

Our ref: 9315/AM

CT Sustainable Universal MAP Defensive – fund closure

The CT Sustainable Universal MAP Defensive fund that you invest in as part of a model portfolio set up by your financial adviser is due to be closed from **02 October 2026**.

We will be unable to accept new investments into the fund from 25 September 2026.

Your financial adviser will take any action that needs to be taken and, if necessary, help to address any questions you may have.

How the fund closing will affect your account

- **Rebalancing** – Any **rebalancing** instructions using the fund will automatically continue. These will either buy units in your other assets proportionally, or go into cash, depending on how your adviser set up the model portfolio. Alternatively, we will update the instruction if your financial adviser provides a revised asset choice.

Cash may not be suitable for your long-term investment needs. If you're happy for the amount to stay in cash, you don't need to do anything. Your financial adviser will take any action that needs to be taken and help to answer any questions you may have.

A note about cash in your account

We don't take any product or service charges on your cash balance (although the value is still included in the total value calculation for the charge). Instead, we pay you a rate of interest on cash in your account and we are paid by retaining a proportion of the interest we receive from our banking partners.

You can find more information, including the current interest rate payable and how much interest we retain, on our website at quilter.com/interest-on-cash.

Capital gains tax – Collective Investment Account only

When you sell or switch your holdings, this is a disposal for capital gains tax purposes. Please speak to your financial adviser to understand how this may affect you.

Life fund tax charge - Collective Investment Bond only

You may notice a life fund tax charge appear on your statements following the sale of units linked to your bond. This is calculated based on gains arising from the units sold. For further details on this charge please refer to your financial adviser or your terms and conditions.

The cost of the closure

Columbia Threadneedle Investments will bear all of the termination costs.

Why the fund manager is closing the fund

The fund has experienced a decline in assets and has failed to attract significant new investment during the last three years. As a result, its size has reduced to a level where it is becoming increasingly difficult to manage the fund in line with its investment objective and policy.

It is also considered unlikely that the fund will attract sufficient new investment in the future to achieve the scale needed to operate efficiently.

If you have any questions about this letter, please speak to your financial adviser who will be able to help you. Alternatively, you can call or email us using the details shown and we will be happy to help. Our Customer Service Centre is open 8:30am – 5:30pm, Monday to Friday.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "C Earl." The signature is written in a cursive, slightly informal style.

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Head of Client Services