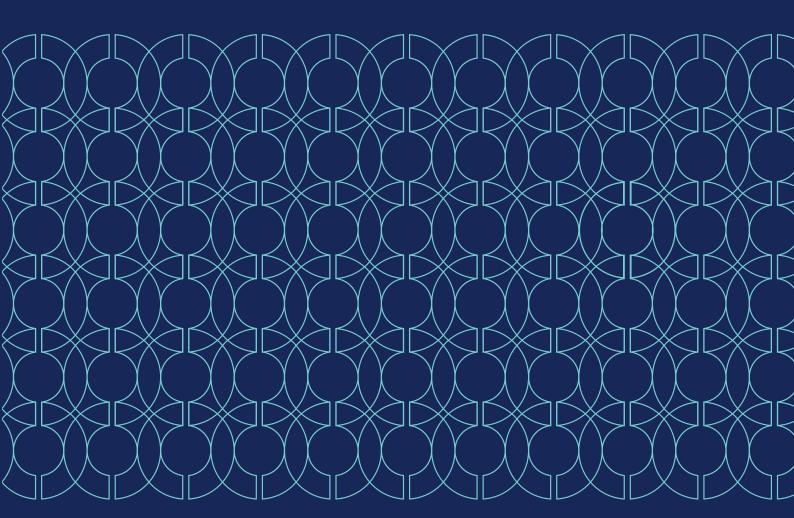
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### Schroder Income Maximiser Interim Report and Accounts 28 February 2023



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### **Fund Information**

### **Investment objective and policy**

Schroder Income Maximiser (the 'Fund') aims to provide income and capital growth by investing in equity and equity-related securities of UK companies. The Fund aims to deliver an income of 7% per year but this is not guaranteed and could change depending on market conditions.

The Fund is actively managed and invests at least 80% of its assets in equity and equity related securities of UK companies which are selected for their long term income and capital growth potential. These are companies that are incorporated, headquartered or have their principal business activities in the UK.

The Fund focuses on companies that have certain "Value" characteristics. Value is assessed by looking at indicators such as cash flows, dividends and earnings to identify securities which the Investment Manager believes have been undervalued by the market.

To seek to enhance the yield, the Investment Manager selectively sells short dated call options over individual securities, portfolios of securities or indices held by the Fund, by agreeing strike prices above which potential capital growth is sold.

The Fund may also invest directly or indirectly in other securities (including in other asset classes), countries, regions, industries or currencies, collective investment schemes (including Schroder funds), warrants and money market instruments, and hold cash.

The Fund may use derivatives with the aim of achieving investment gains, reducing risk or managing the Fund more efficiently (for more information please refer to section 6 of Appendix I of the Prospectus).

The Fund's investment strategy will typically underperform a similar portfolio without derivatives in periods when the underlying stock prices are rising, and outperform when the underlying stock prices are falling.

With effect from 13 January 2023 the Fund's Investment objective and policy changed, previously it was:

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### **Fund characteristics**

The Fund's performance should be assessed against the income target of 7% per year, and compared against the FTSE All Share (Gross Total Return) index and the Investment Association UK Equity Income sector average return. The target benchmark has been selected because the target return of the Fund is to deliver or exceed the return of that benchmark as stated in the investment objective. The comparator benchmarks have been selected because the Investment Manager and the Manager believe that each of these benchmarks is a suitable comparison for performance purposes given the Fund's investment objective and policy.

### **Total purchases and sales**

	For the period to 28.2.23 £000's	For the year to 31.8.22 £000's
Total purchases	44,567	136,413
Total sales	76,494	173,450

### **Fund Performance**

	Number of units in issue 28.2.23	Net asset value per unit 28.2.23	Net asset value per unit 31.8.22
A Accumulation units	45,665,877	134.83p	118.61p
A Income units	135,396,139	37.71p	34.04p
L Accumulation units	43,779,011	84.49p	74.08p
L Income units	666,994,566	42.48p	38.22p
Q Income units	5,309,857	43.19p	38.84p
S Income units	10,913,257	42.35p	38.07p
Z Accumulation units	71,635,198	107.83p	94.57p
Z Income units	552,480,163	45.90p	41.32p

Past performance is not a guide to future performance and may not be repeated. The value of investments and the income from them may go down as well as up and investors may not get back the amounts originally invested. Exchange rate changes may cause the value of any overseas investments to rise or fall.

### **Review of Investment Activities**

From 31 August 2022 to 28 February 2023, the price of Z Accumulation units¹ on a dealing price basis rose 14.42%. In comparison, the FTSE² All Share Index and the Investment Association UK Equity Income sector average return delivered a total return of 8.74%³ and 9.16%³ respectively. The Fund's performance should also be assessed against the income target of 7% per year. For the yield year ending 30 November 2022, the Fund distributed 7.66%⁴.

The Fund materially outperformed the broader market over the period.

Energy services business Centrica was a top contributor following the stabilisation of the balance sheet. Shares in Rolls-Royce Holdings rebounded after a very difficult 2020. The balance sheet has improved from the depths of the pandemic, whilst management have also used the crisis to streamline operations, removing a third of their aircraft engine division's cost base without reducing capacity. Broadcaster ITV was another top contributor. On the negative side, postal services group International Distributions Services, US technology company Intel and US drugs group Pfizer detracted.

We established a position in property development company British Land and also initiated a position in housebuilder Bellway.

The option strategy produces an enhanced income by selling some of the potential capital growth on selected holdings (above a certain level) in return for an upfront cash payment on a regular rolling basis. Our aim is to sell just enough potential growth across the portfolio to meet the target, while still benefiting from the first phase of any share price increase. With the underlying dividends running higher at present, we have been able to reduce the amount of income we generate from the option strategy – reducing this can help the Fund to capture a greater share of any upside should the underlying shares perform well.

Typically, the behaviour of the strategy means that, while continuing to generate the enhanced income, the options will be positive for performance when share prices are falling or trending sideways, and will typically detract from overall performance when share prices are rising. Over the past six months, the options have been a slight detractor in performance terms, but the Fund has materially outperformed the wider market nevertheless.

Valuation spreads remain elevated and the gap remains sufficient to provide a strong tail wind for valuation based investors over the coming years. We need to recognise that the tailwind may not blow in 2023 itself, but over the next three to five years, we believe the outlook for valuation based investors is good.

We constantly review portfolio management responsibilities to ensure the team's investment resources are focused on achieving the best outcomes for our clients. Over the last five years the Global Value Team has matured and developed its depth; the team has increased from seven to 13 people and has successfully launched several new products and strategies. This success has only intensified our focus on our number one priority: investment performance. With this firmly in mind, we believe that it is important to align the resources of the team in a way to ensure the team is in the best shape to continue to deliver for clients in the future.

Andrew Evans, one of the most experienced members of the team, has become co-portfolio manager of Schroder Income Maximiser Fund, working alongside the long-serving existing co-manager Kevin Murphy. Nick Kirrage stepped down as co-manager of Schroder Income Maximiser Fund to focus his analytical work on the global fund range, and managing the non-investment aspects of the Value franchise. Nick remains as co-head of the Value team alongside Kevin Murphy and will retain line management for several senior value investors. Andrew Evans has 20 years of investment experience and has always invested both in the UK and European equity markets. We are delighted that Andrew Evans will be able to continue his long working relationship with Kevin Murphy by bringing his experience to the Schroder Income Maximiser Fund. This change was effective from 1 November 2022.

#### **Fund Manager:**

#### **Global Value Team**

The Global Value Team, specifically Kevin Murphy and Andy Evans, are responsible for stock selection in the underlying portfolio. The Global Value team has over 130 years of combined investment experience. Kevin has managed assets in a value style for 16 years and has managed the equity portfolio for Schroder Income Maximiser since 2010. Kevin is Co-head of the Global Value Team, which consists of nine investment professionals who manage both value and income orientated portfolios across UK, European, Global and Emerging Market Equities. Andy has 20 years of investment experience and has always invested both in the UK and European equity markets. Two Investment Directors also support the team.

#### **Structured Fund Management Team**

Schroders' Structured Fund Management Team includes Jeegar Jagani, CFA, Scott Thomson and Ghokhulan Manickavasagar, reporting into Mike Hodgson, Head of Risk Managed Investments & Structuring. Scott and Jeegar have managed the option overlay strategy since 2009 and 2012 respectively, and were joined by Ghokhulan in 2017. Mike and the team have over 80 years of combined investment experience in derivatives and structuring, including the management of the £3.0 billion Maximiser range (as at 31 December 2022). The Maximiser range consists of eight listed funds and segregated mandates, all of which apply a two-step income enhancement strategy investing in equities.

#### Source:

- 1 The dealing price of Z Accumulation units reflects the reinvestment of the distributions paid to unitholders.
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- 3 Source: Refinitiv Eikon Datastream.
- 4 For the Z Income units where distributions are taken out of the Fund and not reinvested.

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### **Risk Profile**

### **Risk and reward indicator**



The risk category was calculated using historical performance data and may not be a reliable indicator of the Fund's future risk profile. The Fund's risk category is not guaranteed to remain fixed and may change over time. A Fund in the lowest category does not mean a risk-free investment.

For specific risks, including the risk and reward profile, please refer to the Key Investor Information Document available on the following website www.schroders.com.

### Statement of the Manager's Responsibilities

The Financial Conduct Authority's Collective Investment Schemes sourcebook requires the Manager to prepare accounts for each annual and half yearly accounting period, in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, which give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Fund and of its net revenue and the net capital gains on the property of the Fund for the period. In preparing the accounts the Manager is required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- comply with the disclosure requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice for UK Authorised Funds issued by the Investment Management Association (now the Investment Association) in May 2014;
- follow generally accepted accounting principles and applicable accounting standards;
- prepare the accounts on the basis that the Fund will continue in operation unless it is inappropriate to do so;
- keep proper accounting records which enable it to demonstrate that the accounts as prepared comply with the above requirements;
- make judgements and estimates that are prudent and reasonable.

The Manager is responsible for the management of the Fund in accordance with its Trust Deed, the Prospectus and the Collective Investment Schemes sourcebook, and for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud, error and non-compliance with law or regulations.

The Manager's report and accounts for the period ended 28 February 2023 were signed on 21 April 2023 on behalf of the Manager by:

**S. Reedy** Directors

P. Truscott

## **Portfolio Statement**

	Holding at 28.2.23	Market Value £000's	% of net assets
Equities 98.62% (100.85		2000 3	assets
Basic Materials 6.37% (	8.47%)		
Anglo American	704,209	20,309	2.63
Rio Tinto	251,846	14,383	1.87
South32	5,959,451	14,422	1.87
		49,114	6.37
Consumer Discretional	ry 17.32% (14.17	·/%)	
Bellway	382,474	8,476	1.10
Currys	13,117,722	10,625	1.38
ITV	26,334,516	23,274	3.02
Kingfisher	5,808,202	16,681	2.16
Marks & Spencer			
Group	14,831,820	23,724	3.08
Pearson	1,885,613	17,314	2.25
Taylor Wimpey	10,925,711	13,460	1.75
WPP	1,943,703	19,904	2.58
		133,458	17.32
Consumer Staples 10.94	4% (12.55%)		
British American Tobacco	545,322	17,142	2.23
Imperial Brands	1,115,950	22,375	2.90
Sainsbury	9,801,462	26,288	3.41
Tesco	7,258,214	18,508	2.40
16360	7,230,211	84,313	10.94
Energy 10.07% (12.24%)	)	0.,0.0	
BP (12.2476)	4,384,806	24,138	3.13
Eni	2,212,666	25,786	3.35
Shell	1,027,722	25,966	3.37
Woodside Energy	1,027,722	23,300	3.37
Group	84,377	1,703	0.22
		77,593	10.07
Financials 26.95% (27.2	8%)		
Aviva	5,141,468	22,946	2.98
Barclays	13,698,956	23,924	3.10
HSBC Holdings	4,620,935	29,366	3.81
Legal & General			
Group	7,610,062	19,474	2.53
Lloyds Banking			
Group	36,717,131	19,317	2.51
M&G	9,814,320	21,022	2.73
NatWest Group	6,757,117	19,738	2.56
Provident Financial	3,777,234	8,370	1.08
Standard Chartered	3,876,654	30,401	3.94
TP ICAP Group	6,813,607	13,150	1.71
	- `	207,708	26.95
Health Care 7.15% (8.84			
GSK	1,208,126	17,216	2.23
Pfizer	423,519	14,217	1.84
Sanofi	115,679	9,007	1.17
Viatris	1,542,696	14,692	1.91
		55,132	7.15
Industrials 6.48% (3.96	%)		
International			
Distributions Services	7,456,714	17,538	2.27
Rolls-Royce	, 2,	,555	
Holdings	10,890,262	15,782	2.05

	Holding at 28.2.23	Market Value £000's	% of net assets
Travis Perkins	1,655,839	16,625	2.16
		49,945	6.48
Real Estate 4.26% (2.889) British Land	•	12,558	1.63
Land Securities	2,811,270	12,336	1.03
Group	2,943,016	20,236	2.63
T. J.		32,794	4.26
Technology 1.87% (2.80° Intel	%) 698,460	14,394	1.87
Tittel	030,100	14,394	1.87
Telecommunications 3.	59% (4.65%)		
BT Group	10,707,187	14,915	1.93
Vodafone Group	12,795,103	12,767 <b>27,682</b>	1.66 <b>3.59</b>
Utilities 3.62% (3.01%)		27,002	3.33
Centrica	26,543,459	27,911	3.62
		27,911	3.62
Equities total		760,044	98.62
Forward Foreign Currer	ncy Contracts (	0.19)% ((0.66)%)	
Buy EUR 4,226,000 Sell G 08/03/2023		14	0.00
Buy EUR 40,792,000 Sell (35,988,091 08/03/2023		(201)	(0.03)
Buy USD 63,923,000 Sell ( 52,656,718 08/03/2023		189	0.03
Sell EUR 45,018,000 Buy ( 38,906,807 08/03/2023 Sell USD 63,923,000 Buy (		(587)	(80.0)
51,998,731 08/03/2023		(847)	(0.11)
Forward Foreign Currer total	ncy Contracts	(1,432)	(0.19)
Options (1.06)% ((0.30)%	%)		
Written Options (1.06)%	<b>6 ((0.30)%)</b>		
Anglo American Call 41.807 01/03/2023	(56,618)	0	0.00
Anglo American Call 39.711 08/03/2023	(53,484)	0	0.00
Anglo American Call 36.454 15/03/2023 Anglo American Call	(73,941)	0	0.00
38.026 22/03/2023	(52,393)	0	0.00
Anglo American Call 37.577 05/04/2023	(56,618)	(1)	0.00
Anglo American Call 43.163 19/04/2023	(60,157)	0	0.00
Anglo American Call 41.73 26/04/2023	(71,301)	0	0.00
Anglo American Call	(72,621)	(4)	0.00
Anglo American Call 36.458 24/05/2023 Aviva Call 4.905	(76,582)	(19)	0.00
01/03/2023 Aviva Call 4.928	(413,374)	0	0.00
08/03/2023	(390,494)	0	0.00
Aviva Call 4.911 22/03/2023	(382,525)	(1)	0.00
Aviva Call 4.851	(3.3. /3. 3./		

	Holding at 28.2.23	Market Value £000's	% of net assets		Holding at 28.2.23	Market Value £000's	% of net assets
Aviva Call 4.639 19/04/2023	(439,209)	(9)	0.00	British American Tobacco Call 35.836			
Aviva Call 4.572 24/05/2023	(499,493)	(38)	(0.01)	22/03/2023 British American	(43,843)	0	0.00
Barclays Call 1.833 01/03/2023	(1,101,396)	0	0.00	Tobacco Call 35.709 05/04/2023	(43,843)	0	0.00
Barclays Call 1.779 08/03/2023	(1,040,435)	(13)	0.00	British American Tobacco Call 33.088 19/04/2023	(46,584)	(5)	0.00
Barclays Call 1.847 15/03/2023	(1,054,819)	(5)	0.00	British American	(15,251)	(-)	
Barclays Call 1.786 22/03/2023	(1,019,202)	(27)	0.00	Tobacco Call 32.935 26/04/2023	(49,324)	(8)	0.00
Barclays Call 1.891 05/04/2023	(739,743)	(8)	0.00	British American Tobacco Call 32.984 10/05/2023	(50.227)	(11)	0.00
Barclays Call 2.025 19/04/2023	(960,639)	(3)	0.00	British American Tobacco Call 33.363	(50,237)	(11)	0.00
Barclays Call 2.017 26/04/2023	(1,017,147)	(5)	0.00	24/05/2023	(52,978)	(12)	0.00
Barclays Call 2.087				British Land Call 4.534 08/03/2023	(172,190)	(4)	0.00
10/05/2023 Barclays Call 1.922	(1,035,983)	(5)	0.00	British Land Call 4.751 15/03/2023	(231,515)	(1)	0.00
24/05/2023	(1,092,491)	(34)	(0.01)	British Land Call			
Bellway Call 24.675 15/03/2023 Bellway Call 23.335	(26,773)	0	0.00	4.422 22/03/2023 British Land Call 4.603 05/04/2023	(168,676) (168,676)	(20) (11)	0.00
22/03/2023	(20,653)	(3)	0.00	British Land Call			
Bellway Call 24.344 05/04/2023	(20,653)	(3)	0.00	4.844 19/04/2023 British Land Call	(197,140)	(5)	0.00
Bellway Call 26.388 19/04/2023	(21,944)	(2)	0.00	4.825 26/04/2023 British Land Call	(227,712)	(8)	0.00
Bellway Call 25.854 26/04/2023	(25,816)	(4)	0.00	4.973 10/05/2023	(231,929)	(7)	0.00
Bellway Call 26.069				British Land Call 4.775 24/05/2023	(244,580)	(21)	0.00
10/05/2023 Bellway Call 25.114	(26,295)	(6)	0.00	BT Group Call 1.411 01/03/2023	(513,944)	0	0.00
24/05/2023 BP Call 5.721	(23,470)	(7)	0.00	BT Group Call 1.347 08/03/2023	(524,652)	(35)	(0.01)
01/03/2023 BP Call 5.322	(414,760)	0	0.00	BT Group Call 1.657 15/03/2023	(674,552)	0	0.00
08/03/2023	(391,804)	(85)	(0.01)	BT Group Call 1.318	, , ,		
BP Call 6.078 15/03/2023	(276,242)	0	0.00	22/03/2023 BT Group Call 1.433	(513,944)	(54)	(0.01)
BP Call 5.448 22/03/2023	(326,229)	(57)	(0.01)	05/04/2023	(513,944)	(26)	0.00
BP Call 5.37 05/04/2023	(315,706)			BT Group Call 1.554 19/04/2023	(614,324)	(13)	0.00
BP Call 5.444		(86)	(0.01)	BT Group Call 1.55 26/04/2023	(650,461)	(18)	0.00
19/04/2023 BP Call 5.288	(374,572)	(95)	(0.01)	BT Group Call 1.654 10/05/2023	(662,507)	(11)	0.00
26/04/2023 BP Call 5.928	(396,605)	(150)	(0.02)	BT Group Call 1.76 24/05/2023			
10/05/2023	(403,950)	(34)	(0.01)	Centrica Call 1.17	(698,643)	(8)	0.00
BP Call 6.062 24/05/2023	(425,983)	(34)	(0.01)	01/03/2023 Centrica Call 1.114	(1,911,129)	0	0.00
British American Tobacco Call 36.084				08/03/2023 Centrica Call 1.107	(1,625,786)	(2)	0.00
01/03/2023 British American	(43,843)	0	0.00	15/03/2023	(2,489,776)	(12)	0.00
Tobacco Call 36.543 08/03/2023	(44,757)	0	0.00	Centrica Call 1.133 22/03/2023	(1,911,129)	(9)	0.00
British American	(44,131)	J	0.00	Centrica Call 1.103 05/04/2023	(2,134,094)	(34)	(0.01)
Tobacco Call 33.158 15/03/2023	(45,807)	0	0.00	Centrica Call 1.189 19/04/2023	(2,267,474)	(16)	0.00

	Holding at 28.2.23	Market Value £000's	% of net assets		Holding at 28.2.23	Market Value £000's	% of net assets
Centrica Call 1.182 26/04/2023	(2,400,855)	(24)	0.00	HSBC Holdings Call 6.403 26/04/2023	(417,963)	(47)	(0.01)
Centrica Call 1.133 10/05/2023	(2,445,316)	(55)	(0.01)	HSBC Holdings Call 6.537 10/05/2023	(425,703)	(42)	(0.01)
Centrica Call 1.194 24/05/2023	(2,578,697)	(41)	(0.01)	HSBC Holdings Call 6.744 24/05/2023	(448,923)	(27)	0.00
Currys Call 1.019 01/03/2023	(201,910)	0	0.00	Imperial Brands Call 22.702 01/03/2023	(89,722)	0	0.00
Currys Call 0.938 08/03/2023	(374,480)	0	0.00	Imperial Brands Call 22.317 08/03/2023	(84,756)	0	0.00
Currys Call 0.878 15/03/2023	(280,959)	(1)	0.00	Imperial Brands Call 21.355 15/03/2023	(104,676)	(1)	0.00
Currys Call 0.834 22/03/2023	(703,044)	(15)	0.00	Imperial Brands Call 22.04 22/03/2023	(83,026)	(1)	0.00
Currys Call 0.907 19/04/2023	(278,226)	(3)	0.00	Imperial Brands Call 22.342 05/04/2023	(89,722)	(2)	0.00
Currys Call 0.895 26/04/2023	(748,016)	(11)	0.00	Imperial Brands Call 21.545 19/04/2023	(95,330)	(12)	0.00
Currys Call 0.981 10/05/2023	(516,959)	(5)	0.00	Imperial Brands Call 21.611 26/04/2023	(100,937)	(15)	0.00
Currys Call 0.995 24/05/2023	(235,754)	(5)	0.00	Imperial Brands Call 21.363 10/05/2023	(102,806)	(29)	(0.01)
Eni Call 16.458 01/03/2023	(166,739)	0	0.00	Imperial Brands Call 22.363 24/05/2023	(108,414)	(16)	0.00
Eni Call 15.43 08/03/2023	(170,213)	0	0.00	International Distributions			
Eni Call 16.188 15/03/2023	(201,352)	0	0.00	Services Call 2.965 01/03/2023	(276,134)	0	0.00
Eni Call 15.01 22/03/2023	(177,898)	0	0.00	International Distributions Services Call 2.696			
Eni Call 15.307 05/04/2023	(172,587)	(1)	0.00	15/03/2023 International	(222,458)	(1)	0.00
Eni Call 15.907 19/04/2023	(183,374)	(1)	0.00	Distributions Services Call 2.742	(205.025)	(6)	0.00
Eni Call 15.392 26/04/2023	(194,161)	(5)	0.00	05/04/2023 International	(395,025)	(6)	0.00
Eni Call 15.378 10/05/2023	(197,757)	(8)	0.00	Distributions Services Call 2.906 19/04/2023	(252,101)	(3)	0.00
Eni Call 15.15 24/05/2023	(208,543)	(12)	0.00	International Distributions	(232).0.1)	(5)	0.00
GSK Call 15.63 01/03/2023	(72,487)	0	0.00	Services Call 2.751 26/04/2023	(241,290)	(8)	0.00
GSK Call 15.828 15/03/2023	(76,111)	0	0.00	ITV Call 0.936 01/03/2023	(735,296)	0	0.00
GSK Call 15.317 19/04/2023	(69,316)	(5)	0.00	ITV Call 0.957 08/03/2023	(708,551)	(2)	0.00
GSK Call 15.271 26/04/2023	(73,393)	(7)	0.00	ITV Call 0.916 22/03/2023	(1,088,317)	(31)	(0.01)
GSK Call 16.133 10/05/2023	(74,752)	(3)	0.00	ITV Call 0.969 05/04/2023	(985,651)	(17)	0.00
GSK Call 15.883 24/05/2023	(78,830)	(5)	0.00	ITV Call 0.919 19/04/2023	(1,461,622)	(40)	(0.01)
HSBC Holdings Call 5.65 01/03/2023	(371,523)	(270)	(0.04)	ITV Call 0.954 26/04/2023	(1,221,623)	(23)	0.00
HSBC Holdings Call 5.516 08/03/2023	(350,960)	(237)	(0.03)	ITV Call 1.052 10/05/2023	(1,663,868)	(8)	0.00
HSBC Holdings Call 6.474 15/03/2023	(433,443)	(5)	0.00	ITV Call 1.038 24/05/2023	(1,085,883)	(9)	0.00
HSBC Holdings Call 5.49 22/03/2023	(343,797)	(247)	(0.03)	J Sainsbury Call 2.583 01/03/2023	(588,087)	(54)	(0.01)
HSBC Holdings Call 5.849 05/04/2023	(371,523)	(153)	(0.02)	J Sainsbury Call 2.571 08/03/2023	(600,339)	(68)	(0.01)
HSBC Holdings Call 6.323 19/04/2023	(394,743)	(50)	(0.01)	2.37 1 00/03/2023	(666,559)	(00)	(0.01)

	Holding at 28.2.23	Market Value £000's	% of net assets		Holding at 28.2.23	Market Value £000's	% of net assets
J Sainsbury Call 2.915 15/03/2023	(592,320)	(1)	0.00	Legal & General Group Call 2.801	(595.074)		0.00
J Sainsbury Call 2.546 22/03/2023	(588,087)	(92)	(0.01)	15/03/2023 Legal & General	(585,974)	0	0.00
J Sainsbury Call 2.694 05/04/2023	(588,087)	(50)	(0.01)	Group Call 2.84 22/03/2023	(456,603)	0	0.00
J Sainsbury Call 2.793 19/04/2023	(687,327)	(40)	(0.01)	Legal & General Group Call 2.867 05/04/2023	(456,603)	0	0.00
J Sainsbury Call 2.72 26/04/2023	(537,384)	(52)	(0.01)	Legal & General Group Call 2.907			
J Sainsbury Call 3.031 10/05/2023	(741,235)	(15)	0.00	19/04/2023 Legal & General	(533,655)	0	0.00
J Sainsbury Call 2.96 24/05/2023	(480,769)	(21)	0.00	Group Call 2.861 26/04/2023	(565,047)	(2)	0.00
Kingfisher Call 2.824 01/03/2023	(348,492)	(13)	0.00	Legal & General Group Call 2.716	(		
Kingfisher Call 2.81 08/03/2023	(355,752)	(25)	0.00	10/05/2023 Legal & General	(575,510)	(6)	0.00
Kingfisher Call 3.066 15/03/2023	(447,231)	(1)	0.00	Group Call 2.672 24/05/2023	(606,902)	(15)	0.00
Kingfisher Call 2.742 22/03/2023 Kingfisher Call 2.848	(348,492)	(53)	(0.01)	Lloyds Banking Group Call 0.542 01/03/2023	(2,203,027)	0	0.00
05/04/2023 Kingfisher Call 3.062	(348,492)	(40)	(0.01)	Lloyds Banking Group Call 0.536	,, ,		
19/04/2023 Kingfisher Call 2.956	(407,300)	(19)	0.00	08/03/2023 Lloyds Banking	(2,248,924)	(5)	0.00
26/04/2023	(431,258)	(40)	(0.01)	Group Call 0.587 15/03/2023	(2,827,219)	0	0.00
Kingfisher Call 3.135 10/05/2023	(439,245)	(19)	0.00	Lloyds Banking Group Call 0.536			
Kingfisher Call 2.973 24/05/2023	(370,747)	(41)	(0.01)	22/03/2023 Lloyds Banking	(2,203,027)	(16)	0.00
Land Securities Group Call 7.125 01/03/2023	(130,155)	0	0.00	Group Call 0.547 05/04/2023	(1,982,725)	(15)	0.00
Land Securities Group Call 7.109	(130,133)	O	0.00	Lloyds Banking Group Call 0.548	(	4	
08/03/2023	(144,207)	(1)	0.00	19/04/2023 Lloyds Banking	(2,574,788)	(14)	0.00
Land Securities Group Call 7.335 15/03/2023	(185,410)	0	0.00	Group Call 0.559 26/04/2023	(2,726,246)	(13)	0.00
Land Securities Group Call 6.995	(103,110)	· ·	0.00	Lloyds Banking Group Call 0.589	(2.776.722)	(¬)	0.00
22/03/2023 Land Securities	(141,264)	(9)	0.00	10/05/2023 Lloyds Banking	(2,776,733)	(7)	0.00
Group Call 7.255 05/04/2023	(141,264)	(6)	0.00	Group Call 0.576 24/05/2023	(2,928,191)	(16)	0.00
Land Securities Group Call 7.741	( , , , ,	(*)		M&G Call 2.233 01/03/2023	(526,702)	0	0.00
19/04/2023 Land Securities	(139,966)	(1)	0.00	M&G Call 2.168 08/03/2023	(805,510)	(68)	(0.01)
Group Call 7.593 26/04/2023	(152,356)	(4)	0.00	M&G Call 2.169 15/03/2023	(738,529)	(83)	(0.01)
Land Securities Group Call 7.797				M&G Call 2.011 22/03/2023	(789,071)	(115)	(0.02)
10/05/2023 Land Securities	(182,099)	(4)	0.00	M&G Call 2.003 05/04/2023	(789,071)	(131)	(0.02)
Group Call 7.417 24/05/2023	(148,942)	(17)	0.00	M&G Call 2.197 19/04/2023	(838,388)	(69)	(0.01)
Legal & General Group Call 2.873				M&G Call 2.168 26/04/2023	(582,895)	(56)	(0.01)
01/03/2023 Legal & General	(456,603)	0	0.00	M&G Call 2.154 10/05/2023	(904,144)	(94)	(0.01)
Group Call 2.863 08/03/2023	(466,116)	0	0.00	M&G Call 2.099 24/05/2023	(687,582)	(90)	(0.01)
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	Holding at 28.2.23	Market Value £000's	% of net assets		Holding at 28.2.23	Market Value £000's	% of net assets
Marks & Spencer Group Call 1.522				Rio Tinto Call 64.685 08/03/2023	(23,138)	0	0.00
01/03/2023 Marks & Spencer	(548,423)	(34)	(0.01)	Rio Tinto Call 63.389 15/03/2023	(26,443)	(2)	0.00
Group Call 1.49 08/03/2023	(590,639)	(58)	(0.01)	Rio Tinto Call 63.654 22/03/2023	(22,666)	(3)	0.00
Marks & Spencer Group Call 1.527 22/03/2023	(589,599)	(48)	(0.01)	Rio Tinto Call 64.698 05/04/2023 Rio Tinto Call 67.586	(22,666)	(5)	0.00
Marks & Spencer Group Call 1.814 19/04/2023	(1,039,873)	(15)	0.00	19/04/2023 Rio Tinto Call 68.239	(24,082)	(4)	0.00
Marks & Spencer Group Call 1.726	( )	( - /		26/04/2023 Rio Tinto Call 65.593	(25,499)	(5)	0.00
26/04/2023 Marks & Spencer	(731,386)	(23)	0.00	10/05/2023 Rio Tinto Call 65.089	(25,971)	(14)	0.00
Group Call 1.867 10/05/2023	(865,491)	(16)	0.00	24/05/2023 Rolls-Royce	(27,388)	(22)	0.00
Marks & Spencer Group Call 1.801 24/05/2023	(535,773)	(18)	0.00	Group Call 1.191 01/03/2023 Rolls-Royce	(522,732)	(141)	(0.02)
NatWest Group Call 3.04 01/03/2023	(405,427)	0	0.00	Group Call 1.115 08/03/2023	(533,622)	(185)	(0.03)
NatWest Group Call 3.033 08/03/2023	(413,873)	(3)	0.00	Rolls-Royce Group Call 1.292 15/03/2023	(686,086)	(121)	(0.02)
NatWest Group Call 3.437 15/03/2023	(709,497)	0	0.00	Rolls-Royce Group Call 1.124	(===,===,	()	(/
NatWest Group Call 2.98 22/03/2023	(405,427)	(7)	0.00	22/03/2023 Rolls-Royce	(522,732)	(178)	(0.02)
NatWest Group Call 3.059 05/04/2023	(543,272)	(9)	0.00	Group Call 1.236 05/04/2023	(522,732)	(125)	(0.02)
NatWest Group Call 3.323 19/04/2023	(603,072)	(2)	0.00	Rolls-Royce Group Call 1.353	(524.222)	(00)	(0.01)
NatWest Group Call 3.293 26/04/2023	(684,158)	(4)	0.00	19/04/2023 Rolls-Royce	(624,828)	(93)	(0.01)
NatWest Group Call 3.395 10/05/2023	(696,827)	(4)	0.00	Group Call 1.397 26/04/2023	(661,583)	(83)	(0.01)
NatWest Group Call 3.154 24/05/2023	(734,836)	(29)	(0.01)	Rolls-Royce Group Call 1.371 10/05/2023	(673,834)	(104)	(0.01)
Pearson Call 11.462 01/03/2023	(158,391)	0	0.00	Rolls-Royce Group Call 1.349	(0.0,00.1)	(,	(6.6.)
Pearson Call 10.808 08/03/2023	(161,691)	(1)	0.00	24/05/2023 Sanofi Call 97.351	(710,589)	(128)	(0.02)
Pearson Call 10.556 15/03/2023	(197,989)	(13)	0.00	01/03/2023 Sanofi Call 94.579	(6,940)	0	0.00
Pearson Call 10.886 22/03/2023	(169,705)	(11)	0.00	15/03/2023	(7,287)	(1)	0.00
Pearson Call 11.216 05/04/2023	(169,705)	(10)	0.00	Sanofi Call 99.038 19/04/2023	(6,637)	(1)	0.00
Pearson Call 11.021 19/04/2023	(180,311)	(18)	0.00	Sanofi Call 96.968 26/04/2023	(7,027)	(3)	0.00
Pearson Call 10.811 26/04/2023	(190,918)	(27)	0.00	Sanofi Call 95.166 10/05/2023	(7,157)	(6)	0.00
Pearson Call 10.66 10/05/2023	(194,453)	(35)	(0.01)	Sanofi Call 97.479 24/05/2023	(7,548)	(5)	0.00
Pearson Call 10.592 24/05/2023	(205,060)	(44)	(0.01)	Shell Call 27.901 01/03/2023	(82,628)	0	0.00
Provident Financial Call 2.417 08/03/2023	(48,172)	0	0.00	Shell Call 26.165 08/03/2023 Shell Call 27.417	(78,055)	(7)	0.00
Provident	(40,172)	U	0.00	15/03/2023	(96,400)	(1)	0.00
Financial Call 2.441 05/04/2023	(60,669)	(2)	0.00	Shell Call 26.606 22/03/2023	(76,462)	(12)	0.00
Rio Tinto Call 65.261 01/03/2023	(22,666)	0	0.00	Shell Call 26.049 05/04/2023	(82,628)	(42)	(0.01)

	Holding at 28.2.23	Market Value £000's	% of net assets		Holding at 28.2.23	Market Value £000's	% of net assets
Shell Call 26.465 19/04/2023	(87,793)	(40)	(0.01)	Tesco Call 2.697 19/04/2023	(508,982)	(7)	0.00
Shell Call 25.964 26/04/2023	(92,957)	(70)	(0.01)	Tesco Call 2.652 26/04/2023	(538,922)	(14)	0.00
Shell Call 26.702 10/05/2023	(94,678)	(55)	(0.01)	Tesco Call 2.632 10/05/2023	(548,902)	(21)	0.00
Shell Call 26.721 24/05/2023	(99,843)	(61)	(0.01)	Tesco Call 2.628 24/05/2023	(578,842)	(17)	0.00
South32 Call 2.787 08/03/2023	(128,330)	0	0.00	TP ICAP Group Call 2.1 01/03/2023	(90,434)	0	0.00
South32 Call 3.333 15/03/2023	(70,411)	0	0.00	TP ICAP Group Call 2.067 08/03/2023	(171,805)	0	0.00
South32 Call 2.645 05/04/2023	(116,593)	(7)	0.00	TP ICAP Group Call 2.016 15/03/2023	(225,290)	(3)	0.00
South32 Call 3.163 26/04/2023 South32 Call 3.031	(108,909)	(2)	0.00	TP ICAP Group Call 2.024 22/03/2023 TP ICAP Group Call	(149,569)	(3)	0.00
24/05/2023 Standard Chartered	(98,019)	(5)	0.00	2.008 05/04/2023 TP ICAP Group Call	(264,574)	(9)	0.00
Call 7.12 01/03/2023 Standard Chartered	(311,682)	(236)	(0.03)	1.941 19/04/2023 TP ICAP Group Call	(139,351)	(5)	0.00
Call 6.73 08/03/2023 Standard Chartered	(294,431)	(340)	(0.05)	1.945 26/04/2023 TP ICAP Group Call	(128,459)	(6)	0.00
Call 8.346 15/03/2023	(244,229)	(11)	0.00	1.905 10/05/2023 TP ICAP Group Call	(148,116)	(10)	0.00
Standard Chartered Call 7.009				2.017 24/05/2023 Travis Perkins Call	(153,205)	(7)	0.00
22/03/2023 Standard Chartered	(288,423)	(263)	(0.04)	11.336 08/03/2023 Travis Perkins Call	(57,844)	0	0.00
Call 7.436 05/04/2023	(311,682)	(191)	(0.03)	11.364 15/03/2023 Travis Perkins Call	(84,379)	(1)	0.00
Standard Chartered Call 7.901	(220.057)	(405)	(0.04)	10.989 22/03/2023 Travis Perkins Call	(51,190)	(3)	0.00
10/05/2023 Standard Chartered	(239,867)	(106)	(0.01)	10.871 05/04/2023 Travis Perkins Call	(94,909)	(13)	0.00
Call 8.871 24/05/2023	(252,951)	(34)	(0.01)	12.066 19/04/2023 Travis Perkins Call	(108,649)	(4)	0.00
Taylor Wimpey Call 1.241 01/03/2023	(589,988)	0	0.00	11.701 26/04/2023 Travis Perkins Call	(88,785)	(6)	0.00
Taylor Wimpey Call 1.252 08/03/2023	(602,279)	(2)	0.00	11.746 10/05/2023 Travis Perkins Call	(65,318)	(6)	0.00
Taylor Wimpey Call 1.351 15/03/2023	(688,319)	0	0.00	11.582 24/05/2023 Vodafone Group	(71,062)	(10)	0.00
Taylor Wimpey Call 1.243 22/03/2023	(589,988)	(9)	0.00	Call 1.14 01/03/2023 Vodafone Group Call	(614,164)	0	0.00
Taylor Wimpey Call 1.264 05/04/2023	(524,434)	(10)	0.00	1.162 08/03/2023 Vodafone Group Call	(626,960)	0	0.00
Taylor Wimpey Call 1.354 19/04/2023	(626,862)	(3)	0.00	1.204 15/03/2023 Vodafone Group Call	(806,091)	0	0.00
Taylor Wimpey Call 1.38 10/05/2023	(676,028)	(4)	0.00	1.075 22/03/2023 Vodafone Group Call	(614,164)	(3)	0.00
Taylor Wimpey Call 1.357 24/05/2023	(712,902)	(9)	0.00	1.124 05/04/2023 Vodafone Group Call	(614,164)	(3)	0.00
Tesco Call 2.521 01/03/2023	(435,492)	(3)	0.00	1.059 19/04/2023 Vodafone Group Call	(734,119)	(14)	0.00
Tesco Call 2.505 08/03/2023	(444,565)	(16)	0.00	1.101 26/04/2023 Vodafone Group Call	(777,302)	(10)	0.00
Tesco Call 2.645 15/03/2023	(558,882)	(2)	0.00	1.077 10/05/2023 Vodafone Group Call	(791,696)	(19)	0.00
Tesco Call 2.484 22/03/2023	(435,492)	(29)	(0.01)	1.187 24/05/2023 WPP Call 9.621	(834,880)	(8)	0.00
Tesco Call 2.581 05/04/2023	(435,492)	(14)	0.00	01/03/2023 WPP Call 9.328	(116,622)	(89)	(0.01)
				08/03/2023	(119,051)	(127)	(0.02)

	Holding at 28.2.23	Market Value £000's	% of net assets
WPP Call 10.935 15/03/2023	(149,665)	(1)	0.00
WPP Call 9.276 22/03/2023	(116,622)	(134)	(0.02)
WPP Call 9.656 05/04/2023	(116,622)	(100)	(0.01)
WPP Call 10.186 19/04/2023	(136,302)	(71)	(0.01)
WPP Call 10.449 26/04/2023	(144,319)	(57)	(0.01)

	Holding at 28.2.23	Market Value £000's	% of net assets
WPP Call 11.385 10/05/2023	(146,992)	(14)	0.00
WPP Call 11.415 24/05/2023	(155,010)	(17)	0.00
<b>Written Options total</b>		(8,159)	(1.06)
Options total		(8,159)	(1.06)
Portfolio of investments		750,453	97.37
Net other assets		20,259	2.63
Net assets attributable t unitholders	0	770,712	100.00

The comparative percentage figures in brackets are as at 31 August 2022. Unless otherwise stated, all securities are admitted to official stock exchange listings.



### **Statement of Total Return (unaudited)**

For the six months ended 28 February 2023

	28.2.23		28.2.22	
	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's
Income				
Net capital gains		79,333		41,676
Revenue	21,740		24,488	
Expenses	(3,554)		(3,518)	
Net revenue before taxation	18,186		20,970	
Taxation	(1,543)		(2,178)	
Net revenue after taxation		16,643		18,792
Total return before distributions		95,976		60,468
Distributions		(19,256)		(21,402)
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities		76,720		39,066

### Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Unitholders (unaudited)

For the six months ended 28 February 2023

	28.2.23		28.2.22	
	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's
Opening net assets attributable to unitholders		697,747^		714,281
Amounts receivable on issue of units	21,103		22,337	
Amounts payable on cancellation of units	(29,167)		(40,488)	
		(8,064)		(18,151)
Dilution adjustment		1		1
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities		76,720		39,066
Retained distribution on Accumulation units		4,308		4,568
Closing net assets attributable to unitholders		770,712		739,765^

The opening net assets attributable to unitholders for the current period do not equal the closing net assets attributable to unitholders for the comparative period as they are not consecutive periods.

### **Balance Sheet (unaudited)**

As at 28 February 2023

Net assets attributable to unitholders	770,712	697,747
Total liabilities	(19,930)	(23,400)
Other creditors	(2,643)	(2,346)
Distributions payable	(7,493)	(14,009)
Creditors		
Investment liabilities	(9,794)	(7,045)
Liabilities		
Total assets	790,642	721,147
Cash and bank balances	27,091	6,045
Debtors	3,304	11,088
Current assets		
Investments	760,247	704,014
Assets		
	£000's	£000's
	28.2.23	31.8.22

## Notes to the Accounts (unaudited)

### **Accounting policies**

### **Basis of preparation**

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost basis, as modified by the revaluation of investments, and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice for UK Authorised Funds issued by the Investment Management Association in May 2014 and in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 (The Financial Reporting Standard Applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)). The accounts have been prepared on a going concern basis.

The accounting policies applied are consistent with those of the annual accounts for the year ended 31 August 2022 and are described in those annual accounts.

### **General Information**

#### Manager

Schroder Unit Trusts Limited 1 London Wall Place London EC2Y 5AU Authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority

#### **Investment Adviser**

Schroder Investment Management Limited 1 London Wall Place London EC2Y 5AU Authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority

#### **Trustee**

J.P. Morgan Europe Limited Chaseside Bournemouth BH7 7DA Authorised by the Prudential Regulation Authority and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority and Prudential Regulation Authority

#### Registrar

1 London Wall Place London EC2Y 5AU Authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority The Manager is responsible for maintaining the register for each Fund. It has delegated certain registrar functions to HSBC Bank Plc, 8 Canada Square, London, E14 8HQ.

#### **Administration Details**

Schroder Unit Trusts Limited

Schroders Investor Services PO BOX 1402 Sunderland SR43 4AF

#### **Independent Auditors**

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP Atria One 144 Morrison Street Edinburgh EH3 8EX

### **Authorisation**

The Fund is an authorised unit trust and is constituted pursuant to the Collective Investment Schemes sourcebook and is structured as a Trust. The Fund is a UCITS scheme for the purpose of the categorisation of the Collective Investment Schemes sourcebook.

#### Value Assessment

A statement on the Assessment of Value is published on the Global Fund Centre in the Fund Literature section at www.Schroders.com within 4 months of the annual 'reference date' 31 December.

### Other information

The Prospectus, the Key Investor Information Document and details of investment charges and costs are available on request or can be downloaded from our website www.schroders.com.

