

# Aegon BlackRock ESG Strategic Growth (BLK)

**Defined Contributions** 

### Fund facts

Fund type	LIFE
Domicile	UK
Issuing company	Aegon/Scottish Equitable plc
Use of Income	Accumulation
Base Currency	GBP
Entry Fees	No
Exit Fees	No
Performance Fee	No
Benchmark	Bank of England Base Rate Index - GBP
Fund value (millions)	£0.29
Inception date	28 March 2019
Additional expenses	0.02%

### Relative Risk Profile



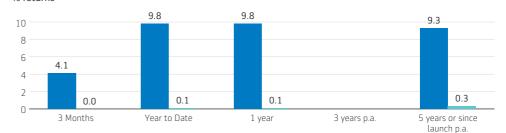
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# Fund objective

The fund aims to deliver over the long-term (over a period of seven years) a return of 4.5% per year (after charges) over the Bank of England's Base Interest Rate in a manner consistent with the principles of environmental, social and governance (ESG)-focused investing. In addition, the fund aims to manage risk through active asset allocation with a view to having a lower volatility than the volatility of the monthly returns (converted into an annual rate) of the MSCI All Country World Index (GBP) over a 7-year period.

## Fund performance

# Aegon BlackRock ESG Strategic Growth (BLK) % returns



Fund Benchmark

#### Standardised yearly fund performance (%)

	31/12/2016	31/12/2017	31/12/2018	31/12/2019	31/12/2020
	31/12/2017	31/12/2018	31/12/2019	31/12/2020	31/12/2021
Fund	n/a	n/a	n/a	7.7	9.8
Benchmark	n/a	n/a	n/a	0.2	0.1

Past performance is not a reliable guide to future performance. The value of investments and the income from them can fluctuate and are not guaranteed. Investors may not get back the full amount invested.

Aegon currently invests this fund in a fund (or funds) managed by BlackRock.

#### Asset allocations

#### Capital allocation



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To provide a like for like comparison with the benchmark, a special price is calculated monthly at the close of business on the last working day. However, calculating this special price is not always possible and in these cases the standard price is used and this can lead to differences in performance reporting between fund and benchmark. Further differences in performance reporting between fund and benchmark may also arise due to the impact of timing, charges, cashflows, and the pricing basis of the underlying fund. Fund returns are calculated on a total return basis with dividends reinvested.

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