CT UK Capital & Income Investment Trust PLC



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Manager Commentary

During March, the UK stock market performed strongly. It was helped by generally favourable economic statistics, particularly on inflation as UK consumer price inflation in the year to February was 3.4%. Although this remains well above the Bank of England's 2% target, it was lower than widely forecast, showing considerable improvement from the 4% recorded for January, and was the lowest level for 2.5 years. The statistic for economic growth released in March showed gross domestic product (GDP) was estimated to have grown by 0.2% in January 2024 – at least a return to growth following the fall of 0.1% in December 2023.

The FTSE All-Share Index rose by 4.8% during March, just a fraction above the 4.7% growth in our net asset value per share, including income. Our portfolio's performance was resilient as, during the month, one of our most significant shareholdings had a profit warning. OSB reported its results for the year to December 2023 and these were a little ahead of most forecasts; however, it also announced current trading margins that are lower than expectations, resulting in a sharp fall in the share price. For March as a whole, OSB's share price fell more than 9%. While very disappointing, it is worth highlighting that even on these lower estimates, OSB is still expected to generate an attractive return on equity and its valuation appears extraordinarily low.

The portfolio showed the advantages of diversification as positives elsewhere managed to offset this negative impact on performance. In particular, we benefited from the very strong share price rise of Vistry, driven by its encouraging results and an improving rating as other investors warm to its changing business model.

It is also noticeable that the UK equity market is attracting an increasing number of takeover approaches. For us, that meant a sharp rise in the share price of DS Smith as it attracted competing bids from two industry peers. We have invested in DS Smith for many years and viewed its share price as undervaluing its prospects. This is probably true across many other UK-listed companies and the growing swell of takeover approaches is strong evidence to back this up.

Key risks

Stock market movements may cause the value of investments and the income from them to fall as well as rise and investors may not get back the amount originally invested. Changes in rates of exchange may have an adverse effect on the value, price or income of investments. If markets fall, gearing can magnify the negative impact on performance.

Key facts as at 31.03.24

Trust aims: To generate long-term capital and income growth from a portfolio consisting mainly of FTSE All-Share companies.

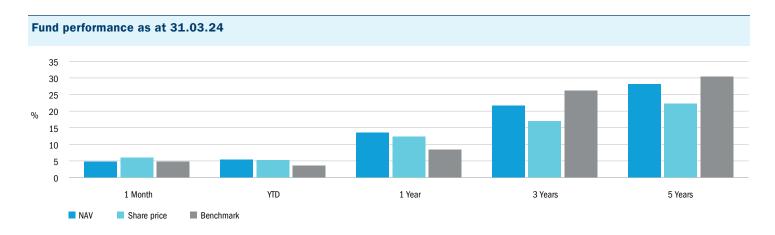
Trust highlights:

- A recognised "AIC Dividend Hero", our dividend has increased every year since launch in 1992 and grown at almost twice the rate of inflation.
- · Investor demand remains robust and the Company's shares continue to trade close to the underlying Net Asset Value.

See page 4 for more information on dividend growth

FTSE All-Share Index
Investment Trust
1992
£366.2m
319.00p
333.42p
n(-/+): -4.32%
dates: Mar, Jun, Sep, Dec
3.84%
ash*: 5.7%
ate**: 0.40%
None
0.66%
30 September
UK Equity Income
Sterling
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^{**}Ongoing charges calculated in accordance with AIC recommendations. Please refer to the latest annual report as to how the fee is structured.



Cumulative performance as at 31.03.24 (%)						
	1 Month	Year to date	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	
NAV	4.73	5.37	13.42	21.69	28.05	
Share price	5.90	5.20	12.31	16.89	22.24	
Benchmark	4.75	3.57	8.43	26.14	30.34	

Discrete annual performance as at 31.03.24 (%)					
	2024/23	2023/22	2022/21	2021/20	2020/19
NAV	13.42	-1.00	8.38	36.70	-23.02
Share price	12.31	-5.23	9.83	35.50	-22.82
Benchmark	8.43	2.92	13.03	26.71	-18.45

Past performance is not a guide to future performance. Source: Thomson Reuters Eikon, Lipper and Columbia Threadneedle Investments. Basis: Percentage growth, total return, bid to bid price with net income reinvested in sterling. The discrete performance table refers to 12 month periods, ending at the date shown.

Trust codes	
Stock exchange	СТИК
Sedol	346328
Legal Entity Identifier	21380052ETTRKV2A6Y19

	Portfolio Weight	Benchmark Weight	Difference	Sector
Intermediate Capital	5.8	0.2	5.6	Financials
Vistry	5.5	0.2	5.3	Consumer Discretionary
AstraZeneca	5.2	6.7	-1.5	Health Care
LondonMetric Property	4.9	0.2	4.7	Real Estate
OSB Group	4.7	0.1	4.6	Financials
RELX	4.6	2.8	1.8	Consumer Discretionary
Unilever	4.3	4.2	0.1	Consumer Staples
Burford Capital	4.0	0.0	4.0	Financials
Legal & General Group	3.8	0.6	3.2	Financials
Beazley	3.7	0.2	3.5	Financials

Sector breakdown (%) 28.8 Financials Consumer Discretionary 18.0 Industrials 13.6 Consumer Staples 10.2 Health Care 9.2 Real Estate 6.2 Energy 5.3 Utilities 4.0 Basic Materials Technology 1.2

Net dividend distributions pence per share						
	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
March	2.55	2.65	2.65	2.65	2.75	2.85
June	2.55	2.55	2.60	2.65	2.75	
September	2.55	2.55	2.60	2.65	2.75	
December	3.75	3.75	3.75	3.85	3.90	
Total	11.40	11.50	11.60	11.80	12.15	2.85

Investment trust shares are sold via the stock exchange at the bid price. This price is determined by supply and demand.
Income paid to shareholders by the company they invest in.
A key measure of the value of a company or trust – the total value of assets less liabilities, divided by the number of shares.





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All data as at 31.03.2024 unless otherwise stated.

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CT UK Capital and Income Investment Trust seeks to achieve its objective of long-term capital and income growth by investing in companies with good long-term prospects which may not be fully reflected in their share prices; many of its stocks have a higher than average dividend yield. While the majority of holdings are in large and mid-cap UK companies, the Trust also invests in some smaller companies.

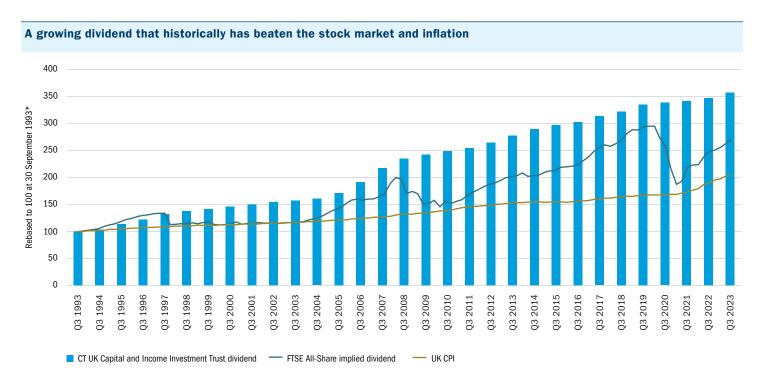
The Trust has built up an impressive record of paying dividends. In every year since the Trust's launch in 1992, it has succeeded in increasing the dividend paid to investors. Since 1998, the Trust has beaten the average dividend paid by the broad UK stock market (as represented by the FTSE All-Share Index). It has also significantly outpaced the rate of inflation as measured by the CPI (Consumer Price Index).

Maintaining a diversified portfolio helps reduce risk and improves reliability. The fund manager has the flexibility to invest internationally to help secure superior dividends at the right price. The fund manager's approach allows the Trust to achieve long-term growth in both income and capital.

With dividends paid four times a year, the Trust is a great option for investors looking for a regular income. For investors with a longer-term horizon, taking the option to reinvest the dividends could be a highly effective way of increasing the total return from their investment.

All in all this Trust is an effective solution for investors who want long-term capital and income growth.

Past performance is not a guide to future results. The value of investments can go down as well as up and you may not get back the full amount that you invested.



^{*}All three data series have been rebased to 100 as at 30 September 1993, the end of the Columbia Threadneedle Investments Capital and Income's first year, to allow direct comparison.