# AIM Inheritance Tax Portfolio: Growth - December 2022

#### THE TEAM

Dowgate Wealth is an employee-owned private company founded in 2020 and we have over 500 years' of combined industry experience across 25 professionals. Much of our experience originates from working at Hargreave Hale, a specialist UK smaller companies investment boutique and subsequently Canaccord Genuity Wealth Management. We have built up expertise investing clients' portfolios in UK smaller companies in particular companies listed on the London Stock Exchange Alternative Investment Market (AIM).

#### INVESTMENT PHILOSOPHY

The portfolio mangers' investment process is all about buying and holding what we see as high value/growth businesses for the long term. They have several core principles when looking for companies to back, and chief amongst them is quality management with a proven track record and, above all, skin in the game. In a typical week, we meet 15-20 company management teams in an ongoing search to find valuable opportunities. We want to understand how the business model can generate ongoing growth and how this in driven by leadership. Specifically, the importance they place on financial and other operational metrics, including their capital allocation process. There is a multitude of factors that we consider before taking this decision. Some important ones are experience, financial track record, access to technology (product or process know-how), and shareholder focus.

The portfolio will consist of 20-45 stocks that meet these criteria and qualify for IHT exemption. This portfolio will be able to participate in Initial Public Offerings (IPOs) and Placings.

### **INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE**

This portfolio is aimed at individuals who are concerned about reducing their inheritance tax liability and maximising the wealth that they can pass on to the next generation. In order to take advantage of current Business Relief legislation whereby a qualifying holding will be exempt from Inheritance Tax (IHT) after 2 years. The portfolio will be invested in qualifying companies quoted on the Alternative Investment Market.

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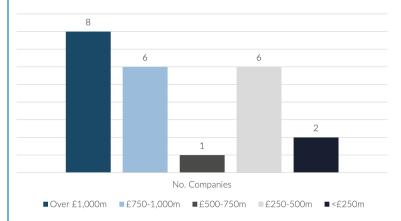
#### **SUMMARY**

# **Portfolio Characteristics:**

Number of Investments 23
Average Market Cap £837m

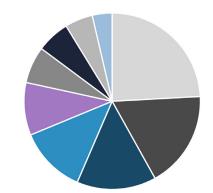
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#### MARKET CAP DISTRIBUTION



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## **SECTOR ALLOCATION**



- Industrials 24.1%
- Health Care 17.8%
- Information Technology 14.6%
- Communication Services 12.3%
- Financials 9.7%
- Cash 6.8%
- Consumer Staples 6.1%
- Real Estate 5.1%
- Consumer Discretionary 3.6%
- Investment Trust 0%
- Materials 0%

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#### **PORTFOLIO MANAGERS**



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#### **GROWTH AIM INHERITANCE TAX PORTFOLIO - TOP 5 HOLDINGS:**

Name	Weighting	Cap (£m)	Sector
EMIS GROUP PLC	7.3%	£1,176	Health Care
ALPHA FX GROUP PLC	5.4%	£276	Real Estate
KEYWORDS STUDIOS PLC	5.3%	£563	Health Care
LOK'NSTORE GROUP PLC	5.0%	£1,070	Communications Services
CVS GROUP PLC	4.9%	£764	Financials

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#### **PERFORMANCE DETAILS**

Performance Table	YTD	6 Months	3 Months	1 Month	2021	*Inception
DW AIM IHT	-25.7%	-10.4%	0.3%	7.2%	_	-25.7%

<sup>\*</sup>Inception (December 2021), YTD, 6 month, 3 month and 1 month data is calculated to month end, at 30th November 2022. Please note that from inception, December 2021 the performance figures relate to the Dowgate Wealth AIM IHT Growth model portfolio. Client portfolio performance may well vary marginally from the model.

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