JUNE ANALYSIS
UK investor sentiment remains at near record levels despite a slight drop this month, by -0.4% to 6.66%. Overall sentiment is up 3.87% on this time last year. Investors are feeling particularly positive towards UK shares. In June, sentiment towards UK shares is up 4.42%, from 6.96% to 13.38%. Over a 12 month horizon, UK shares are up 7.04% suggesting that investors are more confident about the prospects of the UK than they were a year ago.

UK investor confidence in Europe is also rebounding, aided by greater political certainty such as Macron's election in France. Eurozone shares saw the biggest rise in sentiment this month with an increase of 5.20% from -17.13% to -11.93%. Although they remain in negative territory at -11.93%, rising sentiment is still encouraging Europe's prospects.

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Looking across the last year, Eurozone shares (up 24.27%), Emerging Market shares (up 14.49%) and Japanese equities (up 12.31%) have seen the biggest increases in popularity.

The performance of asset classes over the last month shows positive change with all but two asset classes (UK property and commodities) improving their performance this month. In June, it was Eurozone shares that performed the best at 6.42%, followed by Emerging Market shares at 3.98%. Commodities meanwhile was the biggest faller to -3.98%.

Year-on-year it was a positive story as well with every asset class apart from commodities improving their performance since this time last year. UK shares improved the most since this time last year at 19.35%, followed by UK Property (down -7.2%) and UK Property (down -2.4%) improving their performance since this time last year. UK shares improved the most since this time last year at 19.35%.

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