

# **Target Market Determination Funding Investment Trust**

#### Introduction

This Target Market Determination (**TMD**) is required under section 994B of the *Corporations Act 2001* (Cth) (**the Act**). This TMD describes the class of consumers that comprises the target market for the financial product and matters relevant to the product's distribution and review (specifically, distribution conditions, review triggers and periods, and reporting requirements). Distributors must take reasonable steps that will, or are reasonably likely to, result in distribution of the product being consistent with the most recent TMD (unless the distribution is excluded conduct).

This document is **not** a product disclosure statement (**PDS**) and is **not** a complete summary of the product features or terms of the product. This document does not take into account any person's individual objectives, financial situation or needs. Persons interested in acquiring this product should carefully read the PDS for the product before making a decision whether to buy this product.

Important terms used in this TMD are defined in the TMD Definitions which supplement this document. Capitalised terms have the meaning given to them in the product's PDS, unless otherwise defined. The PDS can be obtained on our website at https://www.funding.com.au/invest/investment-trust/

## **Target Market Summary**

This product is intended for a consumer who is seeking income distributions and has a low to medium risk and return profile for that portion of their investment portfolio. It is likely to be consistent with the financial situation and needs of a consumer with a short to medium investment timeframe, low risk/return profile and who does not require access to capital during the term of the investment,





#### **Fund and Issuer identifiers**

Instructions to issuers for table below: Include all codes that are available and omit those that are not relevant to the issuer/product.

Issuer	Melbourne Securities Corporation
Issuer ABN	160 326 545
Issuer AFSL	428289
Fund manager	Funding.com.au Pty Ltd
Fund name	Funding Investment Trust
ARSN	616 185 276
TMD issue date	21 November 2025
TMD Version	V4.0
Distribution status of fund	Available

# **Description of Target Market**

## **TMD** indicator key

The Consumer Attributes for which the product is likely to be appropriate have been assessed using a red and green rating methodology:

In target market	Not in target market
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#### Instructions

In the tables below, Column 1, Consumer Attributes, indicates a description of the likely objectives, financial situation and needs of the class of consumers that are considering this product. Column 2, TMD indicator, indicates whether a consumer meeting the attribute in column 1 is likely to be in the target market for this product.





### **Appropriateness**

The Issuer has assessed the product and formed the view that the product, including its key attributes, is likely to be consistent with the likely objectives, financial situation and needs of consumers in the target market, as the features of this product in Column 3 of the table below are likely to be suitable for consumers with the attributes identified with a green TMD Indicator in Column 2.

#### Investment products and diversification

A consumer (or class of consumer) may intend to hold a product as part of a diversified portfolio (for example, with an intended product use of *minor allocation*). In such circumstances, the product should be assessed against the consumer's attributes for the relevant portion of the portfolio, rather than the consumer's portfolio as a whole. For example, a consumer may seek to construct a balanced or moderate diversified portfolio with a minor allocation to growth assets. In this case, a product with a *High* risk/return profile may be consistent with the consumer's objectives for that *minor allocation* notwithstanding that the risk/return profile of the consumer as a whole is *Medium*. In making this assessment, distributors should consider all features of a product (including its key attributes).



The FSC has provided more detailed guidance on how to take this *portfolio view* for diversification, available on the <u>FSC</u> website.

Consumer attributes	TMD indicator	Product description including key attributes		
Consumer's investment objecti	Consumer's investment objective			
Capital Growth	Not in target market	The Fund provides investors with access to investments in loans, secured by a first		
Capital Preservation	In target market	mortgage, facilitated by Funding.com.au. Investors select which loans they want to invest in based on information provided and receive monthly interest distributions when		
Capital Guaranteed	Not in target market	the Borrowers of those Loans make repayments.		
Income Distribution	In target market			
Consumer's intended product use (% of Investable Assets)				
Solution/Standalone (up to 100%)	Not in target market	The Fund is suitable for investors seeking to invest up to 25% of their total investable		
Major allocation (up to 75%)	Not in target market	assets into the Fund.		
Core component (up to 50%)	Not in target market			





Consumer attributes	TMD indicator	Product description including key attributes		
Minor allocation (up to 25%)	In target market	Each investment option provides investors exposure to a single loan. Investors may		
Satellite allocation (up to 10%)	In target market	elect to diversify by making multiple investments across options.		
Consumer's investment timefra	Consumer's investment timeframe			
Short (< 3 Months)	In target market	Investment options in the Fund vary depending on the underlying loan(s) investors elect		
Medium (3 Months to 2 years)	In target market	to participate in. Loans generally vary in length from 1 month up to 2 years.		
Long (2+ years)	Not in target market			
Consumer's risk (ability to bear	Consumer's risk (ability to bear loss) and return profile			
Low	In target market	The Fund's investment strategy provides investors access to a variety of loans secured		
Medium	In target market	by a registered first mortgage, with maximum loan-to-valuation ratios (LVR) of 70%. The current average LVR across the portfolio of loans is approximately 50%.		
High	Not in target market	can and a stage 2111 delices and persions of loans to approximation 00%.		
Very high	Not in target market			
Extremely high	Not in target market			
Consumer's need to access capital				
At maturity of investment	In target market	Investors will have the opportunity to participate in a specific underlying loan for a		
Within one week of request	Not in target market	specified term (usually between 1 month and 2 years). The Issuer does not allow withdrawal or redemption of capital (other than withdrawal of interest earned on the		
Within one month of request	Not in target market	investment) during the term of an investment.		
Within three months of request	Not in target market	Access to capital will only be available at the maturity of the underlying loan and is		
Within one year or more of request	Not in target market	subject to the risk of repayment by the Borrower.  The product is <b>not</b> intended for consumers who may require access to capital before the end of the applicable underlying loan term.		





#### **Distribution conditions/restrictions**

Distribution methods	Distribution conditions	Distributors this condition applies to
Direct distribution (Retail Consumers)	The Fund is suitable for direct distribution to <b>retail</b> investors where:  a) The distributor is reasonably satisfied that the consumer is within the Target Market of the product; and,  b) The distributor has a process to validate the consumers intended product use matches that of this TMD, either via screening questions or similar; and,  c) The distributor has arrangements in place with the Product Issuer to provide distribution reports.	All
Direct distribution (Wholesale Consumers)	The Fund is suitable for direct distribution to <b>wholesale</b> investors where:  a) The distributor is reasonably satisfied that the consumer is within the Target Market of the product.	All
Platform/Wrap Providers	Not suitable for distribution.	All
Financial Advisors	Suitable for distribution where the product is being acquired under personal financial advice.	All

# **Review triggers**

Material change to key attributes, fund investment objective and/or fees.

Material deviation from benchmark / objective over sustained period.

Key attributes have not performed as disclosed by a material degree and for a material period.

Determination by the issuer of an ASIC reportable Significant Dealing.

Material or unexpectedly high number of complaints (as defined in section 994A(1) of the Act) about the product or distribution of the product.

The use of Product Intervention Powers, regulator orders or directions that affects the product.

## **Mandatory TMD review periods**





Review period	Maximum period for review
Initial review	Within 12 months from the issue date
Subsequent review	At least annually following the initial review

## **Distributor reporting requirements**

Reporting requirement	Reporting period	Which distributors this requirement applies to
Complaints (as defined in section 994A(1) of the Act) relating to the product. The distributor should provide all the content of the complaint, having regard to privacy.	As soon as practicable but no later than 10 business days following end of calendar quarter.	All distributors
Significant dealing outside of target market, under section 994F(6) of the Act. See Definitions for further detail.	As soon as practicable but no later than 10 business days after distributor becomes aware of the significant dealing.	All distributors

If practicable, distributors should adopt the FSC data standards for reports to the issuer. Distributors must report to the product issuer via compliance@msc.group or to the Fund Manager via invest@funding.com.au

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## **Definitions**

In some instances, examples have been provided below. These examples are indicative only and not exhaustive.

Term	Definition	
Consumer's investment objective		
Capital Growth	The consumer seeks to invest in a product designed or expected to generate capital return over the investment timeframe. The consumer prefers exposure to growth assets (such as shares or property) or otherwise seeks an investment return above the current inflation rate.	
Capital Preservation	The consumer seeks to invest in a product designed or expected to have low volatility and minimise capital loss. The consumer prefers exposure to defensive assets that are generally lower in risk and less volatile than growth investments (this may include cash or fixed income securities).	
Income Distribution	The consumer seeks to invest in a product designed or expected to distribute regular and/or tax-effective income. The consumer prefers exposure to income-generating assets (this may include high dividend-yielding equities, fixed income securities and money market instruments).	
Consumer's intended product use	(% of Investable Assets)	
Solution/Standalone (up to 100%)	The consumer may hold the investment as up to 100% of their total <i>investable assets</i> .  The consumer is likely to seek a product with <i>very high</i> portfolio diversification.	
Major allocation (up to 75%)	The consumer may hold the investment as up to 75% of their total <i>investable assets</i> .  The consumer is likely to seek a product with at least <i>high</i> portfolio diversification.	
Core Component (up to 50%)	The consumer may hold the investment as up to 50% of their total <i>investable assets</i> .  The consumer is likely to seek a product with at least <i>medium</i> portfolio diversification.	
Minor allocation (up to 25%)	The consumer may hold the investment as up to 25% of their total <i>investable assets</i> .  The consumer is likely to seek a product with at least <i>low</i> portfolio diversification.	
Satellite allocation (up to 10%)	The consumer may hold the investment as up to 10% of the total <i>investable assets</i> .  The consumer may seek a product with <i>very low</i> portfolio diversification.  Products classified as <i>extremely high</i> risk are likely to meet this category only.	





Term	Definition	
Investable Assets	Those assets that the investor has available for investment, excluding the residential home.	
Portfolio diversification (for completin	g the key product attribute section of consumer's intended product use)	
Note: exposures to cash and cash-like in:	struments may sit outside the diversification framework below.	
Very low	The product provides exposure to a single asset (for example, a commercial property) or a niche asset class (for example, minor commodities, crypto-assets or collectibles).	
Low	The product provides exposure to a small number of holdings (for example, fewer than 25 securities) or a narrow asset class, sector or geographic market (for example, a single major commodity (e.g. gold) or equities from a single emerging market economy).	
Medium	The product provides exposure to a moderate number of holdings (for example, up to 50 securities) in at least one broad asset class, sector or geographic market (for example, Australian fixed income securities or global natural resources).	
High	The product provides exposure to a large number of holdings (for example, over 50 securities) in multiple broad asset classes, sectors or geographic markets (for example, global equities).	
Very high	The product provides exposure to a large number of holdings across a broad range of asset classes, sectors <u>and</u> geographic markets with limited correlation to each other.	
Consumer's intended investment timeframe		
Minimum	The minimum suggested timeframe for holding the product. Typically, this is the rolling period over which the investment objective of the product is likely to be achieved.	
Consumer's risk (ability to bear loss) and return profile		





## Term Definition

This TMD uses the Standard Risk Measure (SRM) to estimate the likely number of negative annual returns for this product over a 20 year period, using the guidance and methodology outlined in the **Standard Risk Measure Guidance Paper For Trustees** (note the bands in the SRM guidance differ from the bands used in this TMD): see <a href="https://www.fsc.org.au/web-page-resources/fsc-guidance-notes/2316-fsc-gn29">https://www.fsc.org.au/web-page-resources/fsc-guidance-notes/2316-fsc-gn29</a>. However, SRM is not a complete assessment of risk and potential loss. For example, it does not detail important issues such as the potential size of a negative return (including under conditions of market stress) or that a positive return could still be less than a consumer requires to meet their investment objectives/needs. The SRM methodology may be supplemented by other risk factors. For example, some products may use leverage, derivatives or short selling; may have liquidity or withdrawal limitations; may have underlying investments with valuation risks or risks of capital loss; or otherwise may have a complex structure or increased investment risks, which should be documented together with the SRM to substantiate the product risk rating.

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Low	For the relevant part of the consumer's portfolio, the consumer:	
	has a conservative or low risk appetite,	
	<ul> <li>seeks to minimise volatility and potential losses (e.g. has the ability to bear up to 1 negative return</li> </ul>	
	over a 20 year period (SRM 1 to 2)), and	
	is comfortable with a low target return profile.	
	The consumer typically prefers stable, defensive assets (such as cash).	
Medium	For the relevant part of the consumer's portfolio, the consumer:	
	has a moderate or medium risk appetite,	
	<ul> <li>seeks low volatility and potential losses (e.g. has the ability to bear up to 4 negative returns over a</li> </ul>	
	20 year period (SRM 3 to 5)), and	
	<ul> <li>is comfortable with a moderate target return profile.</li> </ul>	
	The consumer typically prefers defensive assets (for example, fixed income).	
High	For the relevant part of the consumer's portfolio, the consumer:	
	has a high risk appetite,	
	<ul> <li>can accept high volatility and potential losses (e.g. has the ability to bear up to 6 negative returns</li> </ul>	
	over a 20 year period (SRM 5 or 6)), and	
	<ul> <li>seeks high returns (typically over a medium or long timeframe).</li> </ul>	
	The consumer typically prefers growth assets (for example, shares and property).	





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Very high	<ul> <li>For the relevant part of the consumer's portfolio, the consumer:</li> <li>has a very high risk appetite,</li> <li>can accept very high volatility and potential losses (e.g. has the ability to bear 6 to 7 negative returns over a 20 year period (SRM 6 or 7)), and</li> <li>seeks to maximise returns (typically over a medium or long timeframe).</li> </ul>
	The consumer typically prefers high growth assets (such as high conviction portfolios, hedge funds, and alternative investments).
Extremely high	For the relevant part of the consumer's portfolio, the consumer: <ul> <li>has an extremely high risk appetite,</li> <li>can accept significant volatility and losses, and</li> <li>seeks to obtain accelerated returns (potentially in a short timeframe).</li> </ul>
	The consumer seeks extremely high risk, speculative or complex products which may have features such as significant use of derivatives, leverage or short positions or may be in emerging or niche asset classes (for example, crypto-assets or collectibles).

## Consumer's need to access capital

This consumer attribute addresses the likely period of time between the making of a request for redemption/withdrawal (or access to investment proceeds more generally) and the receipt of proceeds from this request under ordinary circumstances. Issuers should consider both the frequency for accepting the request and the length of time to accept, process and distribute the proceeds of such a request. To the extent that the liquidity of the underlying investments or possible liquidity constraints (e.g. ability to stagger or delay redemptions) could impact this, this is to be taken into consideration in aligning the product to the consumer's need to access capital. Where a product is held on investment platforms, distributors also need to factor in the length of time platforms take to process requests for redemption for underlying investments. Where access to investment proceeds from the product is likely to occur through a secondary market, the liquidity of the market for the product should be considered.





Term	Definition	
Distributor reporting		
Significant dealings	Section 994F(6) of the Act requires distributors to notify the issuer if they become aware of a significant dealing in the product that is not consistent with the TMD. Neither the Act nor ASIC defines when a dealing is 'significant' and distributors have discretion to apply its ordinary meaning.	
	The issuer will rely on notifications of significant dealings to monitor and review the product, this TMD, and its distribution strategy, and to meet its own obligation to report significant dealings to ASIC.	
	Dealings outside this TMD may be significant because:	
	<ul> <li>they represent a material proportion of the overall distribution conduct carried out by the distributor in relation to the product, or</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>they constitute an individual transaction which has resulted in, or will or is likely to result in, significant detriment to the consumer (or class of consumer).</li> </ul>	
	In each case, the distributor should have regard to:	
	<ul> <li>the nature and risk profile of the product (which may be indicated by the product's risk rating or withdrawal timeframes),</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>the actual or potential harm to a consumer (which may be indicated by the value of the consumer's investment, their intended product use or their ability to bear loss), and</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>the nature and extent of the inconsistency of distribution with the TMD (which may be indicated by the number of red and/or amber ratings attributed to the consumer).</li> </ul>	
	Objectively, a distributor may consider a dealing (or group of dealings) outside the TMD to be significant if:	
	it constitutes more than half of the distributor's total retail product distribution conduct in relation to the product over the quarter,      the consumer's intended product use is solution/standalone.	
	<ul> <li>the consumer's intended product use is solution/standalone,</li> <li>the consumer's intended product use is core component or higher and the consumer's risk/return profile is low, or</li> </ul>	
	the relevant product has a green rating for consumers seeking extremely high risk/return.	

