# **RIO PLATINUM ACCOUNT GBP**

## 1 May 2025

### MANAGER COMMENTS



RIO Platinum GBP fell 1.45% during April. At the start of the month, the account held 28.46% of its asset class in physical platinum and in sterling terms, the metal fell 5.39% during the month. Retaining the previous weighting was the correct strategy because the metal, as I had anticipated, moved lower. This had limited the downside for those invested, but equally it provided me with the opportunity to buy into the market correction. I bought the metal at £723.59 on the 9th of April, adding 7% to the account's weighting.

As the month closed, the account holds 35.41% of its total asset allocation in platinum, the remainder being held in cash. This investment is now well placed as we enter May and reacquiring the metal at a lower cost has brought down the average book cost. My actions have reduced the downside risk and increased the opportunity for bank gains in the coming weeks. The platinum market faces its most significant supply shortfall deficit in 10 years which is expected to average around 769,000 ounces between 2025 and 2028. This increase in deficit is a telling sign of coming shortages; with that, one should generally anticipate price increases. As I have said before, the supply-demand trade is the mother of all trades; it's almost always a money maker.

### INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

To provide a secure alternative to that offered by the lacklustre industry standard platinum bullion investment products or funds. The Platinum Account holds 100% of its Bullion assets in unencumbered and uncirculated Platinum bars, officially released by several government mints.

Platinum can be used within investment portfolios to protect global purchasing power, today this is very pertinent given that several governments are employing policies which ultimately target a devaluation of their individual currencies. As this global currency war has escalated there has been an increased risk of a currency debasement and the fact that platinum can offer protection from this event is very attractive in itself. Precious metals, including platinum, are often produced in emerging market countries, with demand coming principally from industrialised nations. The political and economic situation is, however, far less stable in many emerging market countries than in the developed world. They are generally much more susceptible to the risks of rapid political change and economic setbacks which affect precious metal prices and again provides scope for a strong upside.

### INFORMATION

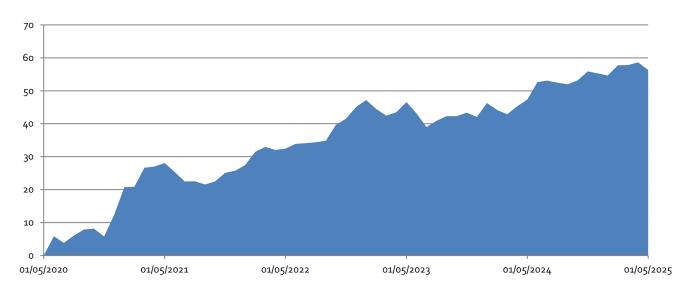
NAV	255.06
Launch Date	March 2016
Investment Manager	William Gray
Currency	GBP
Minimum Investment	30,000
Membership Charge	500
Annual Membership Fee	1.00%
Service Fee	1.00%
Dealing Frequency	Monthly

#### INVESTMENT MANAGER

RIO's Investment Manager has vast experience having designed, launched and managed several Government licensed mutual funds over the past two decades. He has actively traded stocks, bonds, currencies and commodities with some degree of accuracy. He has a proven track record combined with all the advantages of an experienced multi asset fund manager.

PERFORMANCE	YTD	1m	6m	1Yr	2Yr	3Yr	5Yr	S/L
	1.09	-1.45	0.26	6.11	6.65	18.02	56.32	155.06

## **CUMMULATIVE PERFORMANCE** (Five Years)



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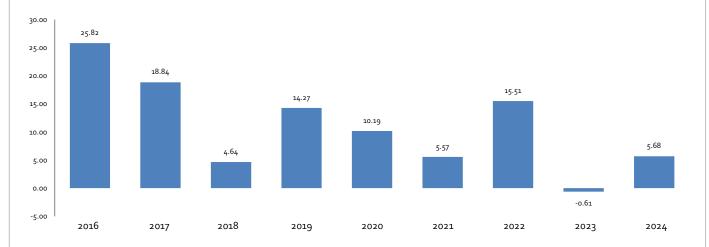


VOLATILITY & RISK (24 Months)	
Annualised Volatility	7.77%
Return for Period	6.65%
Best Monthly Return	3.62%
Worst Monthly Return	-2.90%
Risk / Reward Ratio	2.30:1

The risk/reward calculation is a division of net profit (the reward) by the price of your maximum risk. Any investor should determine their acceptable risk, but it is always best to be more conservative with risk than aggressive with reward.

MONTHLY PERFORMANCE FIGURES (%)	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
January	1.60	0.91	0.62	0.15	3.15	-1.85	-1.45	2.02
February	0.36	2.94	-2.16	4.75	1.16	-1.42	-0.91	0.02
March	-2.66	-0.15	-9.83	0.27	-0.71	0.76	1.71	0.52
April	0.51	2.69	2.81	0.85	0.30	2.11	1.37	-1.45
May	3.10	-1.96	5.87	-2.13	1.09	-2.33	3.62	
June	-1.82	3.02	-1.90	-2.31	0.15	-2.90	0.28	
July	-0.45	3.76	2.13	0.07	0.21	1.38	-0.42	
August	-1.35	2.60	1.76	-0.81	0.32	0.97	-0.31	
September	1.91	-1.21	-1.62	0.78	3.61	0.02	0.78	
October	3.81	0.32	-2.23	2.13	1.33	0.73	1.80	
November	-0.60	-2.65	6.26	0.51	2.48	-0.93	-0.41	
December	0.35	3.40	7.42	1.34	1.49	3.01	-0.42	

# PERFORMANCE FOR CALENDER YEARS (%)



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