Ellerston 2050 Fund

Monthly Report as at 31 July 2026

APIR Code: ECL5651AU

Portfolio of companies which are directly or indirectly demonstrating a pathway to aiding the abatement of carbon within Australia and the global economy.

Targets unlisted (pre-IPO and expansion capital) and listed (micro and small-cap) companies that have sound business franchises and attractive earnings profiles.

Aims to outperform the Benchmark over a rolling three-year period.

Performance Summary

Performance	1 Month	3 Months	1 Year	2 Years (p.a.)	3 Years (p.a.)	Since Inception (p.a.)^^
Net^	-12.3%	0.4%	19.5%	20.6%	20.8%	13.7%
Benchmark*	-2.9%	2.6%	-8.6%	0.0%	4.1%	3.4%
Alpha	-9.4%	-2.2%	28.1%	20.6%	16.7%	10.3%

^ The net return figure is calculated after fees & expenses, assuming all distributions are reinvested. Past performance is not a reliable indication of future performance.
** S&P/ASX Small Industrials Accumulation Index. ^^Inception date is 30 May 2022.*

Key Information

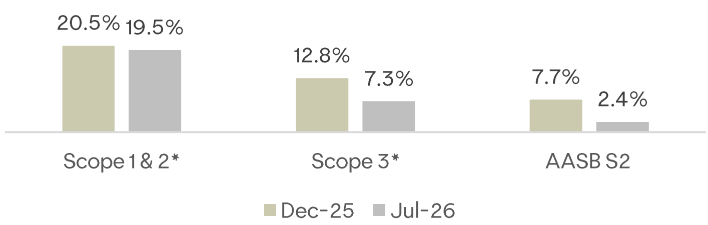
Portfolio Manager(s)	David Keelan James Barker Jack Briggs
Investment Objective	To outperform the Benchmark over a rolling three-year period.
Benchmark	S&P/ASX Small Industrials Accumulation Index
Target Number of Holdings	Unlisted/Pre-IPO Investments – 10-30 & Listed Micro & Small Cap Investments – 25-40
Distribution Frequency	Half-Yearly (where available)
Management Fee	1.50% p.a.
Performance Fee[1]	20.00%
Buy/Sell Spread	0.38% / 0.38%

[1]Of the investment return above the benchmark, after recovering any underperformance in past periods.

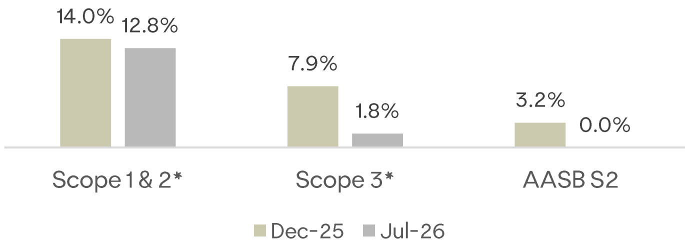
Portfolio Breakdown

Source: Ellerston Capital.

Number of Underlying Holdings Reporting on Scopes 1, 2 & 3, and according to TCFD[1]



Value of Underlying Holdings Reporting on Scopes 1, 2 & 3, and according to TCFD[2]



[1]Number of underlying holdings reporting on each measure, as a percentage of total portfolio holdings.
[2] Value of underlying holdings reporting on each measure, as a percentage of total portfolio value.
**Source: Company Data.*
***Source: Task Force on Climate-Related Financial Disclosure.*

FUND COMMENTARY

The Ellerston 2050 Fund (the Fund) delivered a return of -12.3% in July, underperforming the S&P/ASX Small Industrials Accumulation Index (the Benchmark) return of -2.9%. The Small Industrials declined primarily due to a re-escalation of the war in Iran driving volatility in oil prices and mixed economic data leading to fluctuating expectations for the interest-rate outlook.

The Fund had disappointing performance in July, with several of our positions falling on no company-specific newsflow. This was particularly the case for stocks that had exposure to the AI and data-center thematic, with the market concerned around broader capex versus returns balance for the global hyperscalers. For our Portfolio companies exposed to this thematic, they are experiencing strong demand driving increased revenue visibility and economies of scale.

August provides a plethora of catalysts for our Portfolio. We have taken advantage of the recent volatility to increase conviction within our Portfolio. We remain committed to our investment process, continuing to stress-test our theses and assumptions as we look forward to the upcoming reporting season.

*KEY CONTRIBUTOR

Bravura Solutions (BVS) was the largest contributor to the Fund in July rising 25.7%. BVS pre-announced FY26 cash EBITDA at $77m which saw the implied 2H cash EBITDA print 16% ahead of market expectations. The outperformance was driven by the mix of project services jobs shifting to higher quality, higher margin work and also cost efficiency across the business. We continue to see opportunity for the BVS share price to perform as the market believes it is a cost-out story with minimal revenue growth. However, BVS grew organic revenue c.15% in FY26 and we believe rates at least in the high single digits are sustainable. We expect the market to re-rate the stock when it comes to agree with us.

*KEY DETRACTOR

Mayfield Group (MYG AU) was among the Fund's top detractors for the month of July, with the share price falling 30.2% over the period. The only material announcement was the acquisition of the Switchboards Division of Nilsen (SA) Pty Ltd on 13 July for $4m in cash, funded from existing reserves. The transaction brings across the N-Series switchboard and motor control centre platform and all associated intellectual property. Approximately 66 employees are expected to transfer, including designers, estimators, project personnel and skilled tradespeople, at a time when specialist electrical manufacturing skills remain scarce in Australia. The acquisition also includes $3.9m of new work in hand, and management expects it to contribute revenue of $10–15m in FY27. Importantly, it accelerates utilisation of the Royal Park manufacturing facility acquired in January 2026. This is Mayfield's third acquisition in twelve months, following BE Switchcraft and SMEC Power & Technology, with both integrations tracking ahead of plan. In our view the scale of the share price move is difficult to reconcile with the announcement itself, which adds people, product IP and orderbook at a modest price. We continue to see Mayfield as well positioned across the energy transition, data centre, defence and resources end markets.

OUTLOOK

We are deep in preparation for the August reporting season, which is typically the most catalyst-rich period of the year for Australian small and microcap equities. We continue to rigorously stress-test our core holdings, challenge our investment theses and ensure the Portfolio is well positioned ahead of what is often the most significant period for earnings revisions and share price movements. It is also a fertile environment for identifying new investment opportunities, with recent market volatility leaving the share prices of a number of high-quality businesses detached from their underlying fundamentals. Our focus remains on companies with strong balance sheets, pricing power, high-quality management teams and structural growth tailwinds, where we believe the market is underappreciating the medium-term earnings outlook. We remain disciplined in capital allocation and continue to ensure our highest conviction positions offer the most compelling risk-adjusted return opportunities.

*Attribution is based on the contribution from listed portfolio positions only

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