

mFund Industry Working Group

ASX Investment Products

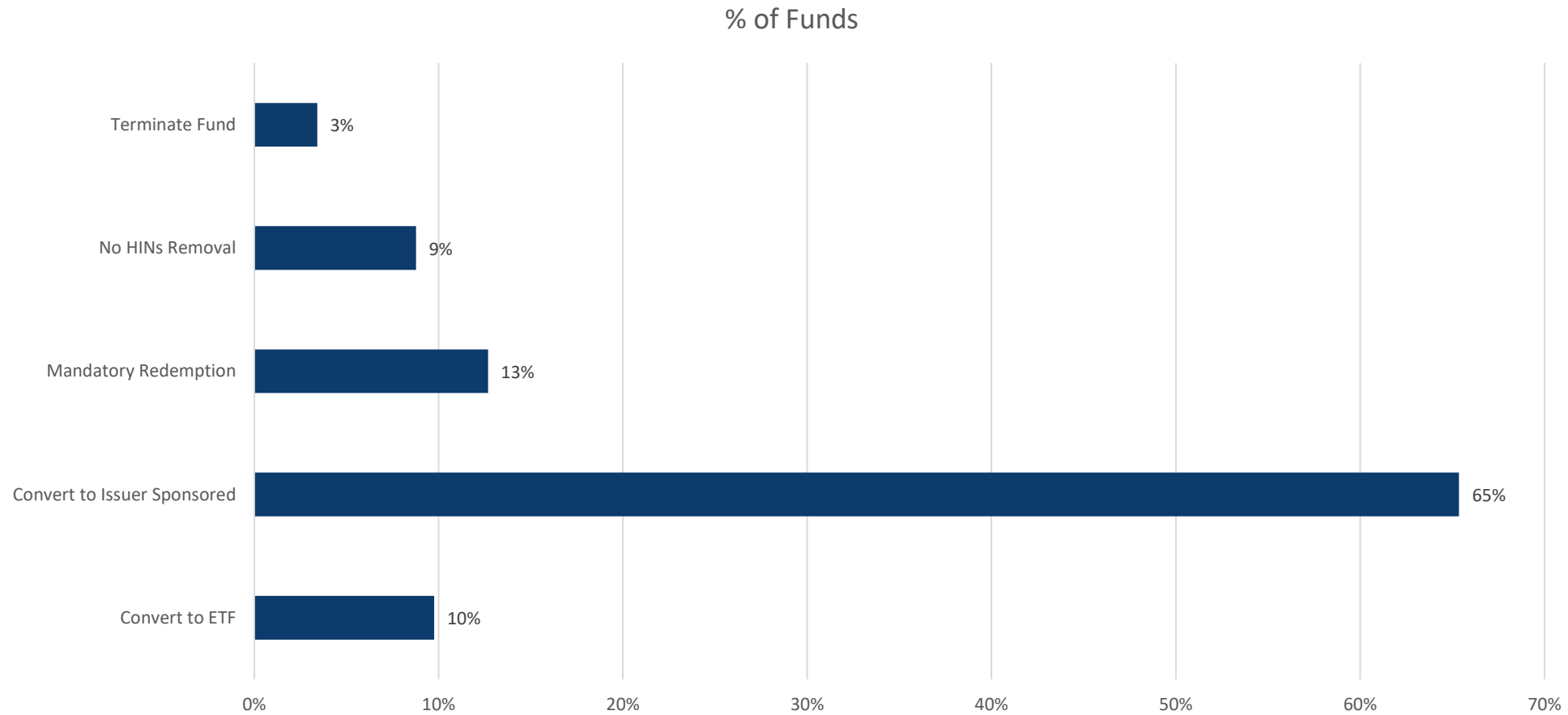
31 July 2024

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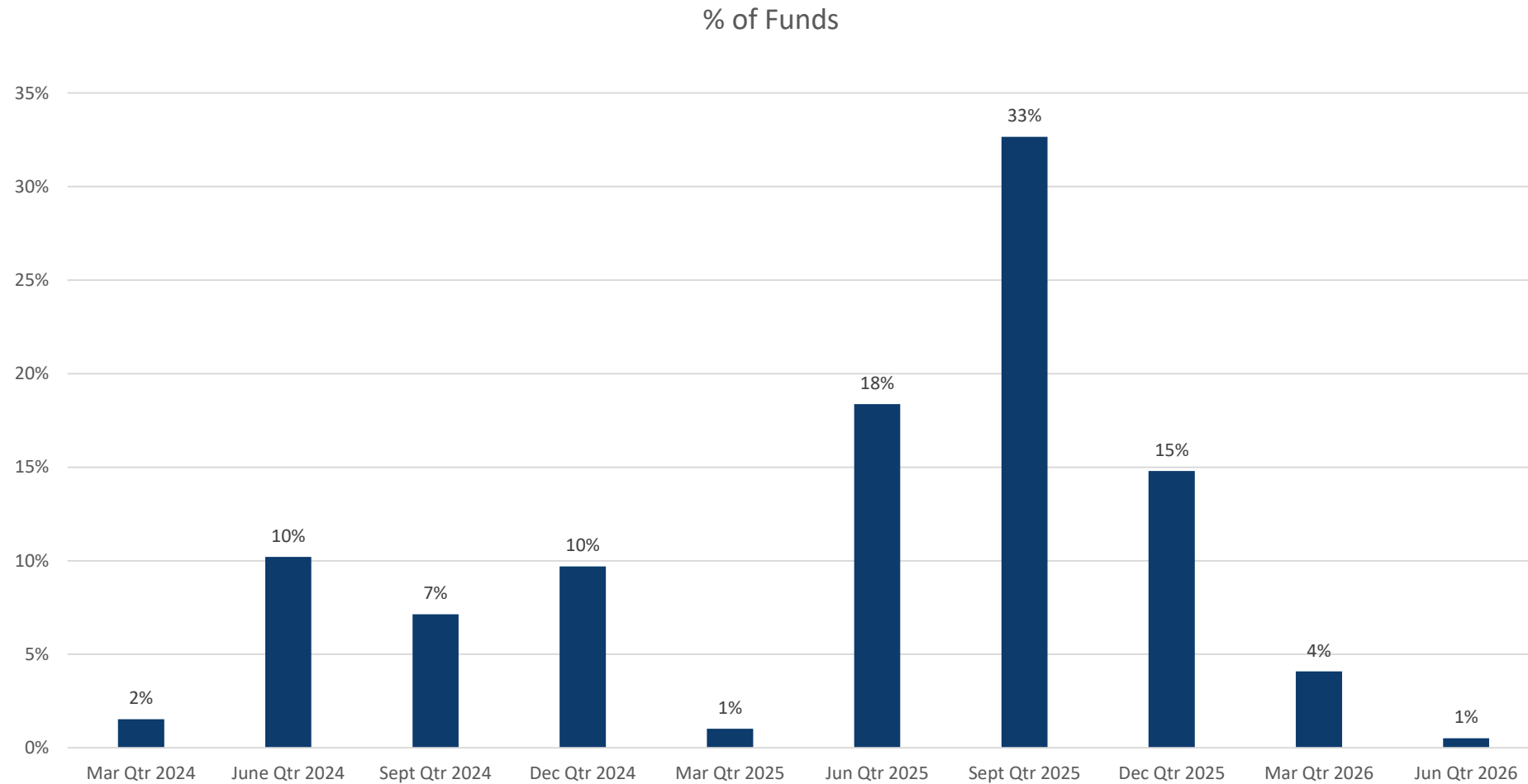
1. Emerging Trends

Removal Strategy



1. Emerging Trends

Target Removal Date from mFund



2. Removals Process Deep Dive

Step 1

Determine Your Removal Date

Step 2

Schedule Key Actions with ASX

Step 3

Send a Removal Request letter to ASX

Step 4

Issuer Market Announcements on ASX

Step 4 (a)

Issuer Market Announcements on ASX (Fund Status Changes)

Step 5

Liaise with Registry & ASX During Removal Phase

Step 1 – Determine Your Removal Date

Considerations

1. Number of Unitholders
2. Communications Plan to Unitholders
3. PDS Roll Dates
4. Schedule with Registry
5. Trends
 - Usually a Monday
 - Usually at the end of the month or quarter

Step 2 – Schedule Key Actions with ASX

Via the Removal Checklist

Key Actions:

- 1) Fund Removal Date
- 2) Blackout Dates – the 5 working days prior to the Removal Date
- 3) Dates that the Issuer will publish Market Announcements on ASX Online
 - Date of Announcement that Fund is being removed (minimum 30 days prior to Removal date) – *compulsory*
 - Date when fund becomes Closed to New Investors (but BAU for existing investors) – *optional*
 - Date when fund becomes Closed to All Applications and Redemptions (first day of the blackout period) – *compulsory*
- 4) Date that the Registry will adjust CHESS Holdings to Nil – last day of the blackout period

The Checklist will also ask for:

- 1) Fund particulars: Fund Name, ASX Code, #unitholders
- 2) Confirmation of Issuer's right to remove/terminate fund, AQUA product Issuer status

ASX Project Manager will work with Issuer to compile the Checklist

mFund Removals Checklist
4 June 2024

The purpose of this document is to assist AQUA Product issuers (the 'Issuer') when seeking the removal of **mFund** Products in response to the closure of the ASX Managed Fund Settlement Service on 31 May 2026.

ASX requests the information in the table below from issuers which will be used to revoke an **mFund** Product from the admission for settlement through the ASX Managed Fund Settlement Service.

The formal request for revocation should:

- 1) be formatted as a letter on issuer letterhead,
- 2) contain the table below with highlighted fields populated
- 3) **signed** by any person who has the authority to request the removal from the ASX Managed Fund Settlement Service.

The issuer should also seek confirmation that it's appointed PSP and/or unit registry understands the timetable for removal and is aware of the last date to accept further applications and redemptions. During the blackout period, issuers should remind their PSP to reject any orders during this timeframe. ASX will remove the **mFund** products once confirmation is received from the issuer that CHESS Holdings have been reduced to Nil. Once this confirmation is received, ASX will remove the **mFund** product as soon as possible, either on the same day or next business day.

The request for revocation should be sent to investmentproducts.compliance@asx.com.au and cc'd to Ashley.Parker@asx.com.au. The removal decision will be communicated to the issuer in writing by the Investment Products Compliance team via email.

mFund Product Removal Checklist	Issuer to insert
1. Issuer Name	Please insert
2. mFund Product Name and ASX code	Please list all mFund Products to be removed
3. Number of investors in each product	Please insert
4. Basis for removal	ASX's decision to terminate the mFund service
5. Proposed removal from mFund	Insert date
6. Blackout period (last application and redemption dates through mFund Settlement Service)	Insert dates
7. PSP adjustment of CHESS Holdings to Nil	Insert date
8. mFund profile updating Fund Status to Closed to New Applications	Insert date
9. Market Announcement (to confirm removal date and blackout period lodged on ASX Online)	Insert date
10. If the fund is terminating, rights to terminate under the fund's constitution	If applicable, please insert reference
11. Unitholder approval for the removal of products from mFund required	Yes/No
12. Revocation of AQUA Product Issuer required	Yes/No

Step 3 – Send a Removal Request letter to ASX

Requirements

1. Must be on Issuer Letterhead & addressed to ASX
2. Signed by person authorised by Issuer to give instruction to ASX
3. Must contain the Removal Checklist

Send to InvestmentProducts.Compliance@asx.com.au,
cc to the ASX Project Manager ashley.parker@asx.com.au

Step 4 – Issuer Market Announcements on ASX

Lodged by the Issuer/RE on ASX Online

Before publishing announcements, you will need:

- Login's to ASX Online
- Current version of your Fund Profile
 - Location: <https://www.asx.com.au/mfund/fund-information.htm>
 - The Fund Profile contains the Fund Status field

TIDM	Name	Sector	Launch Date	Fund Size	ISIN	APIR Code	Media	PDS Link	Fund Profile Link
4DI01	4D Global Infrastructure A	Equity - Infrastructure	07/03/2016	\$268.1m	AU60BFL00191	BFL0019AU			
AAF01	Alexander Credit Income	Fixed Int - Diversified Credit	07/12/2018	\$516.3m	AU60ETL28056	ETL2805AU	N/A		
ACA05	AMP Capital Multi-Asset	Mixed Asset - Flexible	02/12/2010	\$98.5m	AU60AMP90282	AMP9028AU	N/A		
ACC01	IPAC AMP Capital Income Generator	Mixed Asset - Balanced	04/05/2010	\$690.5m	AU60IPA01741	IPA0174AU	N/A		
ACY01	Armytage Australian Equity Income	Equity - Australia Equity Income	13/07/2007	\$39.6m	AU60ETL01483	ETL0148AU	N/A		
ACY02	Armytage Strategic Opportunities Wholesale	Equity - Australia	20/06/2005	\$15.2m	AU60ETL01392	ETL0139AU	N/A		
AET01	Australian Ethical High Growth Wholesale	Equity - Global	18/02/2010	\$85.2m	AU60AUG00200	AUG0020AU	N/A		

Step 4 – Issuer Market Announcements on ASX

Lodged by the Issuer/RE on ASX Online

Issuer logs onto ASX Online to publish their Market Announcements

1) Announcement of Fund Closure (minimum 30 days from Removal Date) – generally a letter/memorandum style format containing:

- 1) Removal date
- 2) Blackout date
- 3) Any other relevant information for Unitholders
- 4) Should dovetail with other Unitholder communications
- 5) See published examples

2) Fund Status Updates – upload a version of your Fund Profile updating the Fund Status field

- 1) Date when fund becomes **Closed to New Investors** (but BAU for existing investors) - *optional*
- 2) Date when fund becomes **Closed to All Applications and Redemptions** (first day of the blackout period) - *compulsory*

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- Company Details**
 - Details
 - Address
 - Directors/Management
 - Key Dates Calendar
 - Company Logo
- E-lodgement centre**
 - E-lodge PDF Announcement
 - E-lodge mFund Announcement**
 - Status of Announcements
 - Create Online Forms
 - Manage Online Forms
 - User Email Preferences
 - External Notifications
- User Details**
 - Update My Details
 - Update My Password
 - Logout
- Help**
 - Help

E-lodge mFund Announcement

Insert Announcement :

Choose file No file chosen

Announcement Type :

select

Users are able to amend title in the Announcement Header section

Announcement Header :

(Note: This may be released to market)

mFund Code :

Contact Name :

Contact Phone :

Password :

Please use your password - NOT pin

NEXT

Cancel

Click NEXT to preview the announcement prior to lodgement.

Step 4a – Issuer Market Announcements on ASX (Fund Status Changes)

Location: <https://www.asx.com.au/mfund/fund-information.htm>



Options to change the Fund Status are:

- Open for all Applications & Redemptions Open
- Closed for all Applications & Redemptions Open
- **Closed for New Investors & Redemptions Open**
- **Closed for All Applications and Redemptions**
- Applications and Redemptions suspended for End of Year processing

Blank Fund Profile template is available

Use only

Fund Profile - Fidelity Australian Equities Fund

This Fund Profile provides information about key features of this fund. Although this is important information, investors and advisers should also read the Product Disclosure Statement prepared by the Issuer for this fund before making any decision to invest in it.

Field Name	Definition
APIR Code	FID0008AU
ISIN	AU60FID00086
ASX Code	FIL08
Issuer Name	FIL Responsible Entity (Australia) Limited, AFSL No. 409340
Product Name	Fidelity Australian Equities Fund
Unit Registry	Link Market Services
Asset Class	Australian Securities
Manager Style	Active

RFP Max Amount	Not Applicable
RWP Indicator	Not Applicable
RWP Min Amount	Not Applicable
RWP Max Amount	Not Applicable
Current Fund Status	Open to Applications and Redemptions
Fund Specific Restrictions	Minimum holding \$25,000. Applications into the Fund through mFund are limited to individuals and superannuation funds.

Step 5 – Liaise with Registry & ASX During Removal Phase

Issuer to communicate with Registry & ASX as follows:

1. First Day of Blackout Period - Ensure Registry is aware that Blackout Period has commenced
2. Removal Date
 - 1) Obtain confirmation from Registry that CHESS Holdings have been removed
 - 2) Provide written confirmation to ASX that CHESS Holdings have been removed

Send to InvestmentProducts.Compliance@asx.com.au,
cc to the ASX Project Manager ashley.parker@asx.com.au

ASX will 'end date' the security and publish its own Market Notice on ASX Online stating that fund has been removed

3. Sub Projects Update

1. Fee Waiver Update

- Credit Notes issued in June for Jan & Feb mFund fees
- Some queries from issuer finance teams

2. Investor Details Update

- Key Brokers currently working with registries on updating unitholder contact details to facilitate communication with investors
- Needs vary from registry to registry
- Talk to your registry for specific details

3. Financial Services Council AML/KYC Update

- FSC is seeking clarification of AML/KYC requirements from AUSTRAC
- Contact FSC for details (Ashley Davies, Policy Director-Legal)

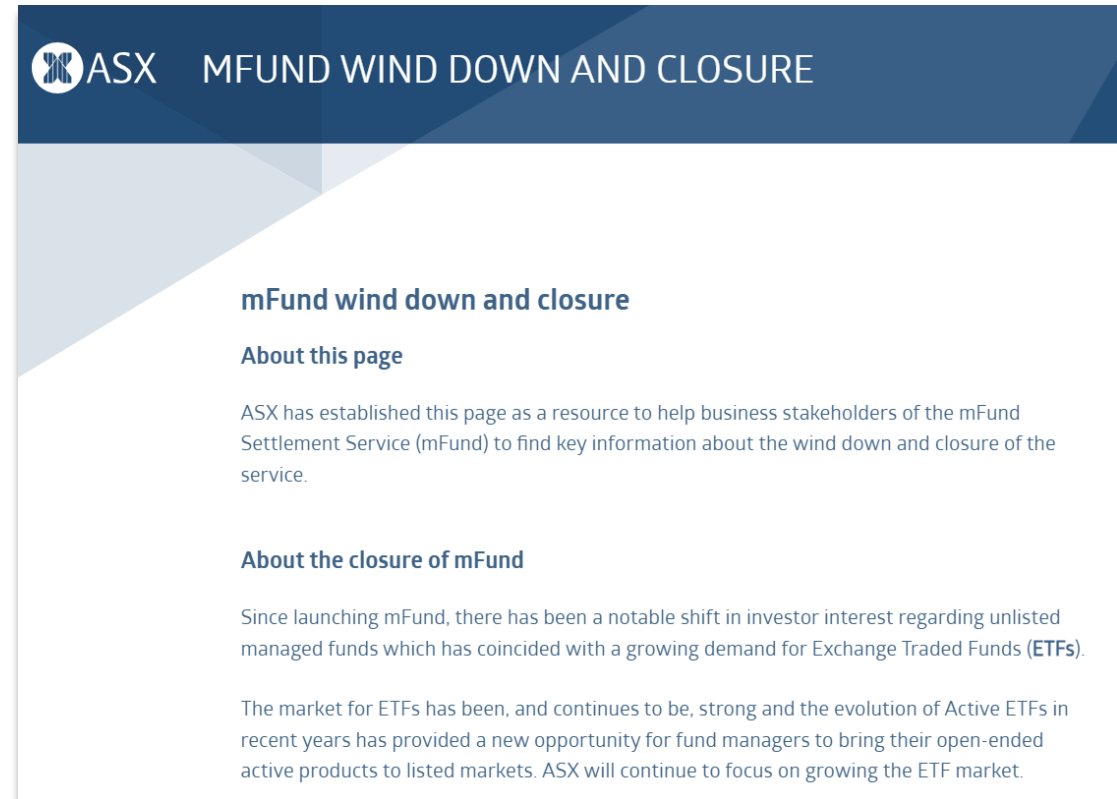
4. Removals Checklist Update

- Will be posted to website page by end of this week

4. Resources Page on Website

mFund Wind Down & Closure Page on ASX Online¹

- All IWG Meeting Presentation Decks
- Removals Checklist
- mFund to ETF Conversion Questionnaire



The screenshot shows the ASX website page for 'MFUND WIND DOWN AND CLOSURE'. The page has a dark blue header with the ASX logo and the title. Below the header, the main content area is white with a light blue diagonal graphic on the left. The content includes a section title 'mFund wind down and closure', a sub-section 'About this page' with a paragraph explaining the page's purpose, and another sub-section 'About the closure of mFund' with two paragraphs detailing the market shift and ASX's focus on ETFs.

ASX MFUND WIND DOWN AND CLOSURE

mFund wind down and closure

About this page

ASX has established this page as a resource to help business stakeholders of the mFund Settlement Service (mFund) to find key information about the wind down and closure of the service.

About the closure of mFund

Since launching mFund, there has been a notable shift in investor interest regarding unlisted managed funds which has coincided with a growing demand for Exchange Traded Funds (ETFs).

The market for ETFs has been, and continues to be, strong and the evolution of Active ETFs in recent years has provided a new opportunity for fund managers to bring their open-ended active products to listed markets. ASX will continue to focus on growing the ETF market.

¹ <https://asxonline.com/public/documents/asx-managed-fund-settlement-service--mfund-/mfund-wind-down-and-closure.html>

5. Future Meeting Dates

Wednesday 31st July, 11am

Wednesday 18th September, 11am

Wednesday 30th October, 11am

6. Key Contacts

Please email mFund@asx.com.au for general enquiries or to commence the removal process.
Alternatively, please contact any of the following team members if you have further questions.

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Other Business & Questions



