

## Perennial Better Future Trust

Product Disclosure Statement (PDS)

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This PDS provides a summary of significant information you need to make a decision about the Perennial Better Future Trust (the **Trust**). It includes references to important information which forms part of this PDS. These references begin with an exclamation mark ①. This is important information that you should consider together with the PDS before making a decision to invest in the Trust. The information in this PDS is general information only and does not take into account your objectives, personal financial situation or needs. We strongly recommend that you consult a licensed financial adviser to obtain financial advice that is tailored to suit your personal circumstances.

Perennial Investment Management Limited (PIML) has issued a target market determination (TMD) which, amongst other things, describes the class of consumers for whom this product is likely to be consistent with their likely objectives, financial situation and needs. PIML and its distributors must take reasonable steps to distribute this product to consumers described in the TMD. The TMD for this product can be obtained any time from Perennial's website. For a free printed copy of this PDS, the TMD or the important information that forms part of the PDS, please contact Client Services on 1300 730 032 (Australia) or +612 8823 2534 (New Zealand).

#### **Updated** information

The information in this PDS is up to date at the time of preparation. Information in this PDS is subject to change from time to time. Where changes are not materially adverse to investors, updated information about the Trust can be obtained anytime from Perennial's website. A paper copy of updated information will be provided free of charge upon request. All parties have given, and as at the date of this PDS not withdrawn their consent to being named in the form and context in which they are named in this PDS. This consent is given on the basis that all parties have not authorised or caused the issue of the PDS, do not make or purport to make any statement in this PDS other than as specified; and to the maximum extent permitted by law, take no responsibility for any statements in or omissions in this PDS other than the reference to their name in a statement included in this PDS with their consent as specified. Such parties expressly disclaim and take no responsibility for any statements or omissions in the PDS. This applies to the maximum extent permitted by law and does not apply to any matter to the extent to which the consent is given above. The investment offered in this PDS is available only to persons receiving this PDS (electronically or in hard copy) within Australia and New Zealand. Applications from outside Australia and New Zealand will not be accepted. All monetary amounts referred to in this PDS are given in Australian dollars.

## 1. About Perennial Investment Management Limited

Perennial Better Future Pty Limited (ABN 45 647 633 065) (Perennial Better Future) is part of Perennial Partners Limited (ABN 90 612 829 160) (Perennial Partners), a house of specialist investment teams. Perennial Better Future and Perennial Partners have both been appointed as corporate authorised representatives of Perennial Value Management Limited (ABN 22 090 879 904, AFSL 247293) (CAR 1293136, CAR 1293138).

Perennial Investment Management Limited (ABN 13 108 747 637, AFSL 275101) (PIML) is the Responsible Entity of the Trust and is responsible for the management and administration of the Trust. PIML is referred to as 'Responsible Entity', 'we', 'us' and 'our' throughout this document. PIML has appointed Perennial Better Future to manage the investment assets of the Trust. PIML, Perennial Partners and Perennial Better Future are collectively referred to in this document as 'Perennial'.

Neither Perennial Partners, nor PIML, nor Perennial Better Future guarantees the performance of the Trust or the return of capital or income. Your investment in the Trust is subject to investment risk. This could involve delays in repayment and loss of income, or the principal invested. Perennial Partners and Perennial Better Future are related body corporates of PIML. An investment in the Trust does not represent an investment in, deposit or other liability of PIML or Perennial Better Future.

PIML has appointed HSBC Bank Australia Limited (ABN 48 006 434 162) (HSBC) as the custodian of the assets of the Trust.

You should read the important information about the Responsible Entity, Investment Manager and the custodian before making a decision. Go to Section 1 of the Perennial Trusts Additional Information Booklet located at **www.perennial.net.au**. The material relating to the Responsible Entity, Investment Manager and custodian may change between the time when you read this Statement and the day when you acquire the product.

## 2. How the Trust Works

The Trust is a registered managed investment scheme. When you invest in the Trust, your money will be pooled with that of other investors. So that you know what your share of the managed investment scheme is worth, the total value of the assets in the scheme is divided into 'units'. Each unit that a unitholder holds in the Trust gives a unitholder a beneficial interest in the Trust as a whole, but not in any particular asset of the Trust. Holding units in the Trust does not give a unitholder the right to participate in the management or operation of the Trust. Each unit in the Trust is of equal value and identical rights are attached to all units.

We will quote you a price for each unit and will keep a record of the number of units you have bought. The unit price is usually calculated each business day. The unit price will change in response to rises and falls in the market value of assets in the Trust.

You can increase your investment at any time by buying more units in the Trust. Generally, you can decrease your investment by selling, transferring or withdrawing some of your units, although in certain circumstances (such as a freeze or suspension on withdrawals or the Trust becoming illiquid), you may not be able to reduce your investment within the usual period upon request.

When you make an investment in the Trust, your units will be allocated to you based on the entry price for the business day your

application is effective. When you withdraw, your units will be redeemed based on the exit price for the business day on which your withdrawal request is effective.

The entry price is calculated by taking the net asset value of the Trust and adding to it an amount which reflects the estimated cost of acquiring the Trust's assets (subject to PIML's discretion to reduce or waive such costs) and dividing the net figure by the number of units on issue in the Trust.

The exit price of the Trust is calculated by taking the net asset value of the Trust and subtracting from it an amount which reflects the estimated cost of selling the Trust's assets (subject to PIML's discretion to reduce or waive such costs) and dividing the net figure by the number of units on issue in the Trust.

Current unit prices for the Trust are available on the Perennial website **www.perennial.net.au** or by contacting a Client Services Representative, or by emailing **perennial@unitregistry.com.au**.

The constitution of the Trust allows PIML to exercise discretions (for example, determining transaction costs and rounding) which may affect unit pricing. The unit pricing discretions policy sets out, among other things, the principles that PIML adheres to when exercising these discretions. This policy is available upon request.

#### Applications and withdrawals

|                                      | Amount \$ |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|
| Minimal initial investment           | 25,000    |
| Minimum additional investment amount | 5,000     |
| Minimum switch amount                | 5,000     |
| Minimum withdrawal amount            | 5,000     |
| Minimum investment balance           | 25,000    |

Your initial investment and additional investments may be made by either electronic funds transfer or BPAY®1. The Biller Code of the Trust is **216861**. Confirmation of your withdrawal will be sent to you usually within seven (7) business days after your withdrawal request is finalised.

Where a valid application for an initial investment or additional investment, withdrawal or switch request is received before 2.00pm via EFT on a Melbourne business day, we will generally process the request using the unit price applying to the close of business that day. Where the request is made via BPAY before 2.00pm on a Melbourne business day, we will generally process the request using the unit price applying to the close of the following business day. PIML may, at its discretion accept amounts less than the minimum initial investment amount.

#### Restrictions on withdrawals

We will not satisfy a withdrawal request (including switches) if the Trust becomes illiquid (as defined under the Corporations Act 2001 (Corporations Act)). In certain circumstances we may suspend withdrawals. In some circumstances we may compulsorily redeem your units, for example where the law prohibits you from being an investor in the Trust.

#### **Distributions**

Investing in the Trust means that you may receive regular income (depending on the nature of the underlying investments this may include interest, dividends and realised capital gains) from your investments in the Trust in the form of income distributions. However, there may be times when distributions cannot be made, or are lower than expected. Investing in the Trust means that you have the opportunity to have any distributions reinvested without incurring transaction costs.

The net distributable income of the Trust is allocated to unitholders on a per-unit basis according to the number of units held in the Trust at the end of the distribution period. Distributions are calculated annually and are generally sent to unitholders within one month of the last day of the distribution period. However, the constitution of the Trust provides for distributions to be paid within a period of two months of the last day of the distribution period (unless an audit is required, in which case income distributions may be made as soon as possible after completion of the audit).

You can nominate your preferred distribution method in the Investment Details section of the Perennial Trusts application form. If you do not nominate your preferred distribution method, this will be taken to be a direction to reinvest distributions as additional units in the Trust. You will be sent a statement detailing your distributions.

You should read the important information about how the Trust works before making a decision. Go to Section 2 of the Perennial Trusts Additional Information Booklet located at **www.perennial.net.au**. The material relating to how the Trust works may change between the time when you read this Statement and the day when you acquire the product.

#### Indirect investors

Investors and prospective investors may access the Trust indirectly. This PDS has been authorised for use by operators through an Investor Directed Portfolio Service (IDPS) or master trust. Such indirect investors do not acquire the rights of a unitholder of the Trust. Rather, it is the operator or custodian of the IDPS or master trust that acquires those rights. Therefore, indirect investors do not receive income distributions or reports directly from PIML, do not have the right to attend meetings of unitholders and do not have cooling off rights. Indirect investors should not complete the Perennial Trusts application form. The rights of indirect investors are set out in the disclosure document for the IDPS or master trust. If you are investing through an IDPS or a master trust, enquiries should be made directly to the IDPS operator or the trustee of the master trust.

## 3. Benefits of investing in the Trust

The Trust is an actively managed portfolio of mainly smaller and midcap listed (and unlisted) companies that are considered to be "Better Future Investments". For the purpose of this document, "Better Future Investments" are "Better Future Enabler Investments" or "Better Future Leader Investments."

"Better Future Enabler Investments" are defined as companies that at the time of acquisition, conduct businesses that are deriving more than 50% of their gross revenue from business operations that:

- are generating renewable energy, improving energy efficiency or seeking to reduce greenhouse gas emissions; or
- are involved in water treatment or remediation; or
- are focused on providing environmental services or otherwise focused on environmental outcomes; or
- involve technology or processes that enable businesses and/or individuals to reduce their resource use or improve the efficiency of their resource use (including by processing materials for recycling); or
- are providing nature-based technologies or solutions, providing products or services that improve biodiversity outcomes in existing business models or prevent the loss of biodiversity (including reducing pollution, improved farming practices, protecting: marine life, plant life & natural ecosystems, improving forestry); or
- contribute to social welfare outcomes, including improving the safety, health or well-being of workers; or
- relate to health outcomes, including health products and health services; or

- relate to education services or outcomes (including without limitation childcare); or
- involves the leasing of properties to organisations that provide healthcare, education or childcare or for social housing purposes.

"Better Future Leader Investments" are companies that, at the time of acquisition, have a Perennial-derived Environmental, Social, Governance and Engagement Score (ESG&E Score) which exceeds the ESG&E score of the benchmark index and does not satisfy the Better Future Enabler Investments definition.

The ESG&E Score is a proprietary scoring system that has been developed by Perennial. Perennial uses the ESG&E Score to evaluate a company's Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) performance. As part of the ESG&E Score, Perennial undertakes an assessment on each individual ESG component and considers relevant factors as part of its assessment. These factors include, but are not limited to:

- Environmental greenhouse gas emission disclosures, alignment with the Paris Agreement and environmental impact of operations.
- Social executive diversity, occupational health and safety and modern slavery risks in supply chains.
- Governance Board independence, board expertise and skill mix, and remuneration policies.

The ESG&E Score also assesses the company's 'Engagement' on ESG related issues and subjectively assesses to what extent the company is engaged with improving ESG and sustainability outcomes within the business. The ESG&E methodology applies a 20% weighting to each 'Environmental', 'Social' and 'Governance' component and applies a 40% weighting to 'Engagement'. This provides a total weighted score out of 10, which is then compared with the benchmark's weighted average ESG&E Score. Factors such as the outcome of Perennial's engagement with company management and directors will also be considered as part of the company's assessment. Perennial may also take into account external information such as publicly available data, financial disclosures, annual reports, sustainability reports, the company's website, stockbroker research and external data sources. The Trust does not invest in companies that, to the best of our knowledge, receive any revenue from:

- the manufacture, distribution or sale of tobacco or alcohol products; including Electronic nicotine delivery systems (ENDS) as defined by the US Food and Drug Administration (e.g. 'vaping' devices, e-cigarettes) alternatively described as nicotine vaping products (NVP)
- the manufacture, distribution or sale of weapons or armaments including biological and chemical weapons, depleted uranium ammunition/armour, anti-personnel mines or cluster munitions/submunitions and their key components;
- extraction or sale of thermal coal, metallurgical coal, uranium, oil or gas (other than recycled oil);
- gambling or betting operations;
- the production, sale or distribution of pornography;
- the manufacture or distribution of toxic pesticides;
- old growth forest logging; or
- operations or transportation associated with the live exportation of animals offshore.

Typically, no less than 35% of the portfolio will be held in Better Future Enabler Investments.

In addition to the above, we also consider a 'Do No Significant Harm' (DNSH) criteria. The DNSH assessment allows us to undertake an additional analysis to detect negative environmental, societal or governance impacts. It is a lens focused specifically on negative harm. As part of this assessment, we consider adverse impacts to society and the environment for companies that may be considered for inclusion in the Trust. This assessment also forms part of the due

diligence and engagement for our portfolio companies. As part of our DNSH criteria, We:

- Seek to understand a company's practices to prevent, address and remedy human rights or modern slavery abuses in their supply chain. As part of this assessment, we score companies on our "risk" human rights and modern slavery framework. We consider a company's adherence to the International Labour Organisation (ILO) standards, International Bill of Human Rights, OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises, and the UN Guiding Principles (UNGPs) on Business & Human Rights. Companies that do not meet a minimum score are then flagged as "higher risk" companies. These companies are further assessed on three (3) additional modules related to commitment, assessment and remedy. We seek to engage with companies on any gaps or areas of concern highlighted from this assessment. We also use external sources to highlight historical breaches of modern slavery and/or human rights.
- Assess the direct and indirect impact a company has on achieving
  its environmental or social objective at the expense of other
  environmental or social objectives. This is qualitative and/or
  quantitative view on the impact that a company's operations has on
  society and the environment.
- Assess the robustness of governance practices including, employee relations, remuneration of staff and tax compliance. This is a qualitative and/or quantitative assessment of policies, procedures, company history and engagement.

If a company does not meet our expectations for the above DNSH criteria, we may engage to understand the concern, work with the company to improve the outcome or choose to divest (or not invest).

# Significant benefits of investing in the Trust include: ESG considerations

Perennial uses ESG integration to consider material ESG risks and opportunities as part of its company analysis and seeks to make investments that are considered to be Better Future Investments implementing the investment strategy described above and in Section 5. Perennial also engages with company management and directors as a tool to discuss and seek to improve performance on material ESG topics.

#### Access to investment opportunities

Investing in the Trust means that your money is pooled with that of other investors. This provides the Trust with the investment buying power not often available to you as an individual investor with smaller amounts to invest. This means you can gain access to investment markets and risk management techniques that would not normally be accessible to individual retail investors.

#### Professional management

Perennial's investment professionals manage the Trust using a disciplined investment approach aimed at delivering returns in excess of the relevant benchmark.

#### Right to distributions (if any)

Investing in the Trust means you may receive regular income from your investments in the Trust in the form of income distributions. However, there may be times when income distributions cannot be made, or are lower than expected.

#### Easy access to your information

For the latest available information on the Trust, you can visit **www.perennial.net.au**, contact a Client Services Representative on 1300 730 032 (+612 8823 2534 New Zealand), email **perennial@unitregistry.com.au** or speak to your financial adviser.

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informed may change between the time when you read this Statement and the day when you acquire the product.

# 4. Risks of managed investment schemes

All investments carry risk. The likely investment return and the risk of losing money is different for each managed investment scheme as different strategies may carry different levels of risk depending on the portfolio of assets that make up the scheme. Those assets with potentially higher long-term returns may also have a higher risk of losing money in the shorter term.

#### Risks of investing in the Trust

The significant risks, in no particular order, that may affect the value of your investment and the distributions paid by the Trust include:

#### ESG changes risk

There is a risk that company specific, legislative or other events may change the ESG risks associated with an investment.

#### ESG&E Scoring system risk

There are risks associated with the accuracy of the ESG&E Scoring system as it involves the use of judgement and estimates and is reliant on external data for which Perennial is unable to validate.

#### Market risk

Unexpected conditions (e.g. economic, technological or political) can have a negative impact on the returns of all investments within a particular market.

#### Concentration risk

When investments are concentrated in a smaller number of securities than the broader market index, the unit price of the Trust may be more volatile than the return of the benchmark.

#### Company or security-specific risk

A number of factors can adversely affect the value of a specific security in which the Trust invests and therefore impact the Trust.

#### Liquidity risk

If a security cannot be traded quickly enough to minimise a potential loss or to satisfy withdrawal requests, the Trust's performance may be impacted, or it may experience difficulty satisfying its commitments including withdrawals.

#### Derivative risk

Most commonly, derivatives are used for hedging and investment purposes. Derivatives may also be used by the Investment Manager as an alternative to investing in physical assets because of their cost and liquidity efficiency.

Gains or losses can result from investments in derivatives. In addition to any risk associated with the underlying asset (or index) for which a derivative is valued, derivative prices are affected by other factors including market liquidity; interest rates; and counterparty risk.

#### Investment Manager risk

Is the risk that the Trust's investment objective will not be achieved and/or it may underperform the benchmark or other investment managers in the same asset class. As a result of the investment process outlined above, the Trust is typically underweight resources stocks and there is a risk that the Trust may underperform during periods where resource stocks outperform.

#### Responsible Entity risk

Is the risk that PIML, the Responsible Entity for the Trust, does not properly discharge its duties in the management of the Trust. There is a risk that the Trust could terminate or that the Responsible Entity could be replaced as responsible entity for the Trust.

#### Operational risk

The Trust's day to day operations may be adversely affected by circumstances beyond the reasonable control of the Responsible

Entity, such as failure of technology or infrastructure, or natural disasters. A breakdown in administrative procedures and risk control measures implemented by the Responsible Entity or its service providers may also adversely affect the operation and performance of the Trust.

#### Counterparty risk

Counterparties used in connection with the Trust's investment activities may default on their obligations, for instance by failing to make a payment when due. This may be due to insolvency or other events of default. Such counterparties may include service providers and derivatives counterparties, as well as the Trust's custodian. Default on the part of a counterparty could result in financial loss to the Trust.

#### Currency risk

The possibility that foreign currencies may fall in value relative to the Australian dollar can have an adverse impact on investment returns.

#### Cyber risk

There is a risk of fraud, data loss, business disruption or damage to the information of the Trust or to investors' personal information as a result of a threat or failure to protect this information or data.

#### Other risks

Managed investment schemes are also subject to operational risk in that circumstances beyond our control may prevent us from managing the Trust in accordance with its investment strategy. These circumstances may include strikes or industrial disputes, fires, war, civil disturbances, terrorist acts, state emergencies and epidemics. Risk can be managed but it cannot be completely eliminated. It is important to understand that:

- the value of your investment will go up and down;
- investment returns will vary, and future returns may be different from past returns;
- returns are not guaranteed and there is always the chance that you may lose money on any investment you make; and
- laws affecting your investment in a managed investment scheme may change over time.

The appropriate level of risk for you will depend on a range of factors including your age, investment time frame, where other parts of your wealth are invested and your risk tolerance.

### 5. How we invest your money

WARNING: When it comes to choosing to invest in the Trust, you should consider: the likely investment return of the Trust; the risk involved in investing in the Trust: and your investment timeframe.

| Investment return objective  | To outperform the benchmark over the long term after fees and expenses, by investing in a diversified portfolio of mainly smaller and mid-cap companies that are considered to be Better Future Investments (as defined in Section 3 of this PDS).   |   |   |   |
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| Minimum suggested investment timeframe                                       | Five (5) years   |   |   |   |
| Suitable investor profile  |  | itable for investors with an investr<br>lio of mainly smaller or mid-cap conges.  |   |   |
| Asset classes and asset allocation ranges                                    |  | Asset Class   | Allocation  |   |
|  |  | Australian or NZ equities   | 90-100%   |   |
|  |  | Cash & Derivatives  | 0-10%   | _   |
|  | The Trust aims to be   | fully invested at all times, with cash  | exposure not exceeding the  | limit for any length of time.   |
| Benchmark  | S&P/ASX Small Ordin  | aries Accumulation Index  |   |   |
| Description of Trust   | comprised of smaller<br>Section 3 of this PDS)<br>to 10% in cash. The T  | a range of Australian and New Z<br>and mid-cap stocks which Perenr<br>The portfolio will hold in the rang<br>rust is authorised to utilise derivation that they cannot be used to g           | nial believes are Better Future<br>ge of 25 to 70 stocks. The Trus<br>tive instruments for risk mana  | Investments (as defined in<br>t is authorised to invest up                                  |
| Risk level   | High risk of short-term capital loss compared to other investment types but with the potential to deliver higher investment returns over the minimum suggested timeframe.  |   |   |   |
| Trust performance  | For up-to-date performance, unit prices and commentaries, please visit www.perennial.net.au  |   |   |   |
| Distribution frequency   | Annually (if any)  |   |   |   |
| Labour standards,<br>environmental, social,<br>and ethical<br>considerations | As described in this PDS, Perennial takes labour standards, environmental, social and ethical considerations into account when selecting, retaining or realising investments. As a signatory to the United Nations-backed Principles for Responsible Investment, Perennial has incorporated environmental, social and corporate governance principles into its investment processes. |   |   |   |
| Changes to Trust<br>Details  | We have the right to close or terminate the Trust and make changes to the Trust including the investment return objective, the benchmark, asset classes and asset allocation ranges and currency strategy (if any), without prior notice in some cases. If there is a material change, we will update this PDS and inform investors of the material change as required by law.       |   |   |   |
| Switches   | in one Trust and the in<br>a licensed financial or<br>of this PDS. However   | the Trust to another Perennial Tru<br>nvestment of units in another and<br>taxation adviser for further inforn<br>, a buy/sell spread or a contribution<br>g a decision to switch, you should | therefore may have taxation in<br>nation. There is no switching for<br>on fee may apply to the releva | mplications. Please contact<br>ee applicable as at the date<br>ant Trust at the time of the |

#### 6. Fees and costs

| Did you know?    | Small differences in both investment performance and fees and costs can have a substantial impact on your long-term returns. For example, total annual fees and costs of 2% of your investment balance rather than 1% could reduce your final return by up to 20% over a 30 year period (for example, reduce it from \$100,000 to \$80,000). You should consider whether features such as superior investment performance or the provision of better member services justify higher fees and costs. You may be able to negotiate to pay lower fees. Ask the Trust or your financial adviser. |
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| To find out more | If you would like to find out more, or see the impact of the fees based on your own circumstances, the Australian Securities and Investment Commission (ASIC) Moneysmart website (www.moneysmart.gov.au) has a managed funds fee calculator to help you check out different fee options.   |

This section shows fees and other costs that you may be charged. These fees and costs may be deducted from your money, from the returns on your investment or from the assets of the managed investment scheme as a whole. Taxes are set out in Section 7 of this PDS. You should read all the information about fees and costs because it is important to understand their impact on your investment.

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| Type of Fee or<br>Cost <sup>1</sup>   | Amount   | How and when paid  |
| Ongoing annual  | Fees and Cost  | ts <sup>2</sup>  |
| Management<br>Fees and Costs<br>The fees and<br>costs for<br>managing your<br>investment                                  | 1.20% p.a. <sup>3</sup> Indirect Costs: Nil <sup>4</sup> | The Trust's Management Fee is 1.20% p.a. of the net asset value of the Trust, calculated daily. The Management Fee is deducted from the assets of the Trust and is paid monthly in arrears to PIML.  |
| Performance<br>Fees<br>Amounts<br>deducted from<br>your investment<br>in relation to the<br>performance of<br>the product | <b>0.81%</b> <sup>5</sup>                                | The Trust's Performance Fee is 15% of the Trust's net return, in excess of the benchmark return. The Performance Fee is calculated and accrued on a daily basis and is paid to PIML at the end of each calendar month where there is a positive aggregate Performance Fee balance. |
| Transaction Costs The costs incurred by the scheme when buying or selling assets  | Nil. <sup>6</sup>  | Transaction Costs are not covered by the buy/sell spread. They are instead paid out of the assets of the Trust at an additional cost to you and are reflected in the Trust's unit price.   |
|   |  | and costs (fees for services or out of the Trust)  |
| Establishment<br>Fee<br>The fee to open<br>your<br>investment   | Nil  | Not Applicable   |
| Contribution Fee The fee on each amount contributed to your investment  | Nil  | Not Applicable   |
| Buy-sell Spread An amount deducted from your investment   | Buy: 0.30%<br>Sell: 0.30%                                | Estimated Transactional Costs are allocated when an investor buys or sells units in the Trust by applying a 'buy spread' and a 'sell   |

| inderstand their impa   | ct off your | investment.   |
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| representing<br>costs incurred in<br>transactions by<br>the scheme    |             | spread'. The buy/sell spreads are an additional cost to you when transacting but, as they are reflected in the unit price of the Trust, they are not charged to you separately. |
| Withdrawal Fee The fee on each amount you take out of your investment | Nil         | Not Applicable  |
| Exit Fee The fee to close your investment                             | Nil         | Not Applicable  |
| Switching Fee The fee for changing investment options                 | Nil         | Not Applicable  |

<sup>1</sup> The Investment Management Fee may be negotiated with wholesale clients. Refer to Section 4 of the Perennial Trusts Additional Information Booklet for further information. <sup>2</sup> The fees are inclusive of the Goods and Services Tax (GST) and take into account any expected Reduced Input Tax Credits (RITCs). Where fees have been quoted to two decimal places, the actual fee may have been rounded up. <sup>3</sup> This fee includes the Investment Management Fee and expense recoveries (excluding any unusual or non-recurrent expenses). This amount is deducted from the Trust's assets as and when incurred. <sup>4</sup> Indirect Costs are calculated with reference to the relevant costs incurred during the financial year ending 30 June 2023. Based on information available as at the date of this PDS, the Trust did not incur any Indirect Costs in the past financial year, although the Trust may incur these costs in the future. <sup>5</sup> The reasonable estimate of the Performance Fee is based on the average of the actual Performance Fees paid over the previous five (5) financial years. <sup>6</sup> Transaction Costs are shown net of any amounts recovered by the Trust from the buy-sell spread charged to transacting investors based on the previous financial year.

#### Additional explanation of fees and costs

#### Investment Management Fee

The Investment Management Fee of 1.20% p.a. of the net asset value of the Trust is payable to PIML for overseeing the management and administration of the Trust. Out of this fee, PIML pays a portion to Perennial for managing the assets of the Trust.

#### **Indirect Costs**

Indirect Costs are the costs incurred in managing the Trust's assets which directly or indirectly reduce the return on the Trust. We are entitled to recover expenses incurred in the proper performance of our duties in respect of the Trust. These normal expenses (such as custody charges, administration and accounting costs, registry fees, audit fees and tax fees), are paid out of the Investment Management

Fee. However, if unusual or nonrecurrent expenses are incurred, such as the expenses incurred in holding a unitholder meeting, PIML reserves the right to deduct these expenses from the Trust's assets. The amount included in the table of fees and costs is calculated with reference to the relevant costs incurred during the financial year ending 30 June 2023, and is based on no unusual or non-recurrent expenses being incurred. However, Indirect Costs for the current financial year and for future years may differ. These Indirect Costs reduce the return on your investment. Indirect Costs do not include Transaction Costs (see 'Transactional and Operational Costs' section below). Updated information on Indirect Costs will be available from www.perennial.net.au/feesandcosts.

#### Performance Fees

Under the Trust constitution, the Responsible Entity is entitled to receive a Performance Fee from the Trust. A Performance Fee of 15% of the Trust's net return in excess of the benchmark return will be calculated and accrued daily as follows.

#### Performance Fee

(Trust's net return - Benchmark return) x Net Trust Value for the previous day x 15%. The daily Performance Fee is the amount that the Trust has outperformed (or underperformed) the benchmark return multiplied by the Net Trust Value for the previous day, with this amount then multiplied by 15%. This daily Performance Fee amount is added to or subtracted from (if the Trust has underperformed) the aggregate Performance Fee amount accrued up until the previous day. If the aggregate Performance Fee amount up to that day is positive, both positive and negative Performance Fee amounts will be reflected in the unit price. If the aggregate Performance Fee up to that day is negative, no Performance Fee amount will be reflected in the unit price. Any negative Performance Fee amount will be brought forward to be offset against any positive Performance Fee in the future. The Performance Fee at the end of each calendar month is the sum of the daily Performance Fees accrued during the month plus any amounts carried over from previous months if the Performance Fee was not paid at the end of the previous calendar month. Once the Performance Fee is paid to the Responsible Entity, the aggregate Performance Fee is set to zero.

While the Performance Fee is calculated and accrued on a daily basis, the Responsible Entity will only be paid the Performance Fee at the end of each calendar month if there is a positive aggregate Performance Fee balance, and the following conditions are satisfied:

- The Trust's net return for that month is positive.
- The Trust has outperformed the benchmark over that month.
- Previous underperformance vs the benchmark is recovered.

Based on the current calculation methodology for the Performance Fee, PIML has estimated that the typical ongoing Performance Fee payable per annum may be \$405, assuming an average account balance of \$50,000 during the year. Prior periods have been taken into account in calculating this estimate. However, this is not a forecast as the actual Performance Fee for the current and future financial years may differ. PIML cannot guarantee that Performance Fees will remain at their previous level or that the performance of the Trust will outperform the benchmark. It is not possible to estimate the actual Performance Fee payable in any given period as we cannot forecast what the performance of the Trust will be, but it will be

reflected in the Management Costs for the Trust for the relevant year. Information on current Performance Fees will be updated from time to time and available from **www.perennial.net.au/feesandcosts**.

#### Transactional and Operational Costs

In managing the assets of the Trust, Transaction Costs such as brokerage, settlement, clearing, stamp duty, and the difference between the actual price paid or received for acquiring or disposing of an asset and its actual value at that time may be incurred by the Trust. These costs are generally incurred as a result of applications or redemptions from the Trust or when the Trust sells or buys assets as part of its day-to-day trading activities.

#### Buy/sell spread

Transactional Costs which arise as a result of applications and redeemptions will be recovered from the applicants and redeeming unitholders in the form of a 'buy spread' and a 'sell spread'. The buy/sell spread is the difference between the entry price and the exit price of the units in the Trust. Buy/sell spreads are not retained by us but rather paid to the Trust to ensure that other unitholders are not disadvantaged by the trading activity arising from applications or redemptions. As at the date of this PDS, the estimated buy/sell spread added on buying or deducted on selling is 0.30%. The following example is based on an application or redemption of \$25,000 in or from the Trust.

|             | Buy/Sell spread | Cost |
|-------------|-----------------|------|
| Application | 0.30%           | \$75 |
| Redemption  | 0.30%           | \$75 |

From time to time, we may vary the buy/sell spread and we will not ordinarily provide prior notice. Any revised spread will be applied uniformly to transacting investors while that spread applies. Updated information on the buy/sell spread will be available from www.perennial.net.au/feesandcosts.

#### Other Transactional Costs

Transaction costs which arise from trading activity to execute the Trust's investment strategy and are not the result of applications into and redemptions from the Trust, are not covered by the buy/sell spread. They are instead paid out of the Trust's assets. These costs are an additional cost to you, are reflected in the Trust's unit price and are not paid to us. The total Transaction Costs for the financial year ending 30 June 2023, was 0.12% of the net asset value of the Trust for the year, of which 100% was recouped via the buy/sell spread when applications and redemptions took place. Transaction Costs did not reduce the net investment return of the Trust. These costs may vary in future.

#### Adviser Fees

PIML does not pay fees to financial advisers of retail investors.

#### Can the fees change?

We have the right to increase the fees or to charge fees not currently levied up to the maximum limits set out in the constitution without your consent. If we choose to exercise this right, we will provide you with thirty (30) days prior written notice.

#### Example of annual fees and costs for the Trust

This table gives an example of how the ongoing annual fees and costs for the Trust can affect your investment over a one (1) year period. You should use this table to compare this product with other products offered by managed investment schemes.

#### Example - Perennial Better Future Trust Balance of \$50,000 with a contribution of \$5,000 during the year. **Contribution Fees** Nil. For every additional \$5,000 you put in, you will be charged \$0. **PLUS Management Fees and Costs** 1.20% AND, for every \$50,000 you have in the Trust you will be charged or have deducted from your investment an estimated \$600 in Management Fees and Costs each year. 0.813% AND, you will be charged or have deducted from your investment \$405 in **PLUS Performance Fees** Performance Fees each year. **PLUS Transaction Costs** Nil. AND, you will be charged or have \$0 deducted from your investment in Transaction Costs each year.

**EQUALS Cost of Trust:** If you had an investment of \$50,000 at the beginning of the year and you invested an additional \$5,000 during the year, you will be charged fees and costs of \$1,005.1 What it costs you will depend on the fees you negotiate with the Trust.

<sup>1</sup> Additional fees may apply. This example assumes the \$5,000 contribution occurs at the end of the first year, therefore Management Fees and Costs are calculated using the \$50,000 balance only. A buy spread of 0.30%, equal to \$15 on a \$5,000 contribution will also apply. This example is based on the fees charged in the previous financial year and as such, assumes no Indirect Costs are payable.

You should read the important information about fees and costs before making a decision. Go to Section 4 of the Perennial Trusts Additional Information Booklet located at **www.perennial.net.au**. The material relating to fees and costs may change between the time when you read this Statement and the day when you acquire the product.

# 7. How managed investment schemes are taxed

WARNING: Investing in a registered managed investment scheme is likely to have tax consequences. You are strongly advised to seek professional tax advice.

The taxation implications from an investment in the Trust can be quite complex and depend on a number of factors, including whether you are a resident or non-resident of Australia for taxation purposes and whether you hold the units as a long-term investment or for short-term trading purposes. The following is a brief summary of taxation information relating to Australian tax residents who hold their Trust units on capital account for income tax purposes:

- Registered managed investment schemes do not pay the tax liability on behalf of Australian resident investors.
- As an investor, you will be assessed for tax on your share of the income and capital gains generated by the Trust.

You should read the important information about taxation before making a decision. Go to Section 5 of the Perennial Trusts Additional Information Booklet located at **www.perennial.net.au**. The material relating to taxation may change between the time when you read this Statement and the day when you acquire the product.

## 8. How to apply

- A Read the current PDS and TMD together with the Perennial Additional Information Booklet.
- **B** Eligible direct investors can invest **online** or alternatively, should complete all sections of the Perennial Trusts application form available from **www.perennial.net.au**. We need to collect this information to comply with Anti-Money Laundering and Counter-Terrorism Financing Legislation.
- **C** Read and sign the declaration in the Perennial Trusts application form.
- D Send your Perennial Trusts application form together with your supporting documents and electronic payment for your initial investment to us (by email to perennial@unitregistry.com.au or by post to the Registry Services postal address set out on Page 1 of this PDS). For an initial investment via BPAY or electronic funds transfer please refer to the application form.

#### Cooling off

If you are a retail client investing directly in the Trust, you have a fourteen (14) day cooling-off period to confirm that the investment meets your needs. If you exercise your cooling off rights, we will return your money to you and no fees will apply. However, the amount you receive will reflect any movement (either up or down) in the unit price of the Trust and takes into account the buy/sell spread, which means that there may be tax implications for you. The fourteen (14) day cooling-off period commences on the earlier of the end of the fifth (5<sup>th</sup>) day after we issue the units to you or within fourteen (14) days from the date you receive confirmation of your transaction.

#### Complaints

If you have a concern or would like to make a complaint, please contact our Client Services Team. We will try to resolve your concern or complaint as quickly and fairly as possible. If you believe that your matter has not been resolved or dealt with satisfactorily, you can lodge a complaint with the Australia Financial Complaints Authority (AFCA). AFCA provides fair and independent financial services complaint resolution that is free to consumers. You can contact AFCA by emailing <code>info@afca.org.au</code>, by calling 1800 931 678 (free call) or by writing to AFCA at GPO Box 3, Melbourne VIC 3001. The dispute resolution process described in this PDS is only available in Australia and is not available in New Zealand.

## 9. Other important information

#### Important Information for New Zealand Investors

This offer made to New Zealand (NZ) investors is a regulated offer made under Australian and NZ law and is principally governed by Australian rather than NZ law. There are differences in how securities are regulated under Australian law. The rights, remedies, and compensation arrangements that apply to Australian securities may differ to those available for investments in NZ securities.

You should read the important information about investments by New Zealand investors before making a decision. Go to Sections 6 and 7 of the Perennial Trusts Additional Information Booklet located at **www.perennial.net.au**. The material relating to investments by New Zealand investors may change between the time when you read this Statement and the day when you acquire the product.