.01	–	–
Collective Investment Schemes	11,345,020	–	–	–	–
Total sales	**21,669,052**	**866**		**43**	
Total sales net of transaction costs	**21,668,143**				
Total transaction costs		**1,317**		**324**	
Total transaction costs as a % of average net assets		**0.02%**		**0.00%**	

Transactions in money market instruments to manage the Fund's daily liquidity position are excluded from the analysis.

For the Fund's investment in collective investment scheme holdings there will potentially be dealing spread costs applicable to purchases and sales. However additionally there are indirect transaction costs incurred in those underlying funds, throughout the holding period for the instruments, which are not separately identifiable and do not form part of the above analysis.

Transaction costs for derivatives positions will be either incurred as direct costs or form part of the dealing spread for the instruments. Any direct costs are identified in the above analysis.

Dealing spread costs incurred by the Fund vary considerably for the different asset/instrument types depending on a number of factors including transaction value and market sentiment.

At the Balance Sheet date, the average portfolio dealing spread (difference between bid and offer prices of all investments expressed as a percentage of the offer price value) was Nil (31 December 2024: Nil).

16. Units in Issue

Revenue is allocated each day pro rata to the capital value of assets attributable to each class and taxation is computed by reference to the net revenue after expenses attributable to each class. The distribution per unit class is given in the distribution table. All unit classes have the same rights on winding up.

The movement in units in issue for the financial year ended 31 December 2025 is as follows:

	X1 Accumulation Units
Balance at the beginning of the year	6,600,338,068
Issued during the year	39,676,652
Cancelled during the year	(717,221,577)
Balance at the end of the year	**5,922,793,143**

17. Subsequent Events

There have been no significant events subsequent to the financial year end, which, in the opinion of the Manager, may have had an impact on the financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2025.

PORTFOLIO STATEMENT

As at 31 December 2025

Holding or Nominal Value	Investment	Market Value £000's	% of Total Net Assets
COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES - 97.68%; 31.12.24 97.08%			
Equity Funds - 90.94%; 31.12.24 90.49%			
194,044,605	ACS Asia Pacific ex Japan ESG Insights Equity Fund	242,559	2.17
957,070,242	ACS Europe ex UK ESG Insights Equity Fund	1,139,415	10.20
411,427,664	ACS Japan ESG Insights Equity Fund	479,617	4.29
2,168,402,268	ACS North America ESG Insights Equity Fund	2,631,867	23.57
277,397,377	ACS UK ESG Insights Equity Fund	327,943	2.94
2,911,497,032	ACS US ESG Insights Equity Fund	3,530,277	31.62
792,949,968	BlackRock Emerging Markets ESG Insights Equity Fund	944,504	8.46
735,729,973	BlackRock Pensions Growth Alternative Strategies LTAF	858,561	7.69
		10,154,743	**90.94**
Fixed Income Funds - 6.74%; 31.12.24 6.59%			
617,938,140	BlackRock Global Corporate ESG Insights Bond Fund	**752,099**	**6.74**

Holding or Nominal Value	Investment	Underlying Exposure £000's	Market Value £000's	% of Total Net Assets
DERIVATIVES - 0.51%; 31.12.24 (0.79)%				
Forward Currency Contracts - 0.51%; 31.12.24 (0.72)%				
GBP 550,939,912	UK sterling vs Euro	(547,796)	3,144	0.03
GBP 228,573,165	UK sterling vs Japanese yen	(214,567)	14,006	0.13
GBP 3,145,904,431	UK sterling vs United States dollar	(3,105,667)	40,237	0.36
GBP 114,571,049	United States dollar vs UK sterling	85,149	(901)	(0.01)
		(3,782,881)	**56,486**	**0.51**

PORTFOLIO STATEMENT (continued)

Holding or Nominal Value	Investment	Underlying Exposure £000's	Market Value £000's	% of Total Net Assets
Futures - 0.00%; 31.12.24 (0.07)%				
Portfolio of investments			**10,963,328**	**98.19**
CASH EQUIVALENTS				
Short-term Money Market Funds - 0.58%; 31.12.24 3.12%				
650,210	BlackRock Institutional Cash Series Sterling Liquid Environmentally Aware Fund		**65,021**	**0.58**
Net other assets			137,518	1.23
Total net assets			**11,165,867**	**100.00**

Underlying exposure has been calculated according to the guidelines issued by the European Securities and Markets Authority ("ESMA") (as adopted by the FCA) and represents the market value of an equivalent position in the assets underlying each financial derivative instrument.

All underlying funds are managed by a related party.

The counterparties for the forward currency contracts are disclosed in note 3.4.1.2.

BLACKROCK RETIREMENT ALLOCATION FUND

About the Fund

The Fund is a sub-fund of BlackRock Authorised Contractual Scheme 2, a NURS under the COLL Sourcebook. The Fund was authorised by the FCA on 27 April 2023. The Fund's FCA product reference number is 997136.

Comparative Table

	X1R Accumulation Units		
	For the year to 31.12.2025 Pence per unit	For the year to 31.12.2024 Pence per unit	For the period from 14.6.2023* to 31.12.2023 Pence per unit
Change in net assets per unit			
Opening net asset value per unit	113.56	105.93	100.00
Return before operating charges	9.63	7.63	5.93
Operating charges	0.00	0.00	0.00
Return after operating charges	9.63	7.63	5.93
Distributions	(2.93)	(2.31)	(0.78)
Retained distributions on accumulation units	2.93	2.31	0.78
Closing net asset value per unit	123.19	113.56	105.93
After direct transaction costs of:	0.00	0.00	0.00
Performance			
Return after charges	8.48%	7.20%	5.93%
Other Information			
Closing net asset value (£000's)	368,086	272,682	189,379
Closing number of units	298,805,956	240,117,435	178,771,628
Operating charges[1]	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Direct transaction costs[2]	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Prices	**Pence per unit**	**Pence per unit**	**Pence per unit**
Highest offer unit price	123.84	115.67	106.25
Lowest bid unit price	107.87	104.16	97.71

* The date of commencement of operations.

[1] The return after charges figures are based on the net asset value reported for financial statements purposes and are not the same as the performance returns figures quoted in the Performance Summary section of the Investment Manager's Report which are returns based on NAV per unit as at 12 noon for dealing purposes.

[2] Operating charges are annualised and exclude portfolio trade-related costs, except costs paid to the custodian/depositary and entry/exit charges paid to an underlying collective investment scheme (if any).

[3] Direct transaction costs are annualised and principally comprise commissions and taxes, attributable to the Fund’s purchase and sale of equity instruments. See note 13 for further details.

BLACKROCK RETIREMENT ALLOCATION FUND

DISTRIBUTION TABLE

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

Final Distribution in Pence per Unit

	X1R Accumulation Units
Net revenue	2.9283
Distribution paid 27.2.2026	**2.9283**
Distribution paid 28.2.2025	**2.3054**

STATEMENT OF TOTAL RETURN

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

	Notes	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Income					
Net capital gains	3		18,998		11,372
Revenue	4	7,695		4,682	
Expenses	5	37		51	
Interest payable and similar charges		–		–	
Net revenue before taxation		7,732		4,733	
Taxation	6	–		–	
Net revenue after taxation			7,732		4,733
Total return before distributions			26,730		16,105
Distributions	7		(7,715)		(4,725)
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities			**19,015**		**11,380**

STATEMENT OF CHANGE IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	£000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Opening net assets attributable to unitholders		272,682		189,379
Amounts receivable on issue of units	144,100		110,689	
Amounts payable on cancellation of units	(76,461)		(44,302)	
		67,639		66,387
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities		19,015		11,380
Retained distribution on accumulation units		8,750		5,536
Closing net assets attributable to unitholders		**368,086**		**272,682**

BALANCE SHEET

As at 31 December 2025

	Notes	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Assets:			
Fixed assets			
– Investment assets		365,875	271,284
Current assets			
– Debtors	8	2,743	2,652
– Cash and bank balances		116	17
Total assets		**368,734**	**273,953**
Liabilities:			
Investment liabilities		(14)	(676)
Creditors			
– Other creditors	9	(634)	(595)
Total liabilities		**(648)**	**(1,271)**
Net assets attributable to unitholders		**368,086**	**272,682**

On behalf of the Directors

A Lewis
Director
30 March 2026

A Hoctor-Duncan
Director
30 March 2026

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the financial year ended 31 December 2025

1. Accounting and Distribution Policies

The material accounting and distribution policies are set out on pages 348 to 352.

2. Risk Management Policies

The Risk management policies are set out on pages 352 to 382.

3. Net Capital Gains

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
The net capital gains comprise:		
Gains on non-derivative securities*	14,828	10,270
Forward currency contracts	5,351	(288)
Currency (losses)/gains	(1,163)	1,419
Custodian transaction costs	(2)	(21)
Expense from underlying CIS holdings	–	(1)
Other expense from underlying CIS holdings	(16)	(7)
Net capital gains	**18,998**	**11,372**

*Includes realised gains of £1,944,890 and unrealised gains of £12,883,599 (2024: realised gains of £1,194,316 and unrealised gains of £9,075,366). Where realised gains/losses include gains/losses arising in previous periods, a corresponding gains/losses is included in unrealised gains/losses.

4. Revenue

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Equity distributions on CIS holdings	190	133
Interest distributions on CIS holdings	5,495	3,025
Interest from UK bank deposits	–	7
Overseas dividends	1,766	1,338
Rebate from underlying CIS holdings	22	21
Securities lending revenue	8	7
UK dividends	154	108
UK REIT dividends	–	4
US REIT dividends	60	39
Total revenue	**7,695**	**4,682**

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

5. Expenses

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Payable to/Receivable from the Manager or associates of the Manager:		
– Annual service charge	17	12
– Manager's charge and other expenses rebate[#]	(78)	(94)
Payable to the Depositary or associates of the Depositary:		
– Depositary fee	10	11
Other expenses:		
– Audit fee	9	9
– Index licence fee	8	–
– Legal fee	4	–
– Safe custody fee	(7)	11
Total expenses	**(37)**	**(51)**

[#] The Fund received rebates from the Manager to ensure that the operating charge does not exceed 0.00%.

6. Taxation

(a) Analysis of tax charge

As the Fund is an Authorised Contractual Scheme, it is exempt from United Kingdom (UK) tax on capital gains realised on the disposal of investments held within the Fund and any UK corporation tax.

7. Distributions

The distributions take account of revenue received on the issue of units and revenue deducted on the redemption of units and comprise:

	For the year to 31.12.2025 £000's	For the year to 31.12.2024 £000's
Final accumulation	8,750	5,536
	8,750	5,536
Add: Amounts deducted on cancellation of units	1,230	620
Deduct: Amounts received on issue of units	(2,265)	(1,431)
Distributions	**7,715**	**4,725**
The distributable amount has been calculated as follows:		
Net revenue after taxation	7,732	4,733
Custodian transaction costs	(1)	(1)
Other expense from underlying CIS holdings	(16)	(7)
Distributions	**7,715**	**4,725**

Details of the final distribution per unit are set out in the table on page 338.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

8. Debtors

	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Accrued manager's charge rebates	–	94
Accrued rebate from underlying CIS holdings	10	12
Accrued revenue	2,048	1,618
Amount receivable on issue of units	597	719
Sales awaiting settlement	88	209
Total debtors	**2,743**	**2,652**

9. Other Creditors

	31.12.2025 £000's	31.12.2024 £000's
Accrued admin fee	6	16
Accrued audit fee	12	10
Accrued bank interest charge	–	1
Accrued depositary's fee	8	8
Accrued manager's charge	–	5
Accrued safe custody fee	1	12
Amount payable for cancellation of units	596	334
Custodian transaction costs	11	19
Purchases awaiting settlement	–	190
Total other creditors	**634**	**595**

10. Contingent Assets and Liabilities

There were no significant capital commitment or contingent liabilities as at the 31 December 2025 and 31 December 2024.

11. Related Parties

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.

The following entities were related parties of the Fund during the financial year ended 31 December 2025:

Directors of the Manager	
Manager:	BlackRock Fund Managers Limited
Investment Manager:	BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited
Stock Lending Agent:	BlackRock Advisors (UK) Limited

The ultimate holding company of the Manager, Investment Manager and Stock Lending Agent is BlackRock Inc. (“BlackRock”), a company incorporated in Delaware, USA.

The Manager acts as either principal or agent for the Depositary in respect of all transactions of units of the Fund. The aggregate monies received through issue and paid through cancellation of units are disclosed in the Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Unitholders and note 7. Any amounts due to or from the Manager at the financial year end are disclosed in notes 8 and 9. Securities lending revenue earned by the Fund is disclosed in note 4.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

11. Related Parties (continued)

The Investment Manager, in accordance with the Contractual Scheme Deed, may enter into commission sharing arrangements with related parties (including, without limitation, brokers who are affiliated to the BlackRock Group), which may result in the Fund benefiting from research or execution services which the Investment Manager believes are useful in the investment decision-making or trade execution process. Such research or execution services may include, without limitation and to the extent permitted by applicable law: research reports on companies, industries and securities; and the provision of economic and financial information and analysis. Due to the bundled nature of these services and the application of such benefits across a number of BlackRock managed funds, it is not feasible to quantify the benefit to the Fund. The Investment Manager may also enter into these arrangements with brokers who are not affiliated to the BlackRock Group.

Holdings in other funds managed by BlackRock

The Fund's investments in other BlackRock related party entities are individually identified on the portfolio statement.

Significant investors

The following investors are:
a. funds managed by the BlackRock Group or are affiliates of BlackRock Inc. ("BlackRock Related Investors") or
b. investors (other than those listed in (a) above) who held 51% or more of the voting units in issue in the Fund and are as a result, considered to be related parties to the Fund ("Significant Investors").

As at 31 December 2025:

Total % of units held by BlackRock Related Investors	Total % of units held by Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors	Number of Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors
Nil	100%	1

As at 31 December 2025:

Total % of units held by BlackRock Related Investors	Total % of units held by Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors	Number of Significant Investors who are not BlackRock Related Investors
Nil	100%	1

For the financial year ended 31 December 2025, the Fund did not enter into any in-specie transactions with its related parties (31 December 2024: Nil).

12. Credit Facility

The Fund entered into a credit facility with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. ("JPMorgan"), whereby JPMorgan, together with other syndicated lenders, made a portion of a USD 600 million credit facility available to the Fund. This portion of the USD 600 million credit facility will be allocated to the Fund based on the credit facility agreement dated 17 April 2025. This credit facility may be utilised by the Fund for temporary funding purposes, including, without limitation, the funding of investor redemptions. Any interest and commitment fees in relation to drawdowns from such credit facility are paid out of the assets of the Fund.

A loan commitment fee is charged on a daily basis in relation to this credit facility which is included in the Statement of Total Return under caption "Expenses". The loan commitment fee is charged at 0.10% per annum on the undrawn portion of the loan commitment.

No portion of the credit facility was used during the financial year ended 31 December 2025 and during the financial year ended 31 December 2024.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

13. Portfolio Transaction Costs

For the Fund's investment in collective investment scheme holdings there will potentially be dealing spread costs applicable to purchases and sales. However additionally there are indirect transaction costs incurred in those underlying funds, throughout the holding period for the instruments, which are not separately identifiable.

Transaction costs for derivatives positions will be either incurred as direct costs or form part of the dealing spread for the instruments.

Dealing spread costs incurred by the Fund vary considerably for the different asset/instrument types depending on a number of factors including transaction value and market sentiment.

At the Balance Sheet date, the average portfolio dealing spread (difference between bid and offer prices of all investments expressed as a percentage of the offer price value) was 0.01% (31 December 2024: Nil).

14. Units in Issue

Revenue is allocated each day pro rata to the capital value of assets attributable to each class and taxation is computed by reference to the net revenue after expenses attributable to each class. The distribution per unit class is given in the distribution table. All unit classes have the same rights on winding up.

The movement in units in issue for the financial year ended 31 December 2025 is as follows:

	X1R Accumulation Units
Balance at the beginning of the year	240,117,435
Issued during the year	125,269,232
Cancelled during the year	(66,580,711)
Balance at the end of the year	**298,805,956**

15. Subsequent Events

There have been no significant events subsequent to the financial year end, which, in the opinion of the Manager, may have had an impact on the financial statements for the financial year ended 31 December 2025.

PORTFOLIO STATEMENT

As at 31 December 2025

Holding or Nominal Value	Investment	Market Value £000's	% of Total Net Assets
COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES - 99.03%; 31.12.24 99.35%			
Equity Funds - 41.51%; 31.12.24 39.31%			
82,704,073	ACS World ESG Screened and Optimised Equity Tracker Fund	120,048	32.62
5,995,806	ACS World Small Cap ESG Screened Equity Tracker Fund	7,790	2.12
753,963	iShares Bloomberg Enhanced Roll Yield Commodity Swap UCITS ETF	4,832	1.31
1,620,887	iShares Environment & Low Carbon Tilt Real Estate Index Fund (UK)	3,611	0.98
7,926,352	iShares ESG Sterling Corporate Bond Index Fund (UK)	7,628	2.07
227,920	iShares MSCI Emerging Markets UCITS ETF	8,873	2.41
		152,782	**41.51**
Fixed Income Funds - 57.52%; 31.12.24 60.04%			
7,177,205	iShares Overseas Corporate Bond Index Fund (UK)	12,040	3.27
77,490,334	iShares Overseas Government Bond Index Fund (UK)	90,558	24.60
39,946,593	iShares UK Gilts All Stocks Index Fund (UK)	44,122	11.99
11,707,691	iShares Up to 10 Years Gilts Index Fund (UK)	13,323	3.62
47,358,734	iShares Up to 10 Years Index Linked Gilt Index Fund (UK)	51,689	14.04
		211,732	**57.52**

Holding or Nominal Value	Investment	Underlying Exposure £000's	Market Value £000's	% of Total Net Assets
DERIVATIVES - 0.37%; 31.12.24 (0.11)%				
Forward Currency Contracts - 0.37%; 31.12.24 (0.11)%				
DKK 393,081	Danish krone vs UK sterling^	46	–	0.00
GBP 1,608,830	UK sterling vs Australian dollar	(1,615)	(7)	0.00
GBP 3,290,733	UK sterling vs Canadian dollar^	(3,291)	–	0.00
GBP 308,309	UK sterling vs Danish krone	(307)	2	0.00
GBP 17,361,124	UK sterling vs Euro	(17,274)	87	0.03
GBP 368,814	UK sterling vs Hong Kong dollar	(363)	6	0.00
GBP 205,761	UK sterling vs Israel shekel	(207)	(1)	0.00
GBP 10,141,552	UK sterling vs Japanese yen	(9,916)	225	0.06
GBP 35,877	UK sterling vs New Zealand dollar^	(36)	–	0.00
GBP 242,777	UK sterling vs Norwegian krone	(240)	2	0.00
GBP 275,269	UK sterling vs Singapore dollar	(272)	3	0.00
GBP 487,137	UK sterling vs Swedish krona	(491)	(4)	0.00
GBP 1,595,197	UK sterling vs Swiss franc	(1,585)	10	0.00
GBP 67,585,736	UK sterling vs United States dollar	(66,560)	1,026	0.28

PORTFOLIO STATEMENT (continued)

Holding or Nominal Value	Investment	Underlying Exposure £000's	Market Value £000's	% of Total Net Assets
USD 309,700	United States dollar vs UK sterling	230	(2)	0.00
		(101,881)	**1,347**	**0.37**
Portfolio of investments			**365,861**	**99.40**
Net other assets			2,225	0.60
Total net assets			**368,086**	**100.00**

Underlying exposure has been calculated according to the guidelines issued by the European Securities and Markets Authority ("ESMA") (as adopted by the FCA) and represents the market value of an equivalent position in the assets underlying each financial derivative instrument.

All underlying funds are managed by a related party.

The counterparties for the forward currency contracts are disclosed in note 3.4.1.2.

^ Investments which are less than £500 are rounded to zero.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. Material Accounting Policies

1.1 Basis of Preparation

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice ("SORP") issued by the Investment Management Association (now known as the Investment Association) in May 2014 and amended in June 2017 and in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, including the Financial Reporting Standard 102 (applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland).

The financial statements for the Funds except for ACS LifePath Funds are prepared on a going concern basis under the historical cost convention as modified by the revaluation of financial assets and financial liabilities held at fair value through profit or loss. The Funds are able to meet all of their liabilities from their assets. The performance, marketability and risks of the Funds are reviewed on a regular basis throughout the financial period. Therefore, the Directors of the Manager believe that the Funds will continue in operational existence for a period of one year from the date of approval of the financial statements and are financially sound. The Directors of the Manager are satisfied that, at the time of approving the financial statements, it is appropriate to continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements of the Funds. The financial statements of ACS LifePath Funds have been prepared on a break-up basis as these Funds ceased operations during the financial year. Under this basis, all assets are recorded at their estimated realisable amount and all liabilities at their estimated settlement amount. The liquidation costs are borne by the Manager.

The financial statements are presented in Sterling, which is the functional currency of the Funds and the currency of the primary economic environment which the Funds operate in.

All amounts have been rounded to the nearest thousand, unless otherwise indicated. Amounts which are less than £500 have been rounded down to zero.

1.2 Financial instruments

Financial instruments are recognised, measured and disclosed in accordance with FRS 102 as applied by the SORP for the Financial Statements of UK Authorised Funds. In accordance with the SORP, investments are measured at fair value, with changes in fair value recognised in the Statement of Total Return.

1.2.1 Classification and measurement:

The Scheme classifies its investments in collective investment schemes, liquidity instruments, and derivatives as financial assets or financial liabilities at fair value from inception. All other financial assets and financial liabilities including cash, cash equivalents, receivables and payables are classified at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

1.2.2 Recognition and derecognition:

The Scheme recognises a financial asset or a financial liability when it becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument. Purchases and sales of financial assets are recognised on the day the trade takes place.

For instruments held long, realised gains and losses on disposals represent the difference between the initial carrying amount and disposal amount. For instruments held short, they represent the difference between the proceeds received and the opening value.

For derivative contracts, they represent the cash payments or receipts made on derivative contracts (excluding those on collateral or margin accounts for such instruments). Financial assets are derecognised when the rights to receive cash flows from the asset have expired or the risks and rewards of ownership have all been substantially transferred. Financial liabilities are derecognised when the obligation under the liability is discharged, cancelled, or expired.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

1. Material Accounting Policies (continued)

1.2 Financial instruments (continued)

1.2.3 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 transactions between market participants at the measurement date. The estimation of fair value, after initial recognition, is determined as follows:

- Investments in equity instruments and exchange traded derivatives which are quoted, listed, traded or dealt on a market or exchange are valued based on quoted market prices which, for the purposes of the financial statements is in line with the valuation methodology prescribed in the Scheme's prospectus.
- Investments in over-the-counter ("OTC") derivatives and investee collective investment schemes ("CIS"), are valued using valuation techniques. Investment in dual priced CIS are valued at quoted bid prices.

Investments in liquidity instruments is valued at amortised cost, this method is deemed equivalent to the fair value, given the short-term nature of such investments.

In the case of an investment which is not quoted, listed or dealt on a recognised market, or in respect of which a listed, traded or dealt price or quotation is not available at the time of valuation, the fair value of such investment shall be estimated with care and in good faith by a competent professional person, body, firm or corporation (appointed for such purpose by the Directors in consultation with the Investment Manager and approved for the purpose by the Depositary, and such fair value shall be determined using valuation techniques. The Scheme uses a variety of methods and makes assumptions that are based on market conditions existing at each reporting date.

Valuation techniques used for non-standardised financial instruments such as OTC derivatives include those detailed in valuation of financial instruments note, and those used by market participants making the maximum use of market inputs and relying as little as possible on Fund-specific inputs.

1.2.4 Financial derivative and other specific instruments

1.2.4.1 Futures contracts

A futures contract is a contract, traded on an exchange, to buy or sell a certain underlying instrument at a certain date in the future, at a specified price.

Initial margin deposits are made to relevant brokers upon entering into futures contracts and are included in margin cash.

1.2.4.2 Forward currency contracts

A forward currency contract is an agreement, in the OTC market, between two parties to buy or sell a certain underlying currency at a certain date in the future, at a specified price.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

1. Material Accounting Policies (continued)

1.3 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with FRS 102 requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires the Directors to exercise their judgement in the process of applying the Scheme's accounting policies. Changes in assumptions may have a significant impact on the financial statements in the period the assumptions changed. The Directors believe that the underlying assumptions are appropriate and that the Scheme's financial statements, therefore, present the Scheme's financial position and its results fairly. The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised if the revision affects only that period or in the period of the revision and future years if the revision affects both current and future years. The areas involving a higher degree of judgement or complexity, or areas where assumptions and estimates are significant to the financial statements, are disclosed below.

1.3.1 Assumptions and estimation uncertainties

1.3.1.1. Fair value of OTC derivative financial instruments

OTC financial derivative instruments are valued using valuation techniques, as detailed in the fair value hierarchy note to the financial statements. Where valuation techniques are used to determine fair values, they are validated and periodically reviewed and compared to the price provided by an independent pricing service provider, where available.

1.3.1.2. Fair value of financial instruments not quoted in an active market

The fair value of such instruments not quoted in an active market may be determined by the Fund using reputable pricing sources, including published net asset values or prices provided by fund administrator. The Fund would exercise judgment and estimates on the quantity and quality of pricing sources used. Prices obtained may be indicative and not executable or binding.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

1. Material Accounting Policies (continued)

1.4 Revenue

- Bank interest is recognised on an accrual basis.
- Revenue from securities lending is accounted for net of associated costs and is recognised on an accruals basis. The securities out on loan will pay using a manufactured dividend rate. The manufactured dividend rate is driven by an agreement between the Lender and the Borrower's tax situation and hence there could be an element of additional revenue further to the normal dividend paid by the securities. This additional revenue is recognised as a gross amount that takes account of any withholding taxes but excludes any other taxes such as attributable tax credits.
- Dividends on quoted ordinary shares and preference shares are recognised when the securities are quoted ex-dividend. Where such securities are not quoted, dividends are recognised when the right to receive payment is established.
- The underlying circumstances behind both special dividends and share buy backs are reviewed on a case by case basis in determining whether the amount is revenue or capital in nature. Amounts recognised as revenue form part of the distribution. Any tax treatment will follow the accounting treatment of the principal amount.
- All distributions from collective investment schemes ("CIS") are recognised when the securities are quoted ex-dividend. All distributions from holdings in CIS are treated as revenue with the exception of the equalisation element, which is treated as capital.
- US Real Estate Investment Trust ("REIT") dividend revenue is accounted for partly as revenue and partly as capital, depending on the underlying REIT distribution. All REIT dividend revenue is recognised on an accrual basis.
- Any reported revenue from an offshore fund with reporting status from His Majesty's Revenue & Customs (HMRC), in excess of any distribution received in the reporting period, is recognised as revenue no later than the nearest reporting date of the Scheme following the date the information is made available.
- The Funds receive Manager's charge rebates from BlackRock related investments in the normal course of business. These are recognised on an accruals basis and are treated as revenue, unless it is the policy of the underlying fund to charge its fees to capital, in which case these rebates will be recognised as capital.
- All revenue is recognised as a gross amount that takes account of any withholding taxes but excludes any other taxes such as attributable tax credits.
- Underwriting commission is wholly recognised as revenue when the issue takes place, except where the Funds are required to take up some or all of the shares underwritten, in which case an appropriate proportion of the commission received is deducted from the cost of those shares.
- Ordinary stock dividends are recognised wholly as revenue and are based on the market value of the shares on the date they are quoted ex-dividend. Where an enhancement is offered, the amount by which the market value of the shares (on the date they are quoted ex-dividend) exceeds the cash dividend is taken to capital.

1.5 Other accounting policies

- All expenses, except those relating to the purchase and sale of investments are charged against revenue. All expenses are recognised on an accruals basis.
- No provision for corporation tax is made due to the tax transparent nature of the Funds, in accordance with section 1121 of Corporation Tax Act 2010. Instead, the unitholders of the Funds are treated as if they owned the underlying assets directly and are taxed on their share of the income derived from the underlying assets.
- Where the end of the accounting year on the balance sheet date is a business day, the valuation point is 12 noon, and where the end of the accounting year on the balance sheet date is a non-business day, the valuation point is end of day. All investments are valued at their fair value as at the end of the accounting period. In the case of an investment which is not quoted, listed or dealt in on a recognised market, or in respect of which a listed, traded or dealt price or quotation is not available at the time of valuation, the fair value of such investment shall be estimated with care and in good faith by a competent professional person, body, firm or corporation including the Manager's pricing committee and such fair value shall be determined on the basis of the probable realisation value of the investment. The Manager shall be entitled to adopt an alternative method of valuing any particular asset if it considers that the methods of valuation set out above do not provide a fair valuation of a particular asset or liability.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

1. Material Accounting Policies (continued)

1.5 Other accounting policies (continued)

- Investments in dual priced and single priced CIS have been valued at bid values and quoted values, respectively, also defined as fair value, which is usually the latest available price at the Funds' 12 noon valuation point on the last business day of the accounting year.
- Where the end of the accounting year on the balance sheet date is a business day, the exchange rates are at 12 noon, and where the end of the accounting year on the balance sheet date is a non-business day, the exchange rates are at end of day. Any transactions in foreign currencies are translated into Sterling at the rates of exchange ruling on the date of any such transaction. Assets and liabilities in foreign currencies are translated into Sterling at the exchange rates ruling at the end of the accounting year. Revenue items in foreign currencies are translated into Sterling at the exchange rate when the revenue is received.
- Where appropriate, certain permitted financial instruments such as derivatives are used for efficient portfolio management. Where such financial instruments are used to protect or enhance revenue, the revenue and expenses derived therefrom are included in 'Revenue' in the statement of total return. Where such financial instruments are used to protect or enhance capital, the gains and losses derived therefrom are included in 'Net capital (losses)/gains' in the statement of total return.
- Cash and bank balances consist of deposits held on call with banks and cash held with clearing brokers and counterparties. Cash equivalents are short-term highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value. Bank overdrafts are classified as liabilities in the balance sheet.

2. Distribution policies

- The ordinary element of stock dividends is treated as revenue but does not form part of the distribution.
- All of the net revenue available for distribution at the final accounting period end will be distributed to unitholders with the balance attributable to accumulation unitholders retained within the Funds. In order to conduct a controlled dividend flow to unitholders, interim distributions may be made at the Manager's discretion, up to a maximum of the distributable revenue available for the period. Should expenses and taxation together exceed revenue, there will be no distribution and the shortfall will be met from capital.

3. Risk management policies

Introduction and overview

Each Fund's investment activities expose it to the various types of risk which are associated with the financial instruments and markets in which it invests. The following information is not intended to be a comprehensive summary of all risks and investors should refer to the base prospectus for a more detailed discussion of the risks inherent in investing in the Funds.

3.1 Risk management framework

The Directors have delegated certain duties to the Manager with regard to the day-to-day management of the Funds. The Manager has in turn delegated the day-to-day administration of the investment programme to the Investment Manager. The Investment Committee of the Manager reviews the performance of the Entity's Funds annually and receives any material developments on the Funds' performance and risk profile on a quarterly basis.

The Manager is responsible for the investment performance, product risk monitoring and oversight and the responsibility for the monitoring and oversight of regulatory and operational risk for the Funds. The Manager has appointed a risk manager who has responsibility for the daily risk management process with assistance from key risk management personnel of the Investment Manager, including members of the BlackRock Risk and Quantitative Analysis Group ("RQA Group") which is a centralised group which performs an independent risk management function. The RQA Group independently identifies, measures and monitors investment risk, including climate-related risk. The RQA Group tracks the actual risk management practices being deployed across each Fund. By breaking down the components of the process, the RQA Group has the ability to determine if the appropriate risk management processes are in place across each Fund. This captures the risk management tools employed, how the levels of risk are controlled, ensuring risk/return is considered in portfolio construction and reviewing outcomes.

3. Risk management policies (continued)

3.1 Risk management framework (continued)

The principal risk exposure of the Funds are set out as follows:

3.2 Market risk

Market risk arises mainly from uncertainty about future values of financial instruments influenced by currency, interest rate and price movements. It represents the potential loss each Fund may suffer through holding market positions in the face of market movements.

Each Fund is exposed to market risk by virtue of their investment in debt instruments, equity instruments and derivatives.

A key metric used by the RQA Group to measure market risk is Value-at-Risk ("VaR") which encompasses currency, interest rate and price risk. VaR is a statistical risk measure that estimates the potential portfolio loss from adverse market movements in an ordinary market environment. VaR analysis reflects the interdependencies between risk variables, unlike a traditional sensitivity analysis.

The VaR calculations are based on an adjusted historical simulation model with a confidence level of 99%, a holding period of one day and a historical observation period of not less than one year (250 days). A VaR number is defined at a specified probability and a specified time horizon. A 99% one day VaR means that the expectation is that 99% of the time over a one-day period each Fund will lose no more than this number in percentage terms. Therefore, higher VaR numbers indicate higher risk. The one-day VaR has a multi-year year look back period which encompasses market volatility caused by political, social and economic events which feed into the model. Significant market disruptions, such as those caused by pandemics, natural or environmental disasters, war, acts of terrorism, or other events, may adversely affect the Funds' VaR.

It is noted that the use of VaR methodology has limitations, namely that the use of historical market data as a basis for estimating future events does not encompass all possible scenarios, particularly those that are of an extreme nature and that the use of a specified confidence level (e.g. 99%) does not take into account losses that occur beyond this level. There is some probability that the loss could be greater than the VaR amounts. These limitations and the nature of the VaR measure mean that each Fund can neither guarantee that losses will not exceed the VaR amounts indicated, nor that losses in excess of the VaR amounts will not occur more frequently.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

3. Risk management policies (continued)

3.2 Market risk (continued)

The one day VaR as at 31 December 2025 is based on a 99% confidence level and outlined in the table below:

Fund name	31 December 2025 %	31 December 2024 %
ACS LifePath 2022-2024^	N/A	0.74
ACS LifePath 2025-2027^	N/A	0.82
ACS LifePath 2028-2030^	N/A	0.92
ACS LifePath 2031-2033^	N/A	1.02
ACS LifePath 2034-2036^	N/A	1.12
ACS LifePath 2037-2039^	N/A	1.23
ACS LifePath 2040-2042^	N/A	1.33
ACS LifePath 2043-2045^	N/A	1.42
ACS LifePath 2046-2048^	N/A	1.52
ACS LifePath 2049-2051^	N/A	1.61
ACS LifePath 2052-2054^	N/A	1.67
ACS LifePath 2055-2057^	N/A	1.71
BlackRock Defensive Investment Fund*	0.74	N/A
BlackRock FutureWise 2023-27	4.75	0.78
BlackRock FutureWise 2028-32	2.38	1.29
BlackRock FutureWise 2033-37	1.93	1.77
BlackRock FutureWise 2038-42*	1.99	N/A
BlackRock FutureWise 2043-47*	1.99	N/A
BlackRock FutureWise Early Days Aggregator	1.99	1.72
BlackRock FutureWise Retirement Aggregator	4.49	0.74
BlackRock Intermediate Investment Fund*	1.34	N/A
BlackRock Growth Allocation Fund	2.00	1.72
BlackRock Growth Investment Fund*	1.91	N/A
BlackRock Pension Growth Fund	1.63	1.49
BlackRock Retirement Allocation Fund	0.77	0.74

^ These Funds ceased operations during the financial year.
* These Funds launched during the financial year, hence no comparative data is available.

3.2.1 Market risk arising from foreign currency risk

Foreign currency risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in foreign exchange rates.

Exposure to foreign currency risk

Each Fund may invest in financial instruments denominated in currencies other than its functional currency. Consequently, each Fund is exposed, directly and/or indirectly, to risks that the exchange rate of its functional currency relative to other currencies may change in a manner which has an adverse effect on the value of the portion of each Fund's assets which are denominated in currencies other than its own currency.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

3. Risk management policies (continued)

3.2 Market risk (continued)

3.2.1 Market risk arising from foreign currency risk (continued)

Each Fund's investment in the underlying CISs is denominated in the same currency as the functional currency of each Fund. Therefore, each Fund was not directly exposed to foreign currency risk as at 31 December 2025 and 31 December 2024. Each Fund has indirect exposure to foreign currency risk through its investment into CISs, as the CISs may invest in financial instruments denominated in currencies other than their functional currency.

The details of the open forward currency contracts in place to hedge foreign currency risk at the financial year end date are disclosed in the portfolio statement.

The tables in the following pages outline the Funds' exposure to foreign currency risk as at the Balance Sheet date.

31 December 2025 Foreign currency exposure	Gross Foreign Currency Exposure £000's	Forward Currency Contracts £000's	Net Foreign Currency Exposure £000's	% of Net Assets
BlackRock Defensive Investment Fund				
Australian dollar	–	(11,014)	(11,014)	(0.65)
Canadian dollar	–	(17,185)	(17,185)	(1.02)
Danish kroner	–	(2,083)	(2,083)	(0.12)
Euro	(362)	(112,883)	(113,245)	(6.71)
Hong Kong dollar	–	(1,685)	(1,685)	(0.10)
Israeli new shekel	–	(1,101)	(1,101)	(0.07)
Japanese yen	(217)	(73,655)	(73,872)	(4.38)
New Zealand dollar	–	(200)	(200)	(0.01)
Norwegian krone	–	(422)	(422)	(0.03)
Polish zloty	–	(296)	(296)	(0.02)
Singapore dollar	–	(1,297)	(1,297)	(0.08)
South Korean won	–	(4,149)	(4,149)	(0.25)
Swedish krona	–	(3,362)	(3,362)	(0.20)
Swiss franc	–	(6,637)	(6,637)	(0.39)
US dollar	(774)	(387,437)	(388,211)	(23.00)
Total exposure to foreign currencies	**(1,353)**	**(623,406)**	**(624,759)**	**(37.03)**
BlackRock FutureWise 2028-32				
Euro	1	–	1	0.00
Total exposure to foreign currencies	**1**	**–**	**1**	**0.00**
BlackRock FutureWise 2033-37				
Euro	1	–	1	0.00
Total exposure to foreign currencies	**1**	**–**	**1**	**0.00**
BlackRock FutureWise 2038-42				
Euro	418	–	418	0.00
Total exposure to foreign currencies	**418**	**–**	**418**	**0.00**

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

3. Risk management policies (continued)

3.2 Market risk (continued)

3.2.1 Market risk arising from foreign currency risk (continued)

31 December 2025 Foreign currency exposure	Gross Foreign Currency Exposure £000's	Forward Currency Contracts £000's	Net Foreign Currency Exposure £000's	% of Net Assets
BlackRock Growth Allocation Fund				
Australian dollar	–	(1,032)	(1,032)	(0.08)
Canadian dollar	–	(1,920)	(1,920)	(0.14)
Danish kroner	–	(252)	(252)	(0.02)
Euro	1	(4,830)	(4,829)	(0.36)
Hong Kong dollar	–	(286)	(286)	(0.02)
Israeli new shekel	–	(187)	(187)	(0.01)
Japanese yen	–	(3,583)	(3,583)	(0.27)
New Zealand dollar	–	(43)	(43)	0.00
Norwegian krone	–	(167)	(167)	(0.01)
Polish zloty	–	(9)	(9)	0.00
Singapore dollar	–	(230)	(230)	(0.02)
South Korean won	–	(124)	(124)	(0.01)
Swedish krona	–	(458)	(458)	(0.03)
Swiss franc	–	(1,235)	(1,235)	(0.09)
US dollar	–	(40,925)	(40,925)	(3.08)
Total exposure to foreign currencies	**1**	**(55,281)**	**(55,280)**	**(4.14)**
BlackRock Growth Investment Fund				
Australian dollar	1	(77,187)	(77,186)	(0.96)
Canadian dollar	–	(119,762)	(119,762)	(1.50)
Danish kroner	–	(16,570)	(16,570)	(0.21)
Euro	7	(306,211)	(306,204)	(3.82)
Hong Kong dollar	–	(23,376)	(23,376)	(0.29)
Israeli new shekel	–	(9,559)	(9,559)	(0.12)
Japanese yen	–	(267,158)	(267,158)	(3.34)
New Zealand dollar	–	(2,768)	(2,768)	(0.03)
Norwegian krone	–	(6,995)	(6,995)	(0.09)
Polish zloty	–	(3,583)	(3,583)	(0.04)
Singapore dollar	–	(18,911)	(18,911)	(0.24)
South Korean won	–	(50,353)	(50,353)	(0.63)
Swedish krona	–	(36,401)	(36,401)	(0.45)
Swiss franc	–	(84,024)	(84,024)	(1.05)
US dollar	9	(2,548,069)	(2,548,060)	(31.82)
Total exposure to foreign currencies	**17**	**(3,570,927)**	**(3,570,910)**	**(44.59)**

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

3. Risk management policies (continued)

3.2 Market risk (continued)

3.2.1 Market risk arising from foreign currency risk (continued)

31 December 2025 Foreign currency exposure	Gross Foreign Currency Exposure £000's	Forward Currency Contracts £000's	Net Foreign Currency Exposure £000's	% of Net Assets
BlackRock Intermediate Investment Fund				
Australian dollar	–	(23,094)	(23,094)	(0.81)
Canadian dollar	–	(36,469)	(36,469)	(1.29)
Danish kroner	–	(4,746)	(4,746)	(0.17)
Euro	–	(146,608)	(146,608)	(5.17)
Hong Kong dollar	–	(5,648)	(5,648)	(0.20)
Israeli new shekel	–	(2,679)	(2,679)	(0.09)
Japanese yen	–	(107,859)	(107,859)	(3.80)
New Zealand dollar	–	(671)	(671)	(0.02)
Norwegian krone	–	(1,708)	(1,708)	(0.06)
Polish zloty	–	(904)	(904)	(0.03)
Singapore dollar	–	(4,502)	(4,502)	(0.16)
South Korean won	–	(12,658)	(12,658)	(0.45)
Swedish krona	–	(9,409)	(9,409)	(0.33)
Swiss franc	–	(20,868)	(20,868)	(0.74)
US dollar	23,521	(804,555)	(781,034)	(27.55)
Total exposure to foreign currencies	**23,521**	**(1,182,378)**	**(1,158,857)**	**(40.87)**
BlackRock Pension Growth Fund				
Canadian dollar	6	–	6	0.00
Euro	133	(547,796)	(547,663)	(4.90)
Japanese yen	4,050	(214,567)	(210,517)	(1.89)
US dollar	25	(3,020,518)	(3,020,493)	(27.05)
Total exposure to foreign currencies	**4,214**	**(3,782,881)**	**(3,778,667)**	**(33.84)**
BlackRock Retirement Allocation Fund				
Australian dollar	–	(1,615)	(1,615)	(0.44)
Canadian dollar	–	(3,291)	(3,291)	(0.89)
Danish kroner	–	(261)	(261)	(0.07)
Euro	–	(17,274)	(17,274)	(4.69)
Hong Kong dollar	–	(363)	(363)	(0.10)
Israeli new shekel	–	(207)	(207)	(0.06)
Japanese yen	–	(9,916)	(9,916)	(2.69)
New Zealand dollar	–	(35)	(35)	(0.01)
Norwegian krone	–	(240)	(240)	(0.07)
Singapore dollar	–	(272)	(272)	(0.07)
Swedish krona	–	(491)	(491)	(0.13)
Swiss franc	–	(1,585)	(1,585)	(0.43)
US dollar	–	(66,330)	(66,330)	(18.02)
Total exposure to foreign currencies	**–**	**(101,880)**	**(101,880)**	**(27.67)**

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

3. Risk management policies (continued)

3.2 Market risk (continued)

3.2.1 Market risk arising from foreign currency risk (continued)

31 December 2024 Foreign currency exposure	Gross Foreign Currency Exposure £000's	Forward Currency Contracts £000's	Net Foreign Currency Exposure £000's	% of Net Assets
ACS LifePath 2022-2024				
Australian dollar	–	(636)	(636)	(0.49)
Canadian dollar	–	(1,152)	(1,152)	(0.88)
Danish kroner	–	(195)	(195)	(0.15)
Euro	–	(5,481)	(5,481)	(4.19)
Hong Kong dollar	–	(112)	(112)	(0.09)
Israeli new shekel	–	(66)	(66)	(0.05)
Japanese yen	–	(3,526)	(3,526)	(2.69)
New Zealand dollar	–	(25)	(25)	(0.02)
Norwegian krone	–	(97)	(97)	(0.07)
Singapore dollar	–	(73)	(73)	(0.06)
Swedish krona	–	(199)	(199)	(0.15)
Swiss franc	–	(597)	(597)	(0.46)
US dollar	58	(23,736)	(23,678)	(18.08)
Total exposure to foreign currencies	**58**	**(35,895)**	**(35,837)**	**(27.38)**
ACS LifePath 2025-2027				
Australian dollar	–	(4,740)	(4,740)	(0.44)
Canadian dollar	–	(8,416)	(8,416)	(0.79)
Danish kroner	–	(1,580)	(1,580)	(0.15)
Euro	–	(40,904)	(40,904)	(3.84)
Hong Kong dollar	–	(863)	(863)	(0.08)
Israeli new shekel	–	(429)	(429)	(0.04)
Japanese yen	–	(24,944)	(24,944)	(2.34)
New Zealand dollar	–	(139)	(139)	(0.01)
Norwegian krone	–	(752)	(752)	(0.07)
Singapore dollar	–	(547)	(547)	(0.05)
Swedish krona	–	(1,511)	(1,511)	(0.14)
Swiss franc	–	(4,637)	(4,637)	(0.44)
US dollar	–	(187,538)	(187,538)	(17.60)
Total exposure to foreign currencies	**–**	**(277,000)**	**(277,000)**	**(25.99)**

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

3. Risk management policies (continued)

3.2 Market risk (continued)

3.2.1 Market risk arising from foreign currency risk (continued)

31 December 2024 Foreign currency exposure	Gross Foreign Currency Exposure £000's	Forward Currency Contracts £000's	Net Foreign Currency Exposure £000's	% of Net Assets
ACS LifePath 2028-2030				
Australian dollar	–	(3,275)	(3,275)	(0.41)
Canadian dollar	–	(5,853)	(5,853)	(0.74)
Danish kroner	–	(1,177)	(1,177)	(0.15)
Euro	–	(25,932)	(25,932)	(3.27)
Hong Kong dollar	–	(732)	(732)	(0.09)
Israeli new shekel	–	(255)	(255)	(0.03)
Japanese yen	–	(15,757)	(15,757)	(1.99)
New Zealand dollar	–	(152)	(152)	(0.02)
Norwegian krone	–	(547)	(547)	(0.07)
Singapore dollar	–	(450)	(450)	(0.06)
Swedish krona	–	(1,160)	(1,160)	(0.15)
Swiss franc	–	(3,409)	(3,409)	(0.43)
US dollar	5,067	(132,140)	(127,073)	(16.02)
Total exposure to foreign currencies	**5,067**	**(190,839)**	**(185,772)**	**(23.43)**
ACS LifePath 2031-2033				
Australian dollar	–	(6,694)	(6,694)	(0.37)
Canadian dollar	–	(12,096)	(12,096)	(0.67)
Danish kroner	–	(2,458)	(2,458)	(0.14)
Euro	–	(48,901)	(48,901)	(2.71)
Hong Kong dollar	–	(1,355)	(1,355)	(0.08)
Israeli new shekel	–	(616)	(616)	(0.03)
Japanese yen	–	(29,862)	(29,862)	(1.66)
New Zealand dollar	–	(244)	(244)	(0.01)
Norwegian krone	–	(1,079)	(1,079)	(0.06)
Singapore dollar	–	(966)	(966)	(0.05)
Swedish krona	–	(2,390)	(2,390)	(0.13)
Swiss franc	–	(7,016)	(7,016)	(0.39)
US dollar	17,335	(272,915)	(255,580)	(14.19)
Total exposure to foreign currencies	**17,335**	**(386,592)**	**(369,257)**	**(20.49)**

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

3. Risk management policies (continued)

3.2 Market risk (continued)

3.2.1 Market risk arising from foreign currency risk (continued)

31 December 2024 Foreign currency exposure	Gross Foreign Currency Exposure £000's	Forward Currency Contracts £000's	Net Foreign Currency Exposure £000's	% of Net Assets
ACS LifePath 2034-2036				
Australian dollar	–	(3,319)	(3,319)	(0.32)
Canadian dollar	–	(6,025)	(6,025)	(0.57)
Danish kroner	–	(1,295)	(1,295)	(0.12)
Euro	–	(23,069)	(23,069)	(2.20)
Hong Kong dollar	–	(815)	(815)	(0.08)
Israeli new shekel	–	(304)	(304)	(0.03)
Japanese yen	–	(14,205)	(14,205)	(1.35)
New Zealand dollar	–	(157)	(157)	(0.01)
Norwegian krone	–	(497)	(497)	(0.05)
Singapore dollar	–	(418)	(418)	(0.04)
Swedish krona	–	(1,234)	(1,234)	(0.12)
Swiss franc	–	(3,648)	(3,648)	(0.35)
US dollar	10,716	(138,702)	(127,986)	(12.20)
Total exposure to foreign currencies	**10,716**	**(193,688)**	**(182,972)**	**(17.44)**
ACS LifePath 2037-2039				
Australian dollar	–	(5,189)	(5,189)	(0.26)
Canadian dollar	–	(9,506)	(9,506)	(0.48)
Danish kroner	–	(2,071)	(2,071)	(0.10)
Euro	1	(33,658)	(33,657)	(1.70)
Hong Kong dollar	–	(1,114)	(1,114)	(0.06)
Israeli new shekel	–	(499)	(499)	(0.03)
Japanese yen	–	(21,467)	(21,467)	(1.08)
New Zealand dollar	–	(272)	(272)	(0.01)
Norwegian krone	–	(738)	(738)	(0.04)
Singapore dollar	–	(839)	(839)	(0.04)
Swedish krona	–	(2,099)	(2,099)	(0.11)
Swiss franc	–	(5,999)	(5,999)	(0.30)
US dollar	16,216	(218,346)	(202,130)	(10.18)
Total exposure to foreign currencies	**16,217**	**(301,797)**	**(285,580)**	**(14.39)**

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

3. Risk management policies (continued)

3.2 Market risk (continued)

3.2.1 Market risk arising from foreign currency risk (continued)

31 December 2024 Foreign currency exposure	Gross Foreign Currency Exposure £000's	Forward Currency Contracts £000's	Net Foreign Currency Exposure £000's	% of Net Assets
ACS LifePath 2040-2042				
Australian dollar	–	(1,991)	(1,991)	(0.21)
Canadian dollar	–	(3,682)	(3,682)	(0.38)
Danish kroner	–	(819)	(819)	(0.08)
Euro	–	(11,911)	(11,911)	(1.23)
Hong Kong dollar	–	(454)	(454)	(0.05)
Israeli new shekel	–	(228)	(228)	(0.02)
Japanese yen	–	(7,837)	(7,837)	(0.81)
New Zealand dollar	–	(121)	(121)	(0.01)
Norwegian krone	–	(293)	(293)	(0.03)
Singapore dollar	–	(267)	(267)	(0.03)
Swedish krona	–	(867)	(867)	(0.09)
Swiss franc	–	(2,345)	(2,345)	(0.24)
US dollar	6,475	(83,084)	(76,609)	(7.94)
Total exposure to foreign currencies	**6,475**	**(113,899)**	**(107,424)**	**(11.12)**
ACS LifePath 2043-2045				
Australian dollar	–	(3,765)	(3,765)	(0.21)
Canadian dollar	–	(6,802)	(6,802)	(0.38)
Danish kroner	–	(1,576)	(1,576)	(0.09)
Euro	–	(21,306)	(21,306)	(1.20)
Hong Kong dollar	–	(1,002)	(1,002)	(0.06)
Israeli new shekel	–	(341)	(341)	(0.02)
Japanese yen	–	(14,383)	(14,383)	(0.81)
New Zealand dollar	–	(178)	(178)	(0.01)
Norwegian krone	–	(604)	(604)	(0.03)
Singapore dollar	–	(658)	(658)	(0.04)
Swedish krona	–	(1,671)	(1,671)	(0.09)
Swiss franc	–	(4,483)	(4,483)	(0.25)
US dollar	9,018	(158,217)	(149,199)	(8.40)
Total exposure to foreign currencies	**9,018**	**(214,986)**	**(205,968)**	**(11.59)**

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

3. Risk management policies (continued)

3.2 Market risk (continued)

3.2.1 Market risk arising from foreign currency risk (continued)

31 December 2024 Foreign currency exposure	Gross Foreign Currency Exposure £000's	Forward Currency Contracts £000's	Net Foreign Currency Exposure £000's	% of Net Assets
ACS LifePath 2046-2048				
Australian dollar	–	(1,264)	(1,264)	(0.15)
Canadian dollar	–	(2,304)	(2,304)	(0.27)
Danish kroner	–	(536)	(536)	(0.06)
Euro	1	(6,374)	(6,373)	(0.75)
Hong Kong dollar	–	(287)	(287)	(0.03)
Israeli new shekel	–	(101)	(101)	(0.01)
Japanese yen	–	(4,524)	(4,524)	(0.53)
New Zealand dollar	–	(94)	(94)	(0.01)
Norwegian krone	–	(199)	(199)	(0.02)
Polish zloty	–	(9)	(9)	0.00
Singapore dollar	–	(207)	(207)	(0.02)
South Korean won	–	(76)	(76)	(0.01)
Swedish krona	–	(574)	(574)	(0.07)
Swiss franc	–	(1,535)	(1,535)	(0.18)
US dollar	3,210	(52,139)	(48,929)	(5.73)
Total exposure to foreign currencies	**3,211**	**(70,223)**	**(67,012)**	**(7.84)**
ACS LifePath 2049-2051				
Australian dollar	–	(1,031)	(1,031)	(0.07)
Canadian dollar	–	(1,897)	(1,897)	(0.13)
Danish kroner	–	(538)	(538)	(0.04)
Euro	–	(5,351)	(5,351)	(0.36)
Hong Kong dollar	–	(253)	(253)	(0.02)
Israeli new shekel	–	(87)	(87)	(0.01)
Japanese yen	–	(3,765)	(3,765)	(0.25)
New Zealand dollar	–	(119)	(119)	(0.01)
Norwegian krone	–	(153)	(153)	(0.01)
Polish zloty	–	(22)	(22)	0.00
Singapore dollar	–	(152)	(152)	(0.01)
South Korean won	–	(135)	(135)	(0.01)
Swedish krona	–	(427)	(427)	(0.03)
Swiss franc	–	(1,369)	(1,369)	(0.09)
US dollar	2,748	(46,322)	(43,574)	(2.93)
Total exposure to foreign currencies	**2,748**	**(61,621)**	**(58,873)**	**(3.97)**

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

3. Risk management policies (continued)

3.2 Market risk (continued)

3.2.1 Market risk arising from foreign currency risk (continued)

31 December 2024 Foreign currency exposure	Gross Foreign Currency Exposure £000's	Forward Currency Contracts £000's	Net Foreign Currency Exposure £000's	% of Net Assets
ACS LifePath 2052-2054				
Australian dollar	–	(486)	(486)	(0.08)
Canadian dollar	–	(838)	(838)	(0.13)
Danish kroner	–	(219)	(219)	(0.03)
Euro	1	(2,258)	(2,257)	(0.35)
Hong Kong dollar	–	(113)	(113)	(0.02)
Israeli new shekel	–	(40)	(40)	(0.01)
Japanese yen	–	(1,681)	(1,681)	(0.26)
New Zealand dollar	–	(55)	(55)	(0.01)
Norwegian krone	–	(75)	(75)	(0.01)
Polish zloty	–	(15)	(15)	0.00
Singapore dollar	–	(80)	(80)	(0.01)
South Korean won	–	(30)	(30)	0.00
Swedish krona	–	(188)	(188)	(0.03)
Swiss franc	–	(615)	(615)	(0.10)
US dollar	–	(20,398)	(20,398)	(3.18)
Total exposure to foreign currencies	**1**	**(27,091)**	**(27,090)**	**(4.22)**
ACS LifePath 2055-2057				
Australian dollar	–	(712)	(712)	(0.07)
Canadian dollar	–	(1,253)	(1,253)	(0.13)
Danish kroner	–	(313)	(313)	(0.03)
Euro	1	(3,287)	(3,286)	(0.34)
Hong Kong dollar	–	(160)	(160)	(0.02)
Israeli new shekel	–	(57)	(57)	(0.01)
Japanese yen	–	(2,560)	(2,560)	(0.26)
New Zealand dollar	–	(77)	(77)	(0.01)
Norwegian krone	–	(105)	(105)	(0.01)
Polish zloty	–	(12)	(12)	0.00
Singapore dollar	–	(113)	(113)	(0.01)
South Korean won	–	(48)	(48)	0.00
Swedish krona	–	(266)	(266)	(0.03)
Swiss franc	–	(858)	(858)	(0.09)
US dollar	–	(30,980)	(30,980)	(3.21)
Total exposure to foreign currencies	**1**	**(40,801)**	**(40,800)**	**(4.22)**
Blackrock FutureWise 2023-27				
Euro	1	–	1	0.00
Total exposure to foreign currencies	**1**	**–**	**1**	**0.00**

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

3. Risk management policies (continued)

3.2 Market risk (continued)

3.2.1 Market risk arising from foreign currency risk (continued)

31 December 2024 Foreign currency exposure	Gross Foreign Currency Exposure £000's	Forward Currency Contracts £000's	Net Foreign Currency Exposure £000's	% of Net Assets
BlackRock FutureWise 2033-37				
Euro	141,652	–	141,652	4.29
Total exposure to foreign currencies	**141,652**	**–**	**141,652**	**4.29**
BlackRock FutureWise Early Days Aggregator				
Euro	75,622	–	75,622	0.77
Total exposure to foreign currencies	**75,622**	**–**	**75,622**	**0.77**
BlackRock Growth Allocation Fund				
Australian dollar	–	(799)	(799)	(0.08)
Canadian dollar	–	(1,387)	(1,387)	(0.13)
Danish kroner	–	(374)	(374)	(0.04)
Euro	–	(3,460)	(3,460)	(0.33)
Hong Kong dollar	–	(187)	(187)	(0.02)
Israeli new shekel	–	(67)	(67)	(0.01)
Japanese yen	–	(2,760)	(2,760)	(0.26)
New Zealand dollar	–	(91)	(91)	(0.01)
Norwegian krone	–	(123)	(123)	(0.01)
Polish zloty	–	(18)	(18)	0.00
Singapore dollar	–	(132)	(132)	(0.01)
South Korean won	–	(58)	(58)	(0.01)
Swedish krona	–	(312)	(312)	(0.03)
Swiss franc	–	(977)	(977)	(0.09)
US dollar	–	(34,348)	(34,348)	(3.24)
Total exposure to foreign currencies	**–**	**(45,093)**	**(45,093)**	**(4.27)**
BlackRock Pension Growth Fund				
Australian dollar	(13)	–	(13)	0.00
Canadian dollar	60	–	60	0.00
Euro	166	(497,715)	(497,549)	(4.71)
Japanese yen	4,708	(230,097)	(225,389)	(2.13)
Swedish krona	1	–	1	0.00
Turkish lira	33	–	33	0.00
US dollar	7,646	(2,918,485)	(2,910,839)	(27.53)
Total exposure to foreign currencies	**12,601**	**(3,646,297)**	**(3,633,696)**	**(34.37)**

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

3. Risk management policies (continued)

3.2 Market risk (continued)

3.2.1 Market risk arising from foreign currency risk (continued)

31 December 2024 Foreign currency exposure	Gross Foreign Currency Exposure £000's	Forward Currency Contracts £000's	Net Foreign Currency Exposure £000's	% of Net Assets
BlackRock Retirement Allocation Fund				
Australian dollar	(1,236)	–	(1,236)	(0.45)
Canadian dollar	(2,257)	–	(2,257)	(0.83)
Danish kroner	(380)	–	(380)	(0.14)
Euro	(11,314)	–	(11,314)	(4.15)
Hong Kong dollar	(227)	–	(227)	(0.08)
Israeli new shekel	(97)	–	(97)	(0.04)
Japanese yen	(7,229)	–	(7,229)	(2.65)
New Zealand dollar	(37)	–	(37)	(0.01)
Norwegian krone	(177)	–	(177)	(0.06)
Singapore dollar	(130)	–	(130)	(0.05)
Swedish krona	(387)	–	(387)	(0.14)
Swiss franc	(1,170)	–	(1,170)	(0.43)
US dollar	(49,560)	–	(49,560)	(18.18)
Total exposure to foreign currencies	**(74,201)**	**–**	**(74,201)**	**(27.21)**

Management of foreign currency risk

Each Fund may engage in foreign currency hedging to minimise the effect of currency movements between the currencies of the investments held by each Fund and each Fund's functional currency.

3.2.2 Market risk arising from price risk

Price risk is the risk that the fair value of future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market prices (other than those arising from interest rate risk or currency risk), whether those changes are caused by factors specific to the individual financial instrument or its issuer, or factors affecting similar financial instruments traded in the market. Local, regional or global events such as war, acts of terrorism, the spread of infectious illness or other public health issue, such as the COVID-19 pandemic, recessions, climate change or other events could have a significant impact on each Fund and market prices of its investments.

Exposure to price risk

Each Fund is exposed to price risk arising from its investments in financial instruments. The exposure of each Fund to price risk is the fair value of the investments held as shown in the portfolio statement of each Fund. Each Fund also has indirect exposure to price risk through its investments into CIS whereby the value of an underlying asset may fluctuate as a result of a change to the fair value price.

Management of price risk

By diversifying the portfolio, where this is appropriate and consistent with each Fund's objectives, the risk that a price change of a particular investment will have a material impact on the NAV of each Fund is minimised.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

3. Risk management policies (continued)

3.2 Market risk (continued)

3.2.2 Market risk arising from price risk (continued)

There is a risk that the valuation of each Fund may not fairly reflect the value of the investments held at a specific time due to events outside the control of the Directors, which could result in significant losses or inaccurate pricing for each Fund. To mitigate this risk the Directors may temporarily suspend the determination of the NAV of any Fund until a fair or reasonable valuation of the investments held can be determined.

The price risk inherent in CIS holding is monitored by the Investment Manager, at the CIS level, by understanding the investment objectives of the underlying fund's as well as their internal control policies and regular risk and performance reporting. The investments into other CIS include an investment into related party funds. Such CIS are subject to the same control procedures the Investment Manager employs for each Fund.

3.2.3 Market risk arising from interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates.

Exposure to interest rate risk

Each Fund is exposed to interest rate risk through its cash and cash equivalent holdings including margin cash held with brokers.

Each Fund also has indirect exposure to interest rate risk through its investments into CIS, and interest rate financial derivative instruments ("FDIs"), whereby the value of an underlying asset may fluctuate as a result of a change in interest rates.

At 31 December 2025 and 31 December 2024, no interest-bearing investments were held by each Fund.

Management of interest rate risk

Interest rate risk exposure is managed by constantly monitoring the position for deviations outside of a pre-determined tolerance level and, when necessary, rebalancing back to the original desired parameters.

3.3 Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that each Fund will encounter difficulties in meeting obligations associated with financial liabilities.

Exposure to liquidity risk

Each Fund's principal liquidity risks arise from the ability of investors to effect redemption requests and the liquidity of the underlying investments each Fund has invested in.

Each Fund's unitholders may redeem their units on the close of any daily dealing deadline for cash equal to a proportionate share of each Fund's NAV, excluding any duties and charges where applicable. Each Fund is therefore potentially exposed to the liquidity risk of meeting the unitholders' redemptions and may need to sell assets at prevailing market prices to meet liquidity demands.

Each Fund may invest in CIS which can impose notice periods or other restrictions on redemptions, and this may increase the liquidity risk of each Fund. Each Fund is also exposed to liquidity risk associated with daily margin calls on FDIs.

Management of liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is minimised by holding sufficient liquid investments which can be readily realised to meet liquidity demands. Asset disposals may also be required to meet redemption requests. However, timely sale of trading positions can be impaired by many factors including trading volume and increased price volatility. As a result, each Fund may experience difficulties in disposing of assets to satisfy liquidity demands.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

3. Risk management policies (continued)

3.3 Liquidity risk (continued)

Each Fund's liquidity risk is managed by the Investment Manager in accordance with established policies and procedures in place. The portfolio managers review daily forward-looking cash reports which project cash obligations. These reports allow them to manage their cash obligations. If redemption requests from all holders of units in a Fund exceed more than 10% of the NAV of each Fund on any particular dealing day, the Directors shall be entitled, at their discretion, to refuse to redeem such excess numbers of units in issue from each Fund. The units which are not redeemed at any given dealing day shall be redeemed on each subsequent dealing day on a pro-rata basis in priority to any requests received thereafter.

The Funds entered into a credit facility with JPMorgan. This credit facility is available to the Funds for temporary funding purposes, including, without limitation, the funding of investor redemptions.

None of the assets of the Funds are subject to special liquidity arrangements.

The Directors may at any time, with the approval of the Depositary, temporarily suspend the issue, valuation, sale, purchase or redemption of units during:
(i) any period when any recognised market on which a substantial portion of the investments for the time being comprised in each Fund are quoted, listed or dealt in is closed otherwise than for ordinary holidays, or during which dealings in any such recognised market are restricted or suspended;
(ii) any period where, as a result of political, military, economic or monetary events or other circumstances beyond the control, responsibility and power of the Directors, the disposal or valuation of investments for the time being comprised in each Fund cannot, in the opinion of the Directors, be effected or completed normally or without prejudicing the interests of unitholders;
(iii) any breakdown in the means of communication normally employed in determining the value of any investments for the time being comprised in each Fund or during any period when for any other reason the value of investments for the time being comprised in each Fund cannot, in the opinion of the Directors, be promptly or accurately ascertained;
(iv) any period when the Directors is unable to repatriate funds for the purposes of making redemption payments or during which the realisation of investments for the time being comprised in each Fund, or the transfer or payment of funds involved in connection therewith cannot, in the opinion of the Directors, be effected at normal prices or normal rates of exchange; or
(v) any period of time where due to exceptional circumstances it is in the interest of all unitholders in the relevant Fund.

3.4 Counterparty credit risk

Counterparty 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.

Exposure to counterparty credit risk

The Fund is exposed to counterparty credit risk from the parties with which it trades and will bear the risk of settlement default.

Each Fund's exposure is limited to the contracts in which it currently has an investment asset position reduced by any collateral received from the counterparty, or to counterparties who have received collateral from each Fund. The carrying value of investment assets together with cash held with counterparties best represents each Fund's gross maximum exposure to counterparty credit risk at the reporting date, before including the effect of any ISDA Master Agreement or similar agreement, and netting, which would reduce the overall counterparty credit risk exposure. Each Fund only transacts with counterparties that are regulated entities subject to prudential supervision, or with high credit-ratings assigned by international credit-rating agencies. Cash held as security by the counterparty to FDI contracts is subject to the credit risk of the counterparty.

All transactions in listed securities are settled/paid for upon delivery of securities, using approved brokers. Risk relating to unsettled transactions is considered low due to the short settlement period involved and the high credit quality of the brokers used.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

3. Risk management policies (continued)

3.4 Counterparty credit risk (continued)

Management of counterparty credit risk

Counterparty credit risk is monitored and managed by BlackRock's RQA Counterparty Risk Team. The team is headed by BlackRock's Chief Counterparty Credit Officer who reports to the Global Head of RQA. Credit authority resides with the Chief Counterparty Credit Officer and selected team members to whom specific credit authority has been delegated. As such, counterparty approvals may be granted by the Chief Counterparty Credit Officer, or by identified RQA Credit Risk Officers who have been formally delegated authority by the Chief Counterparty Credit Officer.

The BlackRock RQA Counterparty & Concentration Risk Team completes a formal review of each new counterparty, monitors and reviews all approved counterparties on an ongoing basis and maintains an active oversight of counterparty exposures and the collateral management process.

The Manager maintains a list of approved counterparties. This list is regularly monitored and revised for changes based on the counterparty's creditworthiness, market reputation and expectations of future financial performance. Transactions will only be opened with financial intermediaries on the approved counterparties list.

There were no past due or impaired balances in relation to transactions with counterparties as at 31 December 2025 or 31 December 2024.

3.4.1 Financial derivative instruments ("FDI's")

Each Fund's holdings in exchange traded, centrally cleared and OTC FDIs expose the Fund to counterparty credit risk.

3.4.1.1 Exchange traded and centrally cleared FDIs

The exposure is limited by trading contracts through a clearing house. Each Fund's exposure to credit risk on contracts in which it currently has a gain position is reduced by such gains received in cash from the counterparty under the daily mark-to-market mechanism on exchange traded contracts and centrally cleared swaps (variation margin). Each Fund's exposure to credit risk on contracts in which it currently has a loss position is equal to the amount of margin posted to the counterparty which has not been transferred to the exchange under the daily mark-to-market mechanism.

A party to a cleared FDI transaction is subject to the credit risk of the clearing house through which it holds its cleared position, rather than the credit risk of its original counterparty to the FDI transaction. All funds received by a clearing broker are generally held in a clearing brokers' customer accounts. While clearing brokers are required to segregate customer margin from their own assets, in the event that a clearing broker becomes insolvent or goes into bankruptcy and at that time there is a shortfall in the aggregate amount of margin held by the clearing broker for all its clients, typically the shortfall would

3.4.1.2 OTC FDIs

The risk in relation to OTC FDIs arises from the failure of the counterparty to perform according to the terms of the contract as these FDI transactions are traded bilaterally except those cleared centrally. All OTC FDI transactions are entered into by each Fund under an ISDA Master Agreement or similar agreement. An ISDA Master Agreement is a bilateral agreement between each Fund and a counterparty that governs OTC FDI transactions entered into by the parties.

The parties' exposures under the ISDA Master Agreement are netted and collateralised together, therefore, any collateral disclosures provided are in respect of all OTC FDI transactions entered into by each Fund under the ISDA Master Agreement. All cash collateral received/posted by each Fund under the ISDA Master Agreement is transferred bilaterally under a title transfer arrangement.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

3. Risk management policies (continued)

3.4 Counterparty credit risk (continued)

3.4.1 Financial derivative instruments ("FDI's") (continued)

3.4.1.2 OTC FDIs (continued)

Each Fund is the legal owner of inbound collateral and can sell the assets and withhold the cash in the case of default. If the counterparty fulfils its obligations in relation to the investment, each Fund will return an equal amount of cash to the counterparty on maturity or sale of the investment. When each Fund return securities collateral to the counterparty, it must be of the same type, nominal value, description and amount as the securities that were transferred to each Fund. Trading in OTC FDIs which have not been collateralised give rise to counterparty exposure.

Each Fund's maximum exposure to counterparty credit risk from holding forward currency contracts will be equal to the notional amount of the currency contract and any net unrealised gains or losses as disclosed in the relevant Fund's portfolio statement.

The lowest credit rating of any one counterparty as at 31 December 2025 is BBB+ (31 December 2024: BBB+) (Standard & Poor's rating).

The following table details the number of counterparties the Funds are exposed to by OTC FDIs and the maximum exposure (which is calculated on a net basis) to any one counterparty.

	31 December 2025		31 December 2024	
Counterparty	Forwards £000's	Total Exposure £000's	Forwards £000's	Total Exposure £000's
ACS LifePath 2022-2024				
Barclays Bank	–	–	52	52
BNP Paribas	–	–	1	1
Deutsche Bank	–	–	(55)	(55)
HSBC Bank	–	–	(5)	(5)
Lloyds Bank Corporate Markets	–	–	(130)	164
State Street Bank and Trust	–	–	4	4
ACS LifePath 2025-2027				
Barclays Bank	–	–	305	305
BNP Paribas	–	–	(4)	(4)
Deutsche Bank	–	–	(455)	(455)
HSBC Bank	–	–	17	17
Lloyds Bank Corporate Markets	–	–	(1,062)	(1,062)
State Street Bank and Trust	–	–	5	5
ACS LifePath 2028-2030				
Barclays Bank	–	–	230	230
BNP Paribas	–	–	(3)	(3)
Deutsche Bank	–	–	(342)	(342)
HSBC Bank	–	–	(9)	(9)
Lloyds Bank Corporate Markets	–	–	(799)	(799)
State Street Bank and Trust	–	–	13	13

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

3. Risk management policies (continued)
3.4 Counterparty credit risk (continued)
3.4.1 Financial derivative instruments ("FDI's") (continued)
3.4.1.2 OTC FDIs (continued)

	31 December 2025		31 December 2024	
Counterparty	Forwards £000's	Total Exposure £000's	Forwards £000's	Total Exposure £000's
ACS LifePath 2031-2033				
Barclays Bank	–	–	444	444
BNP Paribas	–	–	(6)	(6)
Deutsche Bank	–	–	(734)	(734)
HSBC Bank	–	–	11	11
Lloyds Bank Corporate Markets	–	–	(1,713)	(1,713)
State Street Bank and Trust	–	–	14	14
ACS LifePath 2034-2036				
Barclays Bank	–	–	222	222
BNP Paribas	–	–	(3)	(3)
Deutsche Bank	–	–	(382)	(382)
HSBC Bank	–	–	(3)	(3)
Lloyds Bank Corporate Markets	–	–	(892)	(892)
State Street Bank and Trust	–	–	3	3
ACS LifePath 2037-2039				
Barclays Bank	–	–	350	350
BNP Paribas	–	–	(5)	(5)
Deutsche Bank	–	–	(612)	(612)
HSBC Bank	–	–	8	8
Lloyds Bank Corporate Markets	–	–	(1,429)	(1,429)
ACS LifePath 2040-2042				
Barclays Bank	–	–	142	142
BNP Paribas	–	–	(2)	(2)
Deutsche Bank	–	–	(237)	(237)
HSBC Bank	–	–	(6)	(6)
Lloyds Bank Corporate Markets	–	–	(554)	(554)
State Street Bank and Trust	–	–	2	2
ACS LifePath 2043-2045				
Barclays Bank	–	–	259	259
BNP Paribas	–	–	(4)	(4)
Deutsche Bank	–	–	(457)	(457)
HSBC Bank	–	–	(4)	(4)
Lloyds Bank Corporate Markets	–	–	(1,068)	(1,068)

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

3. Risk management policies (continued)

3.4 Counterparty credit risk (continued)

3.4.1 Financial derivative instruments ("FDI's") (continued)

3.4.1.2 OTC FDIs (continued)

	31 December 2025		31 December 2024	
Counterparty	Forwards £000's	Total Exposure £000's	Forwards £000's	Total Exposure £000's
ACS LifePath 2046-2048				
Barclays Bank	–	–	94	94
BNP Paribas	–	–	(1)	(1)
Deutsche Bank	–	–	(155)	(155)
HSBC Bank	–	–	(3)	(3)
Lloyds Bank Corporate Markets	–	–	(361)	(361)
State Street Bank and Trust	–	–	3	3
ACS LifePath 2049-2051				
Barclays Bank	–	–	69	69
BNP Paribas	–	–	(1)	(1)
Deutsche Bank	–	–	(137)	(137)
HSBC Bank	–	–	–^	–^
Lloyds Bank Corporate Markets	–	–	(321)	(321)
State Street Bank and Trust	–	–	1	1
UBS			6	6
ACS LifePath 2052-2054				
Barclays Bank	–	–	34	34
BNP Paribas	–	–	(1)	(1)
Deutsche Bank	–	–	(61)	(61)
HSBC Bank	–	–	–^	–^
Lloyds Bank Corporate Markets	–	–	(142)	(142)
UBS	–	–	1	1
ACS LifePath 2055-2057				
Deutsche Bank	–	–	(59)	(59)
HSBC Bank	–	–	14	14
Lloyds Bank Corporate Markets	–	–	(213)	(213)
BlackRock Defensive Investment Fund				
Deutsche Bank	2,168	2,168	–	–
HSBC Bank	8	8	–	–
J.P. Morgan Chase Bank	(28)	(28)	–	–
Morgan Stanley & Co. International	4,405	4,405	–	–

^ Investments which are less than £500 are rounded to zero.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

3. Risk management policies (continued)
3.4 Counterparty credit risk (continued)
3.4.1 Financial derivative instruments ("FDI's") (continued)
3.4.1.2 OTC FDIs (continued)

	31 December 2025		31 December 2024	
Counterparty	Forwards £000's	Total Exposure £000's	Forwards £000's	Total Exposure £000's
BlackRock Growth Allocation Fund				
Deutsche Bank	328	328	–	–
Goldman Sachs International	80	80	–	–
HSBC Bank	2	2	(295)	(295)
Lloyds Bank Corporate Markets	329	329	–	–
Morgan Stanley & Co. International	2	2	–	–
State Street Bank and Trust	5	5	7	7
UBS	–	–	2	2
BlackRock Growth Investment Fund				
HSBC Bank	(1,468)	(1,468)	–	–
Morgan Stanley & Co. International	16,245	16,245	–	–
BlackRock Intermediate Investment Fund				
Deutsche Bank	2,250	2,250	–	–
HSBC Bank	(200)	(200)	–	–
J.P. Morgan Chase Bank	(27)	(27)	–	–
Lloyds Bank Corporate Markets	2,251	2,251	–	–
Morgan Stanley & Co. International	4,617	4,617	–	–
BlackRock Pension Growth Fund				
Barclays Bank	10,168	10,168	(6,617)	(6,617)
BNP Paribas	3,752	3,752	(9,384)	(9,384)
Deutsche Bank	3,535	3,535	(6,436)	(6,436)
Goldman Sachs International	–	–	(6,440)	(6,440)
HSBC Bank	2,165	2,165	(7,113)	(7,113)
J.P. Morgan Chase Bank	4,823	4,823	(14,935)	(14,935)
Lloyds Bank Corporate Markets	4,845	4,845	(6,855)	(6,855)
Morgan Stanley & Co. International	4,772	4,772	(2,243)	(2,243)
NatWest Markets	5,129	5,129	(375)	(375)
Royal Bank of Canada	–	–	(3,814)	(3,814)
Standard Chartered Bank	6,850	6,850	–	–
State Street Bank and Trust	–	–	(4,860)	(4,860)
UBS	10,447	10,447	(6,719)	(6,719)

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

3. Risk management policies (continued)

3.4 Counterparty credit risk (continued)

3.4.1 Financial derivative instruments ("FDI's") (continued)

3.4.1.2 OTC FDIs (continued)

	31 December 2025		31 December 2024	
Counterparty	Forwards £000's	Total Exposure £000's	Forwards £000's	Total Exposure £000's
BlackRock Retirement Allocation Fund				
Deutsche Bank	549	549	–	–
Goldman Sachs International	220	220	–	–
HSBC Bank	6	6	(308)	(308)
J.P. Morgan Chase Bank	1	1	–	–
Lloyds Bank Corporate Markets	549	549	–	–
Morgan Stanley & Co. International	2	2	–	–
State Street Bank and Trust	20	20	17	17

3.4.2 Depositary

The majority of the investments are held by the Depositary at the financial year end. Investments are segregated from the assets of the Depositary, with ownership rights remaining with each Fund. Bankruptcy or insolvency of the Depositary may cause the Funds' rights with respect to its investments held by the Depositary to be delayed or limited. The maximum exposure to this risk is the amount of long investments disclosed in the portfolio statement, plus any unsettled trades.

The Depositary has appointed The Northern Trust Company (the "Sub-Custodian") as its global Sub-Custodian. Substantially all of the cash of each Fund is held with the Sub-Custodian in its account together with its own cash balances and with those cash balances that are held on behalf of other clients. Each Fund's cash balances are separately identifiable within the records of the Sub-Custodian.

In respect of the cash held by the Sub-Custodian or other depositaries it appoints, each Fund will be exposed to counterparty credit risk of the Sub-Custodian or those depositaries. In the event of the insolvency or bankruptcy of the Sub-Custodian or other depositaries, each Fund will be treated as a general creditor of the Sub-Custodian or the depositaries.

Management of counterparty credit risk related to the Depositary and Custodian

To mitigate each Fund's exposure to the Depositary, the Investment Manager employs specific procedures to ensure that the Depositary is a reputable institution and that the counterparty credit risk is acceptable to each Fund. Each Fund only transacts with Depositary's that are regulated entities subject to prudential supervision, or with "high credit ratings" assigned by international credit rating agencies.

The long-term credit rating of the parent company of the Depositary as at 31 December 2025 is A+ (31 December 2024: A+) (Standard & Poor's rating). In order to further mitigate each Fund's counterparty credit risk exposure to the Sub-Custodian or depositary banks, each Fund may enter into additional arrangements such as the placing of residual cash in a money market fund.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

3. Risk management policies (continued)

3.5 Valuation of financial instruments

Each Fund classifies financial instruments measured at fair value using a fair value hierarchy. The fair value hierarchy has the following categories:

Level 1: The unadjusted quoted price in an active market for identical assets or liabilities that the Scheme can access at the measurement date.

Level 2: Inputs other than quoted prices included within level 1 that are observable (i.e. developed using market data) for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly. This category includes instruments valued using: quoted market prices in active markets for similar instruments; quoted prices for identical or similar instruments in markets that are considered less than active; or other valuation techniques where all significant inputs are directly or indirectly observable from market data.

Level 3: Inputs are unobservable (i.e. for which market data is unavailable) for the asset or liability. This category includes all instruments where the valuation techniques used include inputs not based on market data and these inputs could have a significant impact on the instrument's valuation. This category also includes instruments that are valued based on quoted prices for similar instruments where significant Scheme determined adjustments or assumptions are required to reflect differences between the instruments and instruments for which there is no active market.

The valuation technique used to value financial instruments classified as level 2 and level 3 includes:
(i) for investments which are a unit of participation in an investee CIS, and where available the independently audited NAV, on the valuation date of such unit of participation as calculated by the administrator of the investee CIS and in accordance with the requirements of the scheme of which the relevant investment is a unit of participation. The unaudited NAV of the underlying investee CIS is reflected gross of any redemption costs which may potentially arise upon redemption from the underlying CIS. The unaudited NAV of the underlying investee CIS may be subject to adjustments upon issuance of their respective independently audited financial statements and such adjustments may be material to the Fund's financial statements; and

(ii) for foreign currency forwards, present value of future cash flows based on the forward exchange rates at the balance sheet date.

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' inputs requires significant judgement. The Directors consider observable inputs to be market data that is readily available, regularly distributed or updated, reliable and verifiable, not proprietary, and provided by independent sources that are actively involved in the relevant market.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

3. Risk management policies (continued)

3.5 Valuation of financial instruments (continued)

The following tables provide an analysis of the Funds' investment assets and investment liabilities measured at fair value at the balance sheet date.

31 December 2025	Level 1 £000's	Level 2 £000's	Level 3 £000's	Total £000's
BlackRock Defensive Investment Fund				
Investment Assets				
Collective Investment Schemes	20,089	1,606,955	–	**1,627,044**
Derivatives	–	6,674	–	**6,674**
Investment Liabilities				
Derivatives	–	(121)	–	**(121)**
Total	**20,089**	**1,613,508**	**–**	**1,633,597**
BlackRock FutureWise 2023-27				
Investment Assets				
Collective Investment Schemes	1,132,816	445,279	–	**1,578,095**
Total	**1,132,816**	**445,279**	**–**	**1,578,095**
BlackRock FutureWise 2028-32				
Investment Assets				
Collective Investment Schemes	1,472,901	1,746,843	–	**3,219,744**
Total	**1,472,901**	**1,746,843**	**–**	**3,219,744**
BlackRock FutureWise 2033-37				
Investment Assets				
Collective Investment Schemes	717,501	3,478,991	–	4,196,492
Total	**717,501**	**3,478,991**	**–**	**4,196,492**
BlackRock FutureWise 2038-42				
Investment Assets				
Collective Investment Schemes	608,040	3,628,028	–	**4,236,068**
Total	**608,040**	**3,628,028**	**–**	**4,236,068**
BlackRock FutureWise 2043-47				
Investment Assets				
Collective Investment Schemes	3,011,069	633,015	–	**3,644,084**
Total	**3,011,069**	**633,015**	**–**	**3,644,084**

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

3. Risk management policies (continued)

3.5 Valuation of financial instruments (continued)

31 December 2025	Level 1 £000's	Level 2 £000's	Level 3 £000's	Total £000's
BlackRock FutureWise Early Days Aggregator				
Investment Assets				
Collective Investment Schemes	773,195	5,315,866	–	**6,089,061**
Total	**773,195**	**5,315,866**	**–**	**6,089,061**
BlackRock FutureWise Retirement Aggregator				
Investment Assets				
Collective Investment Schemes	351,336	139,908	–	**491,244**
Total	**351,336**	**139,908**	**–**	**491,244**
BlackRock Growth Allocation Fund				
Investment Assets				
Collective Investment Schemes	92,602	1,217,597	–	**1,310,199**
Derivatives	–	760	–	**760**
Investment Liabilities				
Derivatives	–	(14)	–	**(14)**
Total	**92,602**	**1,218,343**	**–**	**1,310,945**
BlackRock Growth Investment Fund				
Investment Assets				
Collective Investment Schemes	–	7,968,510	–	**7,968,510**
Derivatives	–	16,642	–	**16,642**
Investment Liabilities				
Derivatives	–	(1,865)	–	**(1,865)**
Total	**–**	**7,983,287**	**–**	**7,983,287**
BlackRock Intermediate Investment Fund				
Investment Assets				
Collective Investment Schemes	4,997	2,818,625	–	**2,823,622**
Derivatives	–	9,282	–	**9,282**
Investment Liabilities				
Derivatives	–	(391)	–	**(391)**
Total	**4,997**	**2,827,516**	**–**	**2,832,513**

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

3. Risk management policies (continued)

3.5 Valuation of financial instruments (continued)

31 December 2025	Level 1 £000's	Level 2 £000's	Level 3 £000's	Total £000's
BlackRock Pension Growth Fund				
Investment Assets				
Collective Investment Schemes	–	10,906,842	–	**10,906,842**
Derivatives	–	57,387	–	**57,387**
Investment Liabilities				
Derivatives	–	(901)	–	**(901)**
Total	**–**	**10,963,328**	**–**	**10,963,328**
BlackRock Retirement Allocation Fund				
Investment Assets				
Collective Investment Schemes	13,705	350,809	–	**364,514**
Derivatives	–	1,361	–	**1,361**
Investment Liabilities				
Derivatives	–	(14)	–	**(14)**
Total	**13,705**	**352,156**	**–**	**365,861**

Securities with a value less than £500 are not disclosed in the tables above. These securities are identified on the portfolio statement of each Fund.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

3. Risk management policies (continued)

3.5 Valuation of financial instruments (continued)

31 December 2024	Level 1 £000's	Level 2 £000's	Level 3 £000's	Total £000's
ACS LifePath 2022-2024				
Investment Assets				
Collective Investment Schemes	50,287	80,126	–	**130,413**
Derivatives	–	219	–	**219**
Investment Liabilities				
Derivatives	–	(352)	–	**(352)**
Total	**50,287**	**79,993**	**–**	**130,280**
ACS LifePath 2025-2027				
Investment Assets				
Collective Investment Schemes	4,905	1,053,438	–	**1,058,343**
Derivatives	–	1,403	–	**1,403**
Investment Liabilities				
Derivatives	–	(2,597)	–	**(2,597)**
Total	**4,905**	**1,052,244**	**–**	**1,057,149**
ACS LifePath 2028-2030				
Investment Assets				
Collective Investment Schemes	3,629	783,055	–	**786,684**
Derivatives	–	942	–	**942**
Investment Liabilities				
Derivatives	–	(1,852)	–	**(1,852)**
Total	**3,629**	**782,145**	**–**	**785,774**
ACS LifePath 2031-2033				
Investment Assets				
Collective Investment Schemes	14,239	1,772,288	–	**1,786,527**
Derivatives	–	1,823	–	1,823
Investment Liabilities				
Derivatives	–	(3,807)	–	**(3,807)**
Total	**14,239**	**1,770,304**	**–**	**1,784,543**

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

3. Risk management policies (continued)

3.5 Valuation of financial instruments (continued)

31 December 2024	Level 1 £000's	Level 2 £000's	Level 3 £000's	Total £000's
ACS LifePath 2034-2036				
Investment Assets				
Collective Investment Schemes	13,152	1,025,929	–	**1,039,081**
Derivatives	–	876	–	**876**
Investment Liabilities				
Derivatives	–	(1,931)	–	(1,931)
Total	**13,152**	**1,024,874**	**–**	**1,038,026**
ACS LifePath 2037-2039				
Investment Assets				
Collective Investment Schemes	28,923	1,935,320	–	**1,964,243**
Derivatives	–	1,330	–	**1,330**
Investment Liabilities				
Derivatives	–	(3,018)		**(3,018)**
Total	**28,923**	**1,933,632**	**–**	**1,962,555**
ACS LifePath 2040-2042				
Investment Assets				
Collective Investment Schemes	17,117	938,280	–	**955,397**
Derivatives	–	497	–	**497**
Investment Liabilities				
Derivatives	–	(1,152)	–	**(1,152)**
Total	**17,117**	**937,625**	**–**	**954,742**
ACS LifePath 2043-2045				
Investment Assets				
Collective Investment Schemes	38,322	1,717,464	–	**1,755,786**
Derivatives	–	894	–	**894**
Investment Liabilities				
Derivatives	–	(2,168)	–	**(2,168)**
Total	**38,322**	**1,716,190**	**–**	**1,754,512**

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

3. Risk management policies (continued)

3.5 Valuation of financial instruments (continued)

31 December 2024	Level 1 £000's	Level 2 £000's	Level 3 £000's	Total £000's
ACS LifePath 2046-2048				
Investment Assets				
Collective Investment Schemes	19,461	824,736	–	**844,197**
Derivatives	–	294	–	**294**
Investment Liabilities				
Derivatives	–	(717)	–	**(717)**
Total	**19,461**	**824,313**	**–**	**843,774**
ACS LifePath 2049-2051				
Investment Assets				
Collective Investment Schemes	39,077	1,422,488	–	**1,461,565**
Derivatives	–	247	–	**247**
Investment Liabilities				
Derivatives	–	(630)	–	**(630)**
Total	**39,077**	**1,422,105**	**–**	**1,461,182**
ACS LifePath 2052-2054				
Investment Assets				
Collective Investment Schemes	17,186	615,443	–	**632,629**
Derivatives	–	110	–	**110**
Investment Liabilities				
Derivatives	–	(279)	–	**(279)**
Total	**17,186**	**615,274**	**–**	**632,460**
ACS LifePath 2055-2057				
Investment Assets				
Collective Investment Schemes	–	953,836	–	**953,836**
Derivatives	–	163	–	**163**
Investment Liabilities				
Derivatives	–	(421)	–	**(421)**
Total	**–**	**953,578**	**–**	**953,578**
BlackRock FutureWise 2023-27				
Investment Assets				
Collective Investment Schemes	870,932	504,189	–	**1,375,121**
Total	**870,932**	**504,189**	**–**	**1,375,121**

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

3. Risk management policies (continued)

3.5 Valuation of financial instruments (continued)

31 December 2024	Level 1 £000's	Level 2 £000's	Level 3 £000's	Total £000's
BlackRock FutureWise 2028-32				
Investment Assets				
Collective Investment Schemes	879,587	1,615,299	–	**2,494,886**
Total	**879,587**	**1,615,299**	**–**	**2,494,886**
BlackRock FutureWise 2033-37				
Investment Assets				
Collective Investment Schemes	486,330	2,774,673	–	**3,261,003**
Total	**486,330**	**2,774,673**	**–**	**3,261,003**
BlackRock FutureWise Early Days Aggregator				
Investment Assets				
Collective Investment Schemes	1,272,362	8,407,386	–	**9,679,748**
Total	**1,272,362**	**8,407,386**	**–**	**9,679,748**
BlackRock FutureWise Retirement Aggregator				
Investment Assets				
Collective Investment Schemes	305,434	151,375	–	**456,809**
Total	**305,434**	**151,375**	**–**	**456,809**
BlackRock Growth Allocation Fund				
Investment Assets				
Collective Investment Schemes	78,312	961,904	–	**1,040,216**
Derivatives	–	177	–	**177**
Investment Liabilities				
Derivatives	–	(463)	–	**(463)**
Total	**78,312**	**961,618**	**–**	**1,039,930**
BlackRock Pension Growth Fund				
Investment Assets				
Collective Investment Schemes	–	10,262,950	–	**10,262,950**
Derivatives	–	29,025	–	**29,025**
Investment Liabilities				
Derivatives	(8,010)	(104,816)	–	**(112,826)**
Total	**(8,010)**	**10,187,159**	**–**	**10,179,149**

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

3. Risk management policies (continued)

3.5 Valuation of financial instruments (continued)

31 December 2024	Level 1 £000's	Level 2 £000's	Level 3 £000's	Total £000's
BlackRock Retirement Allocation Fund				
Investment Assets				
Collective Investment Schemes	9,947	260,952	–	**270,899**
Derivatives	–	385	–	**385**
Investment Liabilities				
Derivatives	–	(676)	–	**(676)**
Total	**9,947**	**260,661**	**–**	**270,608**

Securities with a value less than £500 are not disclosed in the tables above. These securities are identified on the portfolio statement of each Fund.

Additional information and regulatory disclosures (unaudited)

Report on remuneration (unaudited)

The below disclosures are made in respect of the remuneration policies of the BlackRock group ("BlackRock"), as they apply to BlackRock Fund Managers Limited (the "Manager"). The disclosures are made in accordance with the provisions in the UK implementing the Alternative Investment Fund Managers Directive (the "AIFMD"), the European Commission Delegated Regulation supplementing the AIFMD (the “Delegated Regulation”) and the "Guidelines on sound remuneration policies under the AIFMD" issued by the European Securities and Markets Authority.

The BlackRock AIFM Remuneration Policy (the “AIFM Remuneration Policy”) will apply to the EEA entities within the BlackRock group authorised as a manager of alternative investment funds in accordance with the AIFMD, and will ensure compliance with the requirements of Annex II of the AIFMD and to UK entities within the BlackRock group authorised as a manager of a UK alternative investment fund in accordance with the UK version of the Directive.

The Manager has adopted the AIFM Remuneration Policy, a summary of which is set out below.

Remuneration governance

BlackRock’s remuneration governance in EMEA operates as a tiered structure which includes: (a) the Management Development and Compensation Committee (“MDCC”) (which is the global, independent remuneration committee for BlackRock, Inc. and (b) the Manager’s board of directors (the “Manager’s Board”). These bodies are responsible for the determination of BlackRock’s remuneration policies which includes reviewing the remuneration policy on a regular basis and being responsible for its implementation.

The implementation of the remuneration policy is annually subject to central and independent review for compliance with policies and procedures for remuneration adopted by the MDCC and by the Manager’s Board. The most recent review found no fundamental issues. The remuneration disclosure is produced and owned by the MDCC and the Manager's Board.

No changes were made to the remuneration policy in 2025.

(a) MDCC

The MDCC’s purposes include:

- providing oversight of:
  - BlackRock’s executive compensation programmes;
  - BlackRock’s employee benefit plans; and
  - such other compensation plans as may be established by BlackRock from time to time for which the MDCC is deemed as administrator;
- reviewing and discussing the compensation discussion and analysis included in the BlackRock, Inc. annual proxy statement with management and approving the MDCC’s report for inclusion in the proxy statement;
- reviewing, assessing and making reports and recommendations to the BlackRock, Inc. Board of Directors (the ‘BlackRock, Inc. Board’) as appropriate on BlackRock’s talent development and succession planning, with the emphasis on performance and succession at the highest management levels; and
- supporting the boards of the Company’s EMEA regulated entities in meeting their remuneration-related obligations by overseeing the design and implementation of EMEA remuneration policy in accordance with applicable regulations.

The MDCC directly retains its own independent compensation consultant, Semler Brossy Consulting Group LLC, who has no relationship with BlackRock Inc. or the BlackRock, Inc. Board that would interfere with its ability to provide independent advice to the MDCC on compensation matters.

The BlackRock, Inc. Board has determined that all of the members of the MDCC are “independent” within the meaning of the listing standards of the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE), which requires each meet a “non-employee director” standard.

The MDCC held 9 meetings during 2025. The MDCC charter is available on BlackRock, Inc.’s website (www.blackrock.com).

Through its regular reviews, the MDCC continues to be satisfied with the principles of BlackRock’s compensation policy and approach.

Additional information and regulatory disclosures (unaudited) (continued)

Report on remuneration (unaudited) (continued)

(b) The Manager's Board

The Manager's Board has the task of supervising, approving and providing oversight of the AIFM Remuneration Policy as it applies to the Manager and its Identified Staff (as defined below).

The responsibilities of the supervisory function include:

- approve, maintain and oversee the implementation of the AIFM Remuneration Policy;
- determine and oversee the remuneration of the members of the management body, provided that insofar the relevant AIFM does not have a separate supervisory function, the remuneration of the member of the management body is determined by the MDCC;
- approve any subsequent material exemptions or changes to the AIFM Remuneration Policy and carefully consider and monitor their effects;
- take into account the inputs provided by all competent corporate functions (i.e., risk management, compliance, human resources, strategic planning, etc.) in the design and oversight of the AIFM Remuneration Policy;

Decision-making process

Remuneration decisions for employees are made once annually in January following the end of the performance year. This timing allows full-year financial results to be considered along with other non-financial goals and objectives. Although the framework for remuneration decision-making is tied to financial performance, significant discretion is used to determine individual variable remuneration based on achievement of strategic and operating results and other considerations such as management and leadership capabilities.

No set formulas are established and no fixed benchmarks are used in determining annual incentive awards. In determining specific individual remuneration amounts, a number of factors are considered including non-financial goals and objectives and overall financial and investment performance (including, where relevant, good outcomes for retail customers). These results are viewed in the aggregate without any specific weighting, and there is no direct correlation between any particular performance measure and the resulting annual incentive award. The variable remuneration awarded to any individual(s) for a particular performance year may also be zero.

Annual incentive awards are paid from a bonus pool.

The size of the projected bonus pool, including cash and equity awards, is reviewed throughout the year by the MDCC and the final total bonus pool is approved after year-end. As part of this review, the MDCC receives actual and projected financial information over the course of the year as well as final year-end information. The financial information that the MDCC receives and considers includes the current year projected income statement and other financial measures compared with prior year results and the current year budget. The MDCC additionally reviews other metrics of BlackRock's financial performance (e.g., net inflows of AUM and investment performance) as well as information regarding market conditions and competitive compensation levels.

The MDCC regularly considers management's recommendation as to the percentage of pre-incentive operating income that will be accrued and reflected as a compensation expense throughout the year for the cash portion of the total annual bonus pool (the "accrual rate"). The accrual rate of the cash portion of the total annual bonus pool may be modified by the MDCC during the year based on its review of the financial information described above. The MDCC does not apply any particular weighting or formula to the information it considers when determining the size of the total bonus pool or the accruals made for the cash portion of the total bonus pool.

Following the end of the performance year, the MDCC approves the final bonus pool amount.

As part of the financial year end review process the Enterprise Risk and Regulatory Compliance departments report to the MDCC on any activities, incidents or events that warrant consideration in making compensation decisions.

Individuals are not involved in setting their own remuneration.

Additional information and regulatory disclosures (unaudited) (continued)

Report on remuneration (unaudited) (continued)

Control functions

Each of the control functions (Enterprise Risk, Legal & Compliance, Finance, Human Resources and Internal Audit) has its own organisational structure which is independent of the business units and therefore staff members in control functions are remunerated independently of the businesses they oversee. The head of each control function is either a member of the Global Executive Committee ("GEC"), the global management committee, or has a reporting obligation to the board of directors of BlackRock Group Limited, the parent company of all of BlackRock's EMEA regulated entities, including the Manager.

Functional bonus pools are determined with reference to the performance of each individual function. The remuneration of the senior members of control functions is directly overseen by the MDCC.

Link between pay and performance

There is a clear and well defined pay-for-performance philosophy and compensation programmes which are designed to meet the following key objectives as detailed below:

- appropriately balance BlackRock's financial results between shareholders and employees;
- attract, retain and motivate employees capable of making significant contributions to the long-term success of the business;
- align the interests of senior employees with those of shareholders by awarding BlackRock Inc.'s stock as a significant part of both annual and long-term incentive awards;
- control fixed costs by ensuring that compensation expense varies with profitability;
- link a significant portion of an employee's total compensation to the financial and operational performance of the business;
- promote sound and effective risk management across all risk categories, including sustainability risk;
- discourage excessive risk-taking (sustainability related or otherwise); and
- ensure good outcomes are delivered for retail customers and that that client interests are not negatively impacted by remuneration awarded on a short-term, mid-term and/or long-term basis.

Driving a high-performance culture is dependent on the ability to measure performance against objectives, values and behaviours in a clear and consistent way. Managers use a 5-point rating scale to provide an overall assessment of an employee's performance, and employees also provide a self-evaluation. The overall, final rating is reconciled during each employee's performance appraisal. Employees are assessed on the manner in which performance is attained as well as the absolute performance itself.

In keeping with the pay-for-performance philosophy, ratings are used to differentiate and reward individual performance – but don't pre-determine compensation outcomes. Compensation decisions remain discretionary and are made as part of the year-end compensation process.

Additional information and regulatory disclosures (unaudited) (continued)

Report on remuneration (unaudited) (continued)

When setting remuneration levels other factors are considered, as well as individual performance, which may include:

- the performance of the Manager, the funds managed by the Manager and/or the relevant functional department;
- factors relevant to an employee individually (e.g., relevant working arrangements (including part-time status if applicable); relationships with clients and colleagues; teamwork; skills; any conduct issues; and, subject to any applicable policy, the impact that any relevant leave of absence may have on contribution to the business);
- the management of risk within the risk profiles appropriate for BlackRock's clients;
- strategic business needs, including intentions regarding retention;
- market intelligence
- criticality to business; and
- supporting the firm’s approaches to environmental, social and governance factors and diversity, equity and inclusion.

A primary product tool is risk management and, while employees are compensated for strong performance in their management of client assets, they are required to manage risk within the risk profiles appropriate for their clients. Therefore, employees are not rewarded for engaging in high-risk transactions outside of established parameters. Remuneration practices do not provide undue incentives for short-term planning or short-term financial rewards, do not reward unreasonable risk and provide a reasonable balance between the many and substantial risks inherent within the business of investment management, risk management and advisory services.

BlackRock operates a total compensation model for remuneration which includes a base salary, which is contractual, and a discretionary bonus scheme.

BlackRock operates an annual discretionary bonus scheme. Although all employees are eligible to be considered for a discretionary bonus, there is no contractual obligation to make any award to an employee under its discretionary bonus scheme. In exercising discretion to award a discretionary bonus, the factors listed above (under the heading “Link between pay and performance”) may be taken into account in addition to any other matters which become relevant to the exercise of discretion in the course of the performance year.

Discretionary bonus awards for all employees, including executive officers, are subject to a guideline that determines the portion paid in cash and the portion paid in BlackRock, Inc. stock and subject to additional vesting/clawback conditions. Stock awards are subject to further performance adjustment through variation in BlackRock, Inc.’s share price over the vesting period. As total annual compensation increases, a greater portion is deferred into stock. The MDCC adopted this approach in 2006 to substantially increase the retention value and shareholder alignment of the compensation package for eligible employees, including the executive officers. The portion deferred into stock vests into three equal instalments over the three years following grant.

Supplementary to the annual discretionary bonus as described above, equity awards may be made to select individuals to provide greater linkage with future business results. These long-term incentive awards have been established individually to provide meaningful incentive for continued performance over a multi-year period recognising the scope of the individual’s role, business expertise and leadership skills.

Additional information and regulatory disclosures (unaudited) (continued)

Report on remuneration (unaudited) (continued)

Selected senior leaders are eligible to receive performance-adjusted equity-based awards from the “BlackRock Performance Incentive Plan” (“BPIP”). Awards made from the BPIP have a three-year performance period based on a measurement of As Adjusted Operating Margin[1] and Organic Revenue Growth[2]. Determination of pay-out will be made based on the firm’s achievement relative to target financial results at the conclusion of the performance period. The maximum number of shares that can be earned is 165% of the award in those situations where both metrics achieve pre-determined financial targets. No shares will be earned where the firm’s financial performance in both of the above metrics is below a pre-determined performance threshold. These metrics have been selected as key measures of shareholder value which endure across market cycles.

A limited number of investment professionals have a portion of their annual discretionary bonus (as described above) awarded as deferred cash that notionally tracks investment in selected products managed by the employee. The intention of these awards is to align investment professionals with the investment returns of the products they manage through the deferral of compensation into those products. Clients and external evaluators have increasingly viewed more favourably those products where key investors have “skin in the game” through significant personal investments.

Identified staff

"Identified Staff" comprises the following categories of staff whose professional activities have a material impact on the risk profiles of the AIFM or the AIFs which it manages:

- Board members (Executive and Non-Executive Directors);
- Conducting officers;
- Members of Senior Management; and
- Individuals responsible for internal senior management, risk takers, control functions

The list of Identified Staff will be subject to regular review, being formally reviewed in the event of, but not limited to:

- organisational changes;
- new business initiatives;
- changes in significant influence function lists;
- changes in role responsibilities; and
- revised regulatory direction.

BlackRock applies the proportionality principle in respect of staff identified as “Identified Staff”.
BlackRock bases its proportionality approach on a combination of factors that it is entitled to take into account based on relevant guidelines. The application of proportionality has been assessed based on the criteria set down in the ESMA Guidelines - i.e., criteria in terms of size, internal organisation and nature, scope and complexity of the activities; group of persons, who have only collectively a material impact on the risk profile of the management company; and structure of the remuneration of identified staff.

[1] As Adjusted Operating Margin: As reported in BlackRock’s external filings, reflects adjusted Operating Income divided by Total Revenue net of distribution and servicing expenses and amortisation of deferred sales commissions.

[2] Organic Revenue Growth: Equal to net new base fees plus net new Aladdin revenue generated in the year (in dollars).

Additional information and regulatory disclosures (unaudited) (continued)

Report on remuneration (unaudited) (continued)

Quantitative remuneration disclosure

The Manager is required under the AIFMD to make quantitative disclosures of remuneration. These disclosures are made in line with BlackRock's interpretation of currently available regulatory guidance on quantitative remuneration disclosures. As market or regulatory practice develops BlackRock may consider it appropriate to make changes to the way in which quantitative remuneration disclosures are calculated. Where such changes are made, this may result in disclosures in relation to a fund not being comparable to the disclosures made in the prior year, or in relation to other BlackRock fund disclosures in that same year.

Remuneration information at an individual AIF level is not readily available. Disclosures are provided in relation to (a) the staff of the Manager; (b) staff who are senior management; (c) staff who have the ability to materially affect the risk profile of the Fund; and (d) staff of companies to which portfolio management and risk management has been formally delegated.

All individuals included in the aggregated figures disclosed are rewarded in line with BlackRock's remuneration policy for their responsibilities across the relevant BlackRock business area. As all individuals have a number of areas of responsibilities, only the portion of remuneration for those individuals' services attributable to the Manager is included in the aggregate figures disclosed.

Members of staff and senior management of the Manager typically provide both AIFMD and non-AIFMD related services in respect of multiple funds, clients and functions of the Manager and across the broader BlackRock group. Conversely, members of staff and senior management of the broader BlackRock group may provide both AIFMD and non-AIFMD related services in respect of multiple funds, clients and functions of the broader BlackRock group and of the Manager. Therefore, the figures disclosed are a sum of individuals' portion of remuneration attributable to the Manager according to an objective apportionment methodology which acknowledges the multiple-service nature of the Manager and the broader BlackRock group. Accordingly, the figures are not representative of any individual's actual remuneration or their remuneration structure.

The amount of the total remuneration awarded to the Manager's staff in respect of the Manager's financial year ending 31 December 2025 is USD 219.96 million. This figure is comprised of fixed remuneration of USD 104.72 million and variable remuneration of USD 115.24 million. There were a total of 4,182 beneficiaries of the remuneration described above.

The amount of the aggregate remuneration awarded by the Manager in respect of the Manager's financial year ending 31 December 2025, to its senior management was USD 13.21 million, and to other members of its staff whose actions potentially have a material impact on the risk profile of the Manager or its funds was USD 7.50 million.

Additional information and regulatory disclosures (unaudited) (continued)

Efficient portfolio management (unaudited)

Efficient portfolio management techniques

The Manager may, on behalf of certain Funds and subject to the conditions and within the limits laid down by the FCA and the Prospectus, employ techniques and instruments relating to transferable securities, including investments in Over-the-Counter ("OTC") Financial Derivative Instruments ("FDIs") provided that such techniques and instruments are used for efficient portfolio management purposes or to provide protection against exchange risk or for direct investment purposes, where applicable.

In addition to the investments in OTC FDIs, the Funds may employ other techniques and instruments relating to transferable securities and money market instruments, subject to the conditions set out in the FCA's Handbook, as amended from time to time, and the relevant ESMA Guidelines (as adopted by the FCA), such as securities lending.

Securities lending

Additional disclosures are required when a Fund invests in Securities Financing Transactions (SFTs). However as none of the Funds invested in SFTs for the period ended 31 December 2025, no additional disclosures have been provided (31 December 2024: £Nil).

Additional information and regulatory disclosures (unaudited) (continued)

Leverage (unaudited)

The Funds may employ leverage and borrow cash in accordance with their stated investment policy or investment strategy.

The Funds may employ leverage in their investment programmes through various means including the use of FDIs.

The use of borrowings and leverage has associated risks and can, in certain circumstances, substantially increase the adverse impact to which the Funds' investment portfolios may be subject.

For the purposes of this disclosure, leverage is any method by which the Funds' exposure is increased, whether through borrowing of cash or securities, or leverage embedded in derivative positions, or by any other means. The AIFMD requires that each leverage ratio be expressed as the ratio between a Fund's exposure and its NAV and prescribes two required methodologies, the gross methodology and the commitment methodology, for calculating such exposure using the methodologies prescribed under the AIFMD, the leverage of the Funds is disclosed in the table below.

	Gross exposure		Commitment approach	
Fund	Maximum limit	Leverage as at 31.12.2025	Maximum limit	Leverage as at 31.12.2025
ACS Life Path 2022-2024^	4.1:1	–	2.1:1	–
ACS Life Path 2025-2027^	4.1:1	–	2.1:1	–
ACS Life Path 2028-2030^	4.1:1	–	2.1:1	–
ACS Life Path 2031-2033^	4.1:1	–	2.1:1	–
ACS Life Path 2034-2036^	4.1:1	–	2.1:1	–
ACS Life Path 2037-2039^	4.1:1	–	2.1:1	–
ACS Life Path 2040-2042^	4.1:1	–	2.1:1	–
ACS Life Path 2043-2045^	4.1:1	–	2.1:1	–
ACS Life Path 2046-2048^	4.1:1	–	2.1:1	–
ACS Life Path 2049-2051^	4.1:1	–	2.1:1	–
ACS Life Path 2052-2054^	4.1:1	–	2.1:1	–
ACS Life Path 2055-2057^	4.1:1	–	2.1:1	–
BlackRock Defensive Investment Fund	4.1:1	2.12:1	2.1:1	1.39:1
BlackRock FutureWise 2023-27	1.5:1	1:1	1.5:1	1:1
BlackRock FutureWise 2028-32	1.5:1	1:1	1.5:1	1:1
BlackRock FutureWise 2033-37	1.5:1	1:1	1.5:1	1:1
BlackRock FutureWise 2038-42	1.5:1	1:1	1.5:1	1:1
BlackRock FutureWise 2043-47	1.75:1	1:1	1.75:1	1:1
BlackRock FutureWise Early Days Aggregator	1.75:1	1:1	1.75:1	1:1
BlackRock FutureWise Retirement Aggregator	1.5:1	0.98:1	1.5:1	1:1
BlackRock Intermediate Investment Fund	4.1:1	2.26:1	2.1:1	1.41:1
BlackRock Growth Allocation Fund	4.1:1	1.13:1	2.1:1	1.04:1
BlackRock Growth Investment Fund	4.1:1	2.35:1	2.1:1	1.45:1
BlackRock Pension Growth Fund	4.1:1	1.34:1	2.1:1	1.33:1
BlackRock Retirement Allocation Fund	4.1:1	1.84:1	2.1:1	1.28:1

^These Funds ceased operations during the financial year.

The maximum level of leverage which the Funds, or the Manager on the Funds' behalf, is permitted to use as part of the Funds' investment strategies is set out in the Prospectus and in the above table.

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