# Investment Update for the Generate KiwiSaver Scheme: Stepping Stones 76+ years old investment option

# **31 December 2024**

This investment update was first made publicly available on 13 February 2025.

# What is the purpose of this update?

This document tells you how the Stepping Stones 76+ years old investment option has performed and what fees were charged. The document will help you to compare the investment option with other investment options and funds. Generate Investment Management Ltd prepared this update in accordance with the Financial Markets Conduct Act 2013. This information is not audited and may be updated.

# Description of this investment option

The Stepping Stones 76+ years old investment option aims to provide a modest return over the short term. It invests in an actively managed portfolio made up largely of income assets with a small allocation of growth assets. Volatility is likely to be low to medium. Returns will vary and may be low or negative at times.

	Stepping Stones 76+
Total value of the investment option	\$354,050
Number of investors in the investment option	8
The date the investment option started	16 May 2022

# What are the risks of investing?

Risk indicator for the Stepping Stones 76+ years old investment option:



The risk indicator is rated from 1 (low) to 7 (high). The rating reflects how much the value of the investment option's assets goes up and down. A higher risk generally means higher potential returns over time, but more ups and downs along the way. To help you clarify your own attitude to risk, you can seek financial advice or work out your risk profile at generatewealth.co.nz/survey. Note that even the lowest category does not mean a risk-free investment, and there are other risks that are not captured by this rating.

This risk indicator is not a guarantee of an investment option's future performance. The risk indicator is based on the returns data for the last five years¹. While risk indicators are usually relatively stable, they do shift from time to time. The risk indicator will continue to be updated in future investment updates.

See the product disclosure statement (PDS) for more information about the risks associated with investing in this investment option.

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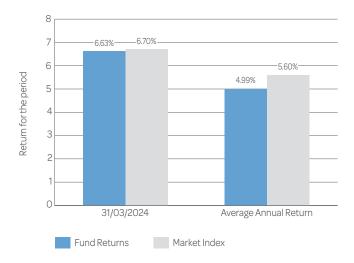
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# How has the investment option performed?

	Past year
Annual return (after deductions for charges and tax)	7.59%
Annual return (after deductions for charges but before tax)	9.22%
Market index annual return (reflects no deduction for charges and tax)	8.35%

The market index return reflects a composite of benchmark index returns, weighted for the investment option's target asset allocation, being the fund's relevant benchmark since inception. All of the share market benchmark indices used include dividends but do not include imputation credits. Additional information about the market index is available in the SIPO on the register at disclose-register.companiesoffice.govt.nz.

# Annual return graph



This shows the return after fund charges and tax for each year ending 31 March since the investment option started. The last bar shows the average annual return since the investment option started, up to 31 December 2024.

**Important:** This does not tell you how the investment option will perform in the future. Returns in this graph are after tax at the highest prescribed investor rate (PIR) of tax for an individual New Zealand resident. Your tax may be lower. Benchmark returns in the graph are before the deduction of tax.

# What fees are investors charged?

Investors in the Stepping Stones 76+ years old investment option are charged fund charges. In the year to 31 March 2024 these were:

	% of net asset value
Total fund charges	1.09%
Which are made up of:	
Total management and administration charges including:	
Manager's basic fee	1.06%
Other management and administration charges <sup>2</sup>	0.03%
Total performance based fees	0.00%
Other charges	\$ amount per investor
Membership Fee <sup>3</sup>	\$36.00 per year

A portion of the 'other management and administration charges' relate to management, performance and administration charges from investments in underlying funds. Some of these calculations are based on estimates.

Investors are not currently charged individual action fees for specific actions or decisions (for example, for withdrawing from or switching funds). See the PDS for more information about fees.

 $Small\ differences\ in\ fees\ and\ charges\ can\ have\ a\ big\ impact\ on\ your\ investment\ over\ the\ long\ term.$ 

# Example of how this applies to an investor

Hannah had \$10,000 in the investment option at the start of the year and did not make any further contributions. At the end of the year, Hannah received a return after fund charges were deducted of \$759 (that is 7.59% of her initial \$10,000). Hannah also paid \$36 in other charges. This gives Hannah a total return after tax of \$723 for the year.

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# What does the investment option invest in?

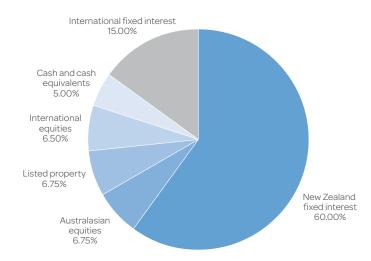
This shows the types of assets that the investment option invests in. 4,5,6,7,8

### **Actual investment mix**

# International fixed interest 9.38% Cash and cash equivalents 5.96% International equities 7.71% Listed property 2.69% New Zealand fixed interest 64.51%

# Target investment mix

This shows the mix of assets that the investment option generally intends to invest in.



# **Top 10 investments**

Name	Percentage of investment option net assets	Туре	Country	Credit rating (if applicable)
ASB NZ Dollar Cash Account	5.82%	Cash and cash equivalents	New Zealand	A1
Kāinga Ora Sep 2035 bonds	2.40%	NZ Fixed Interest	New Zealand	AAA
NZLGA May 2031 bonds	2.21%	NZ Fixed Interest	New Zealand	AAA
Kāinga Ora Apr 2030 bonds	2.16%	NZ Fixed Interest	New Zealand	AAA
Salvation Army Sep 2025 bonds	1.77%	NZ Fixed Interest	New Zealand	Unrated
Fisher & Paykel Healthcare Ltd	1.55%	Australasian equities	New Zealand	
Westpac Feb 2034 bonds	1.53%	NZ Fixed Interest	New Zealand	А
NZ Govt Inflation Sep 2035 bonds	1.49%	NZ Fixed Interest	New Zealand	AAA
Meridian Mar 2030 bonds	1.42%	NZ Fixed Interest	New Zealand	BBB+
Auckland International Airport Dec 2031	1.39%	NZ Fixed Interest	New Zealand	A-

The top 10 investments make up 21.74% of the investment option.

The investment option's net foreign currency exposure was 5.42% of net asset value on the 31 December 2024. At target the investment option's net foreign currency exposure is 3.25% of net asset value. More details on the approach to currency hedging is available in the SIPO on the register at disclose-register.companiesoffice.govt.nz.

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# Key personnel

This shows the directors and employees who have the most influence on the investment decisions of the investment option.

Name	Current position	Time in current position	Previous or other position	Time in previous or other position
Sam Goldwater	Chief Investment Officer/Investment Committee Member/Executive Director	11 years and 9 months	Led the investment management of a sizeable portfolio of family assets	7 years and 5 months
Daniel Frost	Portfolio Manager – Property & Infrastructure, Australasian Equities	6 years and 11 months	Senior Analyst, Macquarie Bank	5 years and 4 months
Andrew Bolland	Portfolio Manager – Property & Infrastructure, Australasian Equities	5 years and 6 months	Senior Analyst/Associate Portfolio Manager, Salt Funds Management	6 years and 2 months
Ayrton Oliver	Portfolio Manager – Fixed Income	3 years and 9 months	Vice President, JP Morgan Chief Investment Office, International Rates and FX Portfolio Management	7 years
Nathan Field	Portfolio Manager – Global Equities	1 year and 10 months	Portfolio Manager, Global Thematic Fund, Kiwi Wealth	13 years

### **Further information**

You can also obtain this information, the PDS for the Generate KiwiSaver Scheme, and some additional information from the offer register at disclose-register.companiesoffice.govt.nz.

# **Notes**

- 1. As the investment option has not been in existence for 5 years a combination of market index returns and the funds' actual returns have been used to complete the risk indicator. Actual returns have been used from 20 May 2022 to the end of the period to which this investment option update relates. For all relevant periods prior to 20 May 2022 market index returns have been used in order to construct a total of 5 years of returns on which to base the risk indicator. As a result of estimated returns partially being used, the risk indicator may provide a less reliable indicator of the potential future volatility of the fund.
- 2. This investment option invests in underlying funds managed by third party managers. The fees on these funds are taken from offer documents or estimated using data from their most recent financial statements. Where applicable, performance fees on underlying funds are estimated taking into account highwater marks.
- 3. Membership fees are the monthly fixed dollar charges for membership in the Generate KiwiSaver Scheme. You will pay only \$3 each month even if you are invested in multiple funds within the Generate KiwiSaver Scheme.
- 4. International equities are made up of directly held equity investments.
- 5. 'Cash and cash equivalents' includes the value of foreign exchange hedging derivatives related to the fund's off-shore investments.
- 6. Listed property includes investments in aged care companies.
- 7. The investment option has an ability to invest in unlisted property and infrastructure investments as per limits set in the SIPO.
- 8. Australasian equities includes an investment in unlisted New Zealand equities.