# Jupiter Investment Management Series I

Interim Report & Accounts (unaudited)

For the six months ended 31 January 2023



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## **Company Information**

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P Wagstaff

V Lazenby (resigned 5 September 2022)

P Moore

J Singh

M Skinner – Non-Executive Director

T Scholefield - Non-Executive Director

Jupiter Unit Trust Managers Limited (from to 14 November 2022)

P Wagstaff

P Moore

J Singh

D Skinner – Non-Executive Director

T Scholefield - Non-Executive Director

G Pound (appointed 8 February 2023)

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### Report of the Directors of Jupiter Investment Management Series I

The Directors present the report and financial statements for the Jupiter Investment Management Series I ("the Company") for the six months ended 31 January 2023.

#### **Authorised Status**

The Company is an Open-Ended Investment Company ("OEIC") incorporated as an Investment Company with Variable Capital ("ICVC") under Regulation 12 (authorisation) of the OEIC Regulations. It is incorporated in England and Wales and authorised by the Financial Conduct Authority under the OEIC Regulations 2001 and the Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook ("the Regulations"). It is a UCITS scheme for the purposes of that part of the Financial Conduct Authority's Handbook of Rules and Guidance which deals with regulated collective investment schemes (the "Sourcebook").

### Liability

The Company is under the "Protected cell" regime. As such, each sub-fund has a specific portfolio of securities to which that sub-fund's assets and liabilities are attributable. So far as investors are concerned each sub-fund will be treated as a separate entity. The assets of a sub-fund shall not be used or made available to discharge (directly or indirectly) the liabilities of, or claims against, any other person or body, including the Company and any other sub-fund and shall not be available for any such purpose.

### **Change of ACD**

With effect from 14 November 2022, the ACD changed from Jupiter Fund Managers Limited to Jupiter Unit Trust Managers Limited. There is no change to the Directors of the ACD, except for the appointment of G Pound on 8 February 2023.

### **Change of Registrar**

With effect from 14 November 2022, the Registrar changed from FNZ TA Services Limited to SS&C Financial Services International Ltd.

#### **Director Changes**

Veronica Lazenby resigned as a Director of the Authorised Corporate Director effective 5 September 2022.

G Pound was appointed as a Director of the Authorised Corporate Director effective 8 February 2023.



# **Report of the Directors of Jupiter Investment Management Series I** (continued)

#### **Additional Information**

Jupiter UK Smaller Companies Fund

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) for Authorised Funds issued by the Investment Management Association (now referred to as the Investment Association) in May 2014 and amended in 2017.

The Company is an umbrella scheme which complies with the Financial Conduct Authority's Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook (COLL) and as at 31 January 2023 has seven sub-funds (listed below). Additional sub-funds may be launched in the future.

#### Sub-fund name Launch date Jupiter Investment Grade Bond Fund 17 June 2000 Jupiter Monthly Income Bond Fund 30 September 2004 Jupiter UK Alpha Fund 15 June 2018 Merian UK Equity Income Fund 30 September 1975 Jupiter UK Mid Cap Fund 22 February 2002 Jupiter UK Opportunities Fund 02 August 2013

In accordance with the requirements of the Financial Services and Market Act 2000, we hereby certify these financial statements on behalf of the Authorised Corporate Director.

### P Wagstaff

For and on behalf of Jupiter Unit Trust Managers Limited Director 29 March 2023

#### P Moore

For and on behalf of Jupiter Unit Trust Managers Limited Director 29 March 2023

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# **Authorised Corporate Director's report**

The purpose of this report is to provide details of the progress of the Company, and the sub-funds contained within. The report provides details of the performance and the portfolio of each of the sub-funds.

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|                                    | 31  | January 2023       |   |   | 31 July 2022       |   |
|------------------------------------|---|--------------------|---|---|--------------------|---|
|                                    | Net Asset Value of sub-fund per share class £ | Shares in<br>Issue | Net Asset<br>Value<br>in pence<br>per share | Net Asset Value of sub-fund per share class £ | Shares in<br>Issue | Net Asset<br>Value<br>in pence<br>per share |
| Jupiter Investment Grade Bond Fund | 169,817,859                                   | 130,411,658        | -   | 212,319,086                                   | 152,863,077        | -   |
| L (GBP) Income                     | 3,557,813                                     | 3,377,020          | 105.35                                      | 4,090,513                                     | 3,590,153          | 113.94                                      |
| L (GBP) Accumulation               | 34,729,624                                    | 14,951,123         | 232.29                                      | 44,265,880                                    | 17,952,437         | 246.57                                      |
| I (GBP) Income                     | 30,831,739                                    | 30,241,774         | 101.95                                      | 37,027,126                                    | 33,668,719         | 109.97                                      |
| I (GBP) Accumulation               | 64,433,717                                    | 49,974,027         | 128.93                                      | 74,316,911                                    | 54,438,008         | 136.52                                      |
| P (GBP) Income                     | 1,127,691                                     | 1,053,185          | 107.07                                      | 1,317,209                                     | 1,139,546          | 115.59                                      |
| P (GBP) Accumulation               | 1,071,117                                     | 609,237            | 175.81                                      | 1,319,822                                     | 708,463            | 186.29                                      |
| U1 (GBP) Income                    | 7,606,568                                     | 8,103,123          | 93.87                                       | 9,416,126                                     | 9,313,224          | 101.10                                      |
| U1 (GBP) Accumulation              | 26,307,020                                    | 21,938,620         | 119.91                                      | 40,307,553                                    | 31,796,064         | 126.77                                      |
| U2 (GBP) Income                    | 152,570                                       | 163,549            | 93.29                                       | 257,946                                       | 256,463            | 100.58                                      |
| Jupiter Monthly Income Bond Fund   | 191,092,163                                   | 184,691,746        | -   | 138,403,881                                   | 125,440,311        | -   |
| L (GBP) Income                     | 6,495,459                                     | 17,723,469         | 36.65                                       | 5,664,968                                     | 15,162,752         | 37.36                                       |
| L (GBP) Accumulation               | 7,170,309                                     | 8,296,427          | 86.43                                       | 6,703,234                                     | 7,827,585          | 85.64                                       |
| I (GBP) Income                     | 26,455,705                                    | 26,966,945         | 98.10                                       | 19,681,514                                    | 19,729,930         | 99.75                                       |
| I (GBP) Accumulation               | 60,687,934                                    | 43,295,842         | 140.17                                      | 52,437,767                                    | 37,849,854         | 138.54                                      |
| P (GBP) Income                     | 298,657                                       | 326,488            | 91.48                                       | 302,869                                       | 325,362            | 93.09                                       |
| P (GBP) Accumulation               | 50,752  | 31,123             | 163.07                                      | 686,682                                       | 425,739            | 161.29                                      |
| U1 (GBP) Income                    | 49,322,159                                    | 56,422,473         | 87.42                                       | 6,955,356                                     | 7,836,967          | 88.75                                       |
| U1 (GBP) Accumulation              | 40,610,797                                    | 31,628,544         | 128.40                                      | 45,971,099                                    | 36,281,693         | 126.7                                       |
| U2 (GBP) Income                    | 391   | 435                | 89.88                                       | 392   | 429                | 91.35                                       |
| Jupiter UK Alpha Fund              | 680,638,126                                   | 396,360,690        | -   | 685,530,195                                   | 437,663,518        | -   |
| L (GBP) Income                     | 3,919,772                                     | 3,175,454          | 123.44                                      | 3,860,576                                     | 3,366,330          | 114.68                                      |
| L (GBP) Accumulation               | 68,710,384                                    | 42,505,307         | 161.65                                      | 67,758,598                                    | 45,747,180         | 148.12                                      |
| I (GBP) Income                     | 14,360,184                                    | 10,772,876         | 133.30                                      | 13,634,206                                    | 11,051,653         | 123.37                                      |
| I (GBP) Accumulation               | 215,950,671                                   | 107,922,248        | 200.10                                      | 219,086,506                                   | 119,951,752        | 182.65                                      |
| P (GBP) Income                     | 2,362,223                                     | 2,202,489          | 107.25                                      | 2,363,794                                     | 2,378,324          | 99.39                                       |
| P (GBP) Accumulation               | 3,710,344                                     | 3,124,693          | 118.74                                      | 3,575,372                                     | 3,294,551          | 108.52                                      |
| U1 (GBP) Income                    | 65,053,889                                    | 49,681,391         | 130.94                                      | 74,926,335                                    | 61,851,111         | 121.14                                      |
| U1 (GBP) Accumulation              | 183,535,538                                   | 102,921,696        | 178.33                                      | 185,174,208                                   | 113,806,935        | 162.7                                       |
| U2 (GBP) Income                    | 10,971,355                                    | 8,604,763          | 127.50                                      | 11,939,958                                    | 10,126,067         | 117.9                                       |
| U2 (GBP) Accumulation              | 112,063,766                                   | 65,449,773         | 171.22                                      | 103,210,642                                   | 66,089,615         | 156.17                                      |



### Net asset value of the sub-funds

|                                   | 31  | January 2023       |   |   | 31 July 2022       |   |
|-----------------------------------|---|--------------------|---|---|--------------------|---|
|                                   | Net Asset Value of sub-fund per share class £ | Shares in<br>Issue | Net Asset<br>Value<br>in pence<br>per share | Net Asset Value of sub-fund per share class £ | Shares in<br>Issue | Net Asset<br>Value<br>in pence<br>per share |
| Merian UK Equity Income Fund      | 61,662,727                                    | 32,223,105         | -   | 45,709,879                                    | 25,297,404         |   |
| L (GBP) Income                    | 3,405,308                                     | 374,203            | 910.02                                      | 3,249,179                                     | 385,984            | 841.79                                      |
| L (GBP) Accumulation              | 4,422,684                                     | 105,690            | 4,184.59                                    | 4,227,774                                     | 111,326            | 3,797.66                                    |
| I (GBP) Income                    | 14,996,829                                    | 9,938,995          | 150.89                                      | 12,760,801                                    | 9,177,398          | 139.05                                      |
| I (GBP) Accumulation              | 19,811,047                                    | 8,723,523          | 227.10                                      | 12,319,066                                    | 5,999,852          | 205.32                                      |
| P (GBP) Income                    | 4,350,702                                     | 3,221,700          | 135.04                                      | 4,015,023                                     | 3,222,264          | 124.60                                      |
| P (GBP) Accumulation              | 732,780                                       | 293,331            | 249.81                                      | 644,473                                       |                    | 226.14                                      |
| U1 (GBP) Income                   | 5,400,514                                     | 4,505,172          | 119.87                                      | 2,186,856                                     | 1,980,389          | 110.43                                      |
| U1 (GBP) Accumulation             | 8,152,354                                     | 4,766,041          | 171.05                                      | 6,054,122                                     | 3,916,216          | 154.59                                      |
| U2 (GBP) Income                   | 259,831                                       | 218,953            | 118.67                                      | 208,460                                       | 190,772            | 109.27                                      |
| U2 (GBP) Accumulation             | 130,678                                       | 75,497             | 173.09                                      | 44,125  | 28,217             | 156.38                                      |
| Jupiter UK Mid Cap Fund           | 1,025,189,767                                 | 538,682,719        | -   | 1,650,688,728                                 | 853,696,024        |   |
| L (GBP) Income                    | 66,709,743                                    | 21,810,343         | 305.86                                      | 86,686,692                                    | 26,063,810         | 332.59                                      |
| L (GBP) Accumulation              | 152,387,464                                   | 43,720,356         | 348.55                                      | 250,514,192                                   | 66,092,374         | 379.04                                      |
| I (GBP) Income                    | 64,164,044                                    | 34,628,145         | 185.29                                      | 135,403,804                                   | 67,465,526         | 200.70                                      |
| I (GBP) Accumulation              | 375,439,802                                   | 155,980,753        | 240.70                                      | 477,024,114                                   | 182,934,345        | 260.76                                      |
| P (GBP) Income                    | 1,662,247                                     | 906,365            | 183.40                                      | 2,112,129                                     | 1,061,817          | 198.92                                      |
| P (GBP) Accumulation              | 4,862,615                                     | 1,591,878          | 305.46                                      | 7,385,280                                     | 2,228,839          | 331.35                                      |
| Z1 (GBP) Income                   | 40,547,666                                    | 32,683,680         | 124.06                                      | 90,236,752                                    | 67,181,857         | 134.32                                      |
| Z1 (GBP) Accumulation             | 224,819,590                                   | 168,095,710        | 133.74                                      | 327,948,115                                   | 226,416,942        | 144.84                                      |
| Z2 (GBP) Income                   | 73,273,555                                    | 63,700,045         | 115.03                                      | 231,870,143                                   | 186,261,662        | 124.49                                      |
| Z2 (GBP) Accumulation             | 21,323,041                                    | 15,565,444         | 136.99                                      | 41,507,507                                    | 27,988,852         | 148.30                                      |
| Jupiter UK Opportunities Fund     | 7,331,667                                     | 6,750,201          | -   | 7,769,844                                     | 7,696,611          |   |
| L (GBP) Accumulation              | 1,222,114                                     | 1,163,151          | 105.07                                      | 5,134,937                                     | 4,997,320          | 102.75                                      |
| I (GBP) Accumulation              | 5,208,735                                     | 4,570,507          | 113.96                                      | 1,370,819                                     | 1,234,595          | 111.03                                      |
| U1 (GBP) Accumulation             | 900,818                                       | 1,016,543          | 88.62                                       | 1,264,088                                     | 1,464,696          | 86.30                                       |
| Jupiter UK Smaller Companies Fund | 622,406,639                                   | 279,709,549        | -   | 833,173,247                                   | 340,297,712        |   |
| L (GBP) Income                    | 10,149,140                                    | 2,239,812          | 453.12                                      | 12,437,888                                    | 2,501,753          | 497.17                                      |
| L (GBP) Accumulation              | 54,072,059                                    | 11,407,272         | 474.01                                      | 149,692,435                                   | 28,782,149         | 520.09                                      |
| I (GBP) Income                    | 40,481,941                                    | 17,336,841         | 233.50                                      | 52,107,950                                    | 20,433,536         | 255.0                                       |
| I (GBP) Accumulation              | 283,999,007                                   | 108,424,880        | 261.93                                      | 262,330,578                                   | 91,684,726         | 286.12                                      |
| P (GBP) Income                    | 6,330,959                                     | 3,026,849          | 209.16                                      | 7,706,057                                     | 3,366,718          | 228.89                                      |
| P (GBP) Accumulation              | 5,621,661                                     | 1,545,622          | 363.72                                      | 6,729,942                                     | 1,690,689          | 398.06                                      |
| U1 (GBP) Income                   | 85,142,266                                    | 52,849,330         | 161.10                                      | 139,377,346                                   | 79,249,255         | 175.87                                      |
| U1 (GBP) Accumulation             | 124,344,768                                   | 75,098,320         | 165.58                                      | 186,890,330                                   | 103,380,174        | 180.78                                      |
| U2 (GBP) Income                   | 7,494,321                                     | 4,898,025          | 153.01                                      | 8,940,038                                     | 5,354,764          | 166.95                                      |
| U2 (GBP) Accumulation             | 4,770,517                                     | 2,882,598          | 165.49                                      | 6,960,683                                     | 3,853,948          | 180.6                                       |

### **Statement of the Authorised Corporate Director's responsibilities**

The Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook published by the FCA, ("the COLL Rules") require the Authorised Corporate Director ("ACD") to prepare financial statements for each annual and semi-annual accounting period which give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Company and of the net revenue and net gains or losses on the property of the Company for the period.

In preparing the financial statements the ACD is responsible for:

- selecting suitable accounting policies and then applying them consistently;
- making judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- following UK accounting standards, including FRS 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland;
- complying with the disclosure requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice for UK Authorised Funds issued by the Investment Management Association (now referred to as the Investment Association) in May 2014;
- keeping proper accounting records which enable it to demonstrate that the financial statements as prepared comply with the above requirements;
- assessing the Company and its sub-funds' ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern;
- using the going concern basis of accounting unless they either intend to liquidate the Company or its sub-funds or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so;
- such internal control as they determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; and
- taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and irregularities.

The ACD is responsible for the management of the Company in accordance with its Instrument of Incorporation, the Prospectus and the COLL Rules.

The ACD is responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the Company's website. Legislation in the UK governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.



### **Jupiter Investment Grade Bond Fund**

#### **Performance**

|  | 6 months | 1 year | 3 years | 5 years |
|--|----------|--------|---------|---------|
| Jupiter Investment Grade Bond Fund*          | (5.0)    | (14.0) | (10.9)  | (0.2)   |
| ICE BofA Sterling Non-Gilt Index (Benchmark) | (5.4)    | (12.3) | (13.2)  | (3.2)   |
| IA Sterling Corporate Bond (Sector Average)  | (3.6)    | (11.2) | (10.5)  | (1.3)   |
| Quartile Ranking                             | 4th      | 4th    | 2nd     | 2nd     |

<sup>\*</sup>Source: Morningstar, gross income reinvested net of fees, in GBP. The statistics disclosed above relate to I-Class Shares unless otherwise stated. Past performance is no quide to the future.

### **Investment Objective and Policy**

To seek to achieve income and capital growth by delivering a return, net of fees, greater than that of the ICE BofA Sterling Non-Gilt Index over rolling 3 year periods.

The sub-fund primarily invests (at least 70%) in investment grade corporate debt securities.

The sub-fund may also invest in other transferable securities (including convertible securities, government bonds and sub-investment grade debt securities), units in collective investment schemes (including those managed or operated by the ACD or an associate of the ACD), warrants, money market instruments, deposits and derivatives, and may hold cash.

The sub-fund may use derivatives for investment purposes or Efficient Portfolio Management purposes. The use of derivatives for investment purposes may affect the volatility or risk profile of the sub-fund although this is not the ACD's intention.

#### **Market Review**

It was a mixed period for fixed income markets.

In the first half of the period, the key theme was a renewed hawkish posture from global central banks and especially the US Federal Reserve (Fed). The Federal Open Market Committee (FOMC) reiterated the need to curb inflationary pressures on several occasions. As such, after a positive July for fixed income markets with a substantial decrease in government bond yields and tightening spreads, August and September were much more volatile.

At the end of the third quarter, the UK government's unexpected willingness to pursue material unfunded fiscal expenditure sent the UK gilt market into panic (also due to material futures exposure from Liability Driven Investment (LDI') mandates managed for UK pension funds), forcing the Bank of England to intervene in the market with bond purchases to ensure financial stability.

The last three months of 2022 and January 2023 have seen an improvement in environment.

Effectively, the period has seen two main catalysts. On the one hand, the market saw positive developments on inflation. US Consumer Price Index (CPI) reports for October and November both saw below consensus readings. November US Core CPI in particular saw a month-on-month growth of just 0.2%, suggesting a deceleration of price pressures. On the other hand, central banks tamed market enthusiasm reaffirming a hawkish tone. In December, both the Fed and the European Central Bank (ECB) highlighted in their statements that risks remained to the upside when it came to inflation. Fed Chairman Jerome Powell highlighted how a tight job market and inflationary pressures across core services ex-shelter are still a cause for concern. ECB President Christine Lagarde reinstated the need to increase interest rates further and announced the beginning of the Quantitative Tightening programme from March 2023.

China has been another market mover as well, with a dramatic U-turn from the central administration that effectively scrapped most of the Covid-19 restrictions leading to a much faster than anticipated re-opening of the country, notwithstanding spreading infections.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>LDI – is an approach to investments (typically used by pension funds) where assets are designed to match liabilities.

### Market Review (continued)

Government bond yields closed the period broadly higher, with European and UK government bonds performing relatively worse vs US Treasuries. Across different geographies, the front-end of the curves tended to underperform in a broad flattening/inversion environment. On the other hand, however, the period was overall positive for credit, with spreads broadly tightening. GBP investment grade spreads underperformed vs European and US counterparts however as negative sentiment towards GBP assets linked to the October budget has continued to prevail. Global high yield markets saw a generalized and material tightening as well, especially in Asia.

### **Policy Review**

Over the course of 2022, the sub-fund gradually increased duration to take advantage of higher yields. The sub-fund had started 2022 with a sizeable underweight position in terms of overall interest rate exposure, given the end of the monetary support from global central banks and the short-term inflationary risk. In the latter part of 2022 and in the first part of 2023, as yields gradually started to decrease, we started to marginally reduce our interest rate exposure (roughly -0.7 years over the observed 6 months period). Starting 2023, we still keep an overall overweight exposure to interest rates (0.75 years) however, given the potential for a sizeable slowdown in the global (and UK) economy, which we think might suppress inflation and exert additional downward pressure on global government bond yields.

Given tight valuations and general market complacency, we closed 2021 with an underweight to credit risk (measured with DTS<sup>2</sup>). In 2022, as valuations became more attractive, we gradually switched our overall credit risk to overweight. During the observed period, as spreads started to tighten our overall credit exposure went down, but we also had some organic spread duration reduction.

In rating terms, we are currently running a barbell approach with overweight to BBBs and small off-benchmark exposure in high yield. We remain significantly underweight to As, where we see a poor risk/return trade-off. We also keep an underweight to the AAA segment of our index (supranational, government guaranteed and covered bonds). During the period, we decreased our high yield exposure and increased our exposure to As and BBBs.

On sector perspective, we hold a diversified portfolio. We keep some marginal overweight to sectors that we believe may continue to benefit from the past inflationary wave (energy, materials). We also hold some overweight exposure to banks and building societies (excluding government guaranteed, agency and covered bond securities where we hold modest exposure vs benchmark). The fourth quarter offered in particular some interesting opportunities to add across seniors and T2s.

We are underweight sectors more exposed to consumer behaviour (e.g. consumer discretionary) or to the economic cycle (e.g. industrials).



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Duration times spread, a method for measuring credit volatility in corporate bonds

#### **Investment Outlook**

2022 has been quite transformational for financial markets. We went from a phase of extraordinary monetary and fiscal policy to an environment characterised by a frenetic removal of such stimulus.

At this point in time, we would say that a recession in the coming 12 months is quite likely in many developed markets and almost certain in the UK. Slowing growth, falling consumer confidence and demand, and the final restoration of disrupted supply chains from the Covid-19 period, should combine to bring down inflation from current elevated levels. For this reason, we continue to keep an overweight stance on interest rates. Although this detracted from performance in 2022 as yields continued to rise, we are quite confident that the tide might have started to turn for government bond yields.

Notwithstanding our economic slowdown scenario, the main inheritance of 2022 has been a backdrop of higher risk-free rates and wider credit spreads, with a meaningful move in the Sterling investment grade market. This has left investors with a meaningful return potential in the form of higher yield on high quality credit. This brings us to be relatively constructive on the prospects of overall return for the asset class. It is worth noticing however, that the last months have seen a meaningful retracement in credit spreads across the globe as investors digested more positive news on inflation coming from the United States. This has brought us to tactically trim our risk exposure in the short-term.

As mentioned, we keep a barbell approach pairing BBBs with a sizeable exposure to the highest quality AAA/AA rated credit relative to the broad market. This provides a defensive core to the portfolio and provides liquidity which we can rotate into higher yielding credit opportunities if valuations should get once again more compelling.

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### **Risk and Reward Profile**



The calculated risk and reward category, as shown above, uses a method of calculation derived from EU rules. It is based on the rate at which the returns of the sub-fund have moved up and down in the past (i.e. volatility) and is not a guide to the future risk and reward category of the sub-fund. The category shown is not a target or guarantee and may shift over time. Even the lowest category 1 does not mean a risk-free investment. The seven-category scale is nonlinear, for example, 2 is not twice as risky as 1.

Sub-funds in category 4 have in the past shown moderate volatility. With a sub-fund of category 4, you have a moderate risk of losing money but your chance for gains is also moderate.

# **Comparative Tables**

|   |   | L (GBP)   | Income   |  |
|---|---|---|--|--|
|   | 31.01.23  | 31.07.22  | 31.07.21   | 31.07.20   |
|   | (p)   | (p)   | (p)  | (p   |
| Opening net asset value per share   | 113.94  | 134.75  | 134.04   | 125.98   |
| Return before operating charges*  | (6.08)  | (15.69)   | 5.42   | 12.96  |
| Operating charges   | (0.60)  | (1.46)  | (1.55)   | (1.48  |
| Return after operating charges*   | (6.68)  | (17.15)   | 3.87   | 11.48  |
| Distributions on income shares  | (1.91)  | (3.66)  | (3.16)   | (3.42  |
| Closing net asset value per share   | 105.35  | 113.94  | 134.75   | 134.04   |
| *after direct transaction costs of:   | _   | _   | _  | -  |
| Performance   |   |   |  |  |
| Return after charges (%)  | (5.86)  | (12.73)   | 2.89   | 9.11   |
| Other Information   |   |   |  |  |
| Closing net asset value (£'000)   | 3,558   | 4,090   | 10,064   | 9,661  |
| Closing number of shares  | 3,377,020   | 3,590,153   | 7,468,234  | 7,207,934  |
| Operating charges (%)   | 1.15  | 1.15  | 1.15   | 1.15   |
| Direct transaction costs (%)  | _   | _   | _  | _  |
| Prices  |   |   |  |  |
| Highest share price (p)   | 115.85  | 135.74  | 138.90   | 135.40   |
|   |   |   |  |  |
| Lowest share price (p)  | 91.79   | 109.70  | 132.00   |  |
| Lowest share price (p)  |   |   |  |  |
| Lowest share price (p)  |   | I (GBP)<br>31.07.22   |  | 116.60   |
| Lowest share price (p)  | 91.79   | l (GBP)   | Income   | 31.07.20   |
| Lowest share price (p)  Change in net asset per share   | 31.01.23  | I (GBP)<br>31.07.22   | Income<br>31.07.21   | 31.07.20   |
| Change in net asset per share  Opening net asset value per share  | 31.01.23<br>(p)   | I (GBP)<br>31.07.22<br>(p)  | Income<br>31.07.21<br>(p)  | 31.07.20<br>(p   |
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Operating charges (%)

Highest share price (p)

Lowest share price (p)

Prices

Direct transaction costs (%)

| Change in net asset per share       |                 |                 |                 |                 |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
|                                     |                 | P (GBP)         | Income          |                 |
|                                     | 31.01.23<br>(p) | 31.07.22<br>(p) | 31.07.21<br>(p) | 31.07.20<br>(p) |
| Opening net asset value per share   | 115.59          | 136.23          | 135.03          | 126.49          |
| Return before operating charges*    | (6.16)          | (15.92)         | 5.48            | 13.03           |
| Operating charges                   | (0.42)          | (1.02)          | (1.09)          | (1.05           |
| Return after operating charges*     | (6.58)          | (16.94)         | 4.39            | 11.98           |
| Distributions on income shares      | (1.94)          | (3.70)          | (3.19)          | (3.44           |
| Closing net asset value per share   | 107.07          | 115.59          | 136.23          | 135.03          |
| *after direct transaction costs of: | -               | _               | _               | _               |
| Performance                         |                 |                 |                 |                 |
| Return after charges (%)            | (5.69)          | (12.43)         | 3.25            | 9.47            |
| Other Information                   |                 |                 |                 |                 |
| Closing net asset value (£'000)     | 1,128           | 1,317           | 1,714           | 1,691           |
| Closing number of shares            | 1,053,185       | 1,139,546       | 1,258,444       | 1,252,118       |
| Operating charges (%)               | 0.80            | 0.80            | 0.80            | 0.80            |
| Direct transaction costs (%)        | -               | -               | _               | _               |
| Prices                              |                 |                 |                 |                 |
| Highest share price (p)             | 117.53          | 137.24          | 140.10          | 136.40          |
| Lowest share price (p)              | 93.19           | 111.26          | 133.30          | 117.30          |
| Change in net asset per share       |                 |                 |                 |                 |
|                                     |                 | U1 (GBP)        | Income          |                 |
|                                     | 31.01.23<br>(p) | 31.07.22<br>(p) | 31.07.21<br>(p) | 31.07.20<br>(p) |
| Opening net asset value per share   | 101.10          | 118.62          | 117.04          | 109.11          |
| Return before operating charges*    | (5.37)          | (13.90)         | 4.76            | 11.30           |
| Operating charges                   | (0.16)          | (0.39)          | (0.41)          | (0.40           |
| Return after operating charges*     | (5.53)          | (14.29)         | 4.35            | 10.90           |
| Distributions on income shares      | (1.70)          | (3.23)          | (2.77)          | (2.97           |
| Closing net asset value per share   | 93.87           | 101.10          | 118.62          | 117.04          |
| *after direct transaction costs of: | _               | _               | -               | _               |
| Performance                         |                 |                 |                 |                 |
| Return after charges (%)            | (5.47)          | (12.05)         | 3.72            | 9.99            |
| Other Information                   |                 |                 |                 |                 |
| Closing net asset value (£'000)     | 7,607           | 9,416           | 11,537          | 21,601          |
| Closing number of shares            | 8,103,123       | 9,313,224       | 9,726,557       | 18,455,906      |

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| Change in net asset per share   |  |  |   |  |
|---|--|--|---|--|
|   |  | U2 (GBP)   |   |  |
|   | 31.01.23<br>(p)  | 31.07.22<br>(p)  | 31.07.21<br>(p)   | 31.07.20<br>(p)  |
| Opening net asset value per share   | 100.58   | 118.23   | 117.12  | 109.35   |
| Return before operating charges*  | (5.35)   | (13.81)  | 4.53  | 11.37  |
| Operating charges   | (0.25)   | (0.62)   | (0.65)  | (0.62)   |
| Return after operating charges*   | (5.60)   | (14.43)  | 3.88  | 10.75  |
| Distributions on income shares  | (1.69)   | (3.22)   | (2.77)  | (2.98)   |
| Closing net asset value per share   | 93.29  | 100.58   | 118.23  | 117.12   |
| *after direct transaction costs of:   | _  | _  | _   | _  |
| Performance   |  |  |   |  |
| Return after charges (%)  | (5.57)   | (12.21)  | 3.31  | 9.83   |
| Other Information   |  |  |   |  |
| Closing net asset value (£'000)   | 153  | 258  | 565   | 44,553   |
| Closing number of shares  | 163,549  | 256,463  | 477,757   | 38,041,050   |
| Operating charges (%)   | 0.55   | 0.55   | 0.55  | 0.55   |
| Direct transaction costs (%)  | _  | _  | _   | _  |
| Prices  |  |  |   |  |
| Highest share price (p)   | 102.27   | 119.12   | 121.40  | 118.40   |
|   | 01.12  | 96.78  | 115.60  | 100.00   |
| Lowest share price (p)  Change in net asset per share   | 81.13  | 90.76  | 113.00  | 100.00   |
|   | 81.13  | L (GBP) Acc  |   |  |
|   | 31.01.23   | L (GBP) Acc<br>31.07.22  |   | 31.07.20   |
| Change in net asset per share   |  | L (GBP) Acc  | cumulation<br>31.07.21  | 31.07.20   |
| Change in net asset per share  Opening net asset value per share  | 31.01.23<br>(p)<br>246.57  | L (GBP) Acc<br>31.07.22<br>(p)<br>283.04   | umulation<br>31.07.21<br>(p)  | 31.07.20<br>(p)  |
| Change in net asset per share  Opening net asset value per share  Return before operating charges*  | 31.01.23<br>(p)  | <b>L (GBP) Acc</b><br>31.07.22<br>(p)  | sumulation<br>31.07.21<br>(p)<br>275.02   | 31.07.20<br>(p)<br>251.83  |
| Change in net asset per share  Opening net asset value per share  Return before operating charges*  Operating charges   | 31.01.23<br>(p)<br>246.57<br>(12.97)   | L (GBP) Acc<br>31.07.22<br>(p)<br>283.04<br>(33.39)  | 20mulation<br>31.07.21<br>(p)<br>275.02<br>11.23  | 31.07.20<br>(p)<br>251.83<br>26.18   |
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| Change in net asset per share  Opening net asset value per share Return before operating charges* Operating charges Return after operating charges* Distributions on accumulation share   | 31.01.23<br>(p)<br>246.57<br>(12.97)<br>(1.31)<br>(14.28)  | L (GBP) Acc<br>31.07.22<br>(p)<br>283.04<br>(33.39)<br>(3.08)<br>(36.47)   | 20mulation<br>31.07.21<br>(p)<br>275.02<br>11.23<br>(3.21)<br>8.02  | 31.07.20<br>(p)<br>251.83<br>26.18<br>(2.99)<br>23.19  |
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| Change in net asset per share  Opening net asset value per share  Return before operating charges*  Operating charges  Return after operating charges*  Distributions on accumulation share  Retained distributions on accumulation share  Closing net asset value per share  | 31.01.23<br>(p)<br>246.57<br>(12.97)<br>(1.31)<br>(14.28)<br>(4.16)<br>4.16                          | L (GBP) Acc<br>31.07.22<br>(p)<br>283.04<br>(33.39)<br>(3.08)<br>(36.47)<br>(7.76)<br>7.76                           | 2000 275.02<br>11.23<br>(3.21)<br>8.02<br>(6.55)<br>6.55  | 31.07.20<br>(p)<br>251.83<br>26.18<br>(2.99)<br>23.19<br>(6.90)<br>6.90                        |
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| Change in net asset per share  Opening net asset value per share Return before operating charges* Operating charges Return after operating charges* Distributions on accumulation share Retained distributions on accumulation share Closing net asset value per share *after direct transaction costs of:  Performance   | 31.01.23<br>(p)<br>246.57<br>(12.97)<br>(1.31)<br>(14.28)<br>(4.16)<br>4.16<br>232.29                | L (GBP) Acc<br>31.07.22<br>(p)<br>283.04<br>(33.39)<br>(3.08)<br>(36.47)<br>(7.76)<br>7.76<br>246.57                 | 20mulation<br>31.07.21<br>(p)<br>275.02<br>11.23<br>(3.21)<br>8.02<br>(6.55)<br>6.55<br>283.04              | 31.07.20<br>(p)<br>251.83<br>26.18<br>(2.99)<br>23.19<br>(6.90)<br>6.90<br>275.02              |
| Change in net asset per share  Opening net asset value per share Return before operating charges* Operating charges Return after operating charges* Distributions on accumulation share Retained distributions on accumulation share Closing net asset value per share *after direct transaction costs of:  Performance Return after charges (%)  | 31.01.23<br>(p)<br>246.57<br>(12.97)<br>(1.31)<br>(14.28)<br>(4.16)<br>4.16<br>232.29                | L (GBP) Acc<br>31.07.22<br>(p)<br>283.04<br>(33.39)<br>(3.08)<br>(36.47)<br>(7.76)<br>7.76<br>246.57                 | 20mulation<br>31.07.21<br>(p)<br>275.02<br>11.23<br>(3.21)<br>8.02<br>(6.55)<br>6.55<br>283.04              | 31.07.20<br>(p)<br>251.83<br>26.18<br>(2.99)<br>23.19<br>(6.90)<br>6.90<br>275.02              |
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| Change in net asset per share  Opening net asset value per share Return before operating charges* Operating charges Return after operating charges* Distributions on accumulation share Retained distributions on accumulation share Closing net asset value per share *after direct transaction costs of:  Performance Return after charges (%)  Other Information Closing net asset value (£'000)   | 31.01.23<br>(p)<br>246.57<br>(12.97)<br>(1.31)<br>(14.28)<br>(4.16)<br>4.16<br>232.29<br>-           | L (GBP) Acc<br>31.07.22<br>(p)<br>283.04<br>(33.39)<br>(3.08)<br>(36.47)<br>(7.76)<br>7.76<br>246.57<br>–            | 20mulation<br>31.07.21<br>(p)<br>275.02<br>11.23<br>(3.21)<br>8.02<br>(6.55)<br>6.55<br>283.04<br>–         | 31.07.20<br>(p)<br>251.83<br>26.18<br>(2.99)<br>23.19<br>(6.90)<br>6.90<br>275.02<br>–         |
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Return after charges (%)

Closing net asset value (£'000)

Closing number of shares
Operating charges (%)

Direct transaction costs (%)

Highest share price (p)

Lowest share price (p)

Other Information

Prices

| Change in net asset per share                |            |             |            |            |
|--|------------|-------------|------------|------------|
|  |            | I (GBP) Acc | cumulation |            |
|  | 31.01.23   | 31.07.22    | 31.07.21   | 31.07.20   |
|  | (p)        | (p)         | (p)        | (p         |
| Opening net asset value per share            | 136.52     | 155.93      | 150.75     | 137.34     |
| Return before operating charges*             | (7.18)     | (18.45)     | 6.18       | 14.34      |
| Operating charges                            | (0.41)     | (0.96)      | (1.00)     | (0.93      |
| Return after operating charges*              | (7.59)     | (19.41)     | 5.18       | 13.41      |
| Distributions on accumulation share          | (2.31)     | (4.29)      | (3.60)     | (3.77      |
| Retained distributions on accumulation share | 2.31       | 4.29        | 3.60       | 3.77       |
| Closing net asset value per share            | 128.93     | 136.52      | 155.93     | 150.75     |
| *after direct transaction costs of:          | _          | _           | -          | _          |
| Performance                                  |            |             |            |            |
| Return after charges (%)                     | (5.56)     | (12.45)     | 3.44       | 9.76       |
| Other Information                            |            |             |            |            |
| Closing net asset value (£'000)              | 64,433     | 74,317      | 144,697    | 143,073    |
| Closing number of shares                     | 49,974,027 | 54,438,008  | 92,797,054 | 94,904,958 |
| Operating charges (%)                        | 0.65       | 0.65        | 0.65       | 0.65       |
| Direct transaction costs (%)                 | _          | _           | _          | _          |
| Prices                                       |            |             |            |            |
| Highest share price (p)                      | 138.80     | 157.09      | 157.50     | 151.40     |
| Lowest share price (p)                       | 110.09     | 130.24      | 150.60     | 129.20     |
| Change in net asset per share                |            |             |            |            |
| Change in het asset per share                |            | P (GBP) Acc | cumulation |            |
|  | 31.01.23   | 31.07.22    | 31.07.21   | 31.07.20   |
|  | (p)        | (p)         | (p)        | (p         |
| Opening net asset value per share            | 186.29     | 213.10      | 206.35     | 188.32     |
| Return before operating charges*             | (9.79)     | (25.20)     | 8.43       | 19.59      |
| Operating charges                            | (0.69)     | (1.61)      | (1.68)     | (1.56      |
| Return after operating charges*              | (10.48)    | (26.81)     | 6.75       | 18.03      |
| Distributions on accumulation share          | (3.15)     | (5.86)      | (4.92)     | (5.17      |
| Retained distributions on accumulation share | 3.15       | 5.86        | 4.92       | 5.17       |
|  |            | 186.29      | 213.10     | 206.35     |
| Closing net asset value per share            | 175.81     | 100.69      | ( I.S. JU  | /Un 3      |

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594,823

| Change in net asset per share                |                 |                 |                 |                 |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
|  |                 | U1 (GBP) Ac     | cumulation      |                 |
|  | 31.01.23<br>(p) | 31.07.22<br>(p) | 31.07.21<br>(p) | 31.07.20<br>(p) |
| Opening net asset value per share            | 126.77          | 144.36          | 139.16          | 126.35          |
| Return before operating charges*             | (6.65)          | (17.11)         | 5.70            | 13.27           |
| Operating charges                            | (0.21)          | (0.48)          | (0.50)          | (0.46)          |
| Return after operating charges*              | (6.86)          | (17.59)         | 5.20            | 12.81           |
| Distributions on accumulation share          | (2.14)          | (3.98)          | (3.33)          | (3.48)          |
| Retained distributions on accumulation share | 2.14            | 3.98            | 3.33            | 3.48            |
| Closing net asset value per share            | 119.91          | 126.77          | 144.36          | 139.16          |
| *after direct transaction costs of:          | _               | _               | _               | _               |
| Performance                                  |                 |                 |                 |                 |
| Return after charges (%)                     | (5.41)          | (12.18)         | 3.74            | 10.14           |
| Other Information                            |                 |                 |                 |                 |
| Closing net asset value (£'000)              | 26,307          | 40,308          | 89,454          | 107,551         |
| Closing number of shares                     | 21,938,620      | 31,796,064      | 61,965,448      | 77,284,504      |
| Operating charges (%)                        | 0.35            | 0.35            | 0.35            |                 |
| Operating charges (70)                       | 0.55            | 0.00            |                 | 0.35            |
| Direct transaction costs (%)                 | -               | -               | _               | 0.35            |
|  | -               | -               | -               | 0.35            |
| Direct transaction costs (%)                 | 128.90          | 145.45          | 145.50          | 139.70          |

# **Portfolio Statement**

| at 31 January 2 |   |                   |                 |
|-----------------|---|-------------------|-----------------|
| Holding         | Investment  | Market value<br>£ | Total net asset |
|                 | CORPORATE BONDS AND FIXED INTEREST STOCKS - 94.35% (    | (98.18%)          |                 |
|                 | Belgium - 0.80% (0.92%)                                 | (30.1070)         |                 |
| €1,800,000      | Silfin 2.875% 11/04/2027                                | 1,354,107         | 0.80            |
|                 | France - 5.22% (3.03%)                                  |                   |                 |
| \$1,200,000     | CNP Assurances 4.875% Perpetual                         | 799,789           | 0.47            |
| £3,000,000      | Credit Agricole 4.875% 23/10/2029                       | 3,014,454         | 1.77            |
| £1,300,000      | Electricite de France 5.5% 17/10/2041                   | 1,251,916         | 0.74            |
| €2,200,000      | Electricite de France 4.625% 25/01/2043                 | 1,903,269         | 1.12            |
| £2,100,000      | Electricite de France 5.125% 22/09/2050                 | 1,904,787         | 1.12            |
|                 | -   | 8,874,215         | 5.22            |
|                 | Germany - 8.27% (9.93%)                                 |                   |                 |
| €1,000,000      | Altice France 5.875% 01/02/2027                         | 797,842           | 0.47            |
| £2,000,000      | Banco Santander 2.25% 04/10/2032                        | 1,673,021         | 0.99            |
| £1,600,000      | BNP Paribas 2% 13/09/2036                               | 1,120,003         | 0.66            |
| €730,000        | Carnival 10.125% 01/02/2026                             | 669,100           | 0.40            |
| £1,200,000      | Credit Agricole 7.5% Perpetual                          | 1,192,452         | 0.70            |
| €800,000        | Grand City Properties 2.5% Perpetual                    | 345,585           | 0.20            |
| £5,162,000      | International Development Association 0.375% 22/09/2027 | 4,407,945         | 2.60            |
| £900,000        | National Grid Electricity Transmission 2% 16/09/2038    | 600,484           | 0.35            |
| €2,500,000      | P3 Sarl 1.625% 26/01/2029                               | 1,703,826         | 1.00            |
| €547,910        | Summer BidCo 9% 15/11/2025                              | 361,739           | 0.21            |
| €1,620,000      | Viterra Finance 1% 24/09/2028                           | 1,165,351         | 0.69            |
|                 |   | 14,037,348        | 8.27            |
|                 | Guernsey, Channel Islands - 0.00% (1.18%)               |                   |                 |
|                 | Ireland - 16.78% (18.44%)                               |                   |                 |
| £900,000        | AA Bond 4.875% 31/07/2043                               | 880,704           | 0.52            |
| €800,000        | ABN AMRO Bank 4.375% Perpetual                          | 664,409           | 0.39            |
| £1,600,000      | ABP Finance 6.25% 14/12/2026                            | 1,659,264         | 0.98            |
| £585,000        | Ardagh Packaging Finance 4.75% 15/07/2027               | 456,337           | 0.27            |
| \$1,150,000     | Argentum Netherlands 4.625% Perpetual                   | 860,714           | 0.51            |
| £1,200,000      | Aroundtown 3.625% 10/04/2031                            | 824,136           | 0.48            |
| £1,000,000      | Aroundtown 4.75% Perpetual                              | 465,250           | 0.27            |
| \$1,500,000     | AT Securities 5.25% Perpetual                           | 587,973           | 0.35            |
| £1,363,000      | Channel Link Enterprises Finance 3.043% 30/06/2050      | 1,171,358         | 0.69            |
| €1,400,000      | Cooperatieve Rabobank UA 4.875% Perpetual               | 1,113,153         | 0.65            |
| €4,790,000      | CPI Property 1.5% 27/01/2031                            | 2,348,521         | 1.38            |
| £1,820,000      | Danske Bank 2.25% 14/01/2028                            | 1,603,857         | 0.94            |
| €1,660,000      | Digital Dutch Finance 1.5% 15/03/2030                   | 1,195,123         | 0.70            |
| €900,000        | Digital Dutch Finco 1% 15/01/2032                       | 588,603           | 0.35            |
| £700,000        | Direct Line Insurance 4% 05/06/2032                     | 557,155           | 0.33            |



| As at 31. | lanuary | 2023 |
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| Holding     | Investment   | Market value<br>£     | Total net assets % |
|-------------|--|-----------------------|--------------------|
|             |  |                       | 70                 |
|             | Ireland (continued)                                    |                       |                    |
| £850,000    | Direct Line Insurance 4.75% Perpetual                  | 620,908               | 0.37               |
| £2,488,050  | Greene King Finance 3.593% 15/03/2035                  | 2,105,281             | 1.24               |
| £1,291,367  | Greene King Finance 4.0643% 15/03/2035                 | 1,123,966             | 0.66               |
| £1,128,723  | Gwynt y Mor 2.778% 17/02/2034                          | 994,632               | 0.59               |
| £921,000    | HSBC 5.875% Perpetual                                  | 865,508               | 0.51               |
| €7,850,000  | Lehman Brothers Defaulted 4.625% 14/03/2019*           |                       | _                  |
| €2,644,000  | Logicor Financing Sarl 2% 17/01/2034                   | 1,565,320             | 0.92               |
| €1,065,000  | Louvre Bidco 6.5% 30/09/2024                           | 910,731               | 0.54               |
| £3,340,000  | MPT Operating Partnership 3.692% 05/06/2028            | 2,387,632             | 1.41               |
| £1,550,000  | Nordea Bank Abp 1.625% 09/12/2032                      | 1,280,827             | 0.75               |
| £720,000    | Ocado Group 3.875% 08/10/2026                          | 562,680               | 0.33               |
| €1,305,000  | SELP Finance Sarl 3.75% 10/08/2027                     | 1,098,494             | 0.65               |
|             |  | 28,492,536            | 16.78              |
|             | Italy - 1.82% (1.50%)                                  |                       |                    |
| \$3,300,000 | Intesa Sanpaolo 4% 23/09/2029                          | 2,401,938             | 1.41               |
| £850,000    | Intesa Sanpaolo 2.5% 15/01/2030                        | 688,121               | 0.41               |
| 2030,000    | Intesa sanpaolo 2.570 15/01/2000                       | 3,090,059             | 1.82               |
|             |  |                       |                    |
|             | Luxembourg - 8.42% (7.88%)                             |                       |                    |
| \$1,200,000 | Allianz 3.5% Perpetual                                 | 849,310               | 0.50               |
| £700,000    | Commerzbank 8.625% 28/02/2033                          | 726,299               | 0.43               |
| €2,184,000  | EnBW International Finance 4% 24/01/2035               | 1,893,539             | 1.12               |
| €1,063,000  | Eni 3.375% Perpetual                                   | 801,250               | 0.47               |
| £4,996,000  | International Bank for Reconstruction & Development 1% | 4 1 6 0 0 7 2         | 2.45               |
| 61 550 000  | 21/12/2029   | 4,168,872             | 2.45               |
| €1,550,000  | Intesa Sanpaolo 6.375% Perpetual                       | 1,226,172             | 0.72               |
| €1,099,000  | TDC Net 5.618% 06/02/2030                              | 968,251               | 0.57               |
| \$278,000   | Var Energi 8% 15/11/2032                               | 242,347               | 0.14               |
| \$700,000   | Var Energi 8% 15/11/2032                               | 610,225               | 0.36               |
| £1,757,000  | Virgin Media Secured Finance 4.25% 15/01/2030          | 1,420,535             | 0.84               |
| €900,000    | Volkswagen International Finance 3.875% Perpetual      | 691,280               | 0.41               |
| €1,500,000  | Vonovia 1.625% 01/09/2051                              | 699,508<br>14,297,588 | 0.41<br>8.42       |
|             |  | 14,291,300            | 0.42               |
|             | Norway - 0.76% (0.29%)                                 |                       |                    |
| \$1,445,000 | Yara International 7.378% 14/11/2032                   | 1,291,198             | 0.76               |
|             | Switzerland - 0.29% (0.00%)                            |                       |                    |
| £500,000    | Barclays Bank 7.25% Perpetual                          | 498,757               | 0.29               |
|             | United Kingdom - 42.75% (40.84%)                       |                       |                    |
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### As at 31 January 2023

| As at 31 January 2 | 2023  |                   |                       |
|--------------------|---|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Holding            | Investment  | Market value<br>£ | Total net assets<br>% |
|                    | United Kingdom (continued)                                |                   |                       |
| £2,504,000         | Barclays 6.369% 31/01/2031                                | 2,581,053         | 1.52                  |
| £817,000           | Barclays 8.407% 14/11/2032                                | 879,053           | 0.52                  |
| £520,000           | Barclays 7.125% Perpetual                                 | 505,159           | 0.30                  |
| £2,099,000         | Berkeley 2.5% 11/08/2031                                  | 1,521,313         | 0.90                  |
| £637,000           | BP Capital Markets 4.25% Perpetual                        | 587,378           | 0.35                  |
| £1,100,000         | BUPA Finance 4.125% 14/06/2035                            | 913,000           | 0.54                  |
| £867,000           | BUPA Finance 4% Perpetual                                 | 603,016           | 0.35                  |
| £2,315,000         | Cadent Finance 2.625% 22/09/2038                          | 1,663,499         | 0.98                  |
| £1,629,000         | Close Brothers 2% 11/09/2031                              | 1,390,254         | 0.82                  |
| £2,032,000         | Coventry Building Society 2% 20/12/2030                   | 1,616,354         | 0.95                  |
| £1,060,000         | Coventry Building Society 6.875% Perpetual                | 1,021,804         | 0.60                  |
| £2,250,000         | ENW Finance 1.415% 30/07/2030                             | 1,777,500         | 1.05                  |
| £1,794,874         | Eversholt Funding 2.742% 30/06/2040                       | 1,464,516         | 0.86                  |
| £1,215,000         | Gatwick Funding 2.5% 15/04/2032                           | 1,018,583         | 0.60                  |
| £960,000           | HSBC 8.201% 16/11/2034                                    | 1,045,000         | 0.61                  |
| £790,000           | Legal & General Group 5.625% Perpetual                    | 687,284           | 0.40                  |
| £1,670,000         | Lloyds Banking Group 2% 12/04/2028                        | 1,463,604         | 0.86                  |
| £1,357,000         | Lloyds Banking Group 2.707% 03/12/2035                    | 1,066,461         | 0.63                  |
| £3,025,000         | National Grid Gas 1.375% 07/02/2031                       | 2,304,058         | 1.36                  |
| £900,000           | Nationwide Building Society 6.178% 07/12/2027             | 931,162           | 0.55                  |
| £2,100,000         | NatWest Group 3.622% 14/08/2030                           | 1,973,231         | 1.16                  |
| £1,314,000         | NatWest Group 7.416% 06/06/2033                           | 1,377,114         | 0.81                  |
| £392,000           | NatWest Markets 6.375% 08/11/2027                         | 413,653           | 0.24                  |
| £1,715,000         | Pension Insurance 3.625% 21/10/2032                       | 1,348,438         | 0.79                  |
| £1,351,000         | Phoenix 5.625% 28/04/2031                                 | 1,245,487         | 0.73                  |
| £1,296,000         | Places For People Treasury 2.5% 26/01/2036                | 950,873           | 0.56                  |
| £2,453,000         | Quadgas Finance 3.375% 17/09/2029                         | 2,058,474         | 1.21                  |
| £2,557,000         | Royal Bank of Canada 5% 24/01/2028                        | 2,592,235         | 1.53                  |
| £2,465,000         | Sage 2.875% 08/02/2034                                    | 2,015,389         | 1.19                  |
| €778,000           | Segro Capital Sarl 1.875% 23/03/2030                      | 592,875           | 0.35                  |
| £883,000           | Severn Trent Utilities Finance 4.625% 30/11/2034          | 866,524           | 0.51                  |
| £1,700,000         | South Eastern Power Networks 5.625% 30/09/2030            | 1,797,206         | 1.06                  |
| £2,538,000         | Tescoorate Treasury Services 1.875% 02/11/2028            | 2,158,620         | 1.27                  |
| €3,242,000         | Thames Water Utilities Finance 4.375% 18/01/2031          | 2,846,101         | 1.68                  |
| £18,050,000        | United Kingdom Gilt 0.625% 22/10/2050                     | 8,507,654         | 5.01                  |
| £598,000           | Virgin Media Secured Finance 4.125% 15/08/2030            | 476,905           | 0.28                  |
| £1,400,000         | Virgin Money UK 3.375% 24/04/2026                         | 1,327,978         | 0.78                  |
| £900,000           | Wales & West Utilities Finance 5.75% 29/03/2030           | 947,711           | 0.56                  |
| £2,300,000         | Wells Fargo 3.5% 12/09/2029                               | 2,100,075         | 1.24                  |
| £2,100,000         | Wells Fargo 4.875% 29/11/2035                             | 2,018,781         | 1.19                  |
| £1,400,000         | Wessex Water Services Finance 1.5% 17/09/2029             | 1,127,774         | 0.66                  |
| £2,970,000         | Western Power Distribution East Midlands 1.75% 09/09/2031 | 2,320,544         | 1.37                  |
| £2,282,000         | Western Power Distribution South West 2.375% 16/05/2029   | 1,966,192         | 1.16                  |
| £1,320,000         | Yorkshire Building Society 3.375% 13/09/2028              | 1,169,269         | 0.69                  |
| £1,347,000         | Yorkshire Building Society 3.511% 11/10/2030              | 1,195,126         | 0.70                  |
| , , ,              |   | .,,               | 0 0                   |



As at 31 January 2023

| Holding     | Investment   | Market value<br>£ | Total net assets<br>% |
|-------------|--|-------------------|-----------------------|
|             | Hetter Hetter day (as after a d)                     |                   |                       |
| 62 126 000  | United Kingdom (continued)                           | 4.646.004         | 0.05                  |
| £2,126,000  | Yorkshire Water Finance 1.75% 27/10/2032             | 1,616,931         | 0.95                  |
|             |  | 72,592,564        | 42.75                 |
|             | United States - 9.24% (14.17%)                       |                   |                       |
| \$500,000   | Energy Transfer 6.5% Perpetual                       | 380,571           | 0.22                  |
| €2,777,000  | Exxon Mobil 1.408% 26/06/2039                        | 1,656,707         | 0.98                  |
| £3,930,000  | HSBC 3% 29/05/2030                                   | 3,420,845         | 2.02                  |
| £1,120,000  | Lloyds Banking Group 1.985% 15/12/2031               | 974,570           | 0.57                  |
| £4,900,000  | Metropolitan Life Global Funding I 1.625% 21/09/2029 | 4,114,138         | 2.42                  |
| \$1,800,000 | Plains All American Pipeline 3.8% 15/09/2030         | 1,327,081         | 0.78                  |
| \$1,455,000 | Tesco 6.15% 15/11/2037                               | 1,174,804         | 0.69                  |
| £2,750,000  | Welltower 4.8% 20/11/2028                            | 2,645,132         | 1.56                  |
|             |  | 15,693,848        | 9.24                  |
|             | DERIVATIVES - 0.41% (0.00%)                          |                   |                       |
|             | ,  |                   |                       |
| (61)        | Futures Contracts - 0.48% ((0.10%))                  | 050.070           | 0.50                  |
| (61)        | Futures EURO BUXL BND March 2023                     | 858,870           | 0.50                  |

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All holdings are ordinary shares or stock units unless otherwise stated.

Net assets

Total value of investments

Net other assets

Futures EURX EUR-BUND March 2023

Forward Currency Contracts - (0.07%) (0.10%) Bought GBP £33,928,973: Sold EUR €38,516,286

Bought USD \$1,013,025: Sold GBP £822,019

Bought USD \$1,052,335: Sold GBP £848,811

Bought EUR €2,783,900: Sold GBP £2,451,358

Bought GBP £12,061,596: Sold USD \$14,942,121

Futures LIF Long Gilt March 2023

(47)

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The figures in brackets show allocations as at 31 July 2022.

<sup>\*</sup>Represents an unquoted security.

### As at 31 January 2023

| Portfolio split by investment grade*            | Market value | Total net assets |
|---|--------------|------------------|
|   | £'000        | %                |
| Investments of investments grade                | 146,999      | 86.56            |
| Investments below investments grade             | 13,223       | 7.79             |
| Total Corporate Bonds and Fixed Interest Stocks | 160,222      | 94.35            |
| Futures Contracts                               | 816          | 0.48             |
| Forward Currency Contracts                      | (111)        | (0.07)           |
| Portfolio of investments                        | 160,927      | 94.76            |
| Net other assets                                | 8,891        | 5.24             |
| Net assets                                      | 169,818      | 100.00           |

<sup>\*</sup>Source: Bloomberg

| Asset allocation |         |
|------------------|---------|
|                  |         |
| Debt Securities  | 94.35%  |
| Derivatives      | 0.41%   |
| Net other assets | 5.24%   |
| Total            | 100.00% |

| Portfolio allocation |         |
|----------------------|---------|
|                      |         |
| United Kingdom       | 42.75%  |
| Ireland              | 16.78%  |
| United States        | 9.24%   |
| Luxembourg           | 8.42%   |
| Germany              | 8.27%   |
| France               | 5.22%   |
| Italy                | 1.82%   |
| Belgium              | 0.80%   |
| Norway               | 0.76%   |
| Switzerland          | 0.29%   |
| Derivatives          | 0.41%   |
| Net other assets     | 5.24%   |
| Total                | 100.00% |

| Major holdings   | Percentage<br>of portfolio |
|--|----------------------------|
| United Kingdom Gilt 0.625% 22/10/2050<br>International Development Association | 5.01%                      |
| 0.375% 22/09/2027<br>International Bank for Reconstruction &                   | 2.60%                      |
| Development 1% 21/12/2029  | 2.45%                      |
| Metropolitan Life Global Funding I<br>1.625% 21/09/2029                        | 2.42%                      |
| HSBC 3% 29/05/2030<br>Credit Agricole 4.875% 23/10/2029                        | 2.02%<br>1.77%             |
| Thames Water Utilities Finance 4.375%  |                            |
| 18/01/2031<br>Welltower 4.8% 20/11/2028  | 1.68%<br>1.56%             |
| Royal Bank of Canada 5% 24/01/2028   | 1.53%                      |
| Barclays 6.369% 31/01/2031   | 1.52%                      |
| Number of holdings   | 123                        |

# **Statement of Total Return**

| For the six months ended 31 January 2023                                     |                                    |         |                     |                   |
|--|------------------------------------|---------|---------------------|-------------------|
|  | Six months to 31.01.<br>£'000 £'00 |         | Six months to £'000 | 31.01.22<br>£'000 |
| Income   |                                    |         |                     |                   |
| Net capital losses   | (*                                 | 6,131)  |                     | (15,801)          |
| Revenue  | 3,364                              |         | 4,232               |                   |
| Expenses   | (645)                              |         | (1,130)             |                   |
| Interest payable and similar charges   | (43)                               |         | (10)                |                   |
| Net revenue before taxation  | 2,676                              |         | 3,092               |                   |
| Taxation   | (12)                               |         | (27)                |                   |
| Net revenue after taxation   |                                    | 2,664   |                     | 3,065             |
| Total return before distributions  | (*                                 | 3,467)  |                     | (12,736)          |
| Distributions  |                                    | (3,308) | _                   | (4,195)           |
| Change in net assets attributable to shareholders from investment activities |                                    | 6,775)  | _                   | (16,931)          |

# **Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Shareholders**

| For the six months ended 31 January 2023                                     |                          |                  |                        |                   |
|--|--------------------------|------------------|------------------------|-------------------|
|  | Six months to 3<br>£'000 | 1.01.23<br>£'000 | Six months to<br>£'000 | 31.01.22<br>£'000 |
| Opening net assets attributable to shareholders                              |                          | 212,319          |                        | 374,645           |
| Amounts receivable on issue of shares  | 5,554                    |                  | 26,724                 |                   |
| Amounts payable on cancellation of shares                                    | (33,630)                 |                  | (103,405)              |                   |
|  |                          | (28,076)         |                        | (76,681)          |
| Change in net assets attributable to shareholders from investment activities |                          | (16,775)         |                        | (16,931)          |
| Unclaimed distributions  |                          | 4                |                        | 6                 |
| Retained distribution on accumulation shares                                 |                          | 2,346            | _                      | 3,164             |
| Closing net assets attributable to shareholders                              |                          | 169,818          | _                      | 284,203           |

# **Balance Sheet**

| As at 31 January 2023                   |          |          |
|---|----------|----------|
|   | 31.01.23 | 31.07.22 |
|   | £'000    | £'000    |
| Assets                                  |          |          |
| Fixed Assets:                           |          |          |
| Investments                             | 161,291  | 208,730  |
| Current assets:                         |          |          |
| Debtors                                 | 6,255    | 3,390    |
| Cash and bank balances                  | 10,683   | 3,076    |
| Total assets                            | 178,229  | 215,196  |
| Liabilities                             |          |          |
| Investment liabilities                  | (364)    | (265)    |
| Creditors:                              |          |          |
| Bank overdrafts                         | (3,195)  | (1,259)  |
| Distributions payable                   | (379)    | (455)    |
| Other creditors                         | (4,473)  | (898)    |
| Total liabilities                       | (8,411)  | (2,877)  |
| Net assets attributable to shareholders | 169,818  | 212,319  |

### **Notes to the Interim Financial Statements**

### 1. Significant Accounting Policies

The interim financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis as modified by the revaluation of investments, in compliance with the Financial Conduct Authority's Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook. They have been prepared in accordance with FRS 102 and the Statement of Recommended Practice for Financial Statements of UK Authorised Funds issued by The Investment Management Association (now referred to as the Investment Association) in May 2014 (the 2014 SORP) and amended in June 2017.

Unless otherwise stated all other accounting policies applied are consistent with those of the annual financial statements for the year ended 31 July 2022 and are described in those financial statements.

#### 2. Financial Instruments

The sub-fund, in pursuing its objective, holds a number of financial instruments, which may comprise of the following: Bonds and derivatives.

The sub-fund will also hold cash and other short term debtors and creditors that arise directly from its operations.

In addition, the sub-fund may hold derivatives for investment purposes and the purpose of efficient portfolio management in accordance with the COLL Sourcebook.

The financial instruments are held in line with the sub-fund's investment policy.

The Investment Adviser is responsible for monitoring the portfolio of the sub-fund in accordance with its investment objective and seeks to ensure that individual assets also meet a risk reward profile that is acceptable. The ACD has appointed specialist managers to manage the sub-fund, and continuously monitors this appointment.

Adherence to the investment guidelines and the investment and borrowing powers as set out in the Prospectus and in the rules of the Regulations also mitigates the risk of excessive exposure to any particular type of security or issuer. Further information on the investment portfolio is set out in the Investment Adviser's review and the Portfolio statement of each sub-fund.

The main risks arising from financial instruments are market price, foreign currency, interest rate, liquidity, credit and counterparty risk.



# **Distribution Tables**

### For the quarter ended 31 October 2022

### **FIRST INTERIM**

Group 1: Shares purchased prior to 1 August 2022

| Group 2: Shares purchased on or after 1 A |           |                                       | D:                      | D:                      |
|---|-----------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
|   | Revenue   | Equalisation                          | Distribution            | Distribution            |
|   |           |                                       | paid<br>30.12.22        | paid<br>31.12.21        |
| L (GBP) Income                            | pence     | pence                                 | pence                   | pence                   |
| Shares                                    | per share | per share                             | per share               | per share               |
| Group 1                                   | 0.9889    |                                       | 0.9889                  | 0.8503                  |
| Group 2                                   | 0.4501    | 0.5388                                | 0.9889                  | 0.8503                  |
|   | Revenue   | Equalisation                          | Distribution            | Distribution            |
|   |           |                                       | accumulated<br>30.12.22 | accumulated<br>31.12.21 |
| L (GBP) Accumulation                      | pence     | pence                                 | pence                   | pence                   |
| Shares                                    | per share | per share                             | per share               | per share               |
| Group 1                                   | 2.1400    | _                                     | 2.1400                  | 1.7856                  |
| Group 2                                   | 0.3266    | 1.8134                                | 2.1400                  | 1.7856                  |
|   | Revenue   | Equalisation                          | Distribution            | Distribution            |
|   |           |                                       | paid<br>30.12.22        | paid<br>31.12.21        |
| I (GBP) Income                            | pence     | pence                                 | pence                   | pence                   |
| Shares                                    | per share | per share                             | per share               | per share               |
| Group 1                                   | 0.9551    | _                                     | 0.9551                  | 0.8171                  |
| Group 2                                   | 0.3723    | 0.5828                                | 0.9551                  | 0.8171                  |
|   | Revenue   | Equalisation                          | Distribution            | Distribution            |
|   |           | •                                     | accumulated             | accumulated             |
|   |           |                                       | 30.12.22                | 31.12.21                |
| I (GBP) Accumulation                      | pence     | pence                                 | pence                   | pence                   |
| Shares                                    | per share | per share                             | per share               | per share               |
| Group 1                                   | 1.1857    | _                                     | 1.1857                  | 0.9841                  |
| Group 2                                   | 0.4672    | 0.7185                                | 1.1857                  | 0.9841                  |
|   | Revenue   | Equalisation                          | Distribution            | Distribution            |
|   |           |                                       | paid<br>30.12.22        | paid<br>31.12.21        |
| P (GBP) Income                            | pence     | pence                                 | 50.12.22<br>pence       | pence                   |
| Shares                                    | per share | per share                             | per share               | per share               |
| Group 1                                   | 1.0038    | — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — | 1.0038                  | 0.8605                  |
| Group 2                                   | 0.3147    | 0.6891                                | 1.0038                  | 0.8605                  |
|   | Revenue   | Equalisation                          | Distribution            | Distribution            |
|   |           |                                       | accumulated             | accumulated             |
|   |           |                                       | 30.12.22                | 31.12.21                |
| P (GBP) Accumulation                      | pence     | pence                                 | pence                   | pence                   |
| Shares                                    | per share | per share                             | per share               | per share               |
| Group 1                                   | 1.6176    | _                                     | 1.6176                  | 1.3453                  |
| Group 2                                   | 0.7324    | 0.8852                                | 1.6176                  | 1.3453                  |

# **Distribution Tables** (continued)

### For the quarter ended 31 October 2022

### **FIRST INTERIM**

Shares

Group 1

Group 2

Group 1: Shares purchased prior to 1 August 2022

Group 2: Shares purchased on or after 1 August 2022 to 31 October 2022

|                       | Revenue   | Equalisation | Distribution | Distribution |
|-----------------------|-----------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
|                       |           |              | paid         | paid         |
|                       |           |              | 30.12.22     | 31.12.21     |
| U1 (GBP) Income       | pence     | pence        | pence        | pence        |
| Shares                | per share | per share    | per share    | per share    |
| Group 1               | 0.8784    | _            | 0.8784       | 0.7494       |
| Group 2               | 0.3970    | 0.4814       | 0.8784       | 0.7494       |
|                       | Revenue   | Equalisation | Distribution | Distribution |
|                       |           |              | accumulated  | accumulated  |
|                       |           |              | 30.12.22     | 31.12.21     |
| U1 (GBP) Accumulation | pence     | pence        | pence        | pence        |
| Shares                | per share | per share    | per share    | per share    |
| Group 1               | 1.1014    | _            | 1.1014       | 0.9116       |
| Group 2               | 0.5295    | 0.5719       | 1.1014       | 0.9116       |
|                       | Revenue   | Equalisation | Distribution | Distribution |
|                       |           |              | paid         | paid         |
|                       |           |              | 30.12.22     | 31.12.21     |
| U2 (GBP) Income       | pence     | pence        | pence        | pence        |

per share

0.8736

0.3442

per share

0.5294

per share

0.8736

0.8736

per share

0.7472

0.7472

# **Distribution Tables** (continued)

### For the quarter ended 31 January 2023

### **SECOND INTERIM**

Group 1: Shares purchased prior to 1 November 2022

|                      | Revenue   | 2023<br>Equalisation | Distribution      | Distribution |
|----------------------|-----------|----------------------|-------------------|--------------|
|                      | Revenue   | Equalisation         | payable           | paid         |
|                      |           |                      | 31.03.23          | 31.03.22     |
| L (GBP) Income       | pence     | pence                | pence             | pence        |
| Shares               | per share | per share            | per share         | per share    |
| Group 1              | 0.9240    |                      | 0.9240            | 0.8515       |
| Group 2              | 0.2723    | 0.6517               | 0.9240            | 0.8515       |
|                      |           |                      |                   |              |
|                      | Revenue   | Equalisation         | Distribution      | Distribution |
|                      |           | ·                    | to be accumulated | accumulated  |
|                      |           |                      | 31.03.23          | 31.03.22     |
| L (GBP) Accumulation | pence     | pence                | pence             | pence        |
| Shares               | per share | per share            | per share         | per share    |
| Group 1              | 2.0193    | _                    | 2.0193            | 1.8003       |
| Group 2              | 1.0336    | 0.9857               | 2.0193            | 1.8003       |
|                      |           |                      |                   |              |
|                      | Revenue   | Equalisation         | Distribution      | Distribution |
|                      |           |                      | payable           | paid         |
|                      |           |                      | 31.03.23          | 31.03.22     |
| I (GBP) Income       | pence     | pence                | pence             | pence        |
| Shares               | per share | per share            | per share         | per share    |
| Group 1              | 0.8935    |                      | 0.8935            | 0.8194       |
| Group 2              | 0.2813    | 0.6122               | 0.8935            | 0.8194       |
|                      |           |                      |                   |              |
|                      | Revenue   | Equalisation         | Distribution      | Distribution |
|                      |           |                      | to be accumulated | accumulated  |
| L (CDD) A l-t'       |           |                      | 31.03.23          | 31.03.22     |
| I (GBP) Accumulation | pence     | pence                | pence             | pence        |
| Shares               | per share | per share            | per share         | per share    |
| Group 1              | 1.1201    | - 0 474.4            | 1.1201            | 0.9936       |
| Group 2              | 0.6487    | 0.4714               | 1.1201            | 0.9936       |
|                      | Revenue   | Equalisation         | Distribution      | Distribution |
|                      | Revenue   | Lqualisation         | payable           | paid         |
|                      |           |                      | 31.03.23          | 31.03.22     |
| P (GBP) Income       | pence     | pence                | pence             | pence        |
| Shares               | per share | per share            | per share         | per share    |
| Group 1              | 0.9385    |                      | 0.9385            | 0.8620       |
| Group 2              | 0.9385    | _                    | 0.9385            | 0.8620       |
| '                    |           |                      |                   |              |
|                      | Revenue   | Equalisation         | Distribution      | Distribution |
|                      |           |                      | to be accumulated | accumulated  |
|                      |           |                      | 31.03.23          | 31.03.22     |
| P (GBP) Accumulation | pence     | pence                | pence             | pence        |
| Shares               | per share | per share            | per share         | per share    |
| Group 1              | 1.5277    |                      | 1.5277            | 1.3572       |
| Group 2              | 0.7415    | 0.7862               | 1.5277            | 1.3572       |

# **Distribution Tables** (continued)

### For the quarter ended 31 January 2023

#### **SECOND INTERIM**

Group 1: Shares purchased prior to 1 November 2022

Group 2: Shares purchased on or after 1 November 2022 to 31 January 2023

|                 | Revenue   | Equalisation | Distribution | Distribution |
|-----------------|-----------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
|                 |           | '            | payable      | paid         |
|                 |           |              | 31.03.23     | 31.03.22     |
| U1 (GBP) Income | pence     | pence        | pence        | pence        |
| Shares          | per share | per share    | per share    | per share    |
| Group 1         | 0.8223    | _            | 0.8223       | 0.7519       |
| Group 2         | 0.4275    | 0.3948       | 0.8223       | 0.7519       |

|                       | Revenue   | Equalisation | Distribution      | Distribution |
|-----------------------|-----------|--------------|-------------------|--------------|
|                       |           |              | to be accumulated | accumulated  |
|                       |           |              | 31.03.23          | 31.03.22     |
| U1 (GBP) Accumulation | pence     | pence        | pence             | pence        |
| Shares                | per share | per share    | per share         | per share    |
| Group 1               | 1.0413    | _            | 1.0413            | 0.9210       |
| Group 2               | 0.5285    | 0.5128       | 1.0413            | 0.9210       |

|                           | Revenue            | Equalisation       | Distribution payable           | Distribution paid              |
|---------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| U2 (GBP) Income<br>Shares | pence<br>per share | pence<br>per share | 31.03.23<br>pence<br>per share | 31.03.22<br>pence<br>per share |
| Group 1<br>Group 2        | 0.8174<br>0.1796   | -<br>0.6378        | 0.8174<br>0.8174               | 0.7489<br>0.7489               |

Equalisation applies only to shares purchased during the distribution period (Group 2 shares). It is the average amount of revenue included in the purchase price of all Group 2 shares and is refunded to holders of these shares as a return of capital. Being capital, it is not liable to Income Tax but must be deducted from the cost of shares for Capital Gains Tax purposes.

## **Jupiter Monthly Income Bond Fund**

#### **Performance**

|  | 6 months | 1 year | 3 years | 5 years |
|--|----------|--------|---------|---------|
| Jupiter Monthly Income Bond Fund*  | 1.4      | (4.5)  | 7.1     | 18.7    |
| 50% ICE BofA 1-5yr BBB Sterling Corporate Index, 50% ICE<br>BofA Sterling High Yield Index (Benchmark) | 0.6      | (5.9)  | (2.0)   | 8.7     |
| IA Sterling Strategic Bond (Sector Average)  | (0.5)    | (7.6)  | (3.9)   | 3.7     |
| Quartile Ranking   | 2nd      | 2nd    | 1st     | 1st     |

<sup>\*</sup>Source: Morningstar, gross income reinvested net of fees, in GBP. The statistics disclosed above relate to I-Class Shares unless otherwise stated. Past performance is no guide to the future.

### **Investment Objective and Policy**

To seek to achieve income and capital growth by delivering a return, net of fees, greater than that of the Target Benchmark over rolling 3 year periods. The Target Benchmark consists 50% of the ICE BofA 1-5Y BBB Sterling Corporate Index and 50% of the ICE BofA Sterling High Yield Index.

The sub-fund primarily invests (at least 70%) in a diversified portfolio of fixed, variable and zero rate debt securities, including corporate and government bonds. There are no specific restrictions as to the economic sectors or geographic areas that the sub-fund may invest in.

The sub-fund may also invest in other transferable securities (including convertible securities), units in collective investment schemes (including those managed or operated by the ACD or an associate of the ACD), warrants, money market instruments, deposits and derivatives, and may hold cash.

The sub-fund may use derivatives for investment purposes or Efficient Portfolio Management purposes. The use of derivatives for investment purposes may affect the volatility or risk profile of the sub-fund although this is not the ACD's intention.

#### **Market Review**

It was a mixed period for fixed income markets.

In the first half of the period, the key theme was a renewed hawkish posture from global central banks and especially the US Federal Reserve (Fed). The Federal Open Market Committee (FOMC) reiterated the need to curb inflationary pressures on several occasions. As such, after a positive July for fixed income markets with a substantial decrease in government bond yields and tightening spreads, August and September were much more volatile.

At the end of the third quarter, the UK government's unexpected willingness to pursue material unfunded fiscal expenditure sent the UK Gilt market into panic (also due to material futures exposure from Liability Driven Investment (LDI') mandates managed for UK pension funds), forcing the Bank of England to intervene in the market with bond purchases to ensure financial stability.

The last three months of 2022 and January 2023 have seen an improvement in the environment.

Effectively, the period has seen two main catalysts. On the one hand, the market saw positive developments on inflation. US Consumer Price Index (CPI) reports for October and November both saw below consensus readings. November US Core CPI in particular saw a month-on-month growth of just 0.2%, suggesting a deceleration of price pressures. On the other hand, central banks tamed market enthusiasm reaffirming a hawkish tone. In December, both the Fed and the European Central Bank (ECB) highlighted in their statements that risks remained to the upside when it came to inflation. Fed Chairman Jerome Powell highlighted how a tight job market and inflationary pressures across core services ex-shelter are still a cause for concern. ECB President Christine Lagarde reinstated the need to increase interest rates further and announced the beginning of the Quantitative Tightening programme from March 2023.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>LDI – is an approach to investments (typically used by pension funds) where assets are designed to match liabilities.

### Market Review (continued)

China has been another market mover as well, with a dramatic U-turn from the central administration that effectively scrapped most of the Covid restrictions leading to a much faster than anticipated re-opening of the country, notwithstanding spreading infections.

Government bond yields closed the period broadly higher, with European and UK government bonds performing relatively worse vs US Treasuries. Across different geographies the front-end of the curves tended to underperform, in a broad flattening/inversion environment. On the other hand, however, the period was overall positive for credit, with spreads broadly tightening. GBP investment grade spreads underperformed vs European and US counterparts however as negative sentiment towards GBP assets linked to the October budget has continued to prevail. Global high yield markets saw a generalized and material tightening as well, especially in Asia.

### **Policy Review**

In the last quarters of 2022, we gradually increased our duration exposure and we now carry a modest overweight, given the potential for a sizeable slowdown in the global (and UK) economy, which we think might exert downward pressure on global government bond yields.

Notwithstanding persistent inflationary risks, in the last quarter we started to see the ingredients of broad macroeconomic slowdown; however, in our view, valuations had also become attractive. This brought us to add duration at the highest quality ends of both the investment grade and high yield markets in defensive sectors and companies. As credit markets recovered in the fourth quarter 2022, we hedged some of our exposure to credit risk (via CDX²). As at January 2023, our credit risk, measured by Duration x Spread³ is now modestly below benchmark.

In % Notional market value terms our exposure to high yield credit is broadly in line with the index (at 50.7%) with the rest in investment grade and cash. During the period, our overall high yield allocation remained broadly stable, although, as mentioned above we have been nimble, increasing before and reducing later our exposure to adapt the portfolio to new market conditions. Our investment grade allocation increased (by roughly 4%). In terms of duration, we have maintained our overweight in the investment grade segment of the portfolio and our underweight in the high yield segment. This is due to our core of short duration bonds, that gives us less spread sensitivity and higher visibility on company prospects. Moments of spread widening or idiosyncratic mispricing are used to tactically buy longer duration bonds or for more tactical trades.

From a sector perspective we hold diversified exposure, staying overweight sectors that can either continue to thrive in an inflationary environment (energy, materials) or that can withstand the slowdown we expect (TMT<sup>4</sup>, pharmaceuticals). Defensive sectors are also favoured if buying longer dated paper. We keep a lower exposure vs benchmark to financials and utilities (effectively overrepresented in the GBP market) and consumer discretionary. During the period we reduced our exposure to consumer discretionary and real estate, while increasing instead exposure to more defensive ones (utilities, TMT) and financials.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Credit default swap index

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>A measure of credit volatility in corporate bonds

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>Technology, media, telecom

#### **Investment Outlook**

Over the past 3 months, we have seen a broad rally across fixed income driven by the rapidly improving inflation data. It has been interesting to observe this rally play out across all ratings buckets, with CCC-rated bonds performing particularly strongly; indicating to us that the market remains more focused on inflation than growth concerns. Global macro-economic data suggests a slowdown in growth will materialise this year; however labour markets in Europe, the UK and the US remain strong, with wage growth elevated. In our view, a severe recession would be "needed" to address the current imbalances in the labour market. On the other hand, high levels of wage growth coupled with declining headline inflation may result in higher incomes in real terms, acting to stoke demand, resulting in a milder slowdown. In this scenario, inflation may ultimately prove to be sticky, remaining above central bank targets. If instead, a severe recession appears, it is likely that inflation will recede. Much depends on central bank policy, but as at writing, although we feel recession is likely; we do not have strong conviction on the scale or timing of such a recession, and we remain somewhat cautious on the medium to long term outlook for inflation.

Our broad strategy is unchanged; our portfolio is centred on a core of higher yielding, shorter duration bonds. In the current market environment, these bonds offer outstanding levels of carry, with low volatility. Investing over a shorter time horizon also allows us to predict more accurately the evolution of the issuer's credit profile. Layered onto this core, we also hold some longer duration high quality bonds that will outperform in a recessionary scenario. These positions are concentrated in higher rated credit. As a result, we are overweight duration within our investment grade portfolio. We have also added some longer dated bonds within high yield in non-cyclical, resilient sectors such as TMT and pharmaceuticals. Having been very underweight risk, we have been happy to selectively add some higher beta exposure, capturing the historically wide spread environment. This has primarily been in investment grade financials and hybrids via primary offerings, which we felt were attractively priced. We have also participated in some new high yield issues, where we felt risk reward was extremely attractive.

Overall, our positioning remains somewhat conservative, and our high yield exposure is underweight risk, when measured on a duration x spread basis as a result of a significant underweight in duration vs. the benchmark.

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### **Risk and Reward Profile**



The calculated risk and reward category, as shown above, uses a method of calculation derived from EU rules. It is based on the rate at which the returns of the sub-fund have moved up and down in the past (i.e. volatility) and is not a guide to the future risk and reward category of the sub-fund. The category shown is not a target or guarantee and may shift over time. Even the lowest category 1 does not mean a risk-free investment. The seven-category scale is nonlinear, for example, 2 is not twice as risky as 1.

Sub-funds in category 4 have in the past shown moderate volatility. With a sub-fund of category 4, you have a moderate risk of losing money but your chance for gains is also moderate.

# **Comparative Tables**

| Change in net asset per share   |  |   |   |  |
|---|--|---|---|--|
|   |  | L (GBP) I   | ncome   |  |
|   | 31.01.23   | 31.07.22  | 31.07.21  | 31.07.20   |
|   | (p)  | (p)   | (p)   | (p)  |
| Opening net asset value per share   | 37.36  | 41.89   | 39.90   | 38.48  |
| Return before operating charges*  | 0.53   | (2.19)  | 4.28  | 3.40   |
| Operating charges   | (0.21)   | (0.45)  | (0.48)  | (0.45)   |
| Return after operating charges*   | 0.32   | (2.64)  | 3.80  | 2.95   |
| Distributions on income shares  | (1.03)   | (1.89)  | (1.81)  | (1.53)   |
| Closing net asset value per share   | 36.65  | 37.36   | 41.89   | 39.90  |
| *after direct transaction costs of:   | _  | _   | _   | _  |
| Performance   |  |   |   |  |
| Return after charges (%)  | 0.86   | (6.30)  | 9.52  | 7.67   |
| Other Information   |  |   |   |  |
| Closing net asset value (£'000)   | 6,495  | 5,665   | 755   | 680  |
| Closing number of shares  | 17,723,469   | 15,162,752  | 1,801,873   | 1,704,171  |
| Operating charges (%)   | 1.15   | 1.15  | 1.15  | 1.15   |
| Direct transaction costs (%)  | -  | _   | _   | _  |
| Prices  |  |   |   |  |
|   |  |   |   |  |
| Highest share price (p)   | 37.82  | 43.23   | 42.20   | 40.39  |
| Highest share price (p) Lowest share price (p)  Change in net asset per share   | 37.82<br>34.63   | 43.23<br>36.78  | 42.20<br>40.11  | 40.39  |
|   |  |   | 40.11   |  |
| Lowest share price (p)  |  | 36.78   | 40.11   |  |
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| Change in net asset per share   | 31.01.23<br>(p)  | 36.78  I (GBP) I 31.07.22 (p)   | 40.11<br>ncome<br>31.07.21<br>(p)   | 35.13<br>31.07.20<br>(p)   |
| Change in net asset per share  Opening net asset value per share  | 31.01.23<br>(p)<br>99.75   | 36.78  I (GBP) I  31.07.22 (p)  111.30  | 40.11<br>ncome<br>31.07.21<br>(p)<br>105.47                               | 35.13<br>31.07.20<br>(p)<br>101.14   |
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Highest share price (p)

Lowest share price (p)

|   |  | D (CDD)  | l   |   |
|---|--|--|---|---|
|   | 21.01.22   | P (GBP) I  |   | 21.07.20  |
|   | 31.01.23<br>(p)                                  | 31.07.22<br>(p)  | 31.07.21<br>(p)   | 31.07.20<br>(p  |
| Opening net asset value per share   | 93.09  | 104.02   | 98.72   | 94.81   |
| Return before operating charges*  | 1.31   | (5.43)   | 10.61   | 8.46  |
| Operating charges   | (0.36)   | (0.80)   | (0.82)  | (0.77   |
| Return after operating charges*   | 0.95   | (6.23)   | 9.79  | 7.69  |
| Distributions on income shares  | (2.56)   | (4.70)   | (4.49)  | (3.78   |
| Closing net asset value per share   | 91.48  | 93.09  | 104.02  | 98.72   |
| *after direct transaction costs of:   | _  | -  | -   | _   |
| Performance   |  |  |   |   |
| Return after charges (%)  | 1.02   | (5.99)   | 9.92  | 8.11  |
| Other Information   |  |  |   |   |
| Closing net asset value (£'000)   | 299  | 303  | 302   | 262   |
| Closing number of shares  | 326,488  | 325,362  | 290,595   | 265,563   |
| Operating charges (%)   | 0.80   | 0.80   | 0.80  | 0.80  |
| Direct transaction costs (%)  | -  | _  | _   | _   |
| Prices  |  |  |   |   |
| Highest share price (p)   | 94.26  | 104.90   | 104.80  | 99.72   |
| Lowest share price (p)  | 86.34  | 91.62  | 99.19   | 86.76   |
|   |  |  |   |   |
| Change in net asset per share   |  | LI1 (GRP)  | Income  |   |
| Change in net asset per share   | 21 01 22   | U1 (GBP)   |   | 21.07.20  |
| Change in net asset per share   | 31.01.23<br>(p)                                  | 31.07.22   | 31.07.21  | 31.07.20<br>(p)   |
|   | (p)  | 31.07.22<br>(p)  | 31.07.21<br>(p)   | (p)   |
| Opening net asset value per share   | (p)<br>88.75                                     | 31.07.22<br>(p)<br>98.73   | 31.07.21  | ( <b>p</b><br>89.18   |
| Opening net asset value per share<br>Return before operating charges*   | (p)<br>88.75<br>1.26                             | 31.07.22<br>(p)<br>98.73<br>(5.18)   | 31.07.21<br>(p)<br>93.28<br>10.04   | (p)<br>89.18<br>7.99  |
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| Change in net asset per share   |   |   |  |   |  |
|---|---|---|--|---|--|
|   | U2 (GBP) Income   |   |  |   |  |
|   | 31.01.23  | 31.07.22  | 31.07.21   | 31.07.20  |  |
|   | (p)   | (p)   | (p)  | (p)   |  |
| Opening net asset value per share   | 91.35   | 102.10  | 96.79  | 92.82   |  |
| Return before operating charges*  | 1.32  | (5.40)  | 10.37  | 8.28  |  |
| Operating charges   | (0.29)  | (0.66)  | (0.65)   | (0.61)  |  |
| Return after operating charges*   | 1.03  | (6.06)  | 9.72   | 7.67  |  |
| Distributions on income shares  | (2.50)  | (4.69)  | (4.41)   | (3.70)  |  |
| Closing net asset value per share   | 89.88   | 91.35   | 102.10   | 96.79   |  |
| *after direct transaction costs of:   |   | _   | _  | _   |  |
| Performance   |   |   |  |   |  |
| Return after charges (%)  | 1.13  | (5.94)  | 10.04  | 8.26  |  |
| Other Information   |   |   |  |   |  |
| Closing net asset value (£'000)   | _   | _   | 8  | 32  |  |
| Closing number of shares  | 435   | 429   | 7,413  | 32,805  |  |
| Operating charges (%)   | 0.65  | 0.65  | 0.65   | 0.65  |  |
| Direct transaction costs (%)  | _   | _   | -  | _   |  |
| Prices  |   |   | -  |   |  |
| Highest share price (p)   | 92.51   | 102.98  | 102.80   | 97.71   |  |
| Lowest share price (p)  | 84.73   | 89.94   | 97.26  | 85.02   |  |
| Change in net asset per share   |   |   |  |   |  |
| Change in net asset per share   |   | L (GBP) Acci  | umulation  |   |  |
| Change in net asset per share   | 31.01.23  | <b>L (GBP) Acc</b><br>31.07.22  | umulation<br>31.07.21  | 31.07.20  |  |
| Change in net asset per share   | 31.01.23<br>(p)   |   |  | 31.07.20<br>(p)   |  |
|   |   | 31.07.22  | 31.07.21   |   |  |
| Opening net asset value per share   | (p)   | 31.07.22<br>(p)   | 31.07.21<br>(p)  | (p)   |  |
| Opening net asset value per share<br>Return before operating charges*   | (p)<br>85.64  | 31.07.22<br>(p)<br>91.60  | 31.07.21<br>(p)<br>83.49   | <b>(p)</b><br>77.38   |  |
| Opening net asset value per share<br>Return before operating charges*<br>Operating charges  | (p)<br>85.64<br>1.28  | 31.07.22<br>(p)<br>91.60<br>(4.93)  | 31.07.21<br>(p)<br>83.49<br>9.13   | (p)<br>77.38<br>7.03  |  |
| Opening net asset value per share<br>Return before operating charges*<br>Operating charges<br>Return after operating charges*   | (p)<br>85.64<br>1.28<br>(0.49)  | 31.07.22<br>(p)<br>91.60<br>(4.93)<br>(1.03)  | 31.07.21<br>(p)<br>83.49<br>9.13<br>(1.02)   | (p)<br>77.38<br>7.03<br>(0.92)                                      |  |
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| Opening net asset value per share Return before operating charges* Operating charges Return after operating charges* Distributions on accumulation share Retained distributions on accumulation share Closing net asset value per share   | (p)<br>85.64<br>1.28<br>(0.49)<br>0.79<br>(2.38)<br>2.38                | 31.07.22<br>(p)<br>91.60<br>(4.93)<br>(1.03)<br>(5.96)<br>(4.22)<br>4.22  | 31.07.21<br>(p)<br>83.49<br>9.13<br>(1.02)<br>8.11<br>(3.87)<br>3.87                       | (p)<br>77.38<br>7.03<br>(0.92)<br>6.11<br>(3.14)<br>3.14            |  |
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| Opening net asset value per share Return before operating charges* Operating charges Return after operating charges* Distributions on accumulation share Retained distributions on accumulation share Closing net asset value per share *after direct transaction costs of:  Performance Return after charges (%)   | (p) 85.64 1.28 (0.49) 0.79 (2.38) 2.38 86.43                            | 31.07.22<br>(p)<br>91.60<br>(4.93)<br>(1.03)<br>(5.96)<br>(4.22)<br>4.22<br>85.64   | 31.07.21<br>(p)<br>83.49<br>9.13<br>(1.02)<br>8.11<br>(3.87)<br>3.87<br>91.60              | (p) 77.38 7.03 (0.92) 6.11 (3.14) 3.14 83.49                        |  |
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| Opening net asset value per share Return before operating charges* Operating charges Return after operating charges* Distributions on accumulation share Retained distributions on accumulation share Closing net asset value per share *after direct transaction costs of:  Performance Return after charges (%)  Other Information Closing net asset value (£'000)  | (p) 85.64 1.28 (0.49) 0.79 (2.38) 2.38 86.43 -                          | 31.07.22<br>(p)<br>91.60<br>(4.93)<br>(1.03)<br>(5.96)<br>(4.22)<br>4.22<br>85.64<br>—                                    | 31.07.21<br>(p)<br>83.49<br>9.13<br>(1.02)<br>8.11<br>(3.87)<br>3.87<br>91.60              | (p) 77.38 7.03 (0.92) 6.11 (3.14) 3.14 83.49 - 7.90                 |  |
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| Change in net asset per share                |                 |                 |                 |                 |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
|  |                 | I (GBP) Acc     | umulation       |                 |
|  | 31.01.23<br>(p) | 31.07.22<br>(p) | 31.07.21<br>(p) | 31.07.20<br>(p) |
| Opening net asset value per share            | 138.54          | 147.46          | 133.75          | 123.41          |
| Return before operating charges*             | 2.08            | (7.99)          | 14.63           | 11.17           |
| Operating charges                            | (0.45)          | (0.93)          | (0.92)          | (0.83)          |
| Return after operating charges*              | 1.63            | (8.92)          | 13.71           | 10.34           |
| Distributions on accumulation share          | (3.86)          | (6.81)          | (6.21)          | (5.02)          |
| Retained distributions on accumulation share | 3.86            | 6.81            | 6.21            | 5.02            |
| Closing net asset value per share            | 140.17          | 138.54          | 147.46          | 133.75          |
| *after direct transaction costs of:          | _               | -               | -               | _               |
| Performance                                  |                 |                 |                 |                 |
| Return after charges (%)                     | 1.18            | (6.05)          | 10.25           | 8.38            |
| Other Information                            |                 |                 |                 |                 |
| Closing net asset value (£'000)              | 60,688          | 52,438          | 14,427          | 8,354           |
| Closing number of shares                     | 43,295,842      | 37,849,854      | 9,783,832       | 6,246,115       |
| Operating charges (%)                        | 0.65            | 0.65            | 0.65            | 0.65            |
| Direct transaction costs (%)                 | _               | -               | -               | _               |
| Prices                                       |                 |                 |                 |                 |
| Highest share price (p)                      | 141.31          | 149.31          | 147.90          | 134.70          |
| Lowest share price (p)                       | 129.72          | 135.79          | 134.50          | 115.50          |
| Change in not posst you show                 |                 |                 |                 |                 |
| Change in net asset per share                |                 | P (GBP) Acc     | umulation       |                 |
|  | 31.01.23        | 31.07.22        | 31.07.21        | 31.07.20        |
|  | (p)             | (p)             | (p)             | (p)             |
| Opening net asset value per share            | 161.29          | 171.91          | 156.17          | 144.21          |
| Return before operating charges*             | 2.42            | (9.32)          | 17.07           | 13.16           |
| Operating charges                            | (0.64)          | (1.30)          | (1.33)          | (1.20           |
| Return after operating charges*              | 1.78            | (10.62)         | 15.74           | 11.96           |
| Distributions on accumulation share          | (4.49)          | (7.93)          | (7.25)          | (5.87           |
| Retained distributions on accumulation share | 4.49            | 7.93            | 7.25            | 5.87            |
| Closing net asset value per share            | 163.07          | 161 29          | 171 91          | 156.17          |

| Operating charges                            | (0.64) | (1.30)  | (1.33) | (1.20) |
|--|--------|---------|--------|--------|
| Return after operating charges*              | 1.78   | (10.62) | 15.74  | 11.96  |
| Distributions on accumulation share          | (4.49) | (7.93)  | (7.25) | (5.87) |
| Retained distributions on accumulation share | 4.49   | 7.93    | 7.25   | 5.87   |
| Closing net asset value per share            | 163.07 | 161.29  | 171.91 | 156.17 |
| *after direct transaction costs of:          | _      | _       | -      |        |
| Performance                                  |        |         |        |        |
|  | 1.10   | (6.40)  | 10.00  | 0.00   |
| Return after charges (%)                     | 1.10   | (6.18)  | 10.08  | 8.29   |
| Other Information                            |        |         |        |        |
| Closing net asset value (£'000)              | 51     | 687     | 51     | 26     |
| Closing number of shares                     | 31,123 | 425,739 | 29,664 | 16,545 |
| Operating charges (%)                        | 0.80   | 0.80    | 0.80   | 0.80   |
| Direct transaction costs (%)                 | _      | -       | -      | _      |
| Delega                                       |        |         |        |        |
| Prices                                       |        |         |        |        |
| Highest share price (p)                      | 164.39 | 174.06  | 172.40 | 157.10 |
| Lowest share price (p)                       | 150.98 | 158.10  | 156.90 | 134.90 |
|  |        |         |        |        |

| Change in net asset per share   |                      |                      |                     |                     |
|---|----------------------|----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
|   |                      | U1 (GBP) Acc         | cumulation          |                     |
|   | 31.01.23<br>(p)      | 31.07.22<br>(p)      | 31.07.21<br>(p)     | 31.07.20<br>(p)     |
| Opening net asset value per share   | 126.71               | 134.45               | 121.60              | 111.77              |
| Return before operating charges*  | 1.91                 | (7.28)               | 13.30               | 10.24               |
| Operating charges   | (0.22)               | (0.46)               | (0.45)              | (0.41)              |
| Return after operating charges*   | 1.69                 | (7.74)               | 12.85               | 9.83                |
| Distributions on accumulation share   | (3.53)               | (6.22)               | (5.66)              | (4.56)              |
| Retained distributions on accumulation share  | 3.53                 | 6.22                 | 5.66                | 4.56                |
| Closing net asset value per share   | 128.40               | 126.71               | 134.45              | 121.60              |
| *after direct transaction costs of:   | _                    | _                    | _                   | _                   |
| Performance   |                      |                      |                     |                     |
| Return after charges (%)  | 1.33                 | (5.76)               | 10.57               |                     |
|   |                      |                      |                     | 8.79                |
| Other Information   |                      |                      |                     | 8.79                |
| Closing net asset value (£'000)   | 40,611               | 45,971               | 11,614              | 10,168              |
|   | 40,611<br>31,628,544 | 45,971<br>36,281,693 | 11,614<br>8,637,878 |                     |
| Closing net asset value (£'000)   | - , -                | - / -                | , -                 | 10,168              |
| Closing net asset value (£'000) Closing number of shares  | 31,628,544           | 36,281,693           | 8,637,878           | 10,168<br>8,362,158 |
| Closing net asset value (£'000) Closing number of shares Operating charges (%)                              | 31,628,544           | 36,281,693           | 8,637,878           | 10,168<br>8,362,158 |
| Closing net asset value (£'000) Closing number of shares Operating charges (%) Direct transaction costs (%) | 31,628,544           | 36,281,693           | 8,637,878           | 10,168<br>8,362,158 |

### **Portfolio Statement**

| As at 31 January 2 | 2023   |                   |                       |
|--------------------|--|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Holding            | Investment   | Market value<br>£ | Total net assets<br>% |
|                    | CORPORATE BONDS AND FIXED INTEREST STOCKS - 95.44% (92                           | 2.01%)            |                       |
|                    | Bermuda - 0.80% (0.00%)  |                   |                       |
| \$2,000,000        | NCL 3.625% 15/12/2024  | 1,523,697         | 0.80                  |
|                    | Canada - 0.11% (0.80%)   |                   |                       |
| €300,000           | Maxeda DIY 5.875% 01/10/2026   | 203,148           | 0.11                  |
|                    | France - 1.14% (0.92%)   |                   |                       |
| £300,000           | BNP Paribas 2% 24/05/2031  | 262,766           | 0.14                  |
| €1,000,000         | Electricite de France 7.5% Perpetual   | 902,611           | 0.47                  |
| €1,383,000         | TotalEnergies 1.625% Perpetual   | 1,012,461         | 0.53                  |
|                    |  | 2,177,838         | 1.14                  |
|                    | Germany - 13.72% (15.53%)  |                   |                       |
| €600,000           | Abanca Bancaria 7.5% Perpetual   | 523,667           | 0.27                  |
| €1,000,000         | Abanca Bancaria 7.5% Perpetual   | 872,778           | 0.46                  |
| €1,327,000         | Altice France 8% 15/05/2027  | 951,920           | 0.50                  |
| €300,000           | ARD Finance 5% 30/06/2027  | 199,718           | 0.10                  |
| €1,700,000         | Ardagh Metal Packaging Finance USA/ Ardagh Metal Packaging Finance 3% 01/09/2029 | 1,163,703         | 0.61                  |
| £226,000           | BCP V Modular Services Finance II 6.125% 30/11/2028                              | 194,530           | 0.10                  |
| €1,000,000         | Carnival 10.125% 01/02/2026  | 916,575           | 0.48                  |
| €100,000           | Casino Guichard Perrachon 6.625% 15/01/2026                                      | 53,998            | 0.03                  |
| £350,000           | Cidron Aida Finco Sarl 6.25% 01/04/2028  | 295,313           | 0.15                  |
| £700,000           | Cornwall Jersey 0.75% 16/04/2026   | 461,300           | 0.24                  |
| £1,000,000         | CPUK Finance 3.69% 28/02/2047  | 889,134           | 0.46                  |
| €489,000           | CT Investment 5.5% 15/04/2026  | 382,726           | 0.20                  |
| \$500,000          | Danske Bank 4.375% Perpetual   | 356,578           | 0.19                  |
| €350,000           | Deuce Finco 6.796% 15/06/2027  | 288,689           | 0.15                  |
| €600,000           | Deutsche Bank 4.5% Perpetual   | 434,141           | 0.23                  |
| €1,000,000         | DKT Finance ApS 7% 17/06/2023  | 881,276           | 0.46                  |
| €693,000           | HSE Finance 5.625% 15/10/2026  | 322,251           | 0.17                  |
| €1,141,168         | Lincoln Financing SARL 3.625% 01/04/2024   | 999,699           | 0.52                  |
| €1,150,000         | Lune Sarl 5.625% 15/11/2028  | 859,223           | 0.45                  |
| €281,000           | Lune Sarl 5.625% 15/11/2028  | 209,949           | 0.11                  |
| €300,000           | Midco GB 7.75% 01/11/2027  | 238,030           | 0.12                  |
| £1,450,000         | MPT Operating Partnership 3.375% 24/04/2030                                      | 954,042           | 0.50                  |
| €1,150,000         | Nidda Healthcare 7.5% 21/08/2026   | 987,372           | 0.52                  |
| €1,430,000         | PeopleCert Wisdom Issuer 5.75% 15/09/2026  | 1,178,735         | 0.62                  |
| €386,000           | PeopleCert Wisdom Issuer 5.75% 15/09/2026  | 318,176           | 0.17                  |
| £1,412,000         | PepsiCo 3.55% 22/07/2034   | 1,310,562         | 0.68                  |
| €600,000           | Picard Bondco 5.375% 01/07/2027  | 451,115           | 0.24                  |
| €600,000           | Picard Bondco 5.375% 01/07/2027  | 451,115           | 0.24                  |
| €600,000           | Picard Groupe SAS 3.875% 01/07/2026  | 478,737           | 0.25                  |
| £1,600,000         | Pinnacle Bidco 6.375% 15/02/2025   | 1,452,000         | 0.76                  |



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|             | Germany (continued)   |                   |                 |
| €1,050,000  | SCIL IV 4.375% 01/11/2026   | 821,489           | 0.43            |
| €1,000,000  | SELP Finance Sarl 0.875% 27/05/2029   | 688,247           | 0.36            |
| €180,211    | Summer BC Holdco A SARL 9.25% 31/10/2027  | 128,869           | 0.07            |
| €495,579    | Summer BC Holdco A SARL 9.25% 31/10/2027  | 354,391           | 0.18            |
| €500,000    | Summer BC Holdco B SARL 5.75% 31/10/2026  | 397,268           | 0.21            |
| €807,447    | Summer BidCo 9% 15/11/2025  | 533,089           | 0.28            |
| €886,000    | Tereos Finance Groupe   7.5% 30/10/2025   | 798,667           | 0.42            |
| €1,500,000  | Teva Pharmaceutical Finance Netherlands IV 4.5% 01/03/2025                      | 1,294,621         | 0.68            |
| €1,300,000  | Vallourec 8.5% 30/06/2026   | 1,154,571         | 0.60            |
| £800,000    | Virgin Money UK 8.25% Perpetual   | 742,000           | 0.39            |
| £240,000    | Vodafone 4.875% 03/10/2078  | 229,595           | 0.12            |
|             | <u> </u>  | 26,219,859        | 13.72           |
|             |   |                   |                 |
| €500,000    | Guernsey, Channel Islands - 8.89% (8.54%) Banijay Entertainment 3.5% 01/03/2025 | 424,884           | 0.22            |
| €1,000,000  | Birkenstock GMBH 5.25% 30/04/2029   | 773,775           | 0.40            |
| \$1,100,000 | CA Magnum 5.375% 31/10/2026   | 830,222           | 0.43            |
| £250,000    | CPUK Finance 6.5% 28/08/2026  | 236,250           | 0.12            |
| £405,000    | Deuce Finco 5.5% 15/06/2027   | 342,225           | 0.18            |
| £250,000    | Energia 4.75% 15/09/2024  | 240,600           | 0.13            |
| €600,000    | Garfunkelux 6.75% 01/11/2025  | 402,007           | 0.21            |
| €120,000    | Kleopatra Holdings 6.5% 01/09/2026  | 59,931            | 0.03            |
| €1,000,000  | Loarre Investments Sarl 6.5% 15/05/2029   | 832,624           | 0.44            |
| €175,000    | Motion Finco 7% 15/05/2025  | 156,231           | 0.08            |
| €250,000    | Nidda BondCo 5% 30/09/2025  | 204,946           | 0.11            |
| €3,000,000  | Nordex 6.5% 01/02/2023  | 2,644,781         | 1.38            |
| €2,100,000  | Parts Europe 6.5% 16/07/2025  | 1,860,959         | 0.97            |
| £500,000    | Pinewood Finance 3.25% 30/09/2025   | 464,930           | 0.24            |
| £2,000,000  | Pinewood Finance 3.625% 15/11/2027  | 1,790,268         | 0.94            |
| £700,000    | Punch Finance 6.125% 30/06/2026   | 610,540           | 0.32            |
| \$500,000   | SCIL IV/ SCIL USA 5.375% 01/11/2026   | 371,920           | 0.19            |
| €800,000    | Tereos Finance Groupe   7.5% 30/10/2025   | 721,144           | 0.38            |
| €1,000,000  | Tereos Finance Groupe I 4.75% 30/04/2027  | 815,474           | 0.43            |
| £250,000    | The Very Group Funding 6.5% 01/08/2026  | 191,250           | 0.10            |
| €2,500,000  | VZ Secured Financing 3.5% 15/01/2032  | 1,752,168         | 0.92            |
| \$487,000   | Welltec International 8.25% 15/10/2026  | 397,151           | 0.21            |
| \$700,000   | Welltec International 8.25% 15/10/2026  | 570,854           | 0.30            |
| £400,000    | Zenith Finco 6.5% 30/06/2027  | 301,472           | 0.16            |
|             |   | 16,996,606        | 8.89            |
|             | Ireland - 14.76% (12.02%)   |                   |                 |
| £1,250,000  | AA Bond 6.269% 02/07/2043   | 1,225,080         | 0.64            |
| £227,000    | AA Bond 3.25% 31/07/2050  | 181,450           | 0.09            |
| £500,000    | ABP Finance 6.25% 14/12/2026  | 518,520           | 0.27            |

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|             | Ireland (continued)  |                   |                       |
| €600,000    | Afflelou 9.802% 19/05/2027                                   | 506,476           | 0.26                  |
| €200,000    | AIB 6.25% Perpetual  | 169,486           | 0.09                  |
| €440,520    | ARD Finance 5% 30/06/2027                                    | 293,266           | 0.15                  |
| €1,300,000  | Aryzta Euro Finance DAC 4.5% Perpetual                       | 1,080,585         | 0.56                  |
| \$400,000   | ASG Finance Designated Activity 7.875% 03/12/2024            | 316,507           | 0.17                  |
| \$1,000,000 | AT Securities 5.25% Perpetual                                | 391,982           | 0.20                  |
| €200,000    | CPI Property Group 4.875% Perpetual                          | 85,307            | 0.04                  |
| £500,000    | CPUK Finance 4.875% 28/02/2047                               | 473,347           | 0.25                  |
| €596,000    | Enel 6.625% Perpetual  | 534,939           | 0.28                  |
| €400,000    | Energo-Pro 4.5% 04/05/2024                                   | 336,924           | 0.18                  |
| \$1,600,000 | Energo-Pro 8.5% 04/02/2027                                   | 1,233,566         | 0.65                  |
| £457,480    | Greene King Finance 5.318% 15/09/2031                        | 433,579           | 0.23                  |
| €500,000    | International Consolidated Airlines 2.75% 25/03/2025         | 412,358           | 0.22                  |
| €1,042,222  | Intrum 3.125% 15/07/2024                                     | 894,284           | 0.47                  |
| €1,250,000  | Lehman Brothers Defaulted 4.625% 14/03/2019*                 | _                 | _                     |
| £1,000,000  | Logicor Financing Sarl 2.75% 15/01/2030                      | 799,340           | 0.42                  |
| £2,100,000  | MPT Operating Partnership 2.55% 05/12/2023                   | 1,980,090         | 1.04                  |
| £500,000    | MPT Operating Partnership 3.692% 05/06/2028                  | 357,430           | 0.19                  |
| £1,537,000  | Ocado Group 3.875% 08/10/2026                                | 1,201,166         | 0.63                  |
| £2,000,000  | RAC Bond 4.565% 06/05/2046                                   | 1,991,200         | 1.04                  |
| £357,000    | Rothesay Life 6.875% Perpetual                               | 324,399           | 0.17                  |
| €1,500,000  | Sagax Euro MTN 1% 17/05/2029                                 | 977,160           | 0.51                  |
| €1,467,000  | SELP Finance Sarl 3.75% 10/08/2027                           | 1,234,858         | 0.65                  |
| £2,000,000  | Student Finance 2.6663% 30/09/2029                           | 1,950,864         | 1.02                  |
| €1,000,000  | Teva Pharmaceutical Finance Netherlands II 4.375% 09/05/2030 | 758,012           | 0.40                  |
| £1,200,000  | Thames Water Utilities Finance 2.625% 24/01/2032             | 995,524           | 0.52                  |
| €1,400,000  | Trivium Packaging Finance 3.75% 15/08/2026                   | 1,147,835         | 0.60                  |
| £592,000    | UNITE USAF II 3.374% 30/06/2023                              | 587,088           | 0.31                  |
| £800,000    | UNITE USAF II 3.921% 30/06/2030                              | 774,427           | 0.40                  |
| £500,000    | Virgin Money UK 9.25% Perpetual                              | 506,960           | 0.26                  |
| €1,500,000  | Viterra Finance 0.375% 24/09/2025                            | 1,189,379         | 0.62                  |
| \$1,000,000 | Viterra Finance 4.9% 21/04/2027                              | 780,151           | 0.41                  |
| \$2,000,000 | Viterra Finance 4.9% 21/04/2027                              | 1,560,301         | 0.82                  |
|             |  | 28,203,840        | 14.76                 |
|             | Italy - 1.47% (0.32%)  |                   |                       |
| \$300,000   | Intesa Sanpaolo 4% 23/09/2029                                | 218,358           | 0.11                  |
| €2,797,000  | Limacorporate 8.233% 01/02/2028                              | 2,364,029         | 1.24                  |
| €350,000    | Pro-Gest 3.25% 15/12/2024                                    | 220,339           | 0.12                  |
|             |  | 2,802,726         | 1.47                  |
|             | Jersey, Channel Islands - 0.00% (0.24%)                      |                   |                       |

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|             | Luxembourg - 16.82% (14.76%)                          |                   |                       |
| €750,000    | Almaviva-The Italian Innovation Co 4.875% 30/10/2026  | 623,642           | 0.33                  |
| €635,000    | Almaviva-The Italian Innovation Co 4.875% 30/10/2026  | 528,017           | 0.28                  |
| €1,000,000  | Alpha Bank 7.5% 16/06/2027                            | 890,013           | 0.47                  |
| €500,000    | Altice Financing 2.25% 15/01/2025                     | 411,498           | 0.21                  |
| £557,000    | AXA 5.453% Perpetual                                  | 551,430           | 0.29                  |
| £600,000    | B&M European Value Retail 3.625% 15/07/2025           | 571,500           | 0.30                  |
| €500,000    | Burger King France SAS 7.232% 01/11/2026              | 435,551           | 0.23                  |
| €495,000    | Canpack SA 2.375% 01/11/2027                          | 362,900           | 0.19                  |
| €400,000    | Casino Guichard Perrachon 4.498% 07/03/2024           | 301,329           | 0.16                  |
| €350,000    | Casino Guichard Perrachon 5.25% 15/04/2027            | 179,735           | 0.09                  |
| £780,000    | Cidron Aida Finco SARL 6.25% 01/04/2028               | 658,125           | 0.34                  |
| £1,858,000  | Credit Suisse 7.75% 10/03/2026                        | 1,919,790         | 1.00                  |
| €600,000    | Deutsche Bank 10% Perpetual                           | 565,983           | 0.30                  |
| £791,000    | Encore Capital 4.25% 01/06/2028                       | 620,539           | 0.32                  |
| €1,300,000  | Eni 2.625% Perpetual                                  | 1,057,251         | 0.55                  |
| €200,000    | Eurobank 2.25% 14/03/2028                             | 146,611           | 0.08                  |
| €1,408,000  | Fiber Bidco S.P.A. 11% 25/10/2027                     | 1,344,236         | 0.70                  |
| €440,000    | GELF Bond Issuer I 1.625% 20/10/2026                  | 343,701           | 0.18                  |
| €1,888,000  | Golden Goose 7.529% 14/05/2027                        | 1,583,723         | 0.83                  |
| €503,000    | Goldstory SASU 5.375% 01/03/2026                      | 412,401           | 0.22                  |
| €2,000,000  | lliad 5.375% 14/06/2027                               | 1,763,188         | 0.92                  |
| €250,000    | Intesa Sanpaolo 5.875% Perpetual                      | 182,878           | 0.10                  |
| €395,000    | Italmatch Chemicals 8.04% 06/02/2028                  | 333,865           | 0.17                  |
| €255,000    | Italmatch Chemicals 10% 06/02/2028                    | 228,369           | 0.12                  |
| €1,000,000  | Louis Dreyfus Co Finance 2.375% 27/11/2025            | 843,683           | 0.44                  |
| €600,000    | Loxam SAS 4.5% 15/02/2027                             | 500,506           | 0.26                  |
| €600,000    | Marcolin 6.125% 15/11/2026                            | 452,258           | 0.24                  |
| £850,000    | Nestle 2.125% 04/04/2027                              | 790,587           | 0.41                  |
| \$1,600,000 | Nielsen Co Luxembourg SARL 5% 01/02/2025              | 1,226,781         | 0.64                  |
| €721,000    | Rekeep 7.25% 01/02/2026                               | 540,285           | 0.28                  |
| €750,000    | Rossini SARL 6.75% 30/10/2025                         | 664,872           | 0.35                  |
| €1,500,000  | Societe Generale 7.875% Perpetual                     | 1,368,674         | 0.72                  |
| \$1,104,000 | Societe Generale 9.375% Perpetual                     | 962,035           | 0.50                  |
| €1,800,000  | Telenet Finance Luxembourg Notes Sarl 3.5% 01/03/2028 | 1,430,613         | 0.75                  |
| £300,000    | Unique Pub Finance 6.464% 30/03/2032                  | 309,234           | 0.16                  |
| €900,000    | Vallourec 8.5% 30/06/2026                             | 799,319           | 0.42                  |
| \$1,000,000 | Var Energi 8% 15/11/2032                              | 871,750           | 0.46                  |
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| £3,633,000  | Virgin Media Secured Finance 5.25% 15/05/2029         | 3,170,083         | 1.66                  |
| €1,500,000  | Volkswagen International Finance 5.125% Perpetual     | 1,322,391         | 0.69                  |
| 3.,000,000  | . S.              | 32,141,097        | 16.82                 |

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|             | Netherlands - 0.65% (0.92%)                        |                   |                       |
| \$1,605,000 | LeasePlan 2.875% 24/10/2024                        | 1,236,105         | 0.65                  |
|             | Norway - 1.17% (0.69%)                             |                   |                       |
| \$1,048,000 | International Petroleum 7.25% 01/02/2027           | 822,737           | 0.43                  |
| \$200,000   | Seaspan 6.5% 29/04/2026                            | 161,906           | 0.09                  |
| \$1,400,000 | Yara International 7.378% 14/11/2032               | 1,250,987         | 0.65                  |
|             |  | 2,235,630         | 1.17                  |
|             | Panama - 0.16% (0.22%)                             |                   |                       |
| \$350,000   | Carnival 10.5% 01/02/2026                          | 297,085           | 0.16                  |
|             | Singapore - 0.22% (1.26%)                          |                   |                       |
| €500,000    | SoftBank 2.125% 06/07/2024                         | 418,206           | 0.22                  |
|             | Spain - 0.18% (0.24%)                              |                   |                       |
| €400,000    | Ibercaja Banco 7% Perpetual                        | 351,919           | 0.18                  |
|             | Sweden - 0.51% (0.16%)                             |                   |                       |
| €1,057,000  | Preem 12% 30/06/2027                               | 979,686           | 0.51                  |
|             | Switzerland - 0.93% (0.90%)                        |                   |                       |
| £1,000,000  | Barclays Bank 7.25% Perpetual                      | 997,514           | 0.52                  |
| \$295,000   | Credit Suisse 6.25% Perpetual                      | 210,106           | 0.11                  |
| \$750,000   | Credit Suisse 7.5% Perpetual                       | 576,712           | 0.30                  |
|             |  | 1,784,332         | 0.93                  |
|             | United Kingdom - 22.48% (16.01%)                   |                   |                       |
| £582,000    | Anglian Water Services Financing 2.625% 15/06/2027 | 537,484           | 0.28                  |
| £200,000    | Anglian Water Services Financing 6.293% 30/07/2030 | 219,948           | 0.11                  |
| \$500,000   | Ashtead Capital 4.375% 15/08/2027                  | 389,156           | 0.20                  |
| \$2,400,000 | Ashtead Capital 4% 01/05/2028                      | 1,831,650         | 0.96                  |
| \$500,000   | Ashtead Capital 4.25% 01/11/2029                   | 378,758           | 0.20                  |
| £1,596,000  | Barclays 8.407% 14/11/2032                         | 1,717,219         | 0.90                  |
| £1,200,000  | Barclays 7.125% Perpetual                          | 1,167,000         | 0.61                  |
| \$220,000   | Barclays 8% Perpetual                              | 179,283           | 0.09                  |
| £1,000,000  | Bazalgette Finance 2.75% 10/03/2034                | 820,398           | 0.43                  |
| \$500,000   | Beazley Insurance 5.875% 04/11/2026                | 395,634           | 0.21                  |
| £587,000    | Boparan Finance 7.625% 30/11/2025                  | 434,380           | 0.23                  |
| €750,000    | BP Capital Markets 3.625% Perpetual                | 585,118           | 0.31                  |
| £1,300,000  | BP Capital Markets 4.25% Perpetual                 | 1,198,730         | 0.63                  |
| £500,000    | Coventry Building Society 6.875% Perpetual         | 481,983           | 0.25                  |
| £1,300,000  | Go-Ahead Group 2.5% 06/07/2024                     | 1,249,850         | 0.65                  |



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|              | United Kingdom (continued)                              |                   |                       |
| €675,489     | Hellas Telecom 12.732% 31/12/2025*                      | _                 | _                     |
| £2,000,000   | HSBC 8.201% 16/11/2034                                  | 2,177,084         | 1.14                  |
| £850,000     | John Lewis 6.125% 21/01/2025                            | 825,857           | 0.43                  |
| \$1,400,000  | KCA Deutag UK Finance 9.875% 01/12/2025                 | 1,091,300         | 0.57                  |
| £500,000     | Logicor 1.875% 17/11/2031                               | 446,351           | 0.23                  |
| £112,000     | Maison Finco 6% 31/10/2027                              | 84,896            | 0.04                  |
| £200,000     | Maison Finco 6% 31/10/2027                              | 151,600           | 0.08                  |
| £200,000     | Marston's Issuer 5.1774% 15/07/2032                     | 177,516           | 0.09                  |
| £200,000     | Marston's Issuer 3.60417% 15/07/2035                    | 153,003           | 0.08                  |
| £64,000      | Maryland Bidco 9.243% 26/07/2027                        | 54,400            | 0.03                  |
| £171,000     | Maryland Bidco 10% 26/01/2028                           | 148,770           | 0.08                  |
| €1,000,000   | Mondi Finance Europe 2.375% 01/04/2028                  | 833,409           | 0.44                  |
| £2,200,000   | National Grid Electricity Transmission 2.75% 06/02/2035 | 1,744,996         | 0.91                  |
| £2,100,000   | Nationwide Building Society 6.178% 07/12/2027           | 2,172,711         | 1.14                  |
| £200,000     | Nationwide Building Society 5.875% Perpetual            | 192,750           | 0.10                  |
| £2,250,000   | Nats En Route 1.375% 31/03/2031                         | 1,937,242         | 1.01                  |
| £205,000     | Natwest Group 5.125% Perpetual                          | 182,380           | 0.10                  |
| £1,617,000   | NatWest Group 7.416% 06/06/2033                         | 1,694,668         | 0.89                  |
| £1,072,000   | NatWest Markets 6.375% 08/11/2027                       | 1,131,215         | 0.59                  |
| £600,000     | Pension Insurance 6.5% 03/07/2024                       | 601,042           | 0.31                  |
| £750,000     | Places For People Treasury 2.875% 17/08/2026            | 700,481           | 0.37                  |
| £358,000     | Provident Financial 7% 04/06/2023                       | 358,895           | 0.19                  |
| £1,500,000   | RAC Bond 4.87% 06/05/2046                               | 1,410,366         | 0.74                  |
| £1,300,000   | Reckitt Benckiser Treasury Services 1.75% 19/05/2032    | 1,057,289         | 0.55                  |
| €500,000     | Rolls-Royce 1.625% 09/05/2028                           | 355,657           | 0.19                  |
| £2,700,000   | Royal Bank of Canada 5% 24/01/2028                      | 2,737,206         | 1.43                  |
| £1,000,000   | Sage Group 1.625% 25/02/2031                            | 781,674           | 0.41                  |
| £700,000     | Scottish Hydro Electric Transmission 1.5% 24/03/2028    | 603,394           | 0.32                  |
| £750,000     | Scottish Widows 5.5% 16/06/2023                         | 750,099           | 0.39                  |
| £1,290,000   | Severn Trent Utilities Finance 4.625% 30/11/2034        | 1,265,930         | 0.66                  |
| £1,005,000   | SSE 3.74% Perpetual                                     | 932,992           | 0.49                  |
| £1,000,000   | TP ICAP Finance 5.25% 26/01/2024                        | 986,250           | 0.52                  |
| £1,250,000   | TP ICAP Finance 2.625% 18/11/2028                       | 978,161           | 0.51                  |
| £1,390,000   | Travis Perkins 4.5% 07/09/2023                          | 1,379,575         | 0.72                  |
| £500,000     | Virgin Money UK 4% 03/09/2027                           | 472,586           | 0.25                  |
| £800,000     | Virgin Money UK 7.875% 14/12/2028                       | 805,056           | 0.42                  |
|              |   | 42,963,392        | 22.48                 |
| 64 = 66 = 55 | United States - 11.43% (18.33%)                         |                   | _                     |
| £1,500,000   | AT&T 2.9% 04/12/2026                                    | 1,413,420         | 0.74                  |
| \$300,000    | Bath & Body Works 9.375% 01/07/2025                     | 260,590           | 0.14                  |
| \$200,000    | Baytex Energy 8.75% 01/04/2027                          | 167,958           | 0.09                  |
| \$600,000    | BBVA Global Finance 7% 01/12/2025                       | 495,136           | 0.26                  |
| \$600,000    | Community Health Systems 8% 15/12/2027                  | 458,932           | 0.24                  |
| \$635,000    | Credit Suisse AG/New York NY 7.95% 09/01/2025           | 527,889           | 0.28                  |

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|             | United States (continued)                       |                   |                 |
| \$1,500,000 | Drax Finco 6.625% 01/11/2025                    | 1,186,902         | 0.62            |
| \$500,000   | Enbridge 6.25% 01/03/2078                       | 386,172           | 0.20            |
| \$3,000,000 | Enel 8.75% 24/09/2073                           | 2,451,609         | 1.28            |
| \$1,000,000 | Energy Transfer 6.75% Perpetual                 | 766,921           | 0.40            |
| \$706,000   | Energy Ventures 11.75% 15/04/2026               | 598,667           | 0.31            |
| \$300,000   | Ford Motor 9.625% 22/04/2030                    | 286,585           | 0.15            |
| \$500,000   | Genesis Energy Finance 6.5% 01/10/2025          | 398,677           | 0.21            |
| \$291,000   | HSBC 4% Perpetual                               | 211,720           | 0.11            |
| €2,200,000  | IM Group 6.625% 01/03/2025                      | 1,894,898         | 0.99            |
| \$600,000   | Neptune Energy Bondco 6.625% 15/05/2025         | 480,847           | 0.25            |
| \$1,500,000 | Neptune Energy Bondco 6.625% 15/05/2025         | 1,202,118         | 0.63            |
| \$1,800,000 | Prime Healthcare Services 7.25% 01/11/2025      | 1,286,509         | 0.67            |
| \$1,000,000 | RegionalCare Hospital Partners 9.75% 01/12/2026 | 711,597           | 0.37            |
| €650,000    | Synthos 2.5% 07/06/2028                         | 452,183           | 0.24            |
| \$485,000   | Talos Production 12% 15/01/2026                 | 417,221           | 0.22            |
| £2,400,000  | Verizon Communications 4.75% 17/02/2034         | 2,390,107         | 1.25            |
| £1,750,000  | Verizon Communications 3.125% 02/11/2035        | 1,463,070         | 0.77            |
| \$1,848,000 | W&T Offshore 11.75% 01/02/2026                  | 1,518,824         | 0.79            |
| £430,000    | Welltower 4.8% 20/11/2028                       | 413,603           | 0.22            |
|             |   | 21,842,155        | 11.43           |
|             | EQUITIES - 0.09% (0.00%)                        |                   |                 |
| 124,000     | Aviva 8.75% Cumulative Irredeemable Preference  | 167,400           | 0.09            |
|             | DERIVATIVES - (0.22%) (0.24%)                   |                   |                 |
|             | Credit Default Swaps - (0.07%) (0.00%)          |                   |                 |
| 5,000,000   | iTraxx Europe Crossover 5% 20/12/2027           | (134,321)         | (0.07           |
|             | Forward Currency Contracts - (0.15%) (0.24%)    |                   |                 |
|             | Bought GBP £642,067: Sold EUR €728,978          | (1,268)           | _               |
|             | Bought GBP £1,790,974: Sold EUR €2,033,121      | (3,288)           | _               |
|             | Bought GBP £70,227,144: Sold EUR €79,724,075    | (130,623)         | (0.07           |
|             | <u> </u>  |                   |                 |
|             | Bought GBP £1,513,631: Sold USD \$1,876,563     | (8,504)           | (0.01           |
|             | Bought GBP £38,623,280: Sold USD \$47,791,346   | (141,707)         | (0.07           |
|             |   | (285,390)         | (0.15           |
|             | Total value of investments                      | 182,125,010       | 95.31           |
|             |   |                   |                 |
|             | Net other assets                                | 8,967,153         | 4.69            |

All holdings are ordinary shares or stock units unless otherwise stated. The figures in brackets show allocations as at 31 July 2022.



<sup>\*</sup>Represents an unquoted security.

### As at 31 January 2023

| Portfolio split by investment grade*            | Market value<br>£'000 | Total net assets<br>% |
|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Investments of investments grade                | 76,743                | 40.14                 |
| Investments below investments grade             | 101,836               | 53.31                 |
| Unrated   | 3,798                 | 1.99                  |
| Total Corporate Bonds and Fixed Interest Stocks | 182,377               | 95.44                 |
| Equity  | 167                   | 0.09                  |
| Credit Default Swaps                            | (134)                 | (0.07)                |
| Forward Currency Contracts                      | (285)                 | (0.15)                |
| Portfolio of investments                        | 182,125               | 95.31                 |
| Net other assets                                | 8,967                 | 4.69                  |
| Net assets                                      | 191,092               | 100.00                |

<sup>\*</sup>Source: Bloomberg

| Asset allocation |         |
|------------------|---------|
| Debt Securities  | 95.44%  |
| Equities         | 0.09%   |
| Derivatives      | (0.22)% |
| Net other assets | 4.69%   |
| Total            | 100.00% |

| Portfolio allocation      |         |
|---------------------------|---------|
| United Kingdom            | 22.57%  |
| Luxembourg                | 16.82%  |
| Ireland                   | 14.76%  |
| Germany                   | 13.72%  |
| United States             | 11.43%  |
| Guernsey, Channel Islands | 8.89%   |
| Italy                     | 1.47%   |
| Norway                    | 1.17%   |
| France                    | 1.14%   |
| Switzerland               | 0.93%   |
| Bermuda                   | 0.80%   |
| Netherlands               | 0.65%   |
| Sweden                    | 0.51%   |
| Singapore                 | 0.22%   |
| Spain                     | 0.18%   |
| Panama                    | 0.16%   |
| Canada                    | 0.11%   |
| Derivatives               | (0.22)% |
| Net other assets          | 4.69%   |
| Total                     | 100.00% |

| Major holdings   | Percentage of portfolio          |
|--|----------------------------------|
| Virgin Media Secured Finance 5.25% 15/05/2029 Royal Bank of Canada 5% 24/01/2028 Nordex 6.5% 01/02/2023 Enel 8.75% 24/09/2073 Verizon Communications 4.75% | 1.66%<br>1.43%<br>1.38%<br>1.28% |
| 17/02/2034<br>Limacorporate 8.233% 01/02/2028<br>HSBC 8.201% 16/11/2034<br>Nationwide Building Society 6.178%  | 1.25%<br>1.24%<br>1.14%          |
| 07/12/2027<br>RAC Bond 4.565% 06/05/2046<br>MPT Operating Partnership 2.55%<br>05/12/2023  | 1.14%<br>1.04%                   |
| Number of holdings   | 1.04%                            |



### **Statement of Total Return**

| For the period ended 31 January 2023   |                        |                   |                     |                   |
|--|------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
|  | Six months to<br>£'000 | 31.01.23<br>£'000 | Six months to £'000 | 31.01.22<br>£'000 |
| Income   |                        |                   |                     |                   |
| Net capital losses   |                        | (1,620)           |                     | (2,035)           |
| Revenue  | 4,363                  |                   | 1,545               |                   |
| Expenses   | (444)                  |                   | (207)               |                   |
| Interest payable and similar charges   | (8)                    |                   | (8)                 |                   |
| Net revenue before taxation  | 3,911                  |                   | 1,330               |                   |
| Taxation   | _                      |                   | _                   |                   |
| Net revenue after taxation   |                        | 3,911             |                     | 1,330             |
| Total return before distributions  | _                      | 2,291             | _                   | (705)             |
| Distributions  | _                      | (4,357)           | _                   | (1,538)           |
| Change in net assets attributable to shareholders from investment activities |                        | (2,066)           |                     | (2,243)           |

# **Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Shareholders**

| For the period ended 31 January 2023   |                        |                   |                        |                   |
|--|------------------------|-------------------|------------------------|-------------------|
|  | Six months to<br>£'000 | 31.01.23<br>£'000 | Six months to<br>£'000 | 31.01.22<br>£'000 |
| Opening net assets attributable to shareholders                              |                        | 138,404           |                        | 46,837            |
| Amounts receivable on issue of shares  | 82,580                 |                   | 55,616                 |                   |
| Amounts payable on cancellation of shares                                    | (30,811)               |                   | (9,086)                |                   |
|  |                        | 51,769            |                        | 46,530            |
| Change in net assets attributable to shareholders from investment activities |                        | (2,066)           |                        | (2,243)           |
| Unclaimed distributions  |                        | _                 |                        | 13                |
| Retained distribution on accumulation shares                                 | _                      | 2,985             | _                      | 1,162             |
| Closing net assets attributable to shareholders                              |                        | 191,092           |                        | 92,299            |

### **Balance Sheet**

| As at 31 January 2023                   |                   |                   |
|---|-------------------|-------------------|
|   | 31.01.23<br>£'000 | 31.07.22<br>£'000 |
| Assets                                  |                   |                   |
| Fixed Assets:                           |                   |                   |
| Investments                             | 182,545           | 127,695           |
| Current assets:                         |                   |                   |
| Debtors                                 | 11,168            | 4,960             |
| Cash and bank balances                  | 3,107             | 7,968             |
| Total assets                            | 196,820           | 140,623           |
| Liabilities                             |                   |                   |
| Investment liabilities                  | (420)             | (13)              |
| Creditors:                              |                   |                   |
| Bank overdrafts                         | (57)              | (9)               |
| Distributions payable                   | (418)             | (134)             |
| Other creditors                         | (4,833)           | (2,063)           |
| Total liabilities                       | (5,728)           | (2,219)           |
| Net assets attributable to shareholders | 191,092           | 138,404           |

#### **Notes to the Interim Financial Statements**

#### 1. Significant Accounting Policies

The interim financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis as modified by the revaluation of investments, in compliance with the Financial Conduct Authority's Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook. They have been prepared in accordance with FRS 102 and the Statement of Recommended Practice for Financial Statements of UK Authorised Funds issued by The Investment Management Association (now referred to as the Investment Association) in May 2014 (the 2014 SORP) and amended in June 2017.

Unless otherwise stated all other accounting policies applied are consistent with those of the annual financial statements for the year ended 31 July 2022 and are described in those financial statements.

#### 2. Financial Instruments

The sub-fund, in pursuing its objective, holds a number of financial instruments, which may comprise of the following: Bonds and derivatives.

The sub-fund will also hold cash and other short term debtors and creditors that arise directly from its operations.

In addition, the sub-fund may hold derivatives for investment purposes and the purpose of efficient portfolio management in accordance with the COLL Sourcebook.

The financial instruments are held in line with the sub-fund's investment policy.

The Investment Adviser is responsible for monitoring the portfolio of the sub-fund in accordance with its investment objective and seeks to ensure that individual assets also meet a risk reward profile that is acceptable. The ACD has appointed specialist managers to manage the sub-fund, and continuously monitors this appointment.

Adherence to the investment guidelines and the investment and borrowing powers as set out in the Prospectus and in the rules of the Regulations also mitigates the risk of excessive exposure to any particular type of security or issuer. Further information on the investment portfolio is set out in the Investment Adviser's review and the Portfolio statement of each sub-fund.

The main risks arising from financial instruments are market price, foreign currency, interest rate, liquidity, credit and counterparty risk.

### **Distribution Tables**

### For the month ended 31 August 2022

#### **FIRST INTERIM**

Group 1: Shares purchased prior to 1 August 2022

|                          | Revenue            | Equalisation       | Distribution             | Distribution            |
|--------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|
|                          | Revenue            | Equalisation       | paid<br>30.09.22         | paid<br>30.09.21        |
| L (GBP) Income           | pence              | pence              | pence                    | pence                   |
| Shares                   | per share          | per share          | per share                | per share               |
| Group 1                  | 0.1648             |                    | 0.1648                   | 0.1657                  |
| Group 2                  | 0.0849             | 0.0799             | 0.1648                   | 0.1657                  |
|                          | Revenue            | Equalisation       | Distribution             | Distribution            |
| (CDD) A                  | Reveilue           | Equalisation       | accumulated<br>30.09.22  | accumulated<br>30.09.21 |
| L (GBP) Accumulation     | pence              | pence              | pence                    | pence                   |
| Shares                   | per share          | per share          | per share                | per share               |
| Group 1                  | 0.3778             | _                  | 0.3778                   | 0.3622                  |
| Group 2                  | 0.1961             | 0.1817             | 0.3778                   | 0.3622                  |
|                          | Revenue            | Equalisation       | Distribution             | Distribution            |
|                          |                    |                    | paid                     | paid                    |
|                          |                    |                    | 30.09.22                 | 30.09.21                |
| I (GBP) Income<br>Shares | pence<br>per share | pence<br>per share | pence<br>per share       | pence<br>per share      |
| Group 1                  | 0.4402             | _                  | 0.4402                   | 0.4402                  |
| Group 2                  | 0.2498             | 0.1904             | 0.4402                   | 0.4402                  |
|                          | Payanua            | Equalication       | Distribution             | Distribution            |
|                          | Revenue            | Equalisation       | Distribution accumulated | accumulated             |
|                          |                    |                    | 30.09.22                 | 30.09.21                |
| I (GBP) Accumulation     | pence              | pence              | pence                    | pence                   |
| Shares                   | per share          | per share          | per share                | per share               |
| Group 1                  | 0.6113             | _                  | 0.6113                   | 0.5826                  |
| Group 2                  | 0.3304             | 0.2809             | 0.6113                   | 0.5826                  |
|                          | Revenue            | Equalisation       | Distribution             | Distribution            |
|                          |                    | 1,                 | paid                     | paid                    |
|                          |                    |                    | 30.09.22                 | 30.09.21                |
| P (GBP) Income           | pence              | pence              | pence                    | pence                   |
| Shares                   | per share          | per share          | per share                | per share               |
| Group 1                  | 0.4107             | _                  | 0.4107                   | 0.4115                  |
| Group 2                  | 0.2822             | 0.1285             | 0.4107                   | 0.4115                  |
|                          | Revenue            | Equalisation       | Distribution             | Distribution            |
|                          |                    |                    | accumulated              | accumulated             |
|                          |                    |                    | 30.09.22                 | 30.09.21                |
| P (GBP) Accumulation     | pence              | pence              | pence                    | pence                   |
| Shares                   | per share          | per share          | per share                | per share               |
| Group 1                  | 0.7116             | _                  | 0.7116                   | 0.6799                  |
| Group 2                  | 0.2232             | 0.4884             | 0.7116                   | 0.6799                  |

### For the month ended 31 August 2022

#### **FIRST INTERIM**

Group 2

Group 1: Shares purchased prior to 1 August 2022

Group 2: Shares purchased on or after 1 August 2022 to 31 August 2022

| Group 2. Shares purchased on or after 1 August 202 | 22 10 31 August 2022 |              |              |              |
|--|----------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
|  | Revenue              | Equalisation | Distribution | Distribution |
|  |                      |              | paid         | paid         |
|  |                      |              | 30.09.22     | 30.09.21     |
| U1 (GBP) Income                                    | pence                | pence        | pence        | pence        |
| Shares   | per share            | per share    | per share    | per share    |
| Group 1  | 0.3917               | _            | 0.3917       | 0.3907       |
| Group 2  | 0.2156               | 0.1761       | 0.3917       | 0.3907       |
|  | D.                   | - P C        | D. ( ) ()    | D:           |
|  | Revenue              | Equalisation | Distribution | Distribution |
|  |                      |              | accumulated  | accumulated  |
|  |                      |              | 30.09.22     | 30.09.21     |
| U1 (GBP) Accumulation                              | pence                | pence        | pence        | pence        |
| Shares   | per share            | per share    | per share    | per share    |
| Group 1  | 0.5591               | _            | 0.5591       | 0.5316       |
| Group 2  | 0.3733               | 0.1858       | 0.5591       | 0.5316       |
|  | Revenue              | Equalisation | Distribution | Distribution |
|  | Revenue              | Equalisation | paid         | paid         |
|  |                      |              | 30.09.22     | 30.09.21     |
| U2 (GBP) Income                                    | pence                | pence        | pence        | pence        |
| Shares   | per share            | per share    | per share    | per share    |
| Group 1  | 0.4176               | _            | 0.4176       | 0.4034       |
|  |                      |              |              |              |

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### For the month ended 30 September 2022

#### **SECOND INTERIM**

Group 1: Shares purchased prior to 1 September 2022

|                      | Revenue   | Equalisation | Distribution             | Distribution |
|----------------------|-----------|--------------|--------------------------|--------------|
|                      |           | 1            | paid                     | paic         |
|                      |           |              | 31.10.22                 | 29.10.21     |
| L (GBP) Income       | pence     | pence        | pence                    | pence        |
| Shares               | per share | per share    | per share                | per share    |
| Group 1              | 0.1650    | _            | 0.1650                   | 0.1522       |
| Group 2              | 0.1176    | 0.0474       | 0.1650                   | 0.1522       |
|                      | Revenue   | Equalisation | Distribution             | Distribution |
|                      |           | 1            | accumulated              | accumulated  |
|                      |           |              | 31.10.22                 | 29.10.21     |
| L (GBP) Accumulation | pence     | pence        | pence                    | pence        |
| Shares               | per share | per share    | per share                | per share    |
| Group 1              | 0.3797    | _            | 0.3797                   | 0.3340       |
| Group 2              | 0.1342    | 0.2455       | 0.3797                   | 0.3340       |
|                      | Revenue   | Equalisation | Distribution             | Distribution |
|                      | Revende   | Equalisation | paid                     | paid         |
|                      |           |              | 31.10.22                 | 29.10.21     |
| I (GBP) Income       | pence     | pence        | pence                    | pence        |
| Shares               | per share | per share    | per share                | per share    |
| Group 1              | 0.4407    | _            | 0.4407                   | 0.4046       |
| Group 2              | 0.1644    | 0.2763       | 0.4407                   | 0.4046       |
|                      | Revenue   | Equalisation | Distribution             | Distribution |
|                      |           | 1            | accumulated              | accumulated  |
|                      |           |              | 31.10.22                 | 29.10.21     |
| I (GBP) Accumulation | pence     | pence        | pence                    | pence        |
| Shares               | per share | per share    | per share                | per share    |
| Group 1              | 0.6148    | _            | 0.6148                   | 0.5380       |
| Group 2              | 0.2886    | 0.3262       | 0.6148                   | 0.5380       |
|                      | Revenue   | Equalisation | Distribution             | Distribution |
|                      |           | 1            | paid                     | paid         |
|                      |           |              | 31.10.22                 | 29.10.21     |
| P (GBP) Income       | pence     | pence        | pence                    | pence        |
| Shares               | per share | per share    | per share                | per share    |
| Group 1              | 0.4112    | _            | 0.4112                   | 0.3780       |
| Group 2              | 0.1384    | 0.2728       | 0.4112                   | 0.3780       |
|                      | Davis     | Equalization | Dietribution             | Distribution |
|                      | Revenue   | Equalisation | Distribution accumulated | accumulated  |
|                      |           |              | 31.10.22                 | 29.10.21     |
| P (GBP) Accumulation | pence     | pence        | pence                    | pence        |
| Shares               | per share | per share    | per share                | per share    |
| Group 1              | 0.7157    | _            | 0.7157                   | 0.6272       |
| Group r              |           |              |                          |              |



### For the month ended 30 September 2022

#### **SECOND INTERIM**

Group 1

Group 2

Group 1: Shares purchased prior to 1 September 2022

Group 2: Shares purchased on or after 1 September 2022 to 30 September 2022

|                       | Revenue   | Equalisation | Distribution | Distribution |
|-----------------------|-----------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
|                       |           | ·            | paid         | paid         |
|                       |           |              | 31.10.22     | 29.10.21     |
| U1 (GBP) Income       | pence     | pence        | pence        | pence        |
| Shares                | per share | per share    | per share    | per share    |
| Group 1               | 0.3922    | _            | 0.3922       | 0.3590       |
| Group 2               | 0.1128    | 0.2794       | 0.3922       | 0.3590       |
|                       | Revenue   | Equalisation | Distribution | Distribution |
|                       |           |              | accumulated  | accumulated  |
|                       |           |              | 31.10.22     | 29.10.21     |
| U1 (GBP) Accumulation | pence     | pence        | pence        | pence        |
| Shares                | per share | per share    | per share    | per share    |
| Group 1               | 0.5625    | _            | 0.5625       | 0.4908       |
| Group 2               | 0.2198    | 0.3427       | 0.5625       | 0.4908       |
|                       | Revenue   | Equalisation | Distribution | Distribution |
|                       |           | '            | paid         | paid         |
|                       |           |              | 31.10.22     | 29.10.21     |
| U2 (GBP) Income       | pence     | pence        | pence        | pence        |
| Shares                | per share | per share    | per share    | per share    |

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#### For the month ended 31 October 2022

#### **THIRD INTERIM**

Group 1: Shares purchased prior to 1 October 2022

| Group 1: Snares purchased prior to 1 October 20<br>Group 2: Shares purchased on or after 1 Octobe |                    |                    |                          |                          |
|---|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
|   | Revenue            | Equalisation       | Distribution paid        | Distribution paid        |
| L (GBP) Income  | pence              | nonco              | 30.11.22                 | 30.11.21                 |
| Shares  | pence<br>per share | pence<br>per share | pence<br>per share       | pence<br>per share       |
| Group 1   | 0.1538             | per snare          | 0.1538                   | 0.1643                   |
| Group 2   | 0.0638             | 0.0900             | 0.1538                   | 0.1643                   |
|   | 0.0030             | 0.0300             | 0.1330                   | 0.10-5                   |
|   | Revenue            | Equalisation       | Distribution accumulated | Distribution accumulated |
|   |                    |                    | 30.11.22                 | 30.11.21                 |
| L (GBP) Accumulation  | pence              | pence              | pence                    | pence                    |
| Shares  | per share          | per share          | per share                | per share                |
| Group 1   | 0.3559             | _                  | 0.3559                   | 0.3621                   |
| Group 2   | 0.1760             | 0.1799             | 0.3559                   | 0.3621                   |
|   |                    | - P - C            | D: . ' ' . '             | D' ( 'I ('               |
|   | Revenue            | Equalisation       | Distribution             | Distribution             |
|   |                    |                    | paid<br>30.11.22         | paid<br>30.11.21         |
| I (GBP) Income  | pence              | pence              | pence                    | pence                    |
| Shares  | per share          | per share          | per share                | per share                |
| Group 1   | 0.4112             | _                  | 0.4112                   | 0.4371                   |
| Group 2   | 0.1654             | 0.2458             | 0.4112                   | 0.4371                   |
|   | Revenue            | Equalisation       | Distribution             | Distribution             |
|   |                    |                    | accumulated              | accumulated              |
|   |                    |                    | 30.11.22                 | 30.11.21                 |
| I (GBP) Accumulation  | pence              | pence              | pence                    | pence                    |
| Shares  | per share          | per share          | per share                | per share                |
| Group 1   | 0.5763             | _                  | 0.5763                   | 0.5825                   |
| Group 2   | 0.2694             | 0.3069             | 0.5763                   | 0.5825                   |
|   | Revenue            | Equalisation       | Distribution             | Distribution             |
|   |                    | '                  | paid                     | paid                     |
|   |                    |                    | 30.11.22                 | 30.11.21                 |
| P (GBP) Income  | pence              | pence              | pence                    | pence                    |
| Shares  | per share          | per share          | per share                | per share                |
| Group 1   | 0.3836             | _                  | 0.3836                   | 0.4084                   |
| Group 2   | 0.2248             | 0.1588             | 0.3836                   | 0.4084                   |
|   | Revenue            | Equalisation       | Distribution             | Distribution             |
|   |                    | 4                  | accumulated              | accumulated              |
|   |                    |                    | 30.11.22                 | 30.11.21                 |
| P (GBP) Accumulation  | pence              | pence              | pence                    | pence                    |
| Shares  | per share          | per share          | per share                | per share                |
| Group 1   | 0.6707             | _                  | 0.6707                   | 0.6802                   |
| Group 2   | 0.4163             | 0.2544             | 0.6707                   | 0.6802                   |



#### For the month ended 31 October 2022

#### **THIRD INTERIM**

Group 1

Group 2

Group 1: Shares purchased prior to 1 October 2022

|                       | Revenue   | Equalisation | Distribution             | Distribution             |
|-----------------------|-----------|--------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
|                       |           |              | paid                     | paid                     |
|                       |           |              | 30.11.22                 | 30.11.21                 |
| U1 (GBP) Income       | pence     | pence        | pence                    | pence                    |
| Shares                | per share | per share    | per share                | per share                |
| Group 1               | 0.3661    | _            | 0.3661                   | 0.3880                   |
| Group 2               | 0.1827    | 0.1834       | 0.3661                   | 0.3880                   |
|                       | Revenue   | Equalisation | Distribution accumulated | Distribution accumulated |
|                       |           |              | 30.11.22                 | 30.11.21                 |
| U1 (GBP) Accumulation | pence     | pence        | pence                    | pence                    |
| Shares                | per share | per share    | per share                | per share                |
| Group 1               | 0.5275    | _            | 0.5275                   | 0.5324                   |
| Group 2               | 0.2854    | 0.2421       | 0.5275                   | 0.5324                   |
|                       | Revenue   | Equalisation | Distribution             | Distribution             |
|                       |           |              | paid<br>30.11.22         | paid<br>30.11.21         |
| U2 (GBP) Income       | pence     | pence        | pence                    | pence                    |
| Shares                | per share | per share    | per share                | per share                |

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#### For the month ended 30 November 2022

#### **FOURTH INTERIM**

Group 1: Shares purchased prior to 1 November 2022

| Group 2: Shares purchased on or after 1 Nov | ember 2022 to 30 November 2 | 2022         |                                   |   |
|---|-----------------------------|--------------|-----------------------------------|---|
|   | Revenue                     | Equalisation | Distribution<br>paid<br>30.12.22  | Distribution<br>paid<br>31.12.21        |
| L (GBP) Income                              | pence                       | pence        | pence                             | pence                                   |
| Shares                                      | per share                   | per share    | per share                         | per share                               |
| Group 1                                     | 0.1527                      | _            | 0.1527                            | 0.1474                                  |
| Group 2                                     | 0.0893                      | 0.0634       | 0.1527                            | 0.1474                                  |
|   | Revenue                     | Equalisation | Distribution accumulated 30.12.22 | Distribution<br>accumulated<br>31.12.21 |
| L (GBP) Accumulation                        | pence                       | pence        | pence                             | pence                                   |
| Shares                                      | per share                   | per share    | per share                         | per share                               |
| Group 1                                     | 0.3549                      | _            | 0.3549                            | 0.3260                                  |
| Group 2                                     | 0.1836                      | 0.1713       | 0.3549                            | 0.3260                                  |
|   | Revenue                     | Equalisation | Distribution<br>paid<br>30.12.22  | Distribution paid 31.12.21              |
| I (GBP) Income                              | pence                       | pence        | pence                             | pence                                   |
| Shares                                      | per share                   | per share    | per share                         | per share                               |
| Group 1<br>Group 2                          | 0.4084<br>0.1853            | 0.2231       | 0.4084<br>0.4084                  | 0.3922                                  |
|   | Revenue                     | Equalisation | Distribution accumulated 30.12.22 | Distribution accumulated 31.12.21       |
| I (GBP) Accumulation                        | pence                       | pence        | pence                             | pence                                   |
| Shares                                      | per share                   | per share    | per share                         | per share                               |
| Group 1                                     | 0.5750                      |              | 0.5750                            | 0.5256                                  |
| Group 2                                     | 0.2807                      | 0.2943       | 0.5750                            | 0.5256                                  |
|   | Revenue                     | Equalisation | Distribution paid 30.12.22        | Distribution<br>paid<br>31.12.21        |
| P (GBP) Income                              | pence                       | pence        | pence                             | pence                                   |
| Shares                                      | per share                   | per share    | per share                         | per share                               |
| Group 1                                     | 0.3809                      | _            | 0.3809                            | 0.3664                                  |
| Group 2                                     | 0.3809                      |              | 0.3809                            | 0.3664                                  |
|   | Revenue                     | Equalisation | Distribution accumulated 30.12.22 | Distribution<br>accumulated<br>31.12.21 |
| P (GBP) Accumulation                        | pence                       | pence        | pence                             | pence                                   |
| Shares                                      | per share                   | per share    | per share                         | per share                               |
| Group 1                                     | 0.6690                      |              | 0.6690                            | 0.6123                                  |
|   | 0.6690                      |              |                                   |   |



#### For the month ended 30 November 2022

#### **FOURTH INTERIM**

Group 2

Group 1: Shares purchased prior to 1 November 2022

Group 2: Shares purchased on or after 1 November 2022 to 30 November 2022

| Group 2: Shares purchased on or after TNO | verriber 2022 to 30 November i | <u> </u>     |              |              |
|---|--------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
|   | Revenue                        | Equalisation | Distribution | Distribution |
|   |                                |              | paid         | paid         |
|   |                                |              | 30.12.22     | 31.12.21     |
| U1 (GBP) Income                           | pence                          | pence        | pence        | pence        |
| Shares                                    | per share                      | per share    | per share    | per share    |
| Group 1                                   | 0.3637                         | _            | 0.3637       | 0.3482       |
| Group 2                                   | 0.0790                         | 0.2847       | 0.3637       | 0.3482       |
|   | Revenue                        | Equalisation | Distribution | Distribution |
|   |                                | 4            | accumulated  | accumulated  |
|   |                                |              | 30.12.22     | 31.12.21     |
| U1 (GBP) Accumulation                     | pence                          | pence        | pence        | pence        |
| Shares                                    | per share                      | per share    | per share    | per share    |
| Group 1                                   | 0.5262                         | _            | 0.5262       | 0.4797       |
| Group 2                                   | 0.3281                         | 0.1981       | 0.5262       | 0.4797       |
|   | Revenue                        | Equalisation | Distribution | Distribution |
|   |                                | '            | paid         | paid         |
|   |                                |              | 30.12.22     | 31.12.21     |
| U2 (GBP) Income                           | pence                          | pence        | pence        | pence        |
| Shares                                    | per share                      | per share    | per share    | per share    |
| Group 1                                   | 0.3677                         | _            | 0.3677       | 0.3601       |
|   |                                |              |              |              |

0.3677

0.3601

0.3677

#### For the month ended 31 December 2022

#### **FIFTH INTERIM**

Group 1: Shares purchased prior to 1 December 2022

|                      | Revenue   | Equalisation | Distribution | Distribution |
|----------------------|-----------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
|                      |           |              | paid         | paid         |
|                      |           |              | 31.01.23     | 31.01.22     |
| L (GBP) Income       | pence     | pence        | pence        | pence        |
| Shares               | per share | per share    | per share    | per share    |
| Group 1              | 0.2043    | _            | 0.2043       | 0.1578       |
| Group 2              | 0.1270    | 0.0773       | 0.2043       | 0.1578       |
|                      | Revenue   | Equalisation | Distribution | Distribution |
|                      |           |              | accumulated  | accumulated  |
|                      |           |              | 31.01.23     | 31.01.22     |
| L (GBP) Accumulation | pence     | pence        | pence        | pence        |
| Shares               | per share | per share    | per share    | per share    |
| Group 1              | 0.4764    | _            | 0.4764       | 0.3502       |
| Group 2              | 0.2790    | 0.1974       | 0.4764       | 0.3502       |
|                      | Revenue   | Equalisation | Distribution | Distribution |
|                      | Revende   | Equalisation | paid         | paic         |
|                      |           |              | 31.01.23     | 31.01.22     |
| I (GBP) Income       | pence     | pence        | pence        | pence        |
| Shares               | per share | per share    | per share    | per share    |
| Group 1              | 0.5463    | _            | 0.5463       | 0.4199       |
| Group 2              | 0.3540    | 0.1923       | 0.5463       | 0.4199       |
|                      | Revenue   | Equalisation | Distribution | Distribution |
|                      |           | 1            | accumulated  | accumulated  |
|                      |           |              | 31.01.23     | 31.01.22     |
| I (GBP) Accumulation | pence     | pence        | pence        | pence        |
| Shares               | per share | per share    | per share    | per share    |
| Group 1              | 0.7722    | _            | 0.7722       | 0.5647       |
| Group 2              | 0.4755    | 0.2967       | 0.7722       | 0.5647       |
|                      | Revenue   | Equalisation | Distribution | Distribution |
|                      |           | 1            | paid         | paid         |
|                      |           |              | 31.01.23     | 31.01.22     |
| P (GBP) Income       | pence     | pence        | pence        | pence        |
| Shares               | per share | per share    | per share    | per share    |
| Group 1              | 0.5095    | _            | 0.5095       | 0.3922       |
| Group 2              | 0.5095    | _            | 0.5095       | 0.3922       |
|                      | Revenue   | Equalisation | Distribution | Distribution |
|                      | Neveride  | Equalisation | accumulated  | accumulated  |
|                      |           |              | 31.01.23     | 31.01.22     |
| P (GBP) Accumulation | pence     | pence        | pence        | pence        |
| Shares               | per share | per share    | per share    | per share    |
|                      |           |              | •            |              |
| Group 1              | 0.8988    | _            | 0.8988       | 0.6581       |

#### For the month ended 31 December 2022

#### **FIFTH INTERIM**

Group 2

Group 1: Shares purchased prior to 1 December 2022

Group 2: Shares purchased on or after 1 December 2022 to 31 December 2022

|                       | Revenue   | Equalisation | Distribution            | Distribution            |
|-----------------------|-----------|--------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
|                       |           | '            | paid                    | paid                    |
|                       |           |              | 31.01.23                | 31.01.22                |
| U1 (GBP) Income       | pence     | pence        | pence                   | pence                   |
| Shares                | per share | per share    | per share               | per share               |
| Group 1               | 0.4864    | _            | 0.4864                  | 0.3729                  |
| Group 2               | 0.3037    | 0.1827       | 0.4864                  | 0.3729                  |
|                       | Revenue   | Equalisation | Distribution            | Distribution            |
|                       |           |              | accumulated<br>31.01.23 | accumulated<br>31.01.22 |
| U1 (GBP) Accumulation | pence     | pence        | pence                   | pence                   |
| Shares                | per share | per share    | per share               | per share               |
| Group 1               | 0.7072    | _            | 0.7072                  | 0.5155                  |
| Group 2               | 0.4010    | 0.3062       | 0.7072                  | 0.5155                  |
|                       | Revenue   | Equalisation | Distribution            | Distribution            |
|                       |           |              | paid<br>31.01.23        | paid<br>31.01.22        |
| U2 (GBP) Income       | pence     | pence        | pence                   | pence                   |
| Shares                | per share | per share    | per share               | per share               |
| Group 1               | 0.4850    | _            | 0.4850                  | 0.3848                  |
|                       |           |              |                         |                         |

0.4850

0.4850

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#### For the month ended 31 January 2023

#### **SIXTH INTERIM**

Group 1: Shares purchased prior to 1 January 2023

| Group 2: Shares purchased on or after 1 Janu |           |              | 51 . 11 1         |                   |
|--|-----------|--------------|-------------------|-------------------|
|  | Revenue   | Equalisation | Distribution      | Distribution      |
|  |           |              | paid              | paid              |
| L (GBP) Income                               | pence     | pence        | 28.02.23<br>pence | 28.02.22<br>pence |
| Shares                                       | per share | per share    | per share         | per share         |
| Group 1                                      | 0.1856    | per snare    | 0.1856            | 0.1603            |
| Group 2                                      | 0.0747    | 0.1109       | 0.1856            | 0.1603            |
| 0100p 2                                      | 0.0747    | 0.1103       | 0.1030            | 0.1003            |
|  | Revenue   | Equalisation | Distribution      | Distribution      |
|  | Revenue   | Lqualisation | accumulated       | accumulated       |
|  |           |              | 28.02.23          | 28.02.22          |
| L (GBP) Accumulation                         | pence     | pence        | pence             | pence             |
| Shares                                       | per share | per share    | per share         | per share         |
| Group 1                                      | 0.4355    | _            | 0.4355            | 0.3571            |
| Group 2                                      | 0.1524    | 0.2831       | 0.4355            | 0.3571            |
|  |           |              |                   |                   |
|  | Revenue   | Equalisation | Distribution      | Distribution      |
|  |           | 1,           | paid              | paid              |
|  |           |              | 28.02.23          | 28.02.22          |
| I (GBP) Income                               | pence     | pence        | pence             | pence             |
| Shares                                       | per share | per share    | per share         | per share         |
| Group 1                                      | 0.4967    | _            | 0.4967            | 0.4268            |
| Group 2                                      | 0.0904    | 0.4063       | 0.4967            | 0.4268            |
|  |           |              |                   |                   |
|  | Revenue   | Equalisation | Distribution      | Distribution      |
|  |           |              | accumulated       | accumulated       |
| L(CDD) Assess Ist's a                        |           |              | 28.02.23          | 28.02.22          |
| I (GBP) Accumulation                         | pence     | pence        | pence             | pence             |
| Shares                                       | per share | per share    | per share         | per share         |
| Group 1                                      | 0.7063    | 0.2500       | 0.7063            | 0.5762            |
| Group 2                                      | 0.3475    | 0.3588       | 0.7063            | 0.5762            |
|  | Dovonuo   | Equalisation | Distribution      | Distribution      |
|  | Revenue   | Equalisation | paid              | paid              |
|  |           |              | 28.02.23          | 28.02.22          |
| P (GBP) Income                               | pence     | pence        | pence             | pence             |
| Shares                                       | per share | per share    | per share         | per share         |
| Group 1                                      | 0.4632    |              | 0.4632            | 0.3986            |
| Group 2                                      | 0.0812    | 0.3820       | 0.4632            | 0.3986            |
| '  |           |              |                   |                   |
|  | Revenue   | Equalisation | Distribution      | Distribution      |
|  |           | _qaasaa.s.   | accumulated       | accumulated       |
|  |           |              | 28.02.23          | 28.02.22          |
| P (GBP) Accumulation                         | pence     | pence        | pence             | pence             |
| Shares                                       | per share | per share    | per share         | per share         |
| Group 1                                      | 0.8216    | _            | 0.8216            | 0.6715            |
|  |           |              |                   |                   |

#### For the month ended 31 January 2023

#### **SIXTH INTERIM**

Group 1: Shares purchased prior to 1 January 2023

Group 2: Shares purchased on or after 1 January 2023 to 31 January 2023

|                 | Revenue   | Equalisation | Distribution | Distribution |
|-----------------|-----------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
|                 |           |              | paid         | paid         |
|                 |           |              | 28.02.23     | 28.02.22     |
| U1 (GBP) Income | pence     | pence        | pence        | pence        |
| Shares          | per share | per share    | per share    | per share    |
| Group 1         | 0.4426    | _            | 0.4426       | 0.3791       |
| Group 2         | 0.0999    | 0.3427       | 0.4426       | 0.3791       |

|                       | Revenue   | Equalisation | Distribution | Distribution |
|-----------------------|-----------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
|                       |           |              | accumulated  | accumulated  |
|                       |           |              | 28.02.23     | 28.02.22     |
| U1 (GBP) Accumulation | pence     | pence        | pence        | pence        |
| Shares                | per share | per share    | per share    | per share    |
| Group 1               | 0.6467    | _            | 0.6467       | 0.5261       |
| Group 2               | 0.3080    | 0.3387       | 0.6467       | 0.5261       |
|                       |           |              |              |              |

|                           | Revenue            | Equalisation       | Distribution paid 28.02.23 | Distribution<br>paid<br>28.02.22 |
|---------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------------|
| U2 (GBP) Income<br>Shares | pence<br>per share | pence<br>per share | pence<br>per share         | pence<br>per share               |
| Group 1                   | 0.4551             | _                  | 0.4551                     | 0.3911                           |
| Group 2                   | 0.4551             | _                  | 0.4551                     | 0.3911                           |

Equalisation applies only to shares purchased during the distribution period (Group 2 shares). It is the average amount of revenue included in the purchase price of all Group 2 shares and is refunded to holders of these shares as a return of capital. Being capital, it is not liable to Income Tax but must be deducted from the cost of shares for Capital Gains Tax purposes.

### **Jupiter UK Alpha Fund**

#### **Performance**

|                                      | 6 months | 1 year | 3 years | 5 years |
|--------------------------------------|----------|--------|---------|---------|
| Jupiter UK Alpha*                    | 9.2      | 5.6    | 15.0    | 22.9    |
| FTSE All-Share Index (Benchmark)     | 5.3      | 5.2    | 15.6    | 23.1    |
| IA UK All Companies (Sector Average) | 2.9      | (1.6)  | 6.8     | 14.3    |
| Quartile Ranking                     | 1st      | 1st    | 1st     | 1st     |

<sup>\*</sup>Source: Morningstar, gross income reinvested net of fees, in GBP. The statistics disclosed above relate to I-Class Shares unless otherwise stated. Past performance is no quide to the future.

#### **Investment Objective and Policy**

To achieve capital growth. In seeking to achieve its investment objective the sub-fund will aim to deliver a return, net of fees, greater than that of the FTSE All-Share Index over rolling 3 year periods.

The sub-fund primarily invests (at least 70%) in a portfolio of UK equities. UK equities are equities of companies domiciled or incorporated in the UK, or that conduct a significant part of their business in the UK.

The sub-fund may also invest in other transferable securities, units in collective investment schemes (including those managed or operated by the ACD or an associate of the ACD), warrants, money market instruments, deposits and derivatives, and may hold cash.

The sub-fund maintains a concentrated, high conviction portfolio consisting of companies which the Investment Adviser believes are undervalued relative to their growth prospects.

The sub-fund may use derivatives for Efficient Portfolio Management purposes only. The ACD considers that the use of derivatives for this purpose is not likely to affect the volatility or risk profile of the sub-fund.

#### **Market Review**

2022 was a year characterised by rising interest rates globally, with falling bond and equity markets as a result. The UK market fared better than most because of its exposure to oil, gas and mining companies, which benefitted from high commodity prices. But we experienced our own sharp setback in September & October following Liz Truss's brief period as Prime Minister, with her Budget of unfunded tax cuts causing a sharp fall in UK Government bonds. The Bank of England had to intervene to buy bonds, prompting her replacement by Rishi Sunak and a new Budget which restored market confidence.

After this, the UK market joined others in a strong rally on hopes that inflation had peaked and so the end of rising interest rates might be within sight. Concerns about an imminent recession faded as labour markets in the US and UK remained strong, with low unemployment and wage gains supporting consumers, despite rising prices. Trading statements from retailers held such as Next, Tesco and Pets at Home all confirmed that Christmas had not been cancelled and sales had been respectable.

#### **Policy Review**

Recent years have been characterised by zero interest rates, which compounded by Government support for economies during the pandemic by printing money, led to equity markets being puffed up with ever higher valuations. Faster growing companies became much more highly valued than slower growing ones, whilst banks suffered from low interest rates.

The sub-fund struggled to perform during this period, as the manager believed valuations do matter for future returns. So with rising interest rates bursting this bubble in expensive shares, cheaper shares performed better, to the sub-fund's benefit in areas like the holdings in banks.

We have avoided 'consumer staples' – companies such as Unilever or drinks maker Diageo – because we have felt they were expensive, and they lagged the market in this period. Conversely cheap retailers such as Next or Tesco rallied as trading proved better than feared. With the exception of consumer staples and tobacco manufacturers, the sub-fund has a broad spread of consumer-facing stocks, industrial companies, resources producers, pharmaceuticals and financial stocks.



#### **Investment Outlook**

After a difficult 2022 for markets, investors hope that as inflation slowly fades so interest rates will stop rising and any economic slowdown or recession will be mild. Bond markets suggest that interest rates will be falling within twelve months, which is supportive of equity markets. Fears of a severe downturn in Europe have been alleviated by a mild winter ensuring no restrictions on energy usage, whilst the prospect of a strong rebound in activity in China after lockdowns were lifted may offset any weakness in the US economy.

Firm labour markets are indeed ensuring consumer spending is proving more resilient than feared, with lower energy prices helping. A concern, though, is that wage inflation may prove more embedded as a result at around 4-5%, which may mean that whilst inflation does fall from double-digit levels, it remains rather higher than central bank targets of 2%. Were this to prove to be the case, hopes of early cuts to interest rates may be premature, undermining part of the reason equity markets have rallied recently.

Reassuringly, though, the UK market remains cheap against its own history and against other markets, so whilst it remains unpopular with both UK-based and international investors, valuations are supportive. Our expectation is for an extended period of no growth in the UK economy rather than a significant recession, but against this background strong companies can gain market share and grow profits.

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#### **Risk and Reward Profile**



The calculated risk and reward category, as shown above, uses a method of calculation derived from EU rules. It is based on the rate at which the returns of the sub-fund have moved up and down in the past (i.e. volatility) and is not a guide to the future risk and reward category of the sub-fund. The category shown is not a target or guarantee and may shift over time. Even the lowest category 1 does not mean a risk-free investment. The seven-category scale is nonlinear, for example, 2 is not twice as risky as 1.

Sub-funds in category 6 have in the past shown relatively high volatility. With a sub-fund of category 6, you have a relatively high risk of losing money but your chance for gains is also relatively high.

# **Comparative Tables**

| Change in net asset per share  |  |  |   |   |  |  |  |  |
|--|--|--|---|---|--|--|--|--|
|  |  | L (GBP)  | Income  |   |  |  |  |  |
|  | 31.01.23<br>(p)  | 31.07.22<br>(p)  | 31.07.21<br>(p)   | 31.07.20<br>(p  |  |  |  |  |
| Opening net asset value per share  | 114.68   | 119.17   | 90.14   | 118.66  |  |  |  |  |
| Return before operating charges*   | 11.40  | 1.38   | 33.16   | (23.43  |  |  |  |  |
| Operating charges  | (0.92)   | (1.92)   | (1.74)  | (1.73   |  |  |  |  |
| Return after operating charges*  | 10.48  | (0.54)   | 31.42   | (25.16  |  |  |  |  |
| Distributions on income shares   | (1.72)   | (3.95)   | (2.39)  | (3.36   |  |  |  |  |
| Closing net asset value per share  | 123.44   | 114.68   | 119.17  | 90.14   |  |  |  |  |
| *after direct transaction costs of:  | 0.01   | 0.06   | 0.02  | 0.06  |  |  |  |  |
| Performance  |  |  |   |   |  |  |  |  |
| Return after charges (%)   | 9.14   | (0.45)   | 34.86   | (21.20)   |  |  |  |  |
| Other Information  |  |  |   |   |  |  |  |  |
| Closing net asset value (£'000)  | 3,920  | 3,861  | 4,370   | 3,460   |  |  |  |  |
| Closing number of shares   | 3,175,454  | 3,366,330  | 3,666,922   | 3,837,870   |  |  |  |  |
| Operating charges (%)  | 1.60   | 1.60   | 1.60  | 1.60  |  |  |  |  |
| Direct transaction costs (%)   | 0.01   | 0.05   | 0.02  | 0.06  |  |  |  |  |
| Prices   |  |  |   |   |  |  |  |  |
| Highest share price (p)  | 125.39   | 128.06   | 124.50  | 126.70  |  |  |  |  |
| Lowest share price (p)   | 101.65   | 109.15   | 88.16   | 72.58   |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |   |   |  |  |  |  |
| Change in net asset per share  |  |  |   |   |  |  |  |  |
|  | 24.24.22   |  | I (GBP) Income  |   |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |   | 04.0=00   |  |  |  |  |
|  | 31.01.23 (p)   | 31.07.22<br>(p)  | 31.07.21  | 31.07.20  |  |  |  |  |
| Opening net asset value per share  | (p)  | (p)  | 31.07.21<br>(p)   | (p  |  |  |  |  |
| Opening net asset value per share  Return before operating charges*  | (p)<br>123.37  | (p)<br>127.23  | 31.07.21<br>(p)<br>95.53  | (p)<br>124.80   |  |  |  |  |
| Return before operating charges*   | (p)<br>123.37<br>12.31                                 | (p)<br>127.23<br>1.46  | 31.07.21<br>(p)<br>95.53<br>35.22   | (p<br>124.80<br>(24.76  |  |  |  |  |
| Return before operating charges* Operating charges   | (p)<br>123.37<br>12.31<br>(0.52)                       | (p)<br>127.23<br>1.46<br>(1.09)  | 31.07.21<br>(p)<br>95.53<br>35.22<br>(0.97)   | (p)<br>124.80<br>(24.76<br>(0.97  |  |  |  |  |
| Return before operating charges* Operating charges Return after operating charges*   | (p)<br>123.37<br>12.31<br>(0.52)<br>11.79              | (p)<br>127.23<br>1.46<br>(1.09)<br>0.37                                      | 31.07.21<br>(p)<br>95.53<br>35.22<br>(0.97)<br>34.25                                      | (p<br>124.80<br>(24.76<br>(0.97<br>(25.73   |  |  |  |  |
| Return before operating charges* Operating charges Return after operating charges* Distributions on income shares  | (p)<br>123.37<br>12.31<br>(0.52)                       | (p)<br>127.23<br>1.46<br>(1.09)  | 31.07.21<br>(p)<br>95.53<br>35.22<br>(0.97)   | (p)<br>124.80<br>(24.76)  |  |  |  |  |
| Return before operating charges* Operating charges Return after operating charges*   | (p)<br>123.37<br>12.31<br>(0.52)<br>11.79<br>(1.86)    | (p)<br>127.23<br>1.46<br>(1.09)<br>0.37<br>(4.23)                            | 31.07.21<br>(p)<br>95.53<br>35.22<br>(0.97)<br>34.25<br>(2.55)                            | (p. 124.80 (24.76 (0.97 (25.73) (3.54)  |  |  |  |  |
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Lowest share price (p)

Other Information

Closing net asset value (£'000)

Closing number of shares

Direct transaction costs (%)

Operating charges (%)

Highest share price (p)
Lowest share price (p)

Prices

| Change in net asset per share       |                 |                 |                 |                |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|
|                                     |                 | P (GBP)         | Income          |                |
|                                     | 31.01.23        | 31.07.22        | 31.07.21        | 31.07.20       |
|                                     | (p)             | (p)             | (p)             | (p             |
| Opening net asset value per share   | 99.39           | 102.76          | 77.34           | 101.30         |
| Return before operating charges*    | 9.91            | 1.18            | 28.51           | (20.18         |
| Operating charges                   | (0.55)          | (1.14)          | (1.03)          | (0.90          |
| Return after operating charges*     | 9.36            | 0.04            | 27.48           | (21.08         |
| Distributions on income shares      | (1.50)          | (3.41)          | (2.06)          | (2.88          |
| Closing net asset value per share   | 107.25          | 99.39           | 102.76          | 77.34          |
| *after direct transaction costs of: | 0.01            | 0.05            | 0.02            | 0.0            |
| Performance                         |                 |                 |                 |                |
| Return after charges (%)            | 9.42            | 0.04            | 35.53           | (20.8          |
| Other Information                   |                 |                 |                 |                |
| Closing net asset value (£'000)     | 2,362           | 2,364           | 2,528           | 2,02           |
| Closing number of shares            | 2,202,489       | 2,378,324       | 2,460,412       | 2,614,99       |
| Operating charges (%)               | 1.10            | 1.10            | 1.10            | 1.1            |
| Direct transaction costs (%)        | 0.01            | 0.05            | 0.02            | 0.0            |
| Prices                              |                 |                 |                 |                |
| Highest share price (p)             | 108.94          | 110.69          | 107.30          | 108.4          |
| Lowest share price (p)              | 88.19           | 94.56           | 75.74           | 62.1           |
| Change in net asset per share       |                 |                 |                 |                |
|                                     |                 | U1 (GBP)        |                 |                |
|                                     | 31.01.23<br>(p) | 31.07.22<br>(p) | 31.07.21<br>(p) | 31.07.20<br>() |
| Opening net asset value per share   | 121.14          | 124.84          | 93.65           | 122.20         |
| Return before operating charges*    | 12.09           | 1.44            | 34.57           | (24.2)         |
| Operating charges                   | (0.47)          | (0.98)          | (0.88)          | (0.8           |
| Return after operating charges*     | 11.62           | 0.46            | 33.69           | (25.1          |
| Distributions on income shares      | (1.82)          | (4.16)          | (2.50)          | (3.4           |
| Closing net asset value per share   | 130.94          | 121.14          | 124.84          | 93.6           |
| *after direct transaction costs of: | 0.01            | 0.06            | 0.02            | 0.0            |
|                                     |                 |                 |                 |                |
| Performance                         |                 |                 |                 |                |

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|   |   | U2 (GBP)  |  |  |
|---|---|---|--|--|
|   | 31.01.23<br>(p)   | 31.07.22<br>(p)   | 31.07.21<br>(p)  | 31.07.20<br>(p)  |
| Opening net asset value per share   | 117.91  | 121.42  | 91.02  | 118.77   |
| Return before operating charges*  | 11.78   | 1.39  | 33.58  | (23.59)  |
| Operating charges   | (0.41)  | (0.86)  | (0.75)   | (0.77)   |
| Return after operating charges*   | 11.37   | 0.53  | 32.83  | (24.36)  |
| Distributions on income shares  | (1.78)  | (4.04)  | (2.43)   | (3.39)   |
| Closing net asset value per share   | 127.50  | 117.91  | 121.42   | 91.02  |
| *after direct transaction costs of:   | 0.01  | 0.06  | 0.02   | 0.07   |
| Performance   |   |   |  |  |
| Return after charges (%)  | 9.64  | 0.44  | 36.07  | (20.51)  |
| Other Information   |   |   |  |  |
| Closing net asset value (£'000)   | 10,971  | 11,940  | 34,115   | 82,117   |
| Closing number of shares  | 8,604,763   | 10,126,067  | 28,097,234   | 90,221,384   |
| Operating charges (%)   | 0.70  | 0.70  | 0.70   | 0.70   |
| Direct transaction costs (%)  | 0.01  | 0.05  | 0.02   | 0.06   |
| Prices  |   |   |  |  |
| Highest share price (p)   | 129.50  | 131.03  | 126.70   | 127.30   |
| Lowest share price (p)  | 104.71  | 112.15  | 89.22  | 73.08  |
|   |   | L (GBP) Acc   | cumulation   |  |
|   |   |   |  |  |
|   | 31.01.23  | 31.07.22<br>(p)   | 31.07.21 (p)   | 31.07.20<br>(p)  |
| Opening net asset value per share   | (p)   | (p)   | (p)  | (p)  |
| Opening net asset value per share  Return before operating charges*   | (p)<br>148.12   | ( <b>p</b> )  | (p)<br>110.29  | (p)<br>140.60  |
| Return before operating charges*  | (p)<br>148.12<br>14.71  | (p)<br>148.86<br>1.67   | (p)<br>110.29<br>40.71   | (p)<br>140.60<br>(28.24)   |
| Return before operating charges* Operating charges  | (p)<br>148.12<br>14.71<br>(1.18)  | (p)<br>148.86<br>1.67<br>(2.41)                               | (p)<br>110.29<br>40.71<br>(2.14)   | (p)<br>140.60<br>(28.24)<br>(2.07)   |
| Return before operating charges* Operating charges Return after operating charges*  | (p)<br>148.12<br>14.71<br>(1.18)<br>13.53   | (p)<br>148.86<br>1.67<br>(2.41)<br>(0.74)                     | (p)<br>110.29<br>40.71<br>(2.14)<br>38.57  | (p)<br>140.60<br>(28.24)<br>(2.07)<br>(30.31)  |
| Return before operating charges* Operating charges Return after operating charges* Distributions on accumulation share  | (p) 148.12 14.71 (1.18) 13.53 (2.23)  | (p)<br>148.86<br>1.67<br>(2.41)<br>(0.74)<br>(4.97)           | (p)<br>110.29<br>40.71<br>(2.14)<br>38.57<br>(2.94)                                  | (p)<br>140.60<br>(28.24)<br>(2.07)<br>(30.31)<br>(4.01)                                    |
| Return before operating charges* Operating charges Return after operating charges* Distributions on accumulation share Retained distributions on accumulation share   | (p) 148.12 14.71 (1.18) 13.53 (2.23) 2.23   | (p) 148.86 1.67 (2.41) (0.74) (4.97) 4.97                     | (p)<br>110.29<br>40.71<br>(2.14)<br>38.57<br>(2.94)<br>2.94                          | (p)<br>140.60<br>(28.24)<br>(2.07)<br>(30.31)<br>(4.01)<br>4.01                            |
| Return before operating charges* Operating charges Return after operating charges* Distributions on accumulation share  | (p) 148.12 14.71 (1.18) 13.53 (2.23)  | (p)<br>148.86<br>1.67<br>(2.41)<br>(0.74)<br>(4.97)           | (p)<br>110.29<br>40.71<br>(2.14)<br>38.57<br>(2.94)                                  | (p)<br>140.60<br>(28.24)<br>(2.07)<br>(30.31)<br>(4.01)                                    |
| Return before operating charges* Operating charges Return after operating charges* Distributions on accumulation share Retained distributions on accumulation share Closing net asset value per share   | (p) 148.12 14.71 (1.18) 13.53 (2.23) 2.23 161.65                                    | (p) 148.86 1.67 (2.41) (0.74) (4.97) 4.97 148.12              | (p) 110.29 40.71 (2.14) 38.57 (2.94) 2.94 148.86                                     | (p)<br>140.60<br>(28.24)<br>(2.07)<br>(30.31)<br>(4.01)<br>4.01<br>110.29                  |
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| Return before operating charges* Operating charges Return after operating charges* Distributions on accumulation share Retained distributions on accumulation share Closing net asset value per share *after direct transaction costs of:  Performance Return after charges (%)   | (p) 148.12 14.71 (1.18) 13.53 (2.23) 2.23 161.65 0.01                               | (p) 148.86 1.67 (2.41) (0.74) (4.97) 4.97 148.12 0.07         | (p) 110.29 40.71 (2.14) 38.57 (2.94) 2.94 148.86 0.02                                | (p) 140.60 (28.24) (2.07) (30.31) (4.01) 4.01 110.29 0.08                                  |
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|  |               | I (GBP) Accumulation |               |               |  |  |  |
|--|---------------|----------------------|---------------|---------------|--|--|--|
|  | 31.01.23      | 31.07.22             | 31.07.21      | 31.07.20      |  |  |  |
| Opening net asset value per share            | (p)<br>182.65 | (p)<br>182.20        | (p)<br>133.99 | (p)<br>169.53 |  |  |  |
| Return before operating charges*             | 18.23         | 2.02                 | 49.58         | (34.22)       |  |  |  |
| Operating charges                            | (0.78)        | (1.57)               | (1.37)        | (1.32)        |  |  |  |
| Return after operating charges*              | 17.45         | 0.45                 | 48.21         | (35.54)       |  |  |  |
| Distributions on accumulation share          | (2.75)        | (6.11)               | (3.59)        | (4.85)        |  |  |  |
| Retained distributions on accumulation share | 2.75          | 6.11                 | 3.59          | 4.85          |  |  |  |
| Closing net asset value per share            | 200.10        | 182.65               | 182.20        | 133.99        |  |  |  |
| *after direct transaction costs of:          | 0.01          | 0.09                 | 0.03          | 0.09          |  |  |  |
| Performance                                  |               |                      |               |               |  |  |  |
| Return after charges (%)                     | 9.55          | 0.25                 | 35.98         | (20.96)       |  |  |  |
| Other Information                            |               |                      |               |               |  |  |  |
| Closing net asset value (£'000)              | 215,951       | 219,086              | 252,263       | 272,278       |  |  |  |
| Closing number of shares                     | 107,922,248   | 119,951,752          | 138,454,077   | 203,206,901   |  |  |  |
| Operating charges (%)                        | 0.85          | 0.85                 | 0.85          | 0.85          |  |  |  |
| Direct transaction costs (%)                 | 0.01          | 0.05                 | 0.02          | 0.06          |  |  |  |
| Prices                                       |               |                      |               |               |  |  |  |
| Highest share price (p)                      | 200.44        | 196.48               | 187.60        | 181.60        |  |  |  |
| Lowest share price (p)                       | 162.14        | 170.36               | 131.30        | 105.90        |  |  |  |

| C | har | nge | in | net | asset | per | share |  |
|---|-----|-----|----|-----|-------|-----|-------|--|
|   |     |     |    |     |       |     |       |  |

|  |           | P (GBP) Acc | umulation |           |
|--|-----------|-------------|-----------|-----------|
|  | 31.01.23  | 31.07.22    | 31.07.21  | 31.07.20  |
|  | (p)       | (p)         | (p)       | (p)       |
| Opening net asset value per share            | 108.52    | 108.53      | 80.01     | 101.49    |
| Return before operating charges*             | 10.82     | 1.20        | 29.59     | (20.56)   |
| Operating charges                            | (0.60)    | (1.21)      | (1.07)    | (0.92)    |
| Return after operating charges*              | 10.22     | (0.01)      | 28.52     | (21.48)   |
| Distributions on accumulation share          | (1.63)    | (3.64)      | (2.14)    | (2.90)    |
| Retained distributions on accumulation share | 1.63      | 3.64        | 2.14      | 2.90      |
| Closing net asset value per share            | 118.74    | 108.52      | 108.53    | 80.01     |
| *after direct transaction costs of:          | 0.01      | 0.05        | 0.02      | 0.05      |
| Performance                                  |           |             |           |           |
| Return after charges (%)                     | 9.42      | (0.01)      | 35.65     | (21.16)   |
| Other Information                            |           |             |           |           |
| Closing net asset value (£'000)              | 3,710     | 3,575       | 3,904     | 2,797     |
| Closing number of shares                     | 3,124,693 | 3,294,551   | 3,596,769 | 3,495,584 |
| Operating charges (%)                        | 1.10      | 1.10        | 1.10      | 1.10      |
| Direct transaction costs (%)                 | 0.01      | 0.05        | 0.02      | 0.06      |
| Prices                                       |           |             |           |           |
| Highest share price (p)                      | 118.95    | 116.90      | 111.80    | 108.60    |
| Lowest share price (p)                       | 96.29     | 101.24      | 78.36     | 63.27     |

| Change in net asset per share                |                 |                 |                 |                 |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
|  |                 | U1 (GBP) A      | ccumulation     |                 |
|  | 31.01.23<br>(p) | 31.07.22<br>(p) | 31.07.21 (p)    | 31.07.20<br>(p) |
| Opening net asset value per share            | 162.71          | 162.19          | 119.18          | 150.68          |
| Return before operating charges*             | 16.25           | 1.80            | 44.12           | (30.43)         |
| Operating charges                            | (0.63)          | (1.28)          | (1.11)          | (1.07           |
| Return after operating charges*              | 15.62           | 0.52            | 43.01           | (31.50          |
| Distributions on accumulation share          | (2.45)          | (5.44)          | (3.19)          | (4.31           |
| Retained distributions on accumulation share | 2.45            | 5.44            | 3.19            | 4.31            |
| Closing net asset value per share            | 178.33          | 162.71          | 162.19          | 119.18          |
| *after direct transaction costs of:          | 0.01            | 0.08            | 0.02            | 0.08            |
| Performance                                  |                 |                 |                 |                 |
| Return after charges (%)                     | 9.60            | 0.32            | 36.09           | (20.91)         |
| Other Information                            |                 |                 |                 |                 |
| Closing net asset value (£'000)              | 183,536         | 185,174         | 237,877         | 279,382         |
| Closing number of shares                     | 102,921,696     | 113,806,935     | 146,665,295     | 234,414,070     |
| Operating charges (%)                        | 0.775           | 0.775           | 0.775           | 0.775           |
| Direct transaction costs (%)                 | 0.01            | 0.05            | 0.02            | 0.06            |
| Prices                                       |                 |                 |                 |                 |
| Highest share price (p)                      | 178.63          | 174.97          | 167.00          | 161.40          |
| Lowest share price (p)                       | 144.47          | 151.76          | 116.80          | 94.14           |
|  |                 |                 |                 |                 |
| Change in net asset per share                |                 |                 |                 |                 |
|  |                 | U2 (GBP) A      | ccumulation     |                 |
|  | 31.01.23<br>(p) | 31.07.22<br>(p) | 31.07.21<br>(p) | 31.07.20<br>(p) |
| Opening net asset value per share            | 156.17          | 155.55          | 114.23          | 144.33          |
| Return before operating charges*             | 15.60           | 1.73            | 42.28           | (29.17)         |
| Operating charges                            | (0.55)          | (1.11)          | (0.96)          | (0.93)          |
| Return after operating charges*              | 15.05           | 0.62            | 41.32           | (30.10)         |
| Distributions on accumulation share          | (2.35)          | (5.22)          | (3.06)          | (4.13)          |
| Retained distributions on accumulation share | 2.35            | 5.22            | 3.06            | 4.13            |
| Closing net asset value per share            | 171.22          | 156.17          | 155.55          | 114.23          |
| *after direct transaction costs of:          | 0.01            | 0.08            | 0.02            | 0.08            |
| Performance                                  |                 |                 |                 |                 |
| Return after charges (%)                     | 9.64            | 0.40            | 36.17           | (20.85)         |
| Other Information                            |                 |                 |                 |                 |
| Closing net asset value (£'000)              | 112,064         | 103,211         | 95,630          | 120,052         |
| Closing net asset value (2 000)              |                 |                 |                 |                 |
| Closing number of shares                     | 65,449,773      | 66,089,615      | 61,477,260      | 105,094,697     |

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154.70

90.20

Operating charges (%)

Highest share price (p)

Lowest share price (p)

Prices

Direct transaction costs (%)

## **Portfolio Statement**

| As at 31 Janua | ., 2023   |                   |                       |
|----------------|---|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Holding        | Investment  | Market value<br>£ | Total net assets<br>% |
|                | UNITED KINGDOM - 83.98% (82.98%)                          |                   |                       |
|                | Banks - 9.92% (9.07%)                                     |                   |                       |
| 17,624,117     | Barclays  | 32,752,659        | 4.81                  |
| 66,204,023     | Lloyds Banking  | 34,810,075        | 5.11                  |
|                |   | 67,562,734        | 9.92                  |
|                | Electricity - 6.57% (7.95%)                               |                   |                       |
| 5,127,847      | Drax  | 33,074,613        | 4.86                  |
| 676,227        | SSE   | 11,654,772        | 1.71                  |
|                |   | 44,729,385        | 6.57                  |
|                | Electronic and Electrical Equipment - 2.72% (2.29%)       |                   |                       |
| 5,828,999      | Rotork  | 18,524,559        | 2.72                  |
|                | Food Producers - 2.20% (2.44%)                            |                   |                       |
| 1,993,502      | Tate & Lyle   | 15,007,083        | 2.20                  |
|                | General Industrials - 2.89% (3.46%)                       |                   |                       |
| 13,822,776     | Melrose Industries  | 19,655,988        | 2.89                  |
|                | Household Goods and Home Construction - 1.96% (2.23%)     |                   |                       |
| 11,412,302     | Taylor Wimpey   | 13,375,218        | 1.96                  |
|                | Industrial Engineering - 3.36% (3.46%)                    |                   |                       |
| 1,283,476      | Weir  | 22,871,542        | 3.36                  |
|                | Industrial Metals and Mining - 4.33% (3.70%)              |                   |                       |
| 465,882        | Rio Tinto (UK Listing)                                    | 29,439,084        | 4.33                  |
|                | Investment Banking and Brokerage Services - 4.08% (3.60%) |                   |                       |
| 2,273,987      | St James's Place  | 27,776,751        | 4.08                  |
|                | Life Insurance - 3.62% (2.36%)                            |                   |                       |
| 1,837,073      | Prudential  | 24,607,593        | 3.62                  |
|                | Medical Equipment and Services - 1.88% (1.79%)            |                   |                       |
| 1,147,422      | Smith & Nephew  | 12,788,018        | 1.88                  |
|                | Oil, Gas and Coal - 4.28% (3.77%)                         |                   |                       |
| 5,962,233      | BP  | 29,146,376        | 4.28                  |



# Portfolio Statement (continued)

| Holding   | Investment  | Market value<br>£ | Total net assets<br>% |
|-----------|---|-------------------|-----------------------|
|           | D 16 D 16 G 2420 (2.500)  |                   |                       |
| 5,854,260 | <b>Personal Care, Drug and Grocery Stores - 2.12% (2.56%)</b> Tesco | 14,395,625        | 2.12                  |
|           | Personal Goods - 3.63% (2.83%)                                      |                   |                       |
| 1,004,419 | Burberry  | 24,708,708        | 3.63                  |
|           | Pharmaceuticals and Biotechnology - 9.31% (10.43%)                  |                   |                       |
| 358,228   | AstraZeneca (UK Listing)  | 37,936,345        | 5.57                  |
| 1,384,039 | GSK   | 19,700,411        | 2.89                  |
| 1,779,521 | Haleon  | 5,770,097         | 0.85                  |
|           |   | 63,406,853        | 9.31                  |
|           | Retailers - 5.45% (5.50%)   |                   |                       |
| 259,068   | Next  | 17,145,120        | 2.52                  |
| 5,654,378 | Pets at Home  | 19,914,719        | 2.93                  |
|           |   | 37,059,839        | 5.45                  |
|           | Software and Computer Services - 3.73% (4.71%)                      |                   |                       |
| 3,268,440 | Sage  | 25,389,242        | 3.73                  |
|           | Travel and Leisure - 11.93% (10.83%)                                |                   |                       |
| 2,048,666 | Entain  | 30,484,150        | 4.48                  |
| 8,350,262 | SSP   | 21,618,828        | 3.18                  |
| 956,245   | Whitbread   | 29,079,411        | 4.27                  |
|           |   | 81,182,389        | 11.93                 |
|           | IRELAND - 5.71% (5.47%)   |                   |                       |
|           | Construction and Materials - 2.35% (1.99%)                          |                   |                       |
| 426,854   | CRH (UK Listing)  | 16,021,965        | 2.35                  |
|           | Industrial Support Services - 3.36% (3.48%)                         |                   |                       |
| 774,773   | Experian  | 22,871,299        | 3.36                  |
|           |   |                   |                       |
|           | NETHERLANDS - 3.74% (4.01%)   |                   |                       |
|           | Oil, Gas and Coal - 3.74% (4.01%)                                   |                   |                       |
| 1,072,148 | Shell   | 25,452,794        | 3.74                  |

# Portfolio Statement (continued)

| As at 31 Janua | ry 2023                                      |                   |                       |
|----------------|--|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Holding        | Investment                                   | Market value<br>£ | Total net assets<br>% |
|                |  |                   |                       |
|                | SWITZERLAND - 5.35% (5.42%)                  |                   |                       |
|                | Industrial Metals and Mining - 5.35% (5.42%) |                   |                       |
| 6,725,738      | Glencore                                     | 36,399,694        | 5.35                  |
|                | UNITED STATES - 1.05% (1.91%)                |                   |                       |
|                | Industrial Support Services - 1.05% (1.91%)  |                   |                       |
| 116,942        | Fidelity National Information Services       | 7,119,776         | 1.05                  |
|                | Total value of investments                   | 679,492,515       | 99.83                 |
|                | Net other assets                             | 1,145,611         | 0.17                  |
|                | Net assets                                   | 680,638,126       | 100.00                |

All holdings are ordinary shares or stock units unless otherwise stated. The figures in brackets show allocations as at 31 July 2022.



| Asset allocation          |                 |
|---------------------------|-----------------|
| Equities Net other assets | 99.83%<br>0.17% |
| Total                     | 100.00%         |

| Portfolio allocation                   |         |
|--|---------|
| Travel and Leisure                     | 11.93%  |
| Banks                                  | 9.92%   |
| Industrial Metals and Mining           | 9.68%   |
| Pharmaceuticals and Biotechnology      | 9.31%   |
| Oil, Gas and Coal                      | 8.02%   |
| Electricity                            | 6.57%   |
| Retailers                              | 5.45%   |
| Industrial Support Services            | 4.41%   |
| Investment Banking and Brokerage       |         |
| Services                               | 4.08%   |
| Software and Computer Services         | 3.73%   |
| Personal Goods                         | 3.63%   |
| Life Insurance                         | 3.62%   |
| Industrial Engineering                 | 3.36%   |
| General Industrials                    | 2.89%   |
| Electronic and Electrical Equipment    | 2.72%   |
| Construction and Materials             | 2.35%   |
| Food Producers                         | 2.20%   |
| Personal Care, Drug and Grocery Stores | 2.12%   |
| Household Goods and Home               |         |
| Construction                           | 1.96%   |
| Medical Equipment and Services         | 1.88%   |
| Net other assets                       | 0.17%   |
| Total                                  | 100.00% |

| Major holdings           | Percentage of portfolio |
|--------------------------|-------------------------|
|                          |                         |
| AstraZeneca (UK Listing) | 5.57%                   |
| Glencore                 | 5.35%                   |
| Lloyds Banking           | 5.11%                   |
| Drax                     | 4.86%                   |
| Barclays                 | 4.81%                   |
| Entain                   | 4.48%                   |
| Rio Tinto (UK Listing)   | 4.33%                   |
| BP                       | 4.28%                   |
| Whitbread                | 4.27%                   |
| St James's Place         | 4.08%                   |
| Number of holdings       | 30                      |

## **Statement of Total Return**

| For the six months ended 31 January 2023                                     |                        |         |                        |          |
|--|------------------------|---------|------------------------|----------|
|  | Six months to 31.01.23 |         | Six months to 31.01.22 |          |
|  | £'000                  | £'000   | £'000                  | £'000    |
| Income   |                        |         |                        |          |
| Net capital gains  |                        | 51,977  |                        | 21,184   |
| Revenue  | 9,970                  |         | 11,156                 |          |
| Expenses   | (2,863)                |         | (3,554)                |          |
| Interest payable and similar charges   | _                      |         | _                      |          |
| Net revenue before taxation  | 7,107                  |         | 7,602                  |          |
| Taxation   | (16)                   |         | (14)                   |          |
| Net revenue after taxation   |                        | 7,091   |                        | 7,588    |
| Total return before distributions  | _                      | 59,068  |                        | 28,772   |
| Distributions  | _                      | (9,951) | _                      | (11,142) |
| Change in net assets attributable to shareholders from investment activities | _                      | 49,117  | _                      | 17,630   |

# **Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Shareholders**

| For the six months ended 31 January 2023                                     |                     |                   |                        |                   |
|--|---------------------|-------------------|------------------------|-------------------|
|  | Six months to £'000 | 31.01.23<br>£'000 | Six months to<br>£'000 | 31.01.22<br>£'000 |
| Opening net assets attributable to shareholders                              |                     | 685,530           |                        | 827,612           |
| Amounts receivable on issue of shares  | 15,808              |                   | 33,549                 |                   |
| Amounts payable on cancellation of shares                                    | (77,847)            |                   | (132,590)              |                   |
|  |                     | (62,039)          |                        | (99,041)          |
| Change in net assets attributable to shareholders from investment activities |                     | 49,117            |                        | 17,630            |
| Unclaimed distributions  |                     | 3                 |                        | _                 |
| Retained distribution on accumulation shares                                 | _                   | 8,027             | _                      | 8,274             |
| Closing net assets attributable to shareholders                              | _                   | 680,638           | _                      | 754,475           |

## **Balance Sheet**

| As at 31 January 2023                   |          |          |
|---|----------|----------|
|   | 31.01.23 | 31.07.22 |
|   | £'000    | £'000    |
| Assets                                  |          |          |
| Fixed Assets:                           |          |          |
| Investments                             | 679,493  | 684,101  |
| Current assets:                         |          |          |
| Debtors                                 | 1,065    | 4,163    |
| Cash and bank balances                  | 2,398    | 4,133    |
| Total assets                            | 682,956  | 692,397  |
| Liabilities                             |          |          |
| Creditors:                              |          |          |
| Distributions payable                   | (1,347)  | (2,117)  |
| Other creditors                         | (971)    | (4,750)  |
| Total liabilities                       | (2,318)  | (6,867)  |
| Net assets attributable to shareholders | 680,638  | 685,530  |

### **Notes to the Interim Financial Statements**

#### 1. Significant Accounting Policies

The interim financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis as modified by the revaluation of investments, in compliance with the Financial Conduct Authority's Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook. They have been prepared in accordance with FRS 102 and the Statement of Recommended Practice for Financial Statements of UK Authorised Funds issued by The Investment Management Association (now referred to as the Investment Association) in May 2014 (the 2014 SORP) and amended in June 2017.

Unless otherwise stated all other accounting policies applied are consistent with those of the annual financial statements for the year ended 31 July 2022 and are described in those financial statements.

#### 2. Financial Instruments

The sub-fund, in pursuing its objective, holds a number of financial instruments, which may comprise of the following: Equity shares and equity related shares.

The sub-fund will also hold cash and other short term debtors and creditors that arise directly from its operations.

In addition, the sub-fund may hold derivatives for the purpose of efficient portfolio management in accordance with the COLL Sourcebook.

The financial instruments are held in line with the sub-fund's investment policy.

The Investment Adviser is responsible for monitoring the portfolio of the sub-fund in accordance with its investment objective and seeks to ensure that individual assets also meet a risk reward profile that is acceptable. The ACD has appointed specialist managers to manage the sub-fund, and continuously monitors this appointment.

Adherence to the investment guidelines and the investment and borrowing powers as set out in the Prospectus and in the rules of the Regulations also mitigates the risk of excessive exposure to any particular type of security or issuer. Further information on the investment portfolio is set out in the Investment Adviser's review and the Portfolio statement of each sub-fund.

The main risks arising from financial instruments are market price, foreign currency, interest rate, liquidity, credit, and counterparty risk.



## **Distribution Tables**

### For the six months ended 31 January 2023

### **INTERIM**

Group 1: Shares purchased prior to 1 August 2022

| Group 1: Shares purchased prior to 1 August 2022          |                |              |                     |                  |
|---|----------------|--------------|---------------------|------------------|
| Group 2: Shares purchased on or after 1 August 2022 to 3: | 1 January 2023 |              |                     |                  |
|   | Revenue        | Equalisation | Distribution        | Distribution     |
|   | Revende        | Equalisation | payable             | paid             |
|   |                |              | 31.03.23            | 31.03.22         |
| L (GBP) Income  | pence          | pence        | pence               | pence            |
| Shares  | per share      | per share    | per share           | per share        |
| Group 1   | 1.7248         | _            | 1.7248              | 1.6705           |
| Group 2   | 1.6050         | 0.1198       | 1.7248              | 1.6705           |
|   | Revenue        | Equalisation | Distribution to     | Distribution     |
|   |                | ·            | be accumulated      | accumulated      |
|   |                |              | 31.03.23            | 31.03.22         |
| L (GBP) Accumulation                                      | pence          | pence        | pence               | pence            |
| Shares  | per share      | per share    | per share           | per share        |
| Group 1   | 2.2277         | _            | 2.2277              | 2.0866           |
| Group 2   | 1.9331         | 0.2946       | 2.2277              | 2.0866           |
|   | Revenue        | Equalisation | Distribution        | Distribution     |
|   |                |              | payable<br>31.03.23 | paid<br>31.03.22 |
| I (GBP) Income  | pence          | pence        | pence               | pence            |
| Shares  | per share      | per share    | per share           | per share        |
| Group 1   | 1.8576         | _            | 1.8576              | 1.7856           |
| Group 2   | 1.1000         | 0.7576       | 1.8576              | 1.7856           |
|   | Revenue        | Equalisation | Distribution to     | Distribution     |
|   |                | '            | be accumulated      | accumulated      |
|   |                |              | 31.03.23            | 31.03.22         |
| I (GBP) Accumulation                                      | pence          | pence        | pence               | pence            |
| Shares  | per share      | per share    | per share           | per share        |
| Group 1   | 2.7500         |              | 2.7500              | 2.5568           |
| Group 2   | 1.4063         | 1.3437       | 2.7500              | 2.5568           |
|   | Revenue        | Equalisation | Distribution        | Distribution     |
|   |                |              | payable             | paid             |
|   |                |              | 31.03.23            | 31.03.22         |
| P (GBP) Income  | pence          | pence        | pence               | pence            |
| Shares  | per share      | per share    | per share           | per share        |
| Group 1   | 1.4960         | _            | 1.4960              | 1.4416           |
| Group 2   | 1.4960         |              | 1.4960              | 1.4416           |

### For the six months ended 31 January 2023

#### **INTERIM**

Group 1: Shares purchased prior to 1 August 2022

|                       | Revenue   | Equalisation | Distribution to<br>be accumulated<br>31.03.23 | Distributior<br>accumulated<br>31.03.22 |
|-----------------------|-----------|--------------|---|---|
| P (GBP) Accumulation  | pence     | pence        | pence   | pence                                   |
| Shares                | per share | per share    | per share                                     | per share                               |
| Group 1               | 1.6334    | _            | 1.6334  | 1.5225                                  |
| Group 2               | 0.0003    | 1.6331       | 1.6334  | 1.5225                                  |
|                       | Revenue   | Equalisation | Distribution payable 31.03.23                 | Distribution<br>paid<br>31.03.22        |
| U1 (GBP) Income       | pence     | pence        | pence   | pence                                   |
| Shares                | per share | per share    | per share                                     | per share                               |
| Group 1               | 1.8242    | _            | 1.8242  | 1.7522                                  |
| Group 2               | 1.0790    | 0.7452       | 1.8242  | 1.7522                                  |
|                       | Revenue   | Equalisation | Distribution to be accumulated 31.03.23       | Distribution<br>accumulated<br>31.03.22 |
| U1 (GBP) Accumulation | pence     | pence        | pence   | pence                                   |
| Shares                | per share | per share    | per share                                     | per share                               |
| Group 1               | 2.4502    | _            | 2.4502  | 2.2763                                  |
| Group 2               | 1.3162    | 1.1340       | 2.4502  | 2.2763                                  |
|                       | Revenue   | Equalisation | Distribution payable 31.03.23                 | Distribution<br>paid<br>31.03.22        |
| U2 (GBP) Income       | pence     | pence        | pence   | pence                                   |
| Shares                | per share | per share    | per share                                     | per share                               |
| Group 1               | 1.7758    | _            | 1.7758  | 1.7044                                  |
| Group 2               | 1.7758    | _            | 1.7758  | 1.7044                                  |
|                       | Revenue   | Equalisation | Distribution to be accumulated 31.03.23       | Distribution accumulated 31.03.22       |
| U2 (GBP) Accumulation | pence     | pence        | pence   | pence                                   |
| Shares                | per share | per share    | per share                                     | per share                               |
| Group 1               | 2.3520    | _            | 2.3520  | 2.1835                                  |
| Group 2               | 1.4840    | 0.8680       | 2.3520  | 2.1835                                  |

Equalisation applies only to shares purchased during the distribution period (Group 2 shares). It is the average amount of revenue included in the purchase price of all Group 2 shares and is refunded to holders of these shares as a return of capital. Being capital, it is not liable to Income Tax but must be deducted from the cost of shares for Capital Gains Tax purposes.



## **Merian UK Equity Income Fund**

#### **Performance**

|                                      | 6 months | 1 year | 3 years | 5 years |
|--------------------------------------|----------|--------|---------|---------|
| Merian UK Equity Income Fund*        | 10.1     | 10.1   | 30.3    | 32.3    |
| FTSE All-Share Index (Benchmark)     | 5.3      | 5.2    | 15.6    | 23.1    |
| IA UK Equity Income (Sector Average) | 4.1      | 2.3    | 10.3    | 16.6    |
| Quartile Ranking                     | 1st      | 1st    | 1st     | 1st     |

<sup>\*</sup>Source: Morningstar, gross income reinvested net of fees, in GBP. The statistics disclosed above relate to I-Class Shares unless otherwise stated. Past performance is no quide to the future.

### **Investment Objective and Policy**

To achieve income and capital growth. In seeking to achieve its investment objective the sub-fund will aim to deliver an income, net of fees, greater than the yield of the FTSE All-Share Index and a total return (i.e. a combination of income and capital growth), net of fees, greater than the average return of the IA UK Equity Income sector over rolling 3 year periods.

The sub-fund primarily invests (at least 70%) in a portfolio of UK equities. UK equities are equities of companies domiciled or incorporated in the UK, or that conduct a significant part of their business in the UK.

The sub-fund may also invest in other transferable securities, units in collective investment schemes (including those managed or operated by the ACD or an associate of the ACD), warrants, money market instruments, deposits and derivatives, and may hold cash.

The sub-fund may use derivatives for investment purposes or Efficient Portfolio Management purposes. The use of derivatives for investment purposes may affect the volatility or risk profile of the sub-fund although this is not the ACD's intention.

#### **Market Review**

This was a period of two halves. The outlook for monetary policy and inflation was the main driver of markets over the period. However specifically in the UK, In the autumn, Liz Truss succeeded Boris Johnson as Prime Minister. After just 44 days in office Truss was forced to resign after a budget of unfunded tax cuts led to rising interest rate expectations and wreaked havoc in the UK bond market. The crescendo to this moment marked the recent low in UK markets.

The tax cuts were quickly replaced by tax increases under new Prime Minister Rishi Sunak and Chancellor Jeremy Hunt, restoring some credibility in the UK's fiscal stance. Over the year the commodity exposed sectors performed strongly, supporting the market. In contrast cyclical sectors fell given the economic impact of higher interest rates and the war in Ukraine. Value stocks outperformed as the rise in long bond yields put pressure on growth stocks.

As the winter progressed and particularly at the turn of the year gas prices fell very hard leading to far more optimism around economic growth and a shift in market leadership. Pricing in of a "soft landing" was fast and aggressive.

#### **Policy Review**

During the course of the year sales included bid target Microfocus. We also sold down Rio Tinto and IMI on cyclical concerns. We started positions of varying degrees in Smith & Nephew, WPP, Experian and Energean – all for stock specific reasons.

#### **Investment Outlook**

For most investors 2022 was a torrid period, with significant falls in both bonds and previously high-flying equity leaders. Rising interest rates and bond yields de-rated equity valuations.

Unsurprisingly, therefore, investors are keen to accentuate the positive news moving into 2023 and anticipate better markets with much playing out through January rises. Oil and gas prices have fallen significantly, aided by a mild winter in Europe, which is clearly helpful for consumers and businesses. China's dramatic abandonment of Covid-19 restrictions suggests it could rebound strongly, offsetting weakness in other major economies.

### **Investment Outlook** (continued)

Most importantly, the US economy is at last showing signs of softening activity in response to the persistent increases in interest rates during 2022. Weakness in housing is spreading to manufacturing and services, and although the labour market remains the last place to see softening, lay-offs are starting. A moderation in wage growth is the key to the keenly-anticipated cessation of Federal reserve policy tightening.

At present, the central bank is determined to maintain its inflation-fighting credentials by signalling further rate rises and no policy easing this year. The market disagrees and is pricing in interest rate cuts in the second half of the year, driven by economic weakness. Our sense is that any recession will be modest, given sound household balance sheets, full employment and mandated Government expenditure.

Such a scenario of an end to rising interest rates and a 'soft landing' may well buoy markets in the coming months. Looking further ahead, however, we are mindful that demographic trends may well underpin wage inflation at higher levels than are consistent with central bank inflation targets. A recovery in China might see current weather-induced weakness in energy prices reverse, adding to the stickiness of inflation and reducing the prospect of any early easing of monetary policy.

Whilst calendar 2022 returns were negligible, January has started off very strongly as discussed. We sense that the "risk on risk off" type market could be with us for a while as monetary policy perception shifts with incoming datapoints. We remain alert to opportunities in a UK market we still find cheap but also remain alert to wider macro complications being possible as we go forward.

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#### **Risk and Reward Profile**



The calculated risk and reward category, as shown above, uses a method of calculation derived from EU rules. It is based on the rate at which the returns of the sub-fund have moved up and down in the past (i.e. volatility) and is not a guide to the future risk and reward category of the sub-fund. The category shown is not a target or guarantee and may shift over time. Even the lowest category 1 does not mean a risk-free investment. The seven-category scale is nonlinear, for example, 2 is not twice as risky as 1.

Sub-funds in category 6 have in the past shown relatively high volatility. With a sub-fund of category 6, you have a relatively high risk of losing money but your chance for gains is also relatively high.

# **Comparative Tables**

|  |   | L (GBP) I   | ncome  |   |
|--|---|---|--|---|
|  | 31.01.23  | 31.07.22  | 31.07.21   | 31.07.20  |
|  | (p)   | (p)   | (p)  | (p)   |
| Opening net asset value per share  | 841.79  | 802.74  | 600.25   | 791.07  |
| Return before operating charges*   | 91.43   | 91.70   | 238.23   | (149.88)  |
| Operating charges  | (7.08)  | (14.06)   | (10.79)  | (11.69)   |
| Return after operating charges*  | 84.35   | 77.64   | 227.44   | (161.57)  |
| Distributions on income shares   | (16.12)   | (38.59)   | (24.95)  | (29.25)   |
| Closing net asset value per share  | 910.02  | 841.79  | 802.74   | 600.25  |
| *after direct transaction costs of:  | 1.53  | 1.22  | 1.05   | 2.16  |
| Performance  |   |   |  |   |
| Return after charges (%)   | 10.02   | 9.67  | 37.89  | (20.42)   |
| Other Information  |   |   |  |   |
| Closing net asset value (£'000)  | 3,405   | 3,249   | 3,367  | 21,072  |
| Closing number of shares   | 374,203   | 385,984   | 419,500  | 3,510,627   |
| Operating charges (%)  | 1.65  | 1.65  | 1.65   | 1.65  |
| Direct transaction costs (%)   | 0.18  | 0.14  | 0.16   | 0.31  |
| Prices   |   |   |  |   |
|  | 000.70  | 000 52  | 027.04   | 846.70  |
| Highest share price (p)  | 920.70  | 900.53  | 837.84   | 040.70  |
| Lowest share price (p)   | 920.70<br>774.47  | 798.38  | 580.52   | 489.80  |
| Lowest share price (p)   |   |   | 580.52   |   |
| Lowest share price (p)   |   | 798.38  | 580.52   |   |
| Lowest share price (p)   | 774.47  | 798.38  | 580.52   | 489.80  |
| Lowest share price (p)  Change in net asset per share  | 31.01.23  | 798.38<br>I (GBP) II<br>31.07.22  | 580.52<br>ncome<br>31.07.21  | 489.80  |
| Change in net asset per share  Opening net asset value per share   | 31.01.23<br>(p)   | 798.38  I (GBP) II 31.07.22 (p)   | 580.52<br>ncome<br>31.07.21<br>(p)   | 31.07.20<br>(p)   |
| Change in net asset per share  Opening net asset value per share  Return before operating charges*   | 31.01.23<br>(p)<br>139.05   | 798.38  I (GBP) II  31.07.22 (p)  131.62  | 580.52<br>ncome<br>31.07.21<br>(p)<br>97.67  | 31.07.20<br>(p)<br>127.75<br>(24.29)  |
| Change in net asset per share  Opening net asset value per share  Return before operating charges*  Operating charges  | 31.01.23<br>(p)<br>139.05<br>15.15  | 798.38  I (GBP) II 31.07.22 (p) 131.62 15.04  | 580.52<br>ncome<br>31.07.21<br>(p)<br>97.67<br>39.10   | 489.80<br>31.07.20<br>(p)   |
| Change in net asset per share  Opening net asset value per share  Return before operating charges*  Operating charges  Return after operating charges*   | 31.01.23<br>(p)<br>139.05<br>15.15<br>(0.64)                                      | 798.38  I (GBP) II 31.07.22 (p) 131.62 15.04 (1.26)                                   | 580.52<br>ncome<br>31.07.21<br>(p)<br>97.67<br>39.10<br>(1.07)                                       | 31.07.20<br>(p)<br>127.75<br>(24.29)<br>(1.05)  |
| Change in net asset per share  Opening net asset value per share  Return before operating charges*  Operating charges  Return after operating charges*  Distributions on income shares   | 31.01.23<br>(p)<br>139.05<br>15.15<br>(0.64)<br>14.51                             | 798.38  I (GBP) II 31.07.22 (p) 131.62 15.04 (1.26) 13.78                             | 580.52<br>ncome<br>31.07.21<br>(p)<br>97.67<br>39.10<br>(1.07)<br>38.03                              | 31.07.20<br>(p)<br>127.75<br>(24.29)<br>(1.05)<br>(25.34)   |
| Change in net asset per share  Opening net asset value per share  Return before operating charges* Operating charges Return after operating charges* Distributions on income shares Closing net asset value per share  | 31.01.23<br>(p)<br>139.05<br>15.15<br>(0.64)<br>14.51<br>(2.67)                   | 798.38  I (GBP) II  31.07.22 (p)  131.62 15.04 (1.26) 13.78 (6.35)                    | 580.52  ncome 31.07.21 (p) 97.67 39.10 (1.07) 38.03 (4.08)   | 31.07.20<br>(p)<br>127.75<br>(24.29)<br>(1.05)<br>(25.34)<br>(4.74)   |
| Highest share price (p)  Lowest share price (p)  Change in net asset per share  Opening net asset value per share  Return before operating charges* Operating charges  Return after operating charges* Distributions on income shares Closing net asset value per share *after direct transaction costs of:  Performance   | 31.01.23<br>(p)<br>139.05<br>15.15<br>(0.64)<br>14.51<br>(2.67)<br>150.89         | 798.38  I (GBP) II  31.07.22 (p)  131.62 15.04 (1.26) 13.78 (6.35) 139.05             | 580.52  ncome 31.07.21 (p) 97.67 39.10 (1.07) 38.03 (4.08) 131.62                                    | 31.07.20<br>(p)<br>127.75<br>(24.29)<br>(1.05)<br>(25.34)<br>(4.74)<br>97.67  |
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| Change in net asset per share  |  |  |  |  |
|--|--|--|--|--|
|  |  | P (GBP) I  | ncome  |  |
|  | 31.01.23<br>(p)  | 31.07.22<br>(p)  | 31.07.21<br>(p)  | 31.07.20<br>(p)  |
| Opening net asset value per share  | 124.60   | 118.24   | 87.97  | 115.35   |
| Return before operating charges*   | 13.56  | 13.51  | 35.18  | (22.02)  |
| Operating charges  | (0.73)   | (1.45)   | (1.24)   | (1.08)   |
| Return after operating charges*  | 12.83  | 12.06  | 33.94  | (23.10)  |
| Distributions on income shares   | (2.39)   | (5.70)   | (3.67)   | (4.28)   |
| Closing net asset value per share  | 135.04   | 124.60   | 118.24   | 87.97  |
| *after direct transaction costs of:  | 0.23   | 0.18   | 0.17   | 0.29   |
| Performance  |  |  |  |  |
| Return after charges (%)   | 10.30  | 10.20  | 38.58  | (20.03)  |
| Other Information  |  |  |  |  |
| Closing net asset value (£'000)  | 4,351  | 4,015  | 4,128  | 3,336  |
| Closing number of shares   | 3,221,700  | 3,222,264  | 3,491,464  | 3,792,014  |
| Operating charges (%)  | 1.15   | 1.15   | 1.15   | 1.15   |
| Direct transaction costs (%)   | 0.18   | 0.14   | 0.16   | 0.31   |
| Prices   |  |  |  |  |
|  | 136.60   | 133.12   | 123.33   | 123.70   |
| Highest share price (p)  | 150.00   | 155.12   | 120.00   |  |
| Lowest share price (p)   | 114.76   | 117.95   | 85.14  | 71.64  |
|  |  |  | 85.14  |  |
| Lowest share price (p)   | 31.01.23   | 117.95<br><b>U1 (GBP)</b><br>31.07.22  | 85.14<br>Income<br>31.07.21  | 71.64  |
| Lowest share price (p)  Change in net asset per share  | 31.01.23<br>(p)  | 117.95<br><b>U1 (GBP)</b><br>31.07.22<br>(p)   | 85.14<br>Income<br>31.07.21<br>(p)   | 71.64<br>31.07.20<br>(p)   |
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| Change in net asset per share   |  |   |  |   |  |
|---|--|---|--|---|--|
|   | U2 (GBP) Income  |   |  |   |  |
|   | 31.01.23<br>(p)  | 31.07.22<br>(p)   | 31.07.21<br>(p)  | 31.07.20<br>(p  |  |
| Opening net asset value per share   | 109.27   | 103.18  | 76.46  | 99.90   |  |
| Return before operating charges*  | 11.92  | 11.91   | 30.63  | (19.02  |  |
| Operating charges   | (0.42)   | (0.83)  | (0.70)   | (0.69   |  |
| Return after operating charges*   | 11.50  | 11.08   | 29.93  | (19.7   |  |
| Distributions on income shares  | (2.10)   | (4.99)  | (3.21)   | (3.7)   |  |
| Closing net asset value per share   | 118.67   | 109.27  | 103.18   | 76.46   |  |
| *after direct transaction costs of:   | 0.20   | 0.16  | 0.15   | 0.28  |  |
| Performance   |  |   |  |   |  |
| Return after charges (%)  | 10.52  | 10.74   | 39.14  | (19.73  |  |
| Other Information   |  |   | -  |   |  |
| Closing net asset value (£'000)   | 260  | 208   | 207  | 165   |  |
| Closing number of shares  | 218,953  | 190,772   | 200,956  | 216,293   |  |
| Operating charges (%)   | 0.75   | 0.75  | 0.75   | 0.75  |  |
| Direct transaction costs (%)  | 0.18   | 0.14  | 0.16   | 0.3   |  |
| Prices  |  |   |  |   |  |
| Highest share price (p)   | 120.02   | 116.61  | 107.67   | 107.30  |  |
| Lowest share price (p)  | 100.72   | 103.27  | 74.14  | 62.23   |  |
| Change in net asset per share   |  | L (GBP) Acc   | umulation  |   |  |
|   | 31.01.23<br>(p)  | 31.07.22<br>(p)   | 31.07.21<br>(p)  | 31.07.20<br>(p  |  |
| Opening net asset value per share   | 3,797.66   | 3,463.34  | 2,504.87   |   |  |
| Poturn before enerating charges*  |  |   | /  | 3,165.95  |  |
| return before operating charges"  | 419.17   | 395.99  | 1,009.48   |   |  |
|   | 419.17<br>(32.24)  | 395.99<br>(61.67)   |  | (612.6  |  |
| Operating charges   |  |   | 1,009.48   | (612.6°<br>(48.47   |  |
| Operating charges<br>Return after operating charges*  | (32.24)  | (61.67)   | 1,009.48<br>(51.01)  | (612.6°<br>(48.47<br>(661.08  |  |
| Operating charges<br>Return after operating charges*<br>Distributions on accumulation share   | (32.24)<br>386.93  | (61.67)<br>334.32   | 1,009.48<br>(51.01)<br>958.47  | (612.6<br>(48.47<br>(661.08<br>(118.75  |  |
| Operating charges<br>Return after operating charges*<br>Distributions on accumulation share<br>Retained distributions on accumulation share   | (32.24)<br>386.93<br>(73.07)   | (61.67)<br>334.32<br>(169.18)   | 1,009.48<br>(51.01)<br>958.47<br>(105.48)  | (612.6<br>(48.47<br>(661.08<br>(118.75  |  |
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| Return before operating charges*  Operating charges  Return after operating charges*  Distributions on accumulation share  Retained distributions on accumulation share  Closing net asset value per share  *after direct transaction costs of:  Performance  Return after charges (%)  Other Information  Closing net asset value (£'000)  Closing number of shares  Operating charges (%)  Direct transaction costs (%) | (32.24)<br>386.93<br>(73.07)<br>73.07<br>4,184.59<br>6.94<br>10.19<br>4,423<br>105,690<br>1.65<br>0.18 | (61.67) 334.32 (169.18) 169.18 3,797.66 5.37  9.65  4,228 111,326 1.65 0.14 | 1,009.48<br>(51.01)<br>958.47<br>(105.48)<br>105.48<br>3,463.34<br>4.96<br>38.26<br>3,859<br>111,426<br>1.65<br>0.16 | (612.6<br>(48.4)<br>(661.08<br>(118.7)<br>118.7)<br>2,504.8<br>8.9<br>(20.88<br>3,01)<br>120,386<br>0.3 |  |
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| Change in net asset per share                |                      |                 |                 |                |  |
|--|----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|--|
|  | I (GBP) Accumulation |                 |                 |                |  |
|  | 31.01.23             | 31.07.22        | 31.07.21        | 31.07.20       |  |
|  | (p)                  | (p)             | (p)             | (p             |  |
| Opening net asset value per share            | 205.32               | 185.88          | 133.44          | 167.39         |  |
| Return before operating charges*             | 22.74                | 21.25           | 53.94           | (32.54         |  |
| Operating charges                            | (0.96)               | (1.81)          | (1.50)          | (1.4           |  |
| Return after operating charges*              | 21.78                | 19.44           | 52.44           | (33.95         |  |
| Distributions on accumulation share          | (3.96)               | (9.11)          | (5.64)          | (6.30          |  |
| Retained distributions on accumulation share | 3.96                 | 9.11            | 5.64            | 6.30           |  |
| Closing net asset value per share            | 227.10               | 205.32          | 185.88          | 133.44         |  |
| *after direct transaction costs of:          | 0.38                 | 0.29            | 0.27            | 0.48           |  |
| Performance                                  |                      |                 |                 |                |  |
| Return after charges (%)                     | 10.61                | 10.46           | 39.30           | (20.28         |  |
| Other Information                            |                      |                 |                 |                |  |
| Closing net asset value (£'000)              | 19,810               | 12,320          | 9,567           | 6,696          |  |
| Closing number of shares                     | 8,723,523            | 5,999,852       | 5,147,026       | 5,017,764      |  |
| Operating charges (%)                        | 0.90                 | 0.90            | 0.90            | 0.90           |  |
| Direct transaction costs (%)                 | 0.18                 | 0.14            | 0.16            | 0.31           |  |
| Prices                                       |                      |                 |                 |                |  |
| Highest share price (p)                      | 228.41               | 216.18          | 192.54          | 182.60         |  |
| Lowest share price (p)                       | 189.19               | 187.68          | 129.21          | 106.40         |  |
|  |                      |                 |                 |                |  |
| Change in net asset per share                |                      | - (             |                 |                |  |
|  |                      | P (GBP) Acc     |                 |                |  |
|  | 31.01.23<br>(p)      | 31.07.22<br>(p) | 31.07.21<br>(p) | 31.07.20<br>(p |  |
| Opening net asset value per share            | 226.14               | 205.23          | 147.69          | 185.70         |  |
| Return before operating charges*             | 25.01                | 23.46           | 59.63           | (36.09         |  |
| Operating charges                            | (1.34)               | (2.55)          | (2.09)          | (1.92          |  |
| Return after operating charges*              | 23.67                | 20.91           | 57.54           | (38.01         |  |
| Distributions on accumulation share          | (4.35)               | (10.05)         | (6.24)          | (6.98          |  |
| Retained distributions on accumulation share | 4.35                 | 10.05           | 6.24            | 6.98           |  |
| Closing net asset value per share            | 249.81               | 226.14          | 205.23          | 147.69         |  |
| *after direct transaction costs of:          | 0.41                 | 0.32            | 0.29            | 0.51           |  |
| Performance                                  |                      |                 |                 |                |  |
| Return after charges (%)                     | 10.47                | 10.19           | 38.96           | (20.47         |  |
| Other Information                            |                      |                 |                 |                |  |
| Closing net asset value (£'000)              | 733                  | 644             | 593             | 588            |  |
| Closing number of shares                     | 293,331              | 284,986         | 289,080         | 397,982        |  |
| Operating charges (%)                        | 1.15                 | 1.15            | 1.15            | 1.15           |  |
| Direct transaction costs (%)                 | 0.18                 | 0.14            | 0.16            | 0.31           |  |
| Prices                                       |                      |                 |                 |                |  |
| Highest share price (p)                      | 251.28               | 238.18          | 212.65          | 202.40         |  |
| nighest share price (p)                      | 231.20               | 230.10          | 212.00          | 202.40         |  |

208.27

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Lowest share price (p)

Direct transaction costs (%)

Highest share price (p)

Lowest share price (p)

Prices

|  | U1 (GBP) Accumulation                 |             |            |           |  |
|--|---------------------------------------|-------------|------------|-----------|--|
|  | 31.01.23                              | 31.07.22    | 31.07.21   | 31.07.20  |  |
|  | (p)                                   | (p)         | (p)        | (p        |  |
| Opening net asset value per share  | 154.59                                | 139.85      | 100.32     | 125.75    |  |
| Return before operating charges*   | 17.12                                 | 15.99       | 40.56      | (24.46    |  |
| Operating charges  | (0.66)                                | (1.25)      | (1.03)     | (0.97     |  |
| Return after operating charges*  | 16.46                                 | 14.74       | 39.53      | (25.43    |  |
| Distributions on accumulation share  | (2.98)                                | (6.86)      | (4.24)     | (4.73     |  |
| Retained distributions on accumulation share                                     | 2.98                                  | 6.86        | 4.24       | 4.73      |  |
| Closing net asset value per share  | 171.05                                | 154.59      | 139.85     | 100.32    |  |
| *after direct transaction costs of:  | 0.28                                  | 0.22        | 0.20       | 0.36      |  |
| Doub   |                                       |             |            |           |  |
| Performance Return after charges (%)   | 10.65                                 | 10.54       | 39.40      | (20.22    |  |
| Neturn arter Charges (70)  | 10.03                                 | 10.34       | 39.40      | (20.22    |  |
| Other Information  |                                       |             |            |           |  |
| Closing net asset value (£'000)  | 8,152                                 | 6,054       | 6,610      | 3,145     |  |
| Closing number of shares   | 4,766,041                             | 3,916,216   | 4,726,248  | 3,134,837 |  |
| Operating charges (%)  | 0.825                                 | 0.825       | 0.825      | 0.825     |  |
| Direct transaction costs (%)   | 0.18                                  | 0.14        | 0.16       | 0.3       |  |
| Prices   |                                       |             |            |           |  |
| Highest share price (p)  | 172.03                                | 162.75      | 144.85     | 137.20    |  |
| Lowest share price (p)   | 142.47                                | 141.21      | 97.15      | 79.98     |  |
|  |                                       |             |            |           |  |
| Change in net asset per share  |                                       |             |            |           |  |
|  |                                       | U2 (GBP) Ac | cumulation |           |  |
|  | 31.01.23                              | 31.07.22    | 31.07.21   | 31.07.20  |  |
|  | (p)                                   | (p)         | (p)        | (p        |  |
| Opening net asset value per share  | 156.38                                | 141.36      | 101.33     | 126.92    |  |
| Return before operating charges*   | 17.32                                 | 16.16       | 40.96      | (24.69    |  |
| Operating charges  | (0.61)                                | (1.14)      | (0.93)     | (0.90     |  |
| Return after operating charges*  | 16.71                                 | 15.02       | 40.03      | (25.59    |  |
| Distributions on accumulation share  | (3.01)                                | (6.91)      | (4.29)     | (4.78     |  |
| Retained distributions on accumulation share                                     | 3.01                                  | 6.91        | 4.29       | 4.78      |  |
| Closing net asset value per share  | 173.09                                | 156.38      | 141.36     | 101.33    |  |
| *after direct transaction costs of:  | 0.29                                  | 0.22        | 0.20       | 0.36      |  |
| Performance  |                                       |             |            |           |  |
| Return after charges (%)   | 10.69                                 | 10.63       | 39.50      | (20.16    |  |
|  | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · |             |            | ,         |  |
| Other Information  | 121                                   | 44          | 94         | 118       |  |
| Closing not asset value (f'000)  |                                       |             |            |           |  |
|  | 131                                   |             |            |           |  |
| Closing net asset value (£'000)  Closing number of shares  Operating charges (%) | 75,497<br>0.75                        | 28,217      | 66,715     | 116,316   |  |

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## **Portfolio Statement**

| As at 31 Janua | ry 2023   |                        |                       |
|----------------|---|------------------------|-----------------------|
| Holding        | Investment  | Market value<br>£      | Total net assets<br>% |
|                | UNITED KINGDOM - 96.94% (97.33%)                                    |                        |                       |
|                | Banks - 10.08% (9.11%)  |                        |                       |
| 895,624        | Barclays  | 1,664,428              | 2.70                  |
| 254,691        | HSBC Holdings   | 1,518,977              | 2.46                  |
| 238,122        | Standard Chartered  | 1,617,325              | 2.62                  |
| 735,213        | Virgin Money UK   | 1,418,226              | 2.30                  |
|                | -   | 6,218,956              | 10.08                 |
|                | Chemicals - 0.00% (1.69%)   |                        |                       |
|                | Construction and Materials - 1.10% (1.17%)                          |                        |                       |
| 403,122        | lbstock -   | 679,260                | 1.10                  |
|                | Electricity - 6.71% (7.48%)   |                        |                       |
| 480,873        | Drax  | 3,101,631              | 5.03                  |
| 60,240         | SSE   | 1,038,237              | 1.68                  |
|                |   | 4,139,868              | 6.71                  |
|                | Electronic and Electrical Equipment - 3.16% (3.57%)                 |                        |                       |
| 613,448        | Rotork  | 1,949,538              | 3.16                  |
|                | Finance and Credit Services - 1.23% (1.04%)                         |                        |                       |
| 138,915        | OSB -   | 757,781                | 1.23                  |
|                | Food Producers - 1.20% (1.23%)                                      |                        |                       |
| 98,278         | Tate & Lyle   | 739,837                | 1.20                  |
| 2,633,281      | Gas, Water and Multiutilities - 4.30% (3.77%)                       | 2,650,207              | 4.20                  |
| 2,033,201      | Centrica -  | 2,650,397              | 4.30                  |
| 276,131        | <b>General Industrials - 1.58% (1.51%)</b> DS Smith                 | 975,847                | 1.58                  |
| 270,131        |   | 313,041                | 1.50                  |
| 826,885        | Household Goods and Home Construction - 1.57% (1.65%) Taylor Wimpey | 969,109                | 1.57                  |
| 020,003        | aylor willipey  | 303,103                | 1.57                  |
| 375,162        | Industrial Metals and Mining - 5.07% (5.31%) Central Asia Metals    | 1.050.452              | 1 70                  |
| 375,162        | Central Asia Metals Glencore  | 1,050,453<br>2,075,762 | 1.70<br>3.37          |
| 303,340        | GIGTICOTC -   |                        |                       |
|                |   | 3,126,215              | 5.07                  |

# Portfolio Statement (continued)

| Holding           | Investment  | Market value<br>£      | Total net asset |
|-------------------|---|------------------------|-----------------|
|                   | Industrial Support Services - 2.91% (0.00%)               |                        |                 |
| 36,013            | Experian  | 1,063,104              | 1.72            |
| 592,720           | Hays  | 730,231                | 1.19            |
|                   |   | 1,793,335              | 2.91            |
|                   | Investment Banking and Brokerage Services - 1.98% (2.44%) |                        |                 |
| 99,678            | St James's Place  | 1,217,567              | 1.98            |
|                   | Life Insurance - 4.29% (4.01%)                            |                        |                 |
| 176,259           | Aviva   | 802,331                | 1.30            |
| 287,953           | Phoenix   | 1,845,203              | 2.99            |
|                   |   | 2,647,534              | 4.29            |
| 70.625            | Media - 1.20% (0.00%)                                     | 744 504                | 4.20            |
| 78,625            | WPP   | 741,591                | 1.20            |
|                   | Medical Equipment and Services - 1.66% (0.00%)            |                        |                 |
| 91,595            | Smith & Nephew  | 1,020,826              | 1.66            |
|                   | Non-life Insurance - 1.20% (1.21%)                        |                        |                 |
| 720,010           | Sabre Insurance Group                                     | 740,170                | 1.20            |
|                   | Oil, Gas and Coal - 12.62% (13.73%)                       |                        |                 |
| 467,432           | BP  | 2,285,041              | 3.71            |
| 1,496,113         | Diversified Gas & Oil                                     | 1,656,197              | 2.69            |
| 158,051<br>84,294 | Energean<br>Shell   | 1,839,714<br>2,001,140 | 2.98<br>3.24    |
| 0 1/23 1          | JHCII   | 7,782,092              | 12.62           |
|                   | Personal Care, Drug and Grocery Stores - 1.84% (2.11%)    |                        |                 |
| 460,845           | Tesco   | 1,133,218              | 1.84            |
|                   | Pharmaceuticals and Biotechnology - 7.21% (8.02%)         |                        |                 |
| 19,219            | AstraZeneca (UK Listing)                                  | 2,035,292              | 3.30            |
| 104,407           | GSK   | 1,486,129              | 2.41            |
| 284,685           | Haleon  | 923,091                | 1.50            |
|                   | _   | 4,444,512              | 7.21            |
|                   | Real Estate Investment Trusts - 0.72% (1.00%)             |                        |                 |
| 461,073           | Supermarket Income  | 443,552                | 0.72            |



# Portfolio Statement (continued)

| Holding | Investment  | Market value<br>£ | Total net assets<br>% |
|---------|---|-------------------|-----------------------|
|         | Retailers - 6.89% (5.62%)                           |                   |                       |
| 57,460  | Dunelm  | 665,962           | 1.08                  |
| 24,160  | Next  | 1,598,909         | 2.59                  |
| 298,308 | Pets at Home  | 1,050,641         | 1.70                  |
| 58,677  | WH Smith  | 935,311           | 1.52                  |
|         |   | 4,250,823         | 6.89                  |
|         | Software and Computer Services - 4.75% (7.22%)      |                   |                       |
| 478,198 | Moneysupermarket.com                                | 1,140,980         | 1.85                  |
| 229,789 | Sage  | 1,785,001         | 2.90                  |
|         |   | 2,925,981         | 4.75                  |
|         | Tobacco - 4.12% (5.64%)                             |                   |                       |
| 34,163  | British American Tobacco                            | 1,057,515         | 1.71                  |
| 73,051  | Imperial Brands                                     | 1,483,666         | 2.41                  |
|         |   | 2,541,181         | 4.12                  |
|         | Travel and Leisure - 9.55% (8.80%)                  |                   |                       |
| 167,264 | Entain  | 2,488,888         | 4.04                  |
| 470,959 | National Express                                    | 625,434           | 1.02                  |
| 91,074  | Whitbread   | 2,769,560         | 4.49                  |
|         |   | 5,883,882         | 9.55                  |
|         | BERMUDA - 0.80% (0.00%)                             |                   |                       |
|         | Non-life Insurance - 0.80% (0.00%)                  |                   |                       |
| 105,763 | Conduit   | 492,856           | 0.80                  |
|         | IRELAND - 1.49% (1.53%)                             |                   |                       |
|         | Construction and Materials - 1.49% (1.53%)          |                   |                       |
| 24,435  | CRH (UK Listing)                                    | 917,168           | 1.49                  |
|         | MAURITIUS - 0.16% (0.22%)                           |                   |                       |
|         | Real Estate Investment and Services - 0.16% (0.22%) |                   |                       |
| 335,445 | Grit Real Estate Income Group                       | 100,633           | 0.16                  |
|         | Total value of investments                          | 61,283,729        | 99.39                 |
|         | Net other assets                                    | 378,998           | 0.61                  |
|         | Net assets  | 61,662,727        | 100.00                |

All holdings are ordinary shares or stock units unless otherwise stated. The figures in brackets show allocations as at 31 July 2022.

| Asset allocation          |                 |
|---------------------------|-----------------|
| Equities Net other assets | 99.39%<br>0.61% |
| Total                     | 100.00%         |

| Portfolio allocation                     |         |
|--|---------|
| Oil, Gas and Coal                        | 12.62%  |
| Banks                                    | 10.08%  |
| Travel and Leisure                       | 9.55%   |
| Pharmaceuticals and Biotechnology        | 7.21%   |
| Retailers                                | 6.89%   |
| Electricity                              | 6.71%   |
| Industrial Metals and Mining             | 5.07%   |
| Software and Computer Services           | 4.75%   |
| Gas, Water and Multiutilities            | 4.30%   |
| Life Insurance                           | 4.29%   |
| Tobacco                                  | 4.12%   |
| Electronic and Electrical Equipment      | 3.16%   |
| Industrial Support Services              | 2.91%   |
| Construction and Materials               | 2.59%   |
| Non-life Insurance                       | 2.00%   |
| Investment Banking and Brokerage         | 1.000/  |
| Services                                 | 1.98%   |
| Personal Care, Drug and Grocery Stores   | 1.84%   |
| Medical Equipment and Services           | 1.66%   |
| General Industrials                      | 1.58%   |
| Household Goods and Home<br>Construction | 1.57%   |
| Finance and Credit Services              | 1.23%   |
| Media                                    | 1.20%   |
| Food Producers                           | 1.20%   |
| Real Estate Investment Trusts            | 0.72%   |
| Real Estate Investment and Services      | 0.16%   |
| Net other assets                         | 0.61%   |
| Total                                    | 100.00% |

| Major holdings           | Percentage<br>of portfolio |
|--------------------------|----------------------------|
|                          |                            |
| Drax                     | 5.03%                      |
| Whitbread                | 4.49%                      |
| Centrica                 | 4.30%                      |
| Entain                   | 4.04%                      |
| BP                       | 3.71%                      |
| Glencore                 | 3.37%                      |
| AstraZeneca (UK Listing) | 3.30%                      |
| Shell                    | 3.24%                      |
| Rotork                   | 3.16%                      |
| Phoenix                  | 2.99%                      |
| Number of holdings       | 46                         |

## **Statement of Total Return**

| For the six months ended 31 January 2023                                     |                        |                                       |       |                   |
|--|------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------|-------------------|
|  | Six months to<br>£'000 | Six months to 31.01.23<br>£'000 £'000 |       | 31.01.22<br>£'000 |
|  |                        | 2 000                                 | £'000 |                   |
| Income   |                        |                                       |       |                   |
| Net capital gains  |                        | 5,082                                 |       | 3,713             |
| Revenue  | 931                    |                                       | 859   |                   |
| Expenses   | (265)                  |                                       | (241) |                   |
| Interest payable and similar charges   | _                      |                                       | -     |                   |
| Net revenue before taxation  | 666                    |                                       | 618   |                   |
| Taxation   | (6)                    |                                       | (16)  |                   |
| Net revenue after taxation   |                        | 660                                   |       | 602               |
| Total return before distributions  |                        | 5,742                                 |       | 4,315             |
| Distributions  | _                      | (921)                                 | _     | (838)             |
| Change in net assets attributable to shareholders from investment activities | _                      | 4,821                                 | _     | 3,477             |

# **Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Shareholders**

| For the six months ended 31 January 2023                                     |                          |                  |                        |                   |
|--|--------------------------|------------------|------------------------|-------------------|
|  | Six months to 3<br>£'000 | 1.01.23<br>£'000 | Six months to<br>£'000 | 31.01.22<br>£'000 |
| Opening net assets attributable to shareholders                              |                          | 45,710           |                        | 43,589            |
| Amounts receivable on issue of shares  | 16,506                   |                  | 1,965                  |                   |
| Amounts payable on cancellation of shares                                    | (5,921)                  |                  | (4,233)                |                   |
|  |                          | 10,585           |                        | (2,268)           |
| Change in net assets attributable to shareholders from investment activities |                          | 4,821            |                        | 3,477             |
| Unclaimed distributions  |                          | 8                |                        | 14                |
| Retained distribution on accumulation shares                                 |                          | 539              | _                      | 390               |
| Closing net assets attributable to shareholders                              |                          | 61,663           |                        | 45,202            |

## **Balance Sheet**

| As at 31 January 2023                   |          |          |
|---|----------|----------|
|   | 31.01.23 | 31.07.22 |
|   | £'000    | £'000    |
| Assets                                  |          |          |
| Fixed Assets:                           |          |          |
| Investments                             | 61,284   | 45,288   |
| Current assets:                         |          |          |
| Debtors                                 | 786      | 561      |
| Cash and bank balances                  |          | 329      |
| Total assets                            | 62,070   | 46,178   |
| Liabilities                             |          |          |
| Creditors:                              |          |          |
| Bank overdrafts                         | (30)     | _        |
| Distributions payable                   | (160)    | (220)    |
| Other creditors                         | (217)    | (248)    |
| Total liabilities                       | (407)    | (468)    |
| Net assets attributable to shareholders | 61,663   | 45,710   |

### **Notes to the Interim Financial Statements**

### 1. Significant Accounting Policies

The interim financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis as modified by the revaluation of investments, in compliance with the Financial Conduct Authority's Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook. They have been prepared in accordance with FRS 102 and the Statement of Recommended Practice for Financial Statements of UK Authorised Funds issued by The Investment Management Association (now referred to as the Investment Association) in May 2014 (the 2014 SORP) and amended in June 2017.

Unless otherwise stated all other accounting policies applied are consistent with those of the annual financial statements for the year ended 31 July 2022 and are described in those financial statements.

#### 2. Financial Instruments

The sub-fund, in pursuing its objective, holds a number of financial instruments, which may comprise of the following: Equity shares and equity related shares.

The sub-fund will also hold cash and other short term debtors and creditors that arise directly from its operations.

In addition, the sub-fund may hold derivatives for the purpose of efficient portfolio management in accordance with the COLL Sourcebook. The financial instruments are held in line with the sub-fund's investment policy.

The Investment Adviser is responsible for monitoring the portfolio of the sub-fund in accordance with its investment objective and seeks to ensure that individual assets also meet a risk reward profile that is acceptable. The ACD has appointed specialist managers to manage the sub-fund, and continuously monitors this appointment.

Adherence to the investment guidelines and the investment and borrowing powers as set out in the Prospectus and in the rules of the Regulations also mitigates the risk of excessive exposure to any particular type of security or issuer. Further information on the investment portfolio is set out in the Investment Adviser's review and the Portfolio statement of each sub-fund.

The main risks arising from financial instruments are market price, foreign currency, interest rate, liquidity, credit, and counterparty risk.

## **Distribution Tables**

## For the quarter ended 31 October 2022

### **FIRST INTERIM**

Group 1: Shares purchased prior to 1 August 2022

| Group 1: Shares purchased prior to 1 August 2022    |                      |                |                         |                         |
|---|----------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Group 2: Shares purchased on or after 1 August 2022 | 2 to 31 October 2022 |                |                         |                         |
|   | Revenue              | Equalisation   | Distribution            | Distribution            |
|   |                      | -9             | paid                    | paid                    |
|   |                      |                | 31.12.22                | 31.12.21                |
| L (GBP) Income                                      | pence                | pence          | pence                   | pence                   |
| Shares  | per share            | per share      | per share               | per share               |
| Group 1   | 10.9810              | _              | 10.9810                 | 10.4745                 |
| Group 2   | 2.9454               | 8.0356         | 10.9810                 | 10.4745                 |
|   | Revenue              | Equalisation   | Distribution            | Distribution            |
|   |                      |                | accumulated<br>31.12.22 | accumulated<br>31.12.21 |
| L (GBP) Accumulation                                | pence                | pence          | pence                   | pence                   |
| Shares  | per share            | per share      | per share               | per share               |
| Group 1   | 49.5480              | _              | 49.5480                 | 45.1904                 |
| Group 2   | 12.1596              | 37.3884        | 49.5480                 | 45.1904                 |
|   | Dovonuo              | Equalisation   | Distribution            | Distribution            |
|   | Revenue              | Equalisation   | Distribution            | Distribution            |
|   |                      |                | paid<br>31.12.22        | paid<br>31.12.21        |
| I (GBP) Income                                      | pence                | pence          | pence                   | pence                   |
| Shares  | per share            | per share      | per share               | per share               |
| Group 1   | 1.8152               | _              | 1.8152                  | 1.7186                  |
| Group 2   | 0.2525               | 1.5627         | 1.8152                  | 1.7186                  |
|   | Revenue              | Equalisation   | Distribution            | Distribution            |
|   |                      | 4              | accumulated             | accumulated             |
|   |                      |                | 31.12.22                | 31.12.21                |
| I (GBP) Accumulation                                | pence                | pence          | pence                   | pence                   |
| Shares  | per share            | per share      | per share               | per share               |
| Group 1   | 2.6809               | _              | 2.6809                  | 2.4270                  |
| Group 2   | 0.1947               | 2.4862         | 2.6809                  | 2.4270                  |
|   | Revenue              | Equalisation   | Distribution            | Distribution            |
|   |                      | ·              | paid                    | paid                    |
|   |                      |                | 31.12.22                | 31.12.21                |
| P (GBP) Income                                      | pence                | pence          | pence                   | pence                   |
| Shares  | per share            | per share      | per share               | per share               |
| Group 1   | 1.6263               | _              | 1.6263                  | 1.5435                  |
| Group 2   | 0.2909               | 1.3354         | 1.6263                  | 1.5435                  |
|   | Revenue              | Equalisation   | Distribution            | Distribution            |
|   | Revende              | Equalisation   | accumulated             | accumulated             |
|   |                      |                | 31.12.22                | 31.12.21                |
| P (GBP) Accumulation                                | pence                | pence          | pence                   | pence                   |
|   |                      |                |                         |                         |
| Shares  | per share            | per share      | per share               | per snare               |
| Group 1   | per share<br>2.9516  | per share<br>– | per share<br>2.9516     | per share<br>2.6790     |



### For the quarter ended 31 October 2022

### **FIRST INTERIM**

| Group 1: Shares purchased prior to 1 August 2022       |                   |              |              |              |
|--|-------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Group 2: Shares purchased on or after 1 August 2022 to | o 31 October 2022 |              |              |              |
|  | Revenue           | Equalisation | Distribution | Distribution |
|  |                   | ·            | paid         | paid         |
|  |                   |              | 31.12.22     | 31.12.21     |
| U1 (GBP) Income  | pence             | pence        | pence        | pence        |
| Shares   | per share         | per share    | per share    | per share    |
| Group 1  | 1.4417            | _            | 1.4417       | 1.3639       |
| Group 2  | 0.8275            | 0.6142       | 1.4417       | 1.3639       |
|  | Revenue           | Equalisation | Distribution | Distribution |
|  |                   | ·            | accumulated  | accumulated  |
|  |                   |              | 31.12.22     | 31.12.21     |
| U1 (GBP) Accumulation                                  | pence             | pence        | pence        | pence        |
| Shares   | per share         | per share    | per share    | per share    |
| Group 1  | 2.0177            | _            | 2.0177       | 1.8261       |
| Group 2  | 0.3146            | 1.7031       | 2.0177       | 1.8261       |
|  | Revenue           | Equalisation | Distribution | Distribution |
|  |                   | 1,           | paid         | paid         |
|  |                   |              | 31.12.22     | 31.12.21     |
| U2 (GBP) Income  | pence             | pence        | pence        | pence        |
| Shares   | per share         | per share    | per share    | per share    |
| Group 1  | 1.4268            | _            | 1.4268       | 1.3488       |
| Group 2  | 0.1261            | 1.3007       | 1.4268       | 1.3488       |
|  | Revenue           | Equalisation | Distribution | Distribution |
|  |                   | '            | accumulated  | accumulated  |
|  |                   |              | 31.12.22     | 31.12.21     |
| U2 (GBP) Accumulation                                  | pence             | pence        | pence        | pence        |
| Shares   | per share         | per share    | per share    | per share    |
| Group 1  | 2.0419            | _            | 2.0419       | 1.8460       |
| Group 2  | 0.3617            | 1.6802       | 2.0419       | 1.8460       |
|  |                   |              |              |              |

## For the quarter ended 31 January 2023

### **SECOND INTERIM**

Group 1: Shares purchased prior to 1 November 2022

|                      | Revenue   | Equalisation | Distribution payable    | Distribution<br>paid    |
|----------------------|-----------|--------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
|                      |           |              | 31.03.23                | 31.03.22                |
| L (GBP) Income       | pence     | pence        | pence                   | pence                   |
| Shares               | per share | per share    | per share               | per share               |
| Group 1              | 5.1431    | _            | 5.1431                  | 5.1004                  |
| Group 2              | 2.4113    | 2.7318       | 5.1431                  | 5.1004                  |
|                      | Revenue   | Equalisation | Distribution to         | Distribution            |
|                      |           |              | be accumulated 31.03.23 | accumulated<br>31.03.22 |
| L (GBP) Accumulation | pence     | pence        | pence                   | pence                   |
| Shares               | per share | per share    | per share               | per share               |
| Group 1              | 23.5200   | _            | 23.5200                 | 22.2786                 |
| Group 2              | 12.0624   | 11.4576      | 23.5200                 | 22.2786                 |
|                      | Revenue   | Equalisation | Distribution            | Distribution            |
|                      |           |              | payable<br>31.03.23     | paid<br>31.03.22        |
| I (GBP) Income       | pence     | pence        | pence                   | pence                   |
| Shares               | per share | per share    | per share               | per share               |
| Group 1              | 0.8517    | _            | 0.8517                  | 0.8384                  |
| Group 2              | 0.1642    | 0.6875       | 0.8517                  | 0.8384                  |
|                      | Revenue   | Equalisation | Distribution to         | Distribution            |
|                      |           |              | be accumulated 31.03.23 | accumulated<br>31.03.22 |
| I (GBP) Accumulation | pence     | pence        | pence                   | pence                   |
| Shares               | per share | per share    | per share               | per share               |
| Group 1              | 1.2749    | _            | 1.2749                  | 1.1987                  |
| Group 2              | 0.6362    | 0.6387       | 1.2749                  | 1.1987                  |
|                      | Revenue   | Equalisation | Distribution            | Distribution            |
|                      |           |              | payable<br>31.03.23     | paid<br>31.03.22        |
| P (GBP) Income       | pence     | pence        | pence                   | pence                   |
| Shares               | per share | per share    | per share               | per share               |
| Group 1              | 0.7626    | _            | 0.7626                  | 0.7525                  |
| Group 2              | 0.2480    | 0.5146       | 0.7626                  | 0.7525                  |
|                      | Revenue   | Equalisation | Distribution to         | Distribution            |
|                      |           |              | be accumulated 31.03.23 | accumulated<br>31.03.22 |
| P (GBP) Accumulation | pence     | pence        | pence                   | pence                   |
| Shares               | per share | per share    | per share               | per share               |
| Group 1              | 1.4028    | _            | 1.4028                  | 1.3224                  |
| Group 2              | 0.3290    | 1.0738       | 1.4028                  | 1.3224                  |



### For the quarter ended 31 January 2023

#### **SECOND INTERIM**

Group 1: Shares purchased prior to 1 November 2022

Group 2: Shares purchased on or after 1 November 2022 to 31 January 2023

|                 | Revenue   | Equalisation | Distribution    | Distribution |
|-----------------|-----------|--------------|-----------------|--------------|
|                 |           |              | payable         | paid         |
|                 |           |              | 31.03.23        | 31.03.22     |
| U1 (GBP) Income | pence     | pence        | pence           | pence        |
| Shares          | per share | per share    | per share       | per share    |
| Group 1         | 0.6766    | _            | 0.6766          | 0.6655       |
| Group 2         | 0.0197    | 0.6569       | 0.6766          | 0.6655       |
|                 | Revenue   | Equalisation | Distribution to | Distribution |

|                       | Revenue   | Equalisation | Distribution to | Distribution |
|-----------------------|-----------|--------------|-----------------|--------------|
|                       |           |              | be accumulated  | accumulated  |
|                       |           |              | 31.03.23        | 31.03.22     |
| U1 (GBP) Accumulation | pence     | pence        | pence           | pence        |
| Shares                | per share | per share    | per share       | per share    |
| Group 1               | 0.9602    | _            | 0.9602          | 0.9021       |
| Group 2               | 0.7454    | 0.2148       | 0.9602          | 0.9021       |

|                 | Revenue   | Equalisation | Distribution | Distribution |
|-----------------|-----------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
|                 |           |              | payable      | paid         |
|                 |           |              | 31.03.23     | 31.03.22     |
| U2 (GBP) Income | pence     | pence        | pence        | pence        |
| Shares          | per share | per share    | per share    | per share    |
| Group 1         | 0.6698    | _            | 0.6698       | 0.6582       |
| Group 2         | 0.1845    | 0.4853       | 0.6698       | 0.6582       |

|                       | Revenue   | Equalisation | Distribution to<br>be accumulated<br>31.03.23 | Distribution accumulated 31.03.22 |
|-----------------------|-----------|--------------|---|-----------------------------------|
| U2 (GBP) Accumulation | pence     | pence        | pence   | pence                             |
| Shares                | per share | per share    | per share                                     | per share                         |
| Group 1               | 0.9717    | _            | 0.9717  | 0.9120                            |
| Group 2               | 0.5972    | 0.3745       | 0.9717  | 0.9120                            |

Equalisation applies only to shares purchased during the distribution period (Group 2 shares). It is the average amount of revenue included in the purchase price of all Group 2 shares and is refunded to holders of these shares as a return of capital. Being capital, it is not liable to Income Tax but must be deducted from the cost of shares for Capital Gains Tax purposes.

## **Jupiter UK Mid Cap Fund**

#### **Performance**

|  | 6 months | 1 year | 3 years | 5 years |
|--|----------|--------|---------|---------|
| Jupiter UK Mid Cap Fund*                 | (10.8)   | (27.4) | (27.6)  | (25.5)  |
| FTSE 250 Ex-Investment Trust (Benchmark) | 0.4      | (7.1)  | (2.4)   | 7.3     |
| IA UK All Companies (Sector Average)     | 2.9      | (1.6)  | 6.8     | 14.3    |
| Quartile Ranking                         | 4th      | 4th    | 4th     | 4th     |

<sup>\*</sup>Source: Morningstar, gross income reinvested net of fees, in GBP. The statistics disclosed above relate to I-Class Units unless otherwise stated. Past performance is no quide to the future.

### **Investment Objective and Policy**

To achieve capital growth. In seeking to achieve its investment objective the sub-fund will aim to deliver a return, net of fees, greater than that of the FTSE 250 ex Investment Trust Index over rolling 3 year periods.

The sub-fund invests a minimum of 60% of its Net Asset Value in a portfolio of medium sized UK companies.

UK companies are those that are domiciled or incorporated in the UK, or that conduct a significant part of their business in the UK. Medium sized companies are defined for this purpose as those companies that are members of the FTSE 250 Index and those UK listed companies that have a market capitalisation consistent with inclusion in the FTSE 250 Index but are not included in the FTSE 250 Index.

The sub-fund may also invest in other transferable securities, units in collective investment schemes (including those managed or operated by the ACD or an associate of the ACD), warrants, money market instruments, deposits and derivatives, and may hold cash.

The sub-fund may use derivatives for Efficient Portfolio Management purposes. The ACD considers that the use of derivatives for this purpose is not likely to affect the volatility or risk profile of the sub-fund. The sub-fund may use derivatives for purposes other than Efficient Portfolio Management, provided it has given shareholders 60 days' notice of such change. If the sub-fund did use derivatives for investment purposes this might, at times, increase the volatility of the sub-fund's NAV and change the risk profile of the sub-fund.

#### **Market Review**

2022 was a year characterised by rising interest rates globally, with falling bond and equity markets as a result. The FTSE250 ex IT Index remained volatile over the course of the review period but, in aggregate ended flat. The unfunded proposed tax cuts of the Truss/Kwarteng Budget gave rise to a disorderly rise in UK interest rates, requiring intervention from the Bank of England when pension funds became forced sellers of gilts. Within 49 days Truss was forced to resign, but not before she had replaced Kwarteng with Jeremy Hunt, who adopted a more orthodox approach to the public finances. The unopposed appointment of Rishi Sunak consolidated the sense of relative calm in UK debt markets, and this was complimented by a rally in UK equities over the second half of the review period as risk appetite began to improve.

Globally, the wider dynamic has been one of central banks acknowledging an apparent moderation in inflation and moving to a more data-dependent stance with respect to future moves in interest rates. Developed world economic activity levels seem to have held up better than most commentators expected, and unemployment has not risen to a material extent.

Elsewhere, the conflict in Ukraine has continued with no resolution in sight, while the Chinese authorities have moved away from their 'zero Covid' policy.



#### **Policy Review**

In absolute terms this was very much a six-month period of two halves: in the first three months the sub-fund fell 18.6% and in the second three months it rose 9.5%. This reflects the significant shift in investor sentiment, as worries over the stability of the UK and high inflation gave way to a more sanguine outlook that things may not turn out as badly as originally feared.

At a sector level, the largest contributions came from Real Estate Investment Trusts, Support Services, Retailers and Industrial Transportation, while Banks, Travel and Leisure, Software and Media were the largest detractors.

As regards individual stock position, by far the largest detractor to performance was Starling Bank, an unlisted position which was revalued in line with peer multiples. Other detractors included on-line ticketing platform Trainline where the market grew increasingly concerned about the impact of persistent rail strikes, and Auction Technology Group which saw a material derating despite reporting full year results in line with upgraded forecasts.

The strongest relative performance came from global currency exchange platform Wise plc, airline Jet2, retailers JD Sports and Dunelm, and equipment rental business Ashtead Group most of whom surpassed market expectations.

During the period the sub-fund increased its weighting to cyclicals viewing headline valuations as attractive against what looked like an increasingly resilient trading backdrop. Accordingly positions in Intermediate Capital Group, wealth management group St James's Place, Wizz Air and Inchcape were opened. The sub-fund also closed out its underweight to non-life insurance through a position in Beazley noting the sector is uncorrelated but with favourable operational momentum which does not look to be captured in the starting valuation.

We were also active in exiting positions including Computacenter (weakening thesis), Drax (concerns over sustainable sourcing of wood as aired on the BBC Panorama programme), Synthomer (balance sheet concerns) and Watches of Switzerland (overbought given second hand watch price trends).

Lastly, and shortly after the period ended, Jupiter announced that an agreement had been reached to sell the entirety of our exposure to Starling Bank across our open-ended funds, including the Jupiter UK Mid Cap Fund. Starling is a profitable and fast-growing UK bank, but in response to client feedback, Jupiter has decided not to make any new investments in unlisted assets through our open-ended funds and to prudently manage existing exposures over time with a view to generating maximum value for our clients.

#### **Investment Outlook**

While the range of possible economic and equity market outcomes remains unusually wide, developments in recent months have arguably been directionally positive. Data across developed economies suggest that activity is holding up better than feared. This indicates that, while recession remains possible, any downturn may be shallower and less protracted than previously thought.

Prices for energy, most commodities, freight and some finished goods are now falling. Although, in terms of the path for interest rates, US Federal Reserve (Fed) officials - via their dot-plot of future moves in rates - remain notably more hawkish than markets, which currently envisage the Fed beginning to cut rates before the end of 2023. Central bankers remain concerned at the possible stickiness of wage inflation. While most recent data points suggest that a moderation is in train, it is arguably premature to conclude that wage growth will return to pre-pandemic levels.

The current economic environment is unprecedented. It is still influenced by the cross-currents of Covid lockdowns and associated economic stimulus, the faltering reopening of supply chains post-pandemic, Russia's invasion of Ukraine, China's botched 'zero Covid' policy, as well as the withdrawal from the labour market (for now at least) of higher than typical numbers of over-50s. Consequently, reaching definitive conclusions as to how interest rates and economic growth are likely to evolve over the medium term remains challenging.

### **Investment Outlook** (continued)

Given this lack of clarity and the likely lack of clear thematic leadership within the UK Mid and Small Cap space, we continue to consciously position the portfolio such that it is broadly balanced between growth and value themes. We remain of the view that, given the UK Mid and Small Cap opportunity set, there remains a place for unique, less economically-sensitive businesses that can deliver above-average rates of earnings growth at valuations that we can rationalise, as well as for more economically sensitive businesses that can rerate as fears over a deep and protracted recession are priced out. Given the historically expensive pricing of many of the more defensive stocks within our opportunity set, as well as receding prospects for a hard landing across the developed world, we remain cautious of having this latter theme over-represented within the portfolio.

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#### **Risk and Reward Profile**



The calculated risk and reward category, as shown above, uses a method of calculation derived from EU rules. It is based on the rate at which the returns of the sub-fund have moved up and down in the past (i.e. volatility) and is not a guide to the future risk and reward category of the sub-fund. The category shown is not a target or guarantee and may shift over time. Even the lowest category 1 does not mean a risk-free investment. The seven-category scale is nonlinear, for example, 2 is not twice as risky as 1.

Sub-funds in category 6 have in the past shown relatively high volatility. With a sub-fund of category 6, you have a relatively high risk of losing money but your chance for gains is also relatively high.

# **Comparative Tables**

|  |  | L (GBP)   | Incomo  |   |
|--|--|---|---|---|
|  | 31.01.23   | 31.07.22  | 31.07.21  | 21.07.20  |
|  | 31.01.23<br>(p)  | (p)   | (p)   | 31.07.20<br>(p  |
| Opening net asset value per share  | 332.59   | 506.39  | 357.51  | 380.84  |
| Return before operating charges*   | (24.32)  | (166.38)  | 156.12  | (17.36  |
| Operating charges  | (2.41)   | (6.84)  | (7.24)  | (5.97   |
| Return after operating charges*  | (26.73)  | (173.22)  | 148.88  | (23.33  |
| Distributions on income shares   | _  | (0.58)  | _   | _   |
| Closing net asset value per share  | 305.86   | 332.59  | 506.39  | 357.51  |
| *after direct transaction costs of:  | 0.46   | 0.64  | 0.56  | 0.67  |
| Performance  |  |   |   |   |
| Return after charges (%)   | (8.04)   | (34.21)   | 41.64   | (6.13)  |
| Other Information  |  |   |   |   |
| Closing net asset value (£'000)  | 66,710   | 86,687  | 148,886   | 115,642   |
| Closing number of shares   | 21,810,343   | 26,063,810  | 29,401,319  | 32,346,225  |
| Operating charges (%)  | 1.60   | 1.60  | 1.60  | 1.60  |
| Direct transaction costs (%)   | 0.15   | 0.15  | 0.12  | 0.18  |
| Prices   |  |   |   |   |
| Highest share price (p)  | 341.79   | 539.08  | 515.90  | 448.30  |
| riighest share price (p)   |  |   |   |   |
| Lowest share price (p)   | 266.41   | 306.14  | 351.90  | 219.90  |
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|  |  | P (GBP)  | Income   |   |
|--|--|--|--|---|
|  | 31.01.23   | 31.07.22   | 31.07.21   | 31.07.20  |
|  | (p)  | (p)  | (p)  | (p  |
| Opening net asset value per share  | 198.92   | 303.26   | 213.04   | 226.1   |
| Return before operating charges*   | (14.53)  | (99.87)  | 93.20  | (10.3   |
| Operating charges  | (0.99)   | (2.84)   | (2.98)   | (2.4  |
| Return after operating charges*  | (15.52)  | (102.71)   | 90.22  | (12.80  |
| Distributions on income shares   | _  | (1.63)   | _  | (0.3  |
| Closing net asset value per share  | 183.40   | 198.92   | 303.26   | 213.04  |
| *after direct transaction costs of:  | 0.27   | 0.39   | 0.33   | 0.4   |
| Performance  |  |  |  |   |
| Return after charges (%)   | (7.80)   | (33.87)  | 42.35  | (5.66   |
| Other Information  |  |  |  |   |
| Closing net asset value (£'000)  | 1,662  | 2,112  | 4,171  | 2,849   |
| Closing number of shares   | 906,365  | 1,061,817  | 1,375,328  | 1,337,43  |
| Operating charges (%)  | 1.10   | 1.10   | 1.10   | 1.10  |
| Direct transaction costs (%)   | 0.15   | 0.15   | 0.12   | 0.18  |
| Prices   |  |  |  |   |
| Highest share price (p)  | 204.48   | 323.02   | 308.90   | 266.90  |
| riigilest silale price (p)   | 207.70   | JLJ.0L   |  |   |
| Lowest share price (p)   | 159.54   | 184.20   | 209.70   |   |
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| Lowest share price (p)  Change in net asset per share  | 31.01.23   | 71 (GBP)<br>31.07.22   | 209.70<br>Income<br>31.07.21   | 131.00<br>31.07.20<br>(p  |
| Change in net asset per share  Opening net asset value per share   | 31.01.23<br>(p)  | 21 (GBP)<br>31.07.22<br>(p)  | 209.70<br>Income<br>31.07.21<br>(p)  | 31.07.20<br>(p  |
| Change in net asset per share  Opening net asset value per share  Return before operating charges*   | 31.01.23<br>(p)<br>134.32  | 21 (GBP)<br>31.07.22<br>(p)<br>204.96  | 209.70 Income 31.07.21 (p) 143.79  | 31.07.20<br>(F<br>152.70<br>(7.02   |
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| Change in net asset per share  Opening net asset value per share  Return before operating charges*  Operating charges  Return after operating charges*  Distributions on income shares   | 31.01.23<br>(p)<br>134.32<br>(9.78)<br>(0.48)  | Z1 (GBP)<br>31.07.22<br>(p)<br>204.96<br>(67.56)<br>(1.42)<br>(68.98)                                    | 209.70 Income 31.07.21 (p) 143.79 62.92 (1.37) 61.55   | 131.00  |
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| Change in net asset per share  Opening net asset value per share  Return before operating charges* Operating charges Return after operating charges* Distributions on income shares Closing net asset value per share *after direct transaction costs of:  | 31.01.23<br>(p)<br>134.32<br>(9.78)<br>(0.48)<br>(10.26)<br>-                                    | Z1 (GBP) 31.07.22 (p) 204.96 (67.56) (1.42) (68.98) (1.66) 134.32  | 209.70  Income 31.07.21 (p) 143.79 62.92 (1.37) 61.55 (0.38) 204.96  | 31.07.20<br>(p<br>152.70<br>(7.02<br>(1.16<br>(8.18<br>(0.73<br>143.79  |
| Change in net asset per share  Opening net asset value per share  Return before operating charges*  Operating charges  Return after operating charges*  Distributions on income shares  Closing net asset value per share  *after direct transaction costs of:   | 31.01.23<br>(p)<br>134.32<br>(9.78)<br>(0.48)<br>(10.26)<br>-                                    | Z1 (GBP) 31.07.22 (p) 204.96 (67.56) (1.42) (68.98) (1.66) 134.32  | 209.70  Income 31.07.21 (p) 143.79 62.92 (1.37) 61.55 (0.38) 204.96  | 31.07.20<br>(p<br>152.70<br>(7.02<br>(1.16<br>(8.18<br>(0.73<br>143.79  |
| Change in net asset per share  Opening net asset value per share  Return before operating charges* Operating charges Return after operating charges* Distributions on income shares Closing net asset value per share *after direct transaction costs of:  Performance Return after charges (%)  | 31.01.23<br>(p)<br>134.32<br>(9.78)<br>(0.48)<br>(10.26)<br>-<br>124.06<br>0.19                  | Z1 (GBP) 31.07.22 (p) 204.96 (67.56) (1.42) (68.98) (1.66) 134.32 0.28                                   | 209.70  Income 31.07.21 (p) 143.79 62.92 (1.37) 61.55 (0.38) 204.96 0.22                                   | 31.07.20<br>(F<br>152.70<br>(7.02<br>(1.16<br>(8.18<br>(0.73<br>143.79<br>0.21  |
| Change in net asset per share  Opening net asset value per share  Return before operating charges* Operating charges Return after operating charges* Distributions on income shares Closing net asset value per share *after direct transaction costs of:  Performance Return after charges (%)  | 31.01.23<br>(p)<br>134.32<br>(9.78)<br>(0.48)<br>(10.26)<br>-<br>124.06<br>0.19                  | Z1 (GBP) 31.07.22 (p) 204.96 (67.56) (1.42) (68.98) (1.66) 134.32 0.28                                   | 209.70  Income 31.07.21 (p) 143.79 62.92 (1.37) 61.55 (0.38) 204.96 0.22                                   | 31.07.20<br>(F<br>152.70<br>(7.02<br>(1.16<br>(8.18<br>(0.73<br>143.79<br>0.21  |
| Change in net asset per share  Opening net asset value per share  Return before operating charges* Operating charges Return after operating charges* Distributions on income shares Closing net asset value per share *after direct transaction costs of:  Performance Return after charges (%)  Other Information Closing net asset value (£'000)   | 31.01.23<br>(p)<br>134.32<br>(9.78)<br>(0.48)<br>(10.26)<br>-<br>124.06<br>0.19                  | Z1 (GBP) 31.07.22 (p) 204.96 (67.56) (1.42) (68.98) (1.66) 134.32 0.28                                   | 209.70  Income 31.07.21 (p) 143.79 62.92 (1.37) 61.55 (0.38) 204.96 0.22                                   | 31.07.20<br>()<br>152.70<br>(7.02<br>(1.11<br>(8.18<br>(0.73<br>143.79<br>0.27  |
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|  | 31.01.23<br>(p)<br>134.32<br>(9.78)<br>(0.48)<br>(10.26)<br>-<br>124.06<br>0.19<br>(7.64)        | Z1 (GBP) 31.07.22 (p) 204.96 (67.56) (1.42) (68.98) (1.66) 134.32 0.28  (33.66)  90,237 67,181,857 0.775 | 209.70  Income 31.07.21 (p) 143.79 62.92 (1.37) 61.55 (0.38) 204.96 0.22  42.81  408,727 199,419,360 0.775 | 31.07.2(<br>()<br>152.7:<br>(7.0.<br>(1.1:<br>(8.1:<br>(0.7:<br>143.7:<br>0.2:<br>(5.3:<br>625,22:<br>434,810,19:<br>0.77 |

|   |   | 72 (GRP   | ) Income   |   |  |
|---|---|---|--|---|--|
|   | 31.01.23  |   |  |   |  |
|   | (p)   | (p)   | 31.07.21<br>(p)  | 31.07.20<br>(p  |  |
| Opening net asset value per share   | 124.49  | 190.01  | 133.30   | 141.56  |  |
| Return before operating charges*  | (9.06)  | (62.72)   | 58.42  | (6.50   |  |
| Operating charges   | (0.40)  | (1.14)  | (1.23)   | (0.98   |  |
| Return after operating charges*   | (9.46)  | (63.86)   | 57.19  | (7.48   |  |
| Distributions on income shares  | _   | (1.66)  | (0.48)   | (0.78   |  |
| Closing net asset value per share   | 115.03  | 124.49  | 190.01   | 133.30  |  |
| *after direct transaction costs of:   | 0.17  | 0.25  | 0.22   | 0.25  |  |
| Performance   |   |   |  |   |  |
| Return after charges (%)  | (7.60)  | (33.61)   | 42.90  | (5.28   |  |
|   |   | ,   |  | `   |  |
| Other Information Closing net asset value (£'000)   | 73,274  | 231,870   | 540,755  | 157,543   |  |
| Closing number of shares  | 63,700,045  | 186,261,662   | 284,592,807  | 118,182,760   |  |
| Operating charges (%)   | 03,700,043  | 0.70  | 0.70   | 0.70  |  |
| Direct transaction costs (%)  | 0.70  | 0.70  | 0.70   | 0.78  |  |
|   | 0.13  | 0.13  | 0  | 00  |  |
| Prices  | 400.00  | 202.42  | 10.4.00  | 467.46  |  |
| Highest share price (p)  Lowest share price (p)   | 128.02<br>99.96   | 202.48<br>115.84  | 194.00<br>131.20   | 167.40<br>82.19   |  |
| Change in net asset per share   |   |   |  |   |  |
| Change in net asset per share   |   | L (GBP) Ac  | cumulation   |   |  |
| Change in net asset per share   | 31.01.23  | <b>L (GBP) Ac</b> 31.07.22  | cumulation<br>31.07.21   | 31.07.20  |  |
| Change in net asset per share   | 31.01.23<br>(p)   |   |  |   |  |
| ·   |   | 31.07.22  | 31.07.21   | (p  |  |
| Opening net asset value per share   | (p)   | 31.07.22<br>(p)   | 31.07.21<br>(p)  | (p<br>433.23  |  |
| Opening net asset value per share<br>Return before operating charges*   | (p)<br>379.04   | 31.07.22<br>(p)<br>576.08   | 31.07.21<br>(p)<br>406.71  | (p<br>433.23<br>(19.72  |  |
| Opening net asset value per share Return before operating charges* Operating charges  | (p)<br>379.04<br>(27.75)  | 31.07.22<br>(p)<br>576.08<br>(189.25)   | 31.07.21<br>(p)<br>406.71<br>177.61  | (p<br>433.23<br>(19.72<br>(6.80   |  |
| Opening net asset value per share Return before operating charges* Operating charges Return after operating charges*  | (p)<br>379.04<br>(27.75)<br>(2.74)  | 31.07.22<br>(p)<br>576.08<br>(189.25)<br>(7.79)   | 31.07.21<br>(p)<br>406.71<br>177.61<br>(8.24)  | (p<br>433.23<br>(19.72<br>(6.80   |  |
| Opening net asset value per share Return before operating charges* Operating charges Return after operating charges* Distributions on accumulation share  | (p)<br>379.04<br>(27.75)<br>(2.74)  | 31.07.22<br>(p)<br>576.08<br>(189.25)<br>(7.79)<br>(197.04)   | 31.07.21<br>(p)<br>406.71<br>177.61<br>(8.24)  | (p<br>433.23<br>(19.72<br>(6.80   |  |
| Opening net asset value per share Return before operating charges* Operating charges Return after operating charges* Distributions on accumulation share Retained distributions on accumulation share   | (p)<br>379.04<br>(27.75)<br>(2.74)  | 31.07.22<br>(p)<br>576.08<br>(189.25)<br>(7.79)<br>(197.04)<br>(0.66)   | 31.07.21<br>(p)<br>406.71<br>177.61<br>(8.24)<br>169.37  | (p<br>433.23<br>(19.72<br>(6.80<br>(26.52   |  |
| Opening net asset value per share Return before operating charges* Operating charges Return after operating charges* Distributions on accumulation share  | (p) 379.04 (27.75) (2.74) (30.49) -   | 31.07.22<br>(p)<br>576.08<br>(189.25)<br>(7.79)<br>(197.04)<br>(0.66)<br>0.66   | 31.07.21<br>(p)<br>406.71<br>177.61<br>(8.24)<br>169.37  | (p<br>433.23<br>(19.72<br>(6.80<br>(26.52<br>———————————————————————————————————— |  |
|   | (p) 379.04 (27.75) (2.74) (30.49) - 348.55  | 31.07.22<br>(p)<br>576.08<br>(189.25)<br>(7.79)<br>(197.04)<br>(0.66)<br>0.66   | 31.07.21<br>(p)<br>406.71<br>177.61<br>(8.24)<br>169.37<br>-<br>-<br>576.08  | (19.72)<br>(6.80)<br>(26.52)<br>–   |  |
| Opening net asset value per share Return before operating charges* Operating charges Return after operating charges* Distributions on accumulation share Retained distributions on accumulation share Closing net asset value per share *after direct transaction costs of:  Performance  | (p) 379.04 (27.75) (2.74) (30.49) - 348.55  | 31.07.22<br>(p)<br>576.08<br>(189.25)<br>(7.79)<br>(197.04)<br>(0.66)<br>0.66   | 31.07.21<br>(p)<br>406.71<br>177.61<br>(8.24)<br>169.37<br>-<br>-<br>576.08  | (p<br>433.23<br>(19.72<br>(6.80<br>(26.52<br>———————————————————————————————————— |  |
| Opening net asset value per share Return before operating charges* Operating charges Return after operating charges* Distributions on accumulation share Retained distributions on accumulation share Closing net asset value per share *after direct transaction costs of:   | (p) 379.04 (27.75) (2.74) (30.49) 348.55 0.52                                     | 31.07.22<br>(p)<br>576.08<br>(189.25)<br>(7.79)<br>(197.04)<br>(0.66)<br>0.66<br>379.04<br>0.73                                     | 31.07.21<br>(p)<br>406.71<br>177.61<br>(8.24)<br>169.37<br>-<br>-<br>576.08<br>0.64                                      | (p<br>433.23<br>(19.72<br>(6.80<br>(26.52<br>-<br>-<br>406.71<br>0.76             |  |
| Opening net asset value per share Return before operating charges* Operating charges Return after operating charges* Distributions on accumulation share Retained distributions on accumulation share Closing net asset value per share *after direct transaction costs of:  Performance Return after charges (%)   | (p) 379.04 (27.75) (2.74) (30.49) 348.55 0.52                                     | 31.07.22<br>(p)<br>576.08<br>(189.25)<br>(7.79)<br>(197.04)<br>(0.66)<br>0.66<br>379.04<br>0.73                                     | 31.07.21<br>(p)<br>406.71<br>177.61<br>(8.24)<br>169.37<br>-<br>-<br>576.08<br>0.64                                      | (p<br>433.23<br>(19.72<br>(6.80<br>(26.52<br>-<br>-<br>406.71<br>0.76             |  |
| Opening net asset value per share Return before operating charges* Operating charges Return after operating charges* Distributions on accumulation share Retained distributions on accumulation share Closing net asset value per share *after direct transaction costs of:  Performance Return after charges (%)  Other Information Closing net asset value (£'000)  | (p) 379.04 (27.75) (2.74) (30.49) - 348.55 0.52                                   | 31.07.22<br>(p)<br>576.08<br>(189.25)<br>(7.79)<br>(197.04)<br>(0.66)<br>0.66<br>379.04<br>0.73                                     | 31.07.21<br>(p)<br>406.71<br>177.61<br>(8.24)<br>169.37<br>-<br>576.08<br>0.64   | (p. 433.23<br>(19.72<br>(6.80<br>(26.52<br>                                       |  |
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| Opening net asset value per share Return before operating charges* Operating charges Return after operating charges* Distributions on accumulation share Retained distributions on accumulation share Closing net asset value per share *after direct transaction costs of:  Performance Return after charges (%)  Other Information Closing net asset value (£'000) Closing number of shares Operating charges (%)                             | (p) 379.04 (27.75) (2.74) (30.49)  - 348.55 0.52  (8.04)                          | 31.07.22<br>(p)<br>576.08<br>(189.25)<br>(7.79)<br>(197.04)<br>(0.66)<br>0.66<br>379.04<br>0.73<br>(34.20)                          | 31.07.21<br>(p)<br>406.71<br>177.61<br>(8.24)<br>169.37<br>-<br>576.08<br>0.64<br>41.64                                  | (6.80<br>(26.52<br>406.71<br>0.76<br>(6.12<br>333,719<br>82,053,870               |  |
| Opening net asset value per share Return before operating charges* Operating charges Return after operating charges* Distributions on accumulation share Retained distributions on accumulation share Closing net asset value per share *after direct transaction costs of:  Performance Return after charges (%) Other Information Closing net asset value (£'000) Closing number of shares Operating charges (%) Direct transaction costs (%) | (p) 379.04 (27.75) (2.74) (30.49)  - 348.55 0.52  (8.04)  152,387 43,720,356 1.60 | 31.07.22<br>(p)<br>576.08<br>(189.25)<br>(7.79)<br>(197.04)<br>(0.66)<br>0.66<br>379.04<br>0.73<br>(34.20)<br>250,514<br>66,092,374 | 31.07.21<br>(p)<br>406.71<br>177.61<br>(8.24)<br>169.37<br>-<br>576.08<br>0.64<br>41.64<br>440,084<br>76,393,226<br>1.60 | (p<br>433.23<br>(19.72<br>(6.80<br>(26.52<br>-<br>406.71<br>0.76                  |  |
| Opening net asset value per share Return before operating charges* Operating charges Return after operating charges* Distributions on accumulation share Retained distributions on accumulation share Closing net asset value per share *after direct transaction costs of:  Performance Return after charges (%)   | (p) 379.04 (27.75) (2.74) (30.49)  - 348.55 0.52  (8.04)  152,387 43,720,356 1.60 | 31.07.22<br>(p)<br>576.08<br>(189.25)<br>(7.79)<br>(197.04)<br>(0.66)<br>0.66<br>379.04<br>0.73<br>(34.20)<br>250,514<br>66,092,374 | 31.07.21<br>(p)<br>406.71<br>177.61<br>(8.24)<br>169.37<br>-<br>576.08<br>0.64<br>41.64<br>440,084<br>76,393,226<br>1.60 | (p<br>433.23<br>(19.72<br>(6.80<br>(26.52<br>                                     |  |



| Change in net asset per share                |                 |                      |                 |                 |  |  |
|--|-----------------|----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|--|--|
|  |                 | I (GBP) Accumulation |                 |                 |  |  |
|  | 31.01.23<br>(p) | 31.07.22<br>(p)      | 31.07.21 (p)    | 31.07.20<br>(p) |  |  |
| Opening net asset value per share            | 260.76          | 393.34               | 275.64          | 291.41          |  |  |
| Return before operating charges*             | (19.05)         | (129.73)             | 120.68          | (13.33)         |  |  |
| Operating charges                            | (1.01)          | (2.85)               | (2.98)          | (2.44)          |  |  |
| Return after operating charges*              | (20.06)         | (132.58)             | 117.70          | (15.77          |  |  |
| Distributions on accumulation share          | (20.00)         | (2.94)               | (0.46)          | (1.18           |  |  |
| Retained distributions on accumulation share | _               | 2.94                 | 0.46            | 1.18            |  |  |
| Closing net asset value per share            | 240.70          | 260.76               | 393.34          | 275.64          |  |  |
| *after direct transaction costs of:          | 0.36            | 0.50                 | 0.43            | 0.52            |  |  |
|  | 0.50            | 0.30                 | 0.13            | 0.32            |  |  |
| Performance Return after charges (%)         | (7.69)          | (33.71)              | 42.70           | (5.41)          |  |  |
|  | (1.09)          | (55.71)              | 42.70           | (3.41)          |  |  |
| Other Information                            | 275 115         | 477.00 /             | 001000          | 605.011         |  |  |
| Closing net asset value (£'000)              | 375,440         | 477,024              | 924,262         | 695,914         |  |  |
| Closing number of shares                     | 155,980,753     | 182,934,345          | 234,976,697     | 252,471,712     |  |  |
| Operating charges (%)                        | 0.85            | 0.85                 | 0.85            | 0.85            |  |  |
| Direct transaction costs (%)                 | 0.15            | 0.15                 | 0.12            | 0.18            |  |  |
| Prices                                       |                 |                      |                 |                 |  |  |
| Highest share price (p)                      | 267.97          | 419.09               | 400.50          | 344.40          |  |  |
| Lowest share price (p)                       | 209.24          | 239.47               | 271.30          | 169.00          |  |  |
|  |                 |                      |                 |                 |  |  |
| Change in net asset per share                |                 |                      |                 |                 |  |  |
|  |                 | P (GBP) Accumulation |                 |                 |  |  |
|  | 31.01.23<br>(p) | 31.07.22<br>(p)      | 31.07.21<br>(p) | 31.07.20<br>(p) |  |  |
| Opening net asset value per share            | 331.35          | 501.07               | 351.99          | 373.07          |  |  |
| Return before operating charges*             | (24.24)         | (165.04)             | 153.97          | (17.05)         |  |  |
| Operating charges                            | (1.65)          | (4.68)               | (4.89)          | (4.03)          |  |  |
| Return after operating charges*              | (25.89)         | (169.72)             | 149.08          | (21.08)         |  |  |
| Distributions on accumulation share          | _               | (2.69)               | _               | (0.58)          |  |  |
| Retained distributions on accumulation share | _               | 2.69                 | _               | 0.58            |  |  |
| Closing net asset value per share            | 305.46          | 331.35               | 501.07          | 351.99          |  |  |
| *after direct transaction costs of:          | 0.46            | 0.64                 | 0.55            | 0.66            |  |  |
| Performance                                  |                 |                      |                 |                 |  |  |
| Return after charges (%)                     | (7.81)          | (33.87)              | 42.35           | (5.65)          |  |  |
| Other Information                            |                 |                      |                 |                 |  |  |
| Closing net asset value (£'000)              | 4,863           | 7,385                | 13,827          | 13,371          |  |  |
| Closing number of shares                     | 1,591,878       | 2,228,839            | 2,759,444       | 3,798,743       |  |  |
| Operating charges (%)                        | 1,331,870       | 1.10                 | 1.10            | 1.10            |  |  |
| Direct transaction costs (%)                 | 0.15            | 0.15                 | 0.12            | 0.18            |  |  |
| Prices                                       |                 |                      |                 |                 |  |  |
| Highest share price (p)                      | 340.47          | 533.72               | 510.30          | 440.30          |  |  |
| riigilest silare price (p)                   | 540.47          | JJJ.12               | 310.30          | 440.30          |  |  |

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265.72

Lowest share price (p)

Prices

Highest share price (p)

Lowest share price (p)

| Change in net asset per share   |  |  |   |  |  |
|---|--|--|---|--|--|
|   |  | Z1 (GBP) Accumulation  |   |  |  |
|   | 31.01.23   | 31.07.22   | 31.07.21  | 31.07.20   |  |
|   | (p)  | (p)  | (p)   | (þ   |  |
| Opening net asset value per share   | 144.84   | 218.32   | 152.87  | 161.50   |  |
| Return before operating charges*  | (10.59)  | (72.03)  | 66.95   | (7.40  |  |
| Operating charges   | (0.51)   | (1.45)   | (1.50)  | (1.23  |  |
| Return after operating charges*   | (11.10)  | (73.48)  | 65.45   | (8.63  |  |
| Distributions on accumulation share   | _  | (1.77)   | (0.40)  | (0.7   |  |
| Retained distributions on accumulation share  | _  | 1.77   | 0.40  | 0.7  |  |
| Closing net asset value per share   | 133.74   | 144.84   | 218.32  | 152.87   |  |
| *after direct transaction costs of:   | 0.20   | 0.28   | 0.24  | 0.29   |  |
| Performance   |  |  |   |  |  |
| Return after charges (%)  | (7.66)   | (33.66)  | 42.81   | (5.34  |  |
| Other Information   |  |  |   |  |  |
| Closing net asset value (£'000)   | 224,819  | 327,948  | 682,500   | 541,733  |  |
| Closing number of shares  | 168,095,710  | 226,416,942  | 312,616,540   | 354,364,55   |  |
| Operating charges (%)   | 0.775  | 0.775  | 0.775   | 0.77   |  |
| Direct transaction costs (%)  | 0.15   | 0.15   | 0.12  | 0.18   |  |
| Prices  |  |  |   |  |  |
| Highest share price (p)   | 148.85   | 232.63   | 222.30  | 190.90   |  |
| Lowest share price (p)  | 116.24   | 133.01   | 150.50  | 93.73  |  |
|   |  |  |   |  |  |
|   |  |  |   |  |  |
| Change in net asset per share   |  | 72 (CDD) A   |   |  |  |
| Change in net asset per share   | 24.04.22   |  | ccumulation   | 24.07.20   |  |
| Change in net asset per share   | 31.01.23   | 31.07.22   | 31.07.21  | 31.07.20   |  |
| ·   | (p)  | 31.07.22<br>(p)  | 31.07.21<br>(p)   | (p   |  |
| Opening net asset value per share   | (p)<br>148.30  | 31.07.22<br>(p)<br>223.37  | 31.07.21<br>(p)<br>156.30   | (p<br>165.00   |  |
| Opening net asset value per share<br>Return before operating charges*   | (p)<br>148.30<br>(10.84)                               | 31.07.22<br>(p)<br>223.37<br>(73.74)   | 31.07.21<br>(p)<br>156.30<br>68.54  | 165.00<br>(7.56  |  |
| Opening net asset value per share<br>Return before operating charges*<br>Operating charges  | (p)<br>148.30<br>(10.84)<br>(0.47)                     | 31.07.22<br>(p)<br>223.37<br>(73.74)<br>(1.33)   | 31.07.21<br>(p)<br>156.30<br>68.54<br>(1.47)  | (p<br>165.00<br>(7.56<br>(1.14   |  |
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| Opening net asset value per share Return before operating charges* Operating charges Return after operating charges* Distributions on accumulation share  | (p) 148.30 (10.84) (0.47) (11.31)                      | 31.07.22<br>(p)<br>223.37<br>(73.74)<br>(1.33)<br>(75.07)<br>(1.95)                                      | 31.07.21<br>(p)<br>156.30<br>68.54<br>(1.47)<br>67.07<br>(0.57)                           | (F) (165.00<br>(7.56<br>(1.14<br>(8.70<br>(0.9   |  |
| Opening net asset value per share Return before operating charges* Operating charges Return after operating charges* Distributions on accumulation share Retained distributions on accumulation share   | (p) 148.30 (10.84) (0.47) (11.31) -                    | 31.07.22<br>(p)<br>223.37<br>(73.74)<br>(1.33)<br>(75.07)<br>(1.95)                                      | 31.07.21<br>(p)<br>156.30<br>68.54<br>(1.47)<br>67.07<br>(0.57)                           | (F) (165.00) (7.56) (1.14) (8.70) (0.9) (0.9)  |  |
| Opening net asset value per share Return before operating charges* Operating charges Return after operating charges* Distributions on accumulation share Retained distributions on accumulation share Closing net asset value per share   | (p) 148.30 (10.84) (0.47) (11.31) 136.99               | 31.07.22<br>(p)<br>223.37<br>(73.74)<br>(1.33)<br>(75.07)<br>(1.95)<br>1.95                              | 31.07.21<br>(p)<br>156.30<br>68.54<br>(1.47)<br>67.07<br>(0.57)<br>0.57<br>223.37         | (F) (165.00) (7.56) (1.14) (8.70) (0.9) (0.9) (156.30)   |  |
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## **Portfolio Statement**

| Holding                | Investment  | Market value<br>£        | Total net assets<br>% |
|------------------------|---|--------------------------|-----------------------|
|                        | UNITED KINGDOM - 93.46% (93.04%)                      |                          |                       |
|                        | Automobiles and Parts - 4.05% (1.87%)                 |                          |                       |
| 3,580,131              | Auto Trader Group                                     | 22,440,261               | 2.19                  |
| 2,090,102              | Inchcape  | 19,061,730               | 1.86                  |
|                        | _   | 41,501,991               | 4.05                  |
|                        | Banks - 5.94% (5.06%)                                 |                          |                       |
| 12,303,212             | Starling Bank 'B'*                                    | 10,593,435               | 1.03                  |
| 58,484,241             | Starling Bank 'C'*                                    | 50,356,686               | 4.91                  |
|                        |   | 60,950,121               | 5.94                  |
|                        | Chemicals - 0.00% (1.11%)                             |                          |                       |
|                        | Closed End Investments - 6.71% (5.36%)                |                          |                       |
| 79,472,794             | Chrysalis Investments Limited                         | 68,823,439               | 6.71                  |
|                        | Electricity - 0.00% (1.65%)                           |                          |                       |
|                        | Finance and Credit Services - 4.98% (4.52%)           |                          |                       |
| 9,365,527              | OSB -   | 51,088,950               | 4.98                  |
|                        | General Industrials - 2.30% (1.00%)                   |                          |                       |
| 16,610,141             | Melrose Industries                                    | 23,619,621               | 2.30                  |
|                        | Household Goods and Home Construction - 4.47% (3.51%) |                          |                       |
| 1,359,407              | Bellway   | 28,792,240               | 2.81                  |
| 2,464,658              | Howden Joinery  | 17,015,999<br>45,808,239 | 1.66<br>4.47          |
|                        |   |                          |                       |
| 667,100                | Industrial Engineering - 1.16% (0.00%) Weir           | 11,887,722               | 1.16                  |
|                        | -   |                          |                       |
| 674005                 | Industrial Support Services - 7.88% (10.28%)          | 40.407.201               | 4.00                  |
| 674,995                | Diploma   | 18,427,364               | 1.80                  |
| 2,241,780              | Electrocomponents                                     | 21,061,523               | 2.05                  |
| 3,323,877<br>3,443,000 | Pagegroup<br>Rentokil Initial                         | 15,123,640<br>16,894,801 | 1.48<br>1.65          |
| 6,334,679              | Serco   | 9,229,627                | 0.90                  |
| 0,00 7,010             | 30100   | 2,22,021                 | 0.50                  |

| at 31 Janua | TY 2023   |                   |                      |
|-------------|---|-------------------|----------------------|
| Holding     | Investment  | Market value<br>£ | Total net asset<br>% |
|             | Industrial Transportation - 2.90% (4.32%)                 |                   |                      |
| 560,212     | Ashtead   | 29,758,461        | 2.90                 |
|             | Investment Banking and Brokerage Services - 3.10% (0.00%) |                   |                      |
| 528,401     | Intermediate Capital Group                                | 7,331,564         | 0.72                 |
| 1,996,362   | St James's Place  | 24,385,562        | 2.38                 |
|             |   | 31,717,126        | 3.10                 |
|             | Leisure Goods - 1.49% (0.00%)                             |                   |                      |
| 163,539     | Games Workshop Group                                      | 15,331,781        | 1.49                 |
|             | Media - 5.52% (5.17%)                                     |                   |                      |
| 3,761,104   | Future  | 56,567,004        | 5.52                 |
|             | Non-life Insurance - 1.95% (0.00%)                        |                   |                      |
| 3,009,096   | Beazley   | 20,010,488        | 1.95                 |
|             | Oil, Gas and Coal - 1.10% (0.91%)                         |                   |                      |
| 3,589,815   | Harbour Energy  | 11,246,890        | 1.10                 |
|             | Personal Care, Drug and Grocery Stores - 1.03% (2.67%)    |                   |                      |
| 392,439     | Greggs  | 10,556,609        | 1.03                 |
|             | Personal Goods - 0.77% (2.36%)                            |                   |                      |
| 5,077,378   | Dr. Martens   | 7,880,091         | 0.77                 |
|             | Pharmaceuticals and Biotechnology - 1.46% (1.52%)         |                   |                      |
| 771,650     | Indivior  | 15,000,876        | 1.46                 |
|             | Real Estate Investment and Services - 1.23% (1.78%)       |                   |                      |
| 1,298,999   | Savills   | 12,665,240        | 1.23                 |
|             | Real Estate Investment Trusts - 6.03% (8.34%)             |                   |                      |
| 2,704,878   | Big Yellow  | 32,674,926        | 3.19                 |
| 1,816,126   | Unite   | 18,106,776        | 1.77                 |
| 2,174,460   | Workspace   | 10,970,151        | 1.07                 |
|             |   | 61,751,853        | 6.03                 |
|             | Retailers - 5.35% (4.25%)                                 |                   |                      |
| 1,477,769   | Dunelm  | 17,127,343        | 1.67                 |
| 15,506,221  | JD Sports Fashion   | 25,228,622        | 2.46                 |



| As at 31 Janua | iry 2023   |                   |                       |
|----------------|--|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Holding        | Investment   | Market value<br>£ | Total net assets<br>% |
|                | Retailers (continued)                                |                   |                       |
| 3,550,309      | Pets at Home   | 12,504,188        | 1.22                  |
|                |  | 54,860,153        | 5.35                  |
|                | Software and Computer Services - 13.06% (16.69%)     |                   |                       |
| 25,538,457     | Ascential  | 68,596,295        | 6.69                  |
| 4,758,938      | Auction Technology                                   | 33,502,924        | 3.27                  |
| 5,857,604      | Wise   | 31,748,214        | 3.10                  |
|                |  | 133,847,433       | 13.06                 |
|                | Telecommunications Equipment - 1.67% (0.00%)         |                   |                       |
| 857,965        | Telecom Plus   | 17,142,141        | 1.67                  |
|                | Telecommunications Service Providers - 0.00% (1.74%) |                   |                       |
|                | Travel and Leisure - 9.31% (8.93%)                   |                   |                       |
| 2,725,579      | JET2   | 33,102,157        | 3.23                  |
| 117,275        | Secret Escapes*                                      | _                 | _                     |
| 53,006         | Secret Escapes (Series E Preference)*                | 5,794,086         | 0.57                  |
| 19,920,080     | Trainline  | 56,493,347        | 5.51                  |
|                |  | 95,389,590        | 9.31                  |
|                | EGYPT - 0.97% (0.00%)                                |                   |                       |
|                | Oil, Gas and Coal - 0.97% (0.00%)                    |                   |                       |
| 855,801        | Energean   | 9,961,524         | 0.97                  |
|                | SWITZERLAND - 1.44% (0.00%)                          |                   |                       |
|                | Travel and Leisure - 1.44% (0.00%)                   |                   |                       |
| 552,616        | Wizz Air   | 14,699,586        | 1.44                  |
|                | Total value of investments                           | 982,803,884       | 95.87                 |
|                | Net other assets                                     | 42,385,883        | 4.13                  |
|                | Net assets   | 1,025,189,767     | 100.00                |

All holdings are ordinary shares or stock units unless otherwise stated.

The figures in brackets show allocations as at 31 July 2022.

<sup>\*</sup>Represents an unquoted security.

| Asset allocation |         |
|------------------|---------|
| Equities         | 95.87%  |
| Net other assets | 4.13%   |
| Total            | 100.00% |
|                  | '       |

| Portfolio allocation                   |         |
|--|---------|
| Software and Computer Services         | 13.06%  |
| Travel and Leisure                     | 10.75%  |
| Industrial Support Services            | 7.88%   |
| Closed End Investments                 | 6.71%   |
| Real Estate Investment Trusts          | 6.03%   |
| Banks                                  | 5.94%   |
| Media                                  | 5.52%   |
| Retailers                              | 5.35%   |
| Finance and Credit Services            | 4.98%   |
| Household Goods and Home               |         |
| Construction                           | 4.47%   |
| Automobiles and Parts                  | 4.05%   |
| Investment Banking and Brokerage       |         |
| Services                               | 3.10%   |
| Industrial Transportation              | 2.90%   |
| General Industrials                    | 2.30%   |
| Oil, Gas and Coal                      | 2.07%   |
| Non-life Insurance                     | 1.95%   |
| Telecommunications Equipment           | 1.67%   |
| Leisure Goods                          | 1.49%   |
| Pharmaceuticals and Biotechnology      | 1.46%   |
| Real Estate Investment and Services    | 1.23%   |
| Industrial Engineering                 | 1.16%   |
| Personal Care, Drug and Grocery Stores | 1.03%   |
| Personal Goods                         | 0.77%   |
| Net other assets                       | 4.13%   |
| Total                                  | 100.00% |

| Major holdings                | Percentage of portfolio |
|-------------------------------|-------------------------|
|                               |                         |
| Chrysalis Investments Limited | 6.71%                   |
| Ascential                     | 6.69%                   |
| Future                        | 5.52%                   |
| Trainline                     | 5.51%                   |
| OSB                           | 4.98%                   |
| Starling Bank 'C'             | 4.91%                   |
| Auction Technology            | 3.27%                   |
| JET2                          | 3.23%                   |
| Big Yellow                    | 3.19%                   |
| Wise                          | 3.10%                   |
| Number of holdings            | 42                      |

## **Statement of Total Return**

| For the six months ended 31 January 2023                                     |                        |                   |                        |                   |
|--|------------------------|-------------------|------------------------|-------------------|
|  | Six months to<br>£'000 | 31.01.23<br>£'000 | Six months to<br>£'000 | 31.01.22<br>£'000 |
| Income   |                        |                   |                        |                   |
| Net capital losses   |                        | (140,586)         |                        | (566,661)         |
| Revenue  | 11,867                 |                   | 24,447                 |                   |
| Expenses   | (6,349)                |                   | (16,023)               |                   |
| Interest payable and similar charges   | _                      |                   | _                      |                   |
| Net revenue before taxation  | 5,518                  |                   | 8,424                  |                   |
| Taxation   | _                      |                   | _                      |                   |
| Net revenue after taxation   |                        | 5,518             |                        | 8,424             |
| Total return before distributions  | _                      | (135,068)         | _                      | (558,237)         |
| Distributions  |                        | (1,513)           |                        | (191)             |
| Change in net assets attributable to shareholders from investment activities | _                      | (136,581)         | _                      | (558,428)         |

# **Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Shareholders**

| For the six months ended 31 January 2023                                     |                        |                   |                        |                   |
|--|------------------------|-------------------|------------------------|-------------------|
|  | Six months to<br>£'000 | 31.01.23<br>£'000 | Six months to<br>£'000 | 31.01.22<br>£'000 |
| Opening net assets attributable to shareholders                              |                        | 1,650,689         |                        | 3,524,015         |
| Amounts receivable on issue of shares  | 37,316                 |                   | 340,417                |                   |
| Amounts payable on cancellation of shares                                    | (526,234)              |                   | (423,118)              |                   |
|  |                        | (488,918)         |                        | (82,701)          |
| Change in net assets attributable to shareholders from investment activities | _                      | (136,581)         | _                      | (558,428)         |
| Closing net assets attributable to shareholders                              |                        | 1,025,190         |                        | 2,882,886         |

## **Balance Sheet**

| As at 31 January 2023                   |           |           |
|---|-----------|-----------|
|   | 31.01.23  | 31.07.22  |
|   | £'000     | £'000     |
| Assets                                  |           |           |
| Fixed Assets:                           |           |           |
| Investments                             | 982,804   | 1,535,772 |
| Current assets:                         |           |           |
| Debtors                                 | 4,651     | 12,951    |
| Cash and bank balances                  | 50,271    | 134,061   |
| Total assets                            | 1,037,726 | 1,682,784 |
| Liabilities                             |           |           |
| Creditors:                              |           |           |
| Distributions payable                   | -         | (5,926)   |
| Other creditors                         | (12,536)  | (26,169)  |
| Total liabilities                       | (12,536)  | (32,095)  |
| Net assets attributable to shareholders | 1,025,190 | 1,650,689 |

#### **Notes to the Interim Financial Statements**

#### 1. Significant Accounting Policies

The interim financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis as modified by the revaluation of investments, in compliance with the Financial Conduct Authority's Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook. They have been prepared in accordance with FRS 102 and the Statement of Recommended Practice for Financial Statements of UK Authorised Funds issued by The Investment Management Association (now referred to as the Investment Association) in May 2014 (the 2014 SORP) and amended in June 2017.

Unless otherwise stated all other accounting policies applied are consistent with those of the annual financial statements for the year ended 31 July 2022 and are described in those financial statements.

#### 2. Financial Instruments

The sub-fund, in pursuing its objective, holds a number of financial instruments, which may comprise of the following: Equity shares and equity related shares.

The sub-fund will also hold cash and other short term debtors and creditors that arise directly from its operations.

In addition, the sub-fund may hold derivatives for the purpose of efficient portfolio management in accordance with the COLL Sourcebook. The financial instruments are held in line with the sub-fund's investment policy.

The Investment Adviser is responsible for monitoring the portfolio of the sub-fund in accordance with its investment objective and seeks to ensure that individual assets also meet a risk reward profile that is acceptable. The ACD has appointed specialist managers to manage the sub-fund, and continuously monitors this appointment.

Adherence to the investment guidelines and the investment and borrowing powers as set out in the Prospectus and in the rules of the Regulations also mitigates the risk of excessive exposure to any particular type of security or issuer. Further information on the investment portfolio is set out in the Investment Adviser's review and the Portfolio statement of each sub-fund.

The main risks arising from financial instruments are market risk, foreign currency, interest rate, liquidity, credit, and counterparty risk.

## **Jupiter UK Opportunities Fund**

#### **Performance**

|  | 6 months | 1 year | 3 years | 5 years |
|--|----------|--------|---------|---------|
| Jupiter UK Opportunities Fund*               | 2.7      | 1.8    | (1.3)   | (4.7)   |
| Bank of England Base Rate (Benchmark)        | 1.3      | 1.8    | 2.1     | 3.5     |
| IA Targeted Absolute Return (Sector Average) | 1.1      | 0.9    | 7.7     | 14.9    |
| Quartile Ranking                             | 2nd      | 2nd    | 4th     | 4th     |

<sup>\*</sup>Source: Morningstar, gross income reinvested net of fees, in GBP. The statistics disclosed above relate to I-Class Shares unless otherwise stated. Past performance is no quide to the future.

#### **Investment Objective and Policy**

To deliver an absolute return (above zero performance, irrespective of market conditions) over rolling 3 year periods. In seeking to achieve its investment objective the sub-fund will aim to deliver a return, net of fees, in excess of the Bank of England Base Rate over rolling 3 years.

There is no guarantee that such return will be generated over that specific time period or any other period, and any capital invested is at risk.

The sub-fund will obtain exposure, either directly or through derivatives, primarily (at least 70%) to UK equities and convertible bonds. UK equities are equities of companies domiciled or incorporated in the UK, or that conduct a significant part of their business in the UK. Such investments will be across the market capitalisation spectrum, with the majority of these being companies included in the FTSE 100 and FTSE 250 indices. Up to 15% of the sub-fund's NAV may be exposed to non-UK equities and non-UK convertible bonds.

The sub-fund will use derivatives for investment purposes, principally by taking long and short positions in order to gain exposure to particular companies, industries or sectors. The use of derivatives for this purpose may affect the volatility or risk profile of the sub-fund although this is not the ACD's intention.

The sub-fund may also invest in transferable securities, units in collective investment schemes (including those managed or operated by the ACD), warrants, money market instruments and deposits. Where the sub-fund gains exposure through derivatives, its physical assets will consist of cash deposits or short term investment grade money market instruments to provide cover for this exposure.

#### **Market Review**

As the year progressed however there were signs of inflationary pressures peaking and easing. The energy crisis in Europe, resulting from the war in Ukraine and low supplies coming out of the previous winter, proved to be less severe than feared and as a result oil, gas, and coal prices fell sharply from very high levels. Consumer price inflation in the US peaked in June with UK retail prices peaking a few months later in October, and since those peaks were reported, subsequent readings of inflation have fallen consistently. This led to a recovery in equity markets towards the end of the period, and over the 6 months to January 2023 the FTSE All Share rose 3.6% with the large cap FTSE 100 index rising by 4.7%. Leading the recovery were banks and insurance companies that are benefitting from higher interest rates and companies in sectors such as travel and leisure and general retail could benefit from potentially falling inflation. Towards the end of the period, Christmas trading statements from a range of retailers showed that while their finances remain under pressure, consumers have been able to manage reasonably well given their generally strong balance sheets and employment situation. Lagging performance came from companies which may struggle with higher interest rates such as those in real estate or telecommunications. Sterling recovered somewhat against the dollar, which fell against most currencies after reaching a 20-year high in the summer. The recovery in Sterling would usually be a headwind for UK large cap companies and a tailwind for small and medium sized companies, but the UK mid cap index continued to underperform and fell 1% over the period. The recovery was broadly led by value shares rather than growth shares, which continued to underperform and so the recovery in markets was not a complete reversal of previous trends as market leadership broadly remained the same, at least until the turn of the year.



#### **Policy Review**

The sub-fund had adopted a more balanced position following the previously tough market backdrop. While we aim to drive returns that are uncorrelated with markets and driven mainly by stock-specific rather than top-down macroeconomic factors, this has been a challenge in a period that has been so heavily driven by the macro. We previously moved to limit drawdowns through buying some large cap value stocks and selling some smaller, more domestic and interest sensitive stocks and this more balanced portfolio has helped to at least recover some performance. Over the period the leading contributors to performance was a mix of international large cap stocks such as industrial equipment rental business Ashtead and companies in the mining sector as well as more domestic companies such as gambling group Entain, and consumer stocks such as Dunelm and Burberry. The short book generally performed well, with large cap shorts such as Ocado and BT performing as well as smaller companies such as ITM Power and Currys.

#### **Investment Outlook**

Looking forward, the primary risks from here are either that inflation remains stickier than expected and therefore monetary policy is tighter than the market hopes, or that economic weakness turns into a recession that overwhelms corporate earnings. On inflation some of the causes of the rapid increase in inflation are either lessening or reversing but others could endure, potentially for the medium to long term. The debate is then whether we see a soft landing for the economy or a disorderly recession. At present corporate and consumer balance sheets remain generally solid which suggests that a weaker economy can at least be partly absorbed without spiralling into a default led collapse in financial conditions. Governments are also likely to remain supportive with relatively loose fiscal policy – notwithstanding the UK's recent chastening experience with the bond markets. Our 'muddling through' scenario is being tested but remains our base case assumption and as such we maintain a broadly balanced portfolio of our favoured stocks.

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#### **Risk and Reward Profile**



The calculated risk and reward category, as shown above, uses a method of calculation derived from EU rules. It is based on the rate at which the returns of the sub-fund have moved up and down in the past (i.e. volatility) and is not a guide to the future risk and reward category of the sub-fund. The category shown is not a target or guarantee and may shift over time. Even the lowest category 1 does not mean a risk-free investment. The seven-category scale is nonlinear, for example, 2 is not twice as risky as 1.

Sub-funds in category 4 have in the past shown moderate volatility. With a sub-fund of category 4, you have a moderate risk of losing money but your chance for gains is also moderate.

# **Comparative Tables**

| Change in net asset per share                |                      |                 |                 |                 |
|--|----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
|  | L (GBP) Accumulation |                 |                 |                 |
|  | 31.01.23             | 31.07.22        | 31.07.21        | 31.07.20        |
|  | (p)                  | (p)             | (p)             | (p)             |
| Opening net asset value per share            | 102.75               | 108.76          | 109.40          | 106.25          |
| Return before operating charges*             | 3.18                 | (4.27)          | 1.18            | 4.94            |
| Operating charges                            | (0.86)               | (1.74)          | (1.82)          | (1.79)          |
| Return after operating charges*              | 2.32                 | (6.01)          | (0.64)          | 3.15            |
| Distributions on accumulation share          | _                    | _               | -               | _               |
| Retained distributions on accumulation share | _                    | _               | _               | _               |
| Closing net asset value per share            | 105.07               | 102.75          | 108.76          | 109.40          |
| *after direct transaction costs of:          | 0.02                 | 0.04            | 0.06            | 0.06            |
| Performance                                  |                      |                 |                 |                 |
| Return after charges (%)                     | 2.26                 | (5.53)          | (0.59)          | 2.96            |
| Other Information                            |                      |                 |                 |                 |
| Closing net asset value (£'000)              | 1,222                | 5,135           | 6,304           | 6,888           |
| Closing number of shares                     | 1,163,151            | 4,997,320       | 5,795,951       | 6,296,869       |
| Operating charges (%)                        | 1.65                 | 1.65            | 1.65            | 1.65            |
| Direct transaction costs (%)                 | 0.02                 | 0.04            | 0.06            | 0.06            |
| Prices                                       |                      |                 |                 |                 |
| Highest share price (p)                      | 105.11               | 111.39          | 112.10          | 111.80          |
| Lowest share price (p)                       | 101.54               | 101.46          | 107.80          | 105.50          |
| Change in net asset per share                |                      |                 |                 |                 |
|  |                      | I (GBP) Acc     | umulation       |                 |
|  | 31.01.23<br>(p)      | 31.07.22<br>(p) | 31.07.21<br>(p) | 31.07.20<br>(p) |
| Opening net asset value per share            | 111.03               | 116.65          | 116.45          | 112.25          |
| Return before operating charges*             | 3.44                 | (4.60)          | 1.26            | 5.24            |
| Operating charges                            | (0.51)               | (1.02)          | (1.06)          | (1.04)          |
| Return after operating charges*              | 2.93                 | (5.62)          | 0.20            | 4.20            |
| Distributions on accumulation share          | _                    | _               | _               | _               |
| Retained distributions on accumulation share | _                    | _               | _               | _               |
| Closing net asset value per share            | 113.96               | 111.03          | 116.65          | 116.45          |
| *after direct transaction costs of:          | 0.03                 | 0.05            | 0.07            | 0.07            |
| Performance                                  |                      |                 |                 |                 |
| Return after charges (%)                     | 2.64                 | (4.82)          | 0.17            | 3.74            |
| Other Information                            |                      |                 |                 |                 |
| Closing net asset value (£'000)              | 5,209                | 1,371           | 1,572           | 1,819           |
| Closing number of shares                     | 4,570,507            | 1,234,595       | 1,348,036       | 1,562,068       |
| Operating charges (%)                        | 0.90                 | 0.90            | 0.90            | 0.90            |
| Direct transaction costs (%)                 | 0.02                 | 0.04            | 0.06            | 0.06            |
| Prices                                       |                      |                 |                 |                 |
| Highest share price (p)                      | 114.01               | 119.60          | 119.60          | 118.90          |
| <u> </u>                                     |                      |                 |                 |                 |

109.92

109.58

115.10

112.00

Lowest share price (p)

| Change in net asset per share                |                       |                 |                 |                 |  |
|--|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|--|
|  | U1 (GBP) Accumulation |                 |                 |                 |  |
|  | 31.01.23<br>(p)       | 31.07.22<br>(p) | 31.07.21<br>(p) | 31.07.20<br>(p) |  |
| Opening net asset value per share            | 86.30                 | 90.60           | 90.38           | 87.06           |  |
| Return before operating charges*             | 2.68                  | (3.57)          | 0.98            | 4.06            |  |
| Operating charges                            | (0.36)                | (0.73)          | (0.76)          | (0.74)          |  |
| Return after operating charges*              | 2.32                  | (4.30)          | 0.22            | 3.32            |  |
| Distributions on accumulation share          | _                     | _               | _               | _               |  |
| Retained distributions on accumulation share | _                     | _               | _               | _               |  |
| Closing net asset value per share            | 88.62                 | 86.30           | 90.60           | 90.38           |  |
| *after direct transaction costs of:          | 0.02                  | 0.04            | 0.05            | 0.05            |  |
| Performance                                  |                       |                 |                 |                 |  |
| Return after charges (%)                     | 2.69                  | (4.75)          | 0.24            | 3.81            |  |
| Other Information                            |                       |                 |                 |                 |  |
| Closing net asset value (£'000)              | 901                   | 1,264           | 1,853           | 1,092           |  |
| Closing number of shares                     | 1,016,543             | 1,464,696       | 2,045,428       | 1,208,500       |  |
| Operating charges (%)                        | 0.825                 | 0.825           | 0.825           | 0.825           |  |
| Direct transaction costs (%)                 | 0.02                  | 0.04            | 0.06            | 0.06            |  |
| Prices                                       |                       |                 |                 |                 |  |
| Highest share price (p)                      | 88.65                 | 92.90           | 92.82           | 92.26           |  |
| Lowest share price (p)                       | 85.45                 | 85.17           | 89.36           | 86.91           |  |

## **Portfolio Statement**

| Holding | Investment                                 | Market value<br>£ | Total net asset<br>% |
|---------|--|-------------------|----------------------|
|         | EQUITIES - 46.20% (36.46%)                 |                   | -                    |
|         |  |                   |                      |
| 4,584   | Australia - 1.77% (1.33%)                  | 120 544           | 1 7                  |
| 4,504   | BHP (UK Listing)                           | 129,544           | 1.7                  |
|         | Ireland - 4.35% (3.61%)                    |                   |                      |
| 5,865   | CRH (UK Listing)                           | 220,143           | 3.0                  |
| 3,347   | Experian                                   | 98,803            | 1.3                  |
|         |  | 318,946           | 4.3                  |
|         | Switzerland - 3.07% (2.47%)                |                   |                      |
| 41,665  | Glencore                                   | 225,491           | 3.0                  |
| 41,003  | Giencore                                   |                   | 5.0                  |
|         | United Kingdom - 37.01% (29.05%)           |                   |                      |
| 5,053   | Ashtead                                    | 268,415           | 3.6                  |
| 10,320  | Auto Trader Group                          | 64,686            | 0.8                  |
| 4,680   | Burberry                                   | 115,128           | 1.5                  |
| 125,132 | Centrica                                   | 125,945           | 1.7                  |
| 60,454  | Chemring                                   | 170,178           | 2.3                  |
| 11,479  | Dunelm                                     | 133,042           | 1.8                  |
| 9,026   | Electrocomponents                          | 84,799            | 1.1                  |
| 12,404  | Entain                                     | 184,572           | 2.5                  |
| 72,598  | JD Sports Fashion                          | 118,117           | 1.6                  |
| 5,822   | JET2                                       | 70,708            | 0.9                  |
| 179,942 | Lloyds Banking                             | 94,614            | 1.2                  |
| 2,081   | London Stock Exchange Group                | 154,077           | 2.1                  |
| 79,074  | Melrose Industries                         | 112,443           | 1.5                  |
| 2,521   | Next                                       | 166,840           | 2.2                  |
| 40,083  | OSB  | 218,653           | 2.9                  |
| 28,756  | Pets at Home                               | 101,279           | 1.3                  |
| 7,478   | Prudential                                 | 100,168           | 1.3                  |
| 2,494   | Reckitt Benckiser                          | 143,854           | 1.9                  |
| 14,060  | Rentokil Initial                           | 68,992            | 0.9                  |
| 4,695   | SSE  | 80,918            | 1.1                  |
| 52,559  | Taylor Wimpey                              | 61,599            | 0.8                  |
| 7,884   | WPP  | 74,362            | 1.0                  |
|         |  | 2,713,389         | 37.0                 |
|         | DEBT SECURITIES - 48.76% (51.25%)          |                   |                      |
|         | United Kingdom - 48.76% (51.25%)           |                   |                      |
| 900,000 | United Kingdom Treasury Bill 0% 20/02/2023 | 898,383           | 12.2                 |
| 500,000 | United Kingdom Treasury Bill 0% 27/02/2023 | 498,753           | 6.8                  |
| 500,000 | United Kingdom Treasury Bill 0% 13/03/2023 | 498,058           | 6.7                  |
| 500,000 | United Kingdom Treasury Bill 0% 02/05/2023 | 495,244           | 6.7                  |
| 500,000 | United Kingdom Treasury Bill 0% 22/05/2023 | 494,191           | 6.7                  |

| As at 31 Janua | ry 2023  |                   |                       |
|----------------|--|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Holding        | Investment   | Market value<br>£ | Total net assets<br>% |
|                | United Kingdom (continued)   |                   |                       |
| £700,000       | United Kingdom Treasury Bill 0% 12/06/2023                                     | 690,322           | 9.42                  |
|                |  | 3,574,951         | 48.76                 |
|                | DERIVATIVES - (0.95%) ((1.82%))  |                   |                       |
|                | Contracts for Difference - (0.95%) ((1.82%))                                   |                   |                       |
|                | A.G. BARR Contract for difference  |                   |                       |
| (12,785)       | Notional value - GBP (70,254)  | (447)             | (0.01)                |
| (27.210)       | ABRDN Contract for difference  | (2.066)           | (0.05)                |
| (27,318)       | Notional value - GBP (58,064) AstraZeneca (UK Listing) Contract for difference | (3,866)           | (0.05)                |
| 5,055          | Notional value - GBP 535,735   | (52,724)          | (0.72)                |
| 37033          | B&M European Value Retail Contract for difference                              | (0=/1= 1)         | (0=)                  |
| (8,980)        | Notional value - GBP (40,177)  | 404               | 0.01                  |
|                | Barclays Contract for difference   |                   |                       |
| 42,506         | Notional value - GBP 78,997  | 5,232             | 0.07                  |
| 12 200         | Barratt Developments Contract for difference                                   | A F11             | 0.06                  |
| 12,209         | Notional value - GBP 56,143 BP Contract for difference                         | 4,511             | 0.06                  |
| 23,482         | Notional value - GBP 114,798   | 2,425             | 0.03                  |
|                | British American Tobacco Contract for difference                               | _, :_0            |                       |
| 2,332          | Notional value - GBP 72,193  | (764)             | (0.01)                |
|                | BT Contract for difference   |                   |                       |
| (52,046)       | Notional value - GBP (64,888)  | 1,028             | 0.01                  |
| (000)          | Croda International Contract for difference                                    | 160               |                       |
| (889)          | Notional value - GBP (61,225)  | 169               | _                     |
| (56,521)       | Currys Contract for difference<br>Notional value - GBP (36,583)                | (1,258)           | (0.02)                |
| (30,321)       | Derwent London Contract for difference   | (1,230)           | (0.02)                |
| (2,281)        | Notional value - GBP (58,918)  | (1,711)           | (0.02)                |
|                | Diageo Contract for difference   |                   |                       |
| 2,030          | Notional value - GBP 71,451  | (3,020)           | (0.04)                |
| (600)          | FTSE 100 Index Futures January 2100 Contract for difference                    | (00.000)          | (0.40)                |
| (622)          | Notional value - GBP (4,833,997)   | (29,060)          | (0.40)                |
| 12,324         | GlaxoSmithKline Contract for difference<br>Notional value - GBP 175,432        | 1,688             | 0.02                  |
| 12,324         | Haleon Contract for difference   | 1,000             | 0.02                  |
| 15,405         | Notional value - GBP 49,954  | 2,030             | 0.03                  |
|                | Halma Contract for difference  | •                 |                       |
| (2,001)        | Notional value - GBP (42,972)  | (290)             | _                     |
|                | HSBC (UK Listing) Contract for difference                                      |                   |                       |
| 32,582         | Notional value - GBP 194,335   | 8,748             | 0.12                  |
| (62 772)       | ITV Contract for difference<br>Notional value - GBP (51,989)                   | (962)             | (0.01)                |
| (62,773)       | Kingfisher Contract for difference   | (902)             | (0.01)                |
| (13,454)       | Notional value - GBP (37,550)  | (2,893)           | (0.04)                |
| · - / /        | Marks & Spencer Contract for difference  | (-/)              | ( ')                  |
| (29,279)       | Notional value - GBP (42,674)  | 1,164             | 0.02                  |



#### As at 31 January 2023

| Holding  | Investment  | Market value<br>£ | Total net assets<br>% |
|----------|---|-------------------|-----------------------|
|          | Contracts for Difference (continued)                          |                   |                       |
|          | Naked Wines Contract for difference                           |                   |                       |
| (25,697) | Notional value - GBP (34,241)                                 | 1,452             | 0.02                  |
|          | Ocado Contract for difference                                 |                   |                       |
| (2,898)  | Notional value - GBP (18,727)                                 | 2,486             | 0.03                  |
| 2 2 4 2  | Rio Tinto (UK Listing) Contract for difference                | 6.420             | 0.00                  |
| 3,340    | Notional value - GBP 211,071                                  | 6,430             | 0.09                  |
| 14.640   | Shell Contract for difference<br>Notional value - GBP 347,590 | (4,649)           | (0.06                 |
| 14,040   | Spirax-Sarco Engineering Contract for difference              | (4,648)           | (0.06                 |
| (424)    | Notional value - GBP (48,898)                                 | (731)             | (0.01                 |
| (121)    | Tesco Contract for difference                                 | (131)             | (0.01                 |
| 24,158   | Notional value - GBP 59,417                                   | 544               | 0.01                  |
|          | Unilever (UK Listing) Contract for difference                 |                   |                       |
| 6,721    | Notional value - GBP 276,149                                  | (5,494)           | (0.07                 |
|          | Victrex Contract for difference                               |                   |                       |
| (4,320)  | Notional value - GBP (79,423)                                 | (4,169)           | (0.06                 |
|          | Whitbread Contract for difference                             |                   |                       |
| 2,080    | Notional value - GBP 63,274                                   | 3,890             | 0.05                  |
|          |   | (69,836)          | (0.95                 |
|          | Total value of investments                                    | 6,892,485         | 94.01                 |
|          | Net other assets  | 439,182           | 5.99                  |
|          | Net assets  | 7,331,667         | 100.00                |

All holdings are ordinary shares or stock units unless otherwise stated.

Notional value illustrates the face value of the exposure to the underlying instruments on which the derivative contracts are traded and indicates the exposure the sub-fund has to the underlying stock or index it relates to.

The figures in brackets show allocations as at 31 July 2022.

| Asset allocation                                      |   |
|---|---|
| Debt Securities                                       | 48.76%  |
| Equities  | 46.20%  |
| Derivatives   | (0.95)%   |
| Net other assets                                      | 5.99%   |
| Total   | 100.00%   |
|   |   |
| Portfolio allocation                                  |   |
|   | 85.77%  |
| United Kingdom Ireland                                |   |
| United Kingdom  | 4.35%   |
| United Kingdom<br>Ireland                             | 4.35%<br>3.07%  |
| United Kingdom<br>Ireland<br>Switzerland              | 4.35%<br>3.07%<br>1.77%                               |
| United Kingdom<br>Ireland<br>Switzerland<br>Australia | 85.77%<br>4.35%<br>3.07%<br>1.77%<br>(0.95)%<br>5.99% |

| Major holdings                                | Percentage of portfolio |
|---|-------------------------|
|   |                         |
| United Kingdom Treasury Bill 0%               |                         |
| 20/02/2023                                    | 12.25%                  |
| United Kingdom Treasury Bill 0%<br>12/06/2023 |                         |
| United Kingdom Treasury Bill 0%               | 9.42%                   |
| 27/02/2023                                    | 6.80%                   |
| United Kingdom Treasury Bill 0%               | 0.0076                  |
| 13/03/2023                                    | 6.79%                   |
| United Kingdom Treasury Bill 0%               |                         |
| 02/05/2023                                    | 6.76%                   |
| United Kingdom Treasury Bill 0%               |                         |
| 22/05/2023                                    | 6.74%                   |
| Ashtead                                       | 3.66%                   |
| Glencore                                      | 3.07%                   |
| CRH (UK Listing)                              | 3.00%                   |
| OSB   | 2.98%                   |
| Number of holdings                            | 62                      |



## **Statement of Total Return**

| For the six months ended 31 January 2023                                     |                        |                   |                     |                   |
|--|------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
|  | Six months to<br>£'000 | 31.01.23<br>£'000 | Six months to £'000 | 31.01.22<br>£'000 |
| Income   |                        |                   |                     |                   |
| Net capital gains/(losses)   |                        | 152               |                     | (310)             |
| Revenue  | 202                    |                   | 112                 |                   |
| Expenses   | (52)                   |                   | (65)                |                   |
| Interest payable and similar charges   | (132)                  |                   | (101)               |                   |
| Net revenue/(expense) before taxation  | 18                     |                   | (54)                |                   |
| Taxation   | _                      |                   | _                   |                   |
| Net revenue/(expense) after taxation   |                        | 18                |                     | (54)              |
| Total return before distributions  | _                      | 170               |                     | (364)             |
| Distributions  | _                      | (1)               | _                   | 2                 |
| Change in net assets attributable to shareholders from investment activities |                        | 169               | _                   | (362)             |

# **Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Shareholders**

| For the six months ended 31 January 2023                                     |                        |                   |                        |                   |
|--|------------------------|-------------------|------------------------|-------------------|
|  | Six months to<br>£'000 | 31.01.23<br>£'000 | Six months to<br>£'000 | 31.01.22<br>£'000 |
| Opening net assets attributable to shareholders                              |                        | 7,770             |                        | 9,729             |
| Amounts receivable on issue of shares  | 67                     |                   | 57                     |                   |
| Amounts payable on cancellation of shares                                    | (674)                  |                   | (1,369)                |                   |
|  |                        | (607)             |                        | (1,312)           |
| Change in net assets attributable to shareholders from investment activities | _                      | 169               | _                      | (362)             |
| Closing net assets attributable to shareholders                              | _                      | 7,332             |                        | 8,055             |

## **Balance Sheet**

| As at 31 January 2023                   |          |          |
|---|----------|----------|
|   | 31.01.23 | 31.07.22 |
|   | £'000    | £'000    |
| Assets                                  |          |          |
| Fixed Assets:                           |          |          |
| Investments                             | 7,004    | 6,891    |
| Current assets:                         |          |          |
| Debtors                                 | 122      | 159      |
| Cash and bank balances                  | 455      | 1,009    |
| Total assets                            | 7,581    | 8,059    |
| Liabilities                             |          |          |
| Investment liabilities                  | (112)    | (217)    |
| Creditors:                              |          |          |
| Other creditors                         | (137)    | (72)     |
| Total liabilities                       | (249)    | (289)    |
| Net assets attributable to shareholders | 7,332    | 7,770    |

#### **Notes to the Interim Financial Statements**

#### 1. Significant Accounting Policies

The interim financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis as modified by the revaluation of investments, in compliance with the Financial Conduct Authority's Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook. They have been prepared in accordance with FRS 102 and the Statement of Recommended Practice for Financial Statements of UK Authorised Funds issued by The Investment Management Association (now referred to as the Investment Association) in May 2014 (the 2014 SORP) and amended in June 2017.

Unless otherwise stated all other accounting policies applied are consistent with those of the annual financial statements for the year ended 31 July 2022 and are described in those financial statements.

#### 2. Financial Instruments

The sub-fund, in pursuing its objective, holds a number of financial instruments, which may comprise of the following:

Bonds and derivatives.

Equity shares and equity related shares.

The sub-fund will also hold cash and other short term debtors and creditors that arise directly from its operations.

In addition, the sub-fund may hold derivatives for investment purposes and the purpose of efficient portfolio management in accordance with the COLL Sourcebook.

The financial instruments are held in line with the sub-fund's investment policy.

The Investment Adviser is responsible for monitoring the portfolio of the sub-fund in accordance with its investment objective and seeks to ensure that individual assets also meet a risk reward profile that is acceptable. The ACD has appointed specialist managers to manage the sub-fund, and continuously monitors this appointment.

Adherence to the investment guidelines and the investment and borrowing powers as set out in the Prospectus and in the rules of the Regulations also mitigates the risk of excessive exposure to any particular type of security or issuer. Further information on the investment portfolio is set out in the Investment Adviser's review and the Portfolio statement of each sub-fund.

The main risks arising from financial instruments are market price, foreign currency, interest rate, liquidity, credit and counterparty risk.

### **Jupiter UK Smaller Companies Fund**

#### **Performance**

|   | 6 months | 1 years | 3 years | 5 years |
|---|----------|---------|---------|---------|
| Jupiter UK Smaller Companies Fund*                                | (9.4)    | (24.1)  | (16.3)  | (8.7)   |
| Numis Smaller Companies Index Ex Investment Companies (Benchmark) | 3.1      | (7.5)   | 5.5     | 11.1    |
| IA UK Smaller Companies (Sector Average)                          | (3.0)    | (16.7)  | (1.4)   | 9.2     |
| Quartile Ranking  | 4th      | 4th     | 4th     | 4th     |

<sup>\*</sup>Source: Morningstar, gross income reinvested net of fees, in GBP. The statistics disclosed above relate to I-Class Shares unless otherwise stated. Past performance is no guide to the future.

#### **Investment Objective and Policy**

To achieve capital growth. In seeking to achieve its investment objective the sub-fund will aim to deliver a return, net of fees, greater than that of the Numis Smaller Companies Index excluding Investment Companies over rolling 3 year periods.

The sub-fund primarily invests in a portfolio of UK smaller companies.

UK companies are those that are domiciled or incorporated in the UK, or that conduct a significant part of their business in the UK. Smaller companies are defined for this purpose as those companies which are quoted on a regulated market and which have market capitalisations no greater than the largest company in the Numis Smaller Companies Index at the time of the initial investment. Typically, at least 80% of the portfolio will be invested in smaller companies.

The sub-fund may also invest in other transferable securities, shares in collective investment schemes (including those managed or operated by the ACD or an associate of the ACD), warrants, money market instruments, deposits and derivatives, and may hold cash.

The sub-fund may use derivatives for Efficient Portfolio Management purposes. The ACD considers that the use of derivatives for this purpose is not likely to affect the volatility or risk profile of the sub-fund. The sub-fund may use derivatives for purposes other than Efficient Portfolio Management, provided it has given shareholders 60 days' notice of such change. If the sub-fund did use derivatives for investment purposes, it may therefore at times increase the volatility of the sub-fund's NAV and change the risk profile of the sub-fund.

#### **Market Review**

UK smaller companies indices remained volatile over the course of the review period but, in aggregate, rose modestly. The unfunded proposed tax cuts of the Truss/Kwarteng Budget gave rise to a disorderly rise in UK interest rates, requiring intervention from the Bank of England when pension funds became forced sellers of gilts. Within 49 days Truss was forced to resign, but not before she had replaced Kwarteng with Jeremy Hunt, who adopted a more orthodox approach to the public finances. The unopposed appointment of Rishi Sunak consolidated the sense of relative calm in UK debt markets, and this was complemented by a rally in UK equities over the second half of the review period as risk appetite began to improve.

Globally, the wider dynamic has been one of central banks acknowledging an apparent moderation in inflation and moving to a more data-dependent stance with respect to future moves in interest rates. Developed world economic activity levels seem to have held up better than most commentators expected, and unemployment has not risen to a material extent.

Elsewhere, the conflict in Ukraine has continued with no resolution in sight, while the Chinese authorities have moved away from their 'zero Covid' policy.

#### **Policy Review**

In absolute terms this was very much a six-month period of two halves: in first three months the sub-fund fell 16.9% and in the second three months it rose 8.9%. This reflects the significant shift in investor sentiment, as worries over the stability of the UK and high inflation gave way to a more sanguine outlook that things may not turn out as badly as originally feared.



#### **Policy Review** (continued)

At a sector level, the largest contributions came from Travel & Leisure, Retailers and Industrial Engineering, while Banks, Industrial Support Services and Software were the largest detractors.

As regards individual stock position, the weakest performers included Marlowe, an acquisitive support services vehicle, which fell on concerns over cash conversion; Watkin Jones, which warned due to severe dislocation in funding costs following the mini-budget fiasco; and Starling Bank, an unlisted position which was revalued in line with peer multiples.

The strongest relative contributions came from retailer Dunelm, airline Jet2, engineering company Vesuvius, all of which reported solid trading news. The sub-fund also benefited relative to the index from not holding Trainline, National Express, and Cineworld among other severely underperforming stocks that form part of the benchmark.

Over the course of the period, a new position was built in Alpha Financial Markets Consulting (where we expect further upgrades to be delivered and where the starting valuation is reasonable), while additions were made on weakness to holdings in Bytes Technology and Alpha Group International.

We were also active in exiting a number of positions, including in Ergomed (on concerns over a lack of upgrades in the context of a full valuation), Knights Group (on concerns over morale and the ultimate sustainability of the group's acquisitive model), Restaurant Group (given industry cost pressures and leverage), and Mattioli Woods (on prospects for asset flows).

Lastly, and shortly after the period ended, Jupiter announced that an agreement had been reached to sell the entirety of our exposure in Starling Bank across our open-ended funds, including the Jupiter UK Smaller Companies Fund. Starling is a profitable and fast-growing UK bank, but in response to client feedback Jupiter has decided not to make any new investments in unlisted assets through our open-ended funds and to prudently manage existing exposures over time with a view to generating maximum value for our clients.

#### **Investment Outlook**

While the range of possible economic and equity market outcomes remains unusually wide, developments in recent months have arguably been directionally positive. Data across developed economies suggest that activity is holding up better than feared. This indicates that, while recession remains possible, any downturn may be shallower and less protracted than previously thought.

Prices for energy, most commodities, freight and some finished goods are now falling. Although, in terms of the path for interest rates, US Federal Reserve (Fed) officials - via their dot-plot of future moves in rates - remain notably more hawkish than markets, which currently envisage the Fed beginning to cut rates before the end of 2023. Central bankers remain concerned at the possible stickiness of wage inflation. While most recent data points suggest that a moderation is in train, it is arguably premature to conclude that wage growth will return to pre-pandemic levels.

The current economic environment is unprecedented. It is still influenced by the cross-currents of Covid lockdowns and associated economic stimulus, the faltering reopening of supply chains post-pandemic, Russia's invasion of Ukraine, China's botched 'zero Covid' policy, as well as the withdrawal from the labour market (for now at least) of higher than typical numbers of over-50s. Consequently, reaching definitive conclusions as to how interest rates and economic growth are likely to evolve over the medium term remains challenging.

Given this lack of clarity and the likely lack of clear thematic leadership within the UK Small Cap space, we continue to consciously position the portfolio such that it is broadly balanced between growth and value themes. We remain of the view that, given the UK Small Cap opportunity set, there remains a place for unique, less economically-sensitive businesses that can deliver above-average rates of earnings growth at valuations that we can rationalise, as well as for more economically sensitive businesses that can rerate as fears over a deep and protracted recession are priced out. Given the historically expensive pricing of many of the more defensive stocks within our opportunity set, as well as receding prospects for a hard landing across the developed world, we remain cautious of having this latter theme over-represented within the portfolio.

#### **Risk and Reward Profile**



The calculated risk and reward category, as shown above, uses a method of calculation derived from EU rules. It is based on the rate at which the returns of the sub-fund have moved up and down in the past (i.e. volatility) and is not a guide to the future risk and reward category of the sub-fund. The category shown is not a target or guarantee and may shift over time. Even the lowest category 1 does not mean a risk-free investment. The seven-category scale is nonlinear, for example, 2 is not twice as risky as 1.

Sub-funds in category 6 have in the past shown relatively high volatility. With a sub-fund of category 6, you have a relatively high risk of losing money but your chance for gains is also relatively high.

# **Comparative Tables**

| Change in net asset per share  |   |   |   |   |
|--|---|---|---|---|
|  |   | L (GBP)   | Income  |   |
|  | 31.01.23  | 31.07.22  | 31.07.21  | 31.07.20  |
|  | (p)   | (p)   | (p)   | (p)   |
| Opening net asset value per share  | 497.17  | 663.77  | 464.79  | 487.87  |
| Return before operating charges*   | (39.78)   | (154.00)  | 210.01  | (13.94)   |
| Operating charges  | (4.27)  | (11.45)   | (11.03)   | (9.14)  |
| Return after operating charges*  | (44.05)   | (165.45)  | 198.98  | (23.08)   |
| Distributions on income shares   | _   | (1.15)  | _   |   |
| Closing net asset value per share  | 453.12  | 497.17  | 663.77  | 464.79  |
| *after direct transaction costs of:  | 0.06  | 0.38  | 0.35  | 0.47  |
| Performance  |   |   |   |   |
| Return after charges (%)   | (8.86)  | (24.93)   | 42.81   | (4.73)  |
| Other Information  |   |   |   |   |
| Closing net asset value (£'000)  | 10,149  | 12,438  | 18,644  | 14,241  |
| Closing number of shares   | 2,239,812   | 2,501,753   | 2,808,736   | 3,063,937   |
| Operating charges (%)  | 1.90  | 1.90  | 1.90  | 1.90  |
| Direct transaction costs (%)   | 0.01  | 0.06  | 0.06  | 0.10  |
| Prices   |   |   |   |   |
| Highest share price (p)  | 503.04  | 716.86  | 669.70  | 572.10  |
|  |   |   |   |   |
| Lowest share price (p)  Change in net asset per share  | 396.98  | 464.72  | 461.70  | 328.80  |
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| Lowest share price (p)  Change in net asset per share  | 31.01.23<br>(p)   | I (GBP) I<br>31.07.22<br>(p)  | ncome<br>31.07.21<br>(p)  | 31.07.20<br>(p)   |
| Change in net asset per share  Opening net asset value per share   | 31.01.23<br>(p)<br>255.01   | I (GBP) I<br>31.07.22<br>(p)<br>341.08  | ncome<br>31.07.21<br>(p)<br>237.28  | 31.07.20<br>(p)<br>247.54   |
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Direct transaction costs (%)

Highest share price (p)
Lowest share price (p)

Prices

| Change in net asset per share       |                 |                 |                 |                |  |  |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|--|--|
|                                     |                 | P (GBP) Income  |                 |                |  |  |
|                                     | 31.01.23<br>(p) | 31.07.22<br>(p) | 31.07.21<br>(p) | 31.07.20<br>(p |  |  |
| Opening net asset value per share   | 228.89          | 305.90          | 213.13          | 222.58         |  |  |
| Return before operating charges*    | (18.28)         | (71.20)         | 96.52           | (6.30          |  |  |
| Operating charges                   | (1.45)          | (3.89)          | (3.75)          | (3.14          |  |  |
| Return after operating charges*     | (19.73)         | (75.09)         | 92.77           | (9.44          |  |  |
| Distributions on income shares      |                 | (1.92)          | _               | (0.0           |  |  |
| Closing net asset value per share   | 209.16          | 228.89          | 305.90          | 213.13         |  |  |
| *after direct transaction costs of: | 0.03            | 0.17            | 0.16            | 0.22           |  |  |
| Performance                         |                 |                 |                 |                |  |  |
| Return after charges (%)            | (8.62)          | (24.55)         | 43.53           | (4.24          |  |  |
| Other Information                   |                 |                 |                 |                |  |  |
| Closing net asset value (£'000)     | 6,331           | 7,706           | 11,152          | 7,743          |  |  |
| Closing number of shares            | 3,026,849       | 3,366,718       | 3,645,594       | 3,632,84       |  |  |
| Operating charges (%)               | 1.40            | 1.40            | 1.40            | 1.40           |  |  |
| Direct transaction costs (%)        | 0.01            | 0.06            | 0.06            | 0.10           |  |  |
| Prices                              |                 |                 |                 |                |  |  |
| Highest share price (p)             | 231.61          | 330.55          | 308.50          | 261.70         |  |  |
| Lowest share price (p)              | 182.97          | 215.16          | 211.70          | 150.50         |  |  |
|                                     |                 |                 |                 |                |  |  |
| Change in net asset per share       |                 |                 |                 |                |  |  |
|                                     |                 | U1 (GBP)        | Income          |                |  |  |
|                                     | 31.01.23<br>(p) | 31.07.22<br>(p) | 31.07.21<br>(p) | 31.07.20<br>(p |  |  |
| Opening net asset value per share   | 175.87          | 235.26          | 163.64          | 170.7          |  |  |
| Return before operating charges*    | (14.02)         | (54.91)         | 74.27           | (4.92          |  |  |
| Operating charges                   | (0.75)          | (2.01)          | (1.97)          | (1.58          |  |  |
| Return after operating charges*     | (14.77)         | (56.92)         | 72.30           | (6.50          |  |  |
| Distributions on income shares      | _               | (2.47)          | (0.68)          | (0.57          |  |  |
| Closing net asset value per share   | 161.10          | 175.87          | 235.26          | 163.64         |  |  |
| *after direct transaction costs of: | 0.02            | 0.13            | 0.13            | 0.1            |  |  |
| Performance                         |                 |                 |                 |                |  |  |
| Return after charges (%)            | (8.40)          | (24.19)         | 44.18           | (3.8)          |  |  |
| Other Information                   |                 |                 |                 |                |  |  |
| Closing net asset value (£'000)     | 85,142          | 139,377         | 218,222         | 97,335         |  |  |
| Closing number of shares            | 52,849,330      | 79,249,255      | 92,755,936      | 59,481,872     |  |  |
| Operating charges (%)               | 0.9375          | 0.9375          | 0.9375          | 0.937          |  |  |
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|---|--|--|--|--|
|   |  | U2 (GBP)   |  |  |
|   | 31.01.23<br>(p)  | 31.07.22<br>(p)  | 31.07.21<br>(p)  | 31.07.20<br>(p)  |
| Opening net asset value per share   | 166.95   | 223.37   | 155.35   | 162.06   |
| Return before operating charges*  | (13.30)  | (52.16)  | 70.48  | (4.67)   |
| Operating charges   | (0.64)   | (1.74)   | (1.65)   | (1.36)   |
| Return after operating charges*   | (13.94)  | (53.90)  | 68.83  | (6.03)   |
| Distributions on income shares  | (13.31)  | (2.52)   | (0.81)   | (0.68)   |
| Closing net asset value per share   | 153.01   | 166.95   | 223.37   | 155.35   |
| *after direct transaction costs of:   | 0.02   | 0.13   | 0.12   | 0.16   |
| Performance   |  |  |  |  |
| Return after charges (%)  | (8.35)   | (24.13)  | 44.31  | (3.72)   |
| Other Information   |  |  |  |  |
| Closing net asset value (£'000)   | 7,494  | 8,940  | 18,643   | 18,774   |
| Closing number of shares  | 4,898,025  | 5,354,764  | 8,346,098  | 12,085,184   |
| Operating charges (%)   | 0.85   | 0.85   | 0.85   | 0.85   |
| Direct transaction costs (%)  | 0.01   | 0.06   | 0.06   | 0.10   |
| Prices  |  |  |  |  |
| Highest share price (p)   | 168.96   | 241.52   | 226.00   | 191.10   |
| Lowest share price (p)  | 133.62   | 157.93   | 154.30   | 109.90   |
|   |  | L (GBP) Acc  | umulation  |  |
|   | 31.01.23   | 31.07.22   | 31.07.21   | 31.07.20   |
|   | (p)  | (p)  | (p)  | (p)  |
| Opening net asset value per share   | 520.09   | 692.77   | 485.09   | 509.16   |
| Return before operating charges*  | (41.61)  | (160.76)   | 219.19   |  |
| Operating charges   |  |  |  | (14.54)  |
|   | (4.47)   | (11.92)  | (11.51)  | (9.53)   |
| Return after operating charges*   | (4.47)<br>(46.08)                                      | (172.68)   |  |  |
| Distributions on accumulation share   |  | (172.68)<br>(1.20)   | (11.51)  | (9.53)   |
| Distributions on accumulation share Retained distributions on accumulation share  | (46.08)<br>-<br>-                                      | (172.68)<br>(1.20)<br>1.20   | (11.51)<br>207.68<br>–   | (9.53)<br>(24.07)<br>–   |
| Distributions on accumulation share Retained distributions on accumulation share Closing net asset value per share  | (46.08)<br>-<br>-<br>474.01                            | (172.68)<br>(1.20)<br>1.20<br>520.09                               | (11.51)<br>207.68<br>-<br>-<br>-<br>692.77   | (9.53)<br>(24.07)<br>-<br>-<br>485.09  |
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|  | I (GBP) Accumulation |            |             |             |
|--|----------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|
|  | 31.01.23             | 31.07.22   | 31.07.21    | 31.07.20    |
|  | (p)                  | (p)        | (p)         | (p          |
| Opening net asset value per share            | 286.12               | 377.77     | 262.23      | 272.84      |
| Return before operating charges*             | (22.86)              | (88.10)    | 118.90      | (7.85       |
| Operating charges                            | (1.33)               | (3.55)     | (3.36)      | (2.76       |
| Return after operating charges*              | (24.19)              | (91.65)    | 115.54      | (10.61      |
| Distributions on accumulation share          | _                    | (3.66)     | (0.78)      | (0.68       |
| Retained distributions on accumulation share | _                    | 3.66       | 0.78        | 0.68        |
| Closing net asset value per share            | 261.93               | 286.12     | 377.77      | 262.23      |
| *after direct transaction costs of:          | 0.04                 | 0.22       | 0.20        | 0.27        |
| Performance                                  |                      |            |             |             |
| Return after charges (%)                     | (8.45)               | (24.26)    | 44.06       | (3.89       |
| Other Information                            |                      |            |             | _           |
| Closing net asset value (£'000)              | 283,999              | 262,331    | 459,944     | 388,689     |
| Closing number of shares                     | 108,424,880          | 91,684,726 | 121,750,955 | 148,223,067 |
| Operating charges (%)                        | 1.025                | 1.025      | 1.025       | 1.025       |
| Direct transaction costs (%)                 | 0.01                 | 0.06       | 0.06        | 0.10        |
| Prices                                       |                      |            |             |             |
| Highest share price (p)                      | 289.46               | 408.39     | 380.90      | 321.50      |
| Lowest share price (p)                       | 228.87               | 266.66     | 260.50      | 184.90      |

| Change in net asset per share                |                      |                 |                 |                 |
|--|----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
|  | P (GBP) Accumulation |                 |                 |                 |
|  | 31.01.23<br>(p)      | 31.07.22<br>(p) | 31.07.21<br>(p) | 31.07.20<br>(p) |
| Opening net asset value per share            | 398.06               | 527.57          | 367.58          | 383.85          |
| Return before operating charges*             | (31.82)              | (122.81)        | 166.44          | (10.93)         |
| Operating charges                            | (2.52)               | (6.70)          | (6.45)          | (5.34)          |
| Return after operating charges*              | (34.34)              | (129.51)        | 159.99          | (16.27)         |
| Distributions on accumulation share          | _                    | (3.31)          | _               | _               |
| Retained distributions on accumulation share | _                    | 3.31            | _               | _               |
| Closing net asset value per share            | 363.72               | 398.06          | 527.57          | 367.58          |
| *after direct transaction costs of:          | 0.05                 | 0.30            | 0.28            | 0.38            |

| Return after charges (%)        | (8.63)    | (24.55)   | 43.53     | (4.24     |
|---------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Other Information               |           |           |           |           |
| Closing net asset value (£'000) | 5,622     | 6,730     | 9,208     | 6,787     |
| Closing number of shares        | 1,545,622 | 1,690,689 | 1,745,370 | 1,846,369 |
| Operating charges (%)           | 1.40      | 1.40      | 1.40      | 1.40      |
| Direct transaction costs (%)    | 0.01      | 0.06      | 0.06      | 0.10      |
| Prices                          |           |           |           |           |
| Highest share price (p)         | 402.71    | 570.07    | 532.10    | 451.30    |
| Lowest share price (p)          | 318.17    | 371.08    | 365.20    | 259.50    |

| Change in net asset per share   |  | LI1 (CDD) A   |   |   |
|---|--|---|---|---|
|   | U1 (GBP) Accumulation  |   |   | 21.07.20  |
|   | 31.01.23<br>(p)  | 31.07.22<br>(p)   | 31.07.21<br>(p)   | 31.07.20<br>(p  |
| Opening net asset value per share   | 180.78   | 238.48  | 165.40  | 171.94  |
| Return before operating charges*  | (14.43)  | (55.64)   | 75.04   | (4.95)  |
| Operating charges   | (0.77)   | (2.06)  | (1.96)  | (1.59   |
| Return after operating charges*   | (15.20)  | (57.70)   | 73.08   | (6.54   |
| Distributions on accumulation share   | _  | (2.50)  | (0.68)  | (0.58   |
| Retained distributions on accumulation share  | _  | 2.50  | 0.68  | 0.58  |
| Closing net asset value per share   | 165.58   | 180.78  | 238.48  | 165.40  |
| *after direct transaction costs of:   | 0.02   | 0.14  | 0.12  | 0.17  |
| Performance   |  |   |   |   |
| Return after charges (%)  | (8.41)   | (24.19)   | 44.18   | (3.80   |
| Other Information   |  |   |   |   |
| Closing net asset value (£'000)   | 124,345  | 186,890   | 370,545   | 240,922   |
| Closing number of shares  | 75,098,320   | 103,380,174   | 155,374,854   | 145,657,629   |
| Operating charges (%)   | 0.9375   | 0.9375  | 0.9375  | 0.9375  |
| Direct transaction costs (%)  | 0.01   | 0.06  | 0.06  | 0.10  |
| Prices  |  |   |   |   |
|   | 102.00   | 257.04  | 240.50  | 202.70  |
| Highest share price (p)   | 182.90   | 257.84  | 240.30  | 202.70  |
| Lowest share price (p)  | 144.64   | 168.47  | 164.30  |   |
| Lowest share price (p)  |  | 168.47  |   | 116.60  |
| Lowest share price (p)  |  | 168.47  | 164.30  | 31.07.20  |
| Change in net asset per share   | 31.01.23   | U2 (GBP) Ac<br>31.07.22   | 164.30<br>ccumulation<br>31.07.21   | 31.07.20<br>(p  |
| Change in net asset per share  Opening net asset value per share  | 31.01.23<br>(p)<br>180.61  | U2 (GBP) Ad<br>31.07.22<br>(p)<br>238.05  | 164.30<br>ccumulation<br>31.07.21<br>(p)<br>164.96  | 31.07.20<br>(p  |
| Change in net asset per share  Opening net asset value per share  Return before operating charges*  | 31.01.23<br>(p)<br>180.61<br>(14.42)   | 168.47<br>U2 (GBP) Ac<br>31.07.22<br>(p)<br>238.05<br>(55.58)   | 164.30<br>ccumulation<br>31.07.21<br>(p)<br>164.96<br>74.80   | 31.07.20<br>(r<br>171.33<br>(4.93   |
| Change in net asset per share  Opening net asset value per share  Return before operating charges*  Operating charges   | 31.01.23<br>(p)<br>180.61<br>(14.42)<br>(0.70)   | 168.47<br>U2 (GBP) Ac<br>31.07.22<br>(p)<br>238.05<br>(55.58)<br>(1.86)   | 164.30<br>ccumulation<br>31.07.21<br>(p)<br>164.96<br>74.80<br>(1.71)                               | 31.07.20<br>(p<br>171.33<br>(4.93   |
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| Highest share price (p)  Lowest share price (p)  Change in net asset per share  Opening net asset value per share  Return before operating charges*  Operating charges  Return after operating charges*  Distributions on accumulation share  Retained distributions on accumulation share  Closing net asset value per share  *after direct transaction costs of:  Performance  Return after charges (%)  Other Information  Closing net asset value (£'000)  Closing number of shares  Operating charges (%)  Direct transaction costs (%)  Prices  Highest share price (p) | 31.01.23<br>(p)<br>180.61<br>(14.42)<br>(0.70)<br>(15.12)<br>-<br>165.49<br>0.02<br>(8.37)<br>(8.37) | 168.47  U2 (GBP) Ac 31.07.22 (p) 238.05 (55.58) (1.86) (57.44) (2.69) 2.69 180.61 0.14  (24.13)  6,961 3,853,948 0.85 | 164.30  ccumulation 31.07.21 (p) 164.96 74.80 (1.71) 73.09 (0.86) 0.86 238.05 0.12  44.31           | 31.07.20<br>(p<br>171.33<br>(4.93<br>(1.44<br>(6.37<br>(0.72<br>0.72<br>164.96<br>0.17<br>(3.72 |

144.53

168.31

163.90

116.20

Lowest share price (p)

## **Portfolio Statement**

| As at 31 Janua | ry 2023   |                   |                       |
|----------------|---|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Holding        | Investment  | Market value<br>£ | Total net assets<br>% |
|                | UNITED KINGDOM - 95.78% (95.00%)                      |                   |                       |
|                | Aerospace and Defense - 2.47% (2.64%)                 |                   |                       |
| 5,461,725      | Chemring  | 15,374,756        | 2.47                  |
|                | Automobiles and Parts - 0.00% (1.81%)                 |                   |                       |
|                |   |                   |                       |
|                | Banks - 1.89% (1.93%)                                 |                   |                       |
| 13,631,000     | Starling Bank*  | 11,736,700        | 1.89                  |
|                | Chemicals - 0.00% (1.51%)                             |                   |                       |
|                | Closed End Investments - 2.22% (2.01%)                |                   |                       |
| 15,958,557     | Chrysalis Investments Limited                         | 13,820,111        | 2.22                  |
|                | Construction and Materials - 5.60% (5.18%)            |                   |                       |
| 854,000        | Keller  | 6,900,320         | 1.11                  |
| 2,772,829      | Marshalls   | 9,422,073         | 1.52                  |
| 864,742        | Morgan Sindall  | 14,181,769        | 2.28                  |
| 6,938,576      | Severfield  | 4,301,917         | 0.69                  |
|                |   | 34,806,079        | 5.60                  |
|                | Electronic and Electrical Equipment - 3.41% (2.61%)   |                   |                       |
| 905,775        | Oxford Instruments                                    | 21,240,424        | 3.41                  |
|                | Finance and Credit Services - 5.04% (5.23%)           |                   |                       |
| 894,389        | Mortgage Advice Bureau                                | 5,366,334         | 0.86                  |
| 4,767,039      | OSB   | 26,004,198        | 4.18                  |
|                |   | 31,370,532        | 5.04                  |
|                | Food Producers - 0.00% (0.12%)                        |                   |                       |
|                | Household Goods and Home Construction - 1.12% (2.81%) |                   |                       |
| 6,168,053      | Watkin Jones  | 6,994,572         | 1.12                  |
|                | Industrial Engineering - 3.37% (2.22%)                |                   |                       |
| 5,136,036      | Vesuvius  | 20,996,115        | 3.37                  |
|                | Industrial Support Services - 9.67% (12.61%)          |                   |                       |
| 1,716,482      | Marlowe   | 8,548,080         | 1.37                  |
| 2,795,399      | Robert Walters  | 14,032,903        | 2.26                  |
| 1,612,422      | RWS   | 6,056,257         | 0.97                  |
| 2,297,158      | Senior  | 3,491,680         | 0.56                  |



| Holding    | Investment   | Market value      | Total net assets |
|------------|--|-------------------|------------------|
|            | Investment   | Market value<br>£ | notal net assets |
|            | Industrial Support Services (continued)                    |                   |                  |
| 1,050,918  | Serco  | 1,531,187         | 0.25             |
| 2,341,472  | Smart Metering Systems                                     | 20,277,147        | 3.26             |
| 15,568,635 | Speedy Hire  | 6,250,807         | 1.00             |
|            |  | 60,188,061        | 9.67             |
|            | Investment Banking and Brokerage Services - 11.72% (9.54%) |                   |                  |
| 1,117,625  | Alpha FX Group   | 20,340,775        | 3.27             |
| 1,369,516  | Alpha Financial Markets                                    | 6,299,774         | 1.01             |
| 3,138,448  | Foresight  | 14,468,245        | 2.32             |
| 2,578,659  | IntegraFin   | 8,066,045         | 1.30             |
| 2,369,413  | JTC  | 16,988,691        | 2.73             |
| 585,224    | Liontrust Asset Management                                 | 6,776,894         | 1.09             |
|            |  | 72,940,424        | 11.72            |
|            | Media - 3.71% (3.06%)                                      |                   |                  |
| 913,058    | Future   | 13,732,392        | 2.21             |
| 6,568,484  | Hyve   | 4,703,035         | 0.76             |
| 4,734,800  | Pebble   | 4,592,756         | 0.74             |
|            | _  | 23,028,183        | 3.71             |
|            | Non-life Insurance - 0.87% (0.00%)                         |                   |                  |
| 866,606    | Lancashire   | 5,416,287         | 0.87             |
|            | Oil, Gas and Coal - 3.94% (3.28%)                          |                   |                  |
| 1,028,000  | Ashtead Technology   | 3,320,440         | 0.54             |
| 1,017,069  | Energean   | 11,838,683        | 1.90             |
| 426,600    | Harbour Energy   | 1,336,538         | 0.21             |
| 22,286,608 | Tullow Oil   | 8,049,923         | 1.29             |
|            |  | 24,545,584        | 3.94             |
|            | Personal Care, Drug and Grocery Stores - 0.09% (0.00%)     |                   |                  |
| 86,269     | Hilton Food  | 569,375           | 0.09             |
|            | Personal Goods - 0.00% (0.50%)                             |                   |                  |
|            | Pharmaceuticals and Biotechnology - 0.00% (1.67%)          |                   |                  |
|            | Precious Metals and Mining - 1.16% (0.97%)                 |                   |                  |
| 58,864,263 | Jubilee Metals   | 7,240,304         | 1.16             |

| As at 31 Janua | ry 2023  |                   |                       |
|----------------|--|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Holding        | Investment   | Market value<br>£ | Total net assets<br>% |
|                | Real Estate Investment and Services - 2.65% (3.42%)  |                   |                       |
| 4,579,292      | Helical  | 16,485,451        | 2.65                  |
|                | Real Estate Investment Trusts - 1.91% (1.66%)        |                   |                       |
| 2,358,839      | Workspace  | 11,900,343        | 1.91                  |
|                | Retailers - 5.42% (4.07%)                            |                   |                       |
| 5,374,673      | DFS Furniture  | 8,040,511         | 1.29                  |
| 1,293,943      | Dunelm   | 14,996,799        | 2.41                  |
| 7,060,997      | Wickes   | 10,732,715        | 1.72                  |
|                |  | 33,770,025        | 5.42                  |
|                | Software and Computer Services - 15.03% (12.45%)     |                   |                       |
| 2,521,649      | Aptitude Software                                    | 8,775,339         | 1.41                  |
| 6,067,045      | Ascential  | 16,296,083        | 2.62                  |
| 1,950,225      | Auction Technology                                   | 13,729,584        | 2.21                  |
| 1,463,307      | Blancco Technology                                   | 2,487,622         | 0.40                  |
| 3,753,904      | Bytes Technology                                     | 14,527,608        | 2.33                  |
| 363,605        | FD Technologies                                      | 4,974,116         | 0.80                  |
| 7,450,780      | Kin & Carta  | 16,428,970        | 2.64                  |
| 6,944,181      | Learning Technologies                                | 9,735,742         | 1.56                  |
| 635,726        | Tracsis  | 5,912,252         | 0.95                  |
| 54,467         | WANdisco   | 680,838           | 0.11                  |
|                |  | 93,548,154        | 15.03                 |
|                | Telecommunications Equipment - 5.55% (5.51%)         |                   |                       |
| 5,990,209      | Spirent Communications                               | 13,130,538        | 2.11                  |
| 1,072,012      | Telecom Plus   | 21,418,800        | 3.44                  |
|                |  | 34,549,338        | 5.55                  |
|                | Telecommunications Service Providers - 4.06% (3.23%) |                   |                       |
| 2,153,627      | Gamma Communications                                 | 25,240,508        | 4.06                  |
|                | Travel and Leisure - 4.88% (4.96%)                   |                   |                       |
| 1,155,949      | JET2   | 14,039,001        | 2.26                  |
| 2,671,751      | Loungers   | 5,877,852         | 0.94                  |
| 45,854         | Secret Escapes*                                      | _                 | -                     |
| 20,725         | Secret Escapes (Series E Preference)*                | 2,265,450         | 0.36                  |
| •              | 1  | ,,                | - /                   |



| As at 31 Janua | ry 2023   |              |                  |
|----------------|---|--------------|------------------|
| Holding        | Investment  | Market value | Total net assets |
|                |   | £            | %                |
|                | Travel and Leisure (continued)                      |              |                  |
| 281,058        | Young & Co's Brewery 'A'                            | 2,872,413    | 0.46             |
| 822,441        | Young & Co's Brewery 'A' (non-voting)               | 5,345,867    | 0.86             |
|                |   | 30,400,583   | 4.88             |
|                | SINGAPORE - 1.03% (0.96%)                           |              |                  |
|                | Electronic and Electrical Equipment - 1.03% (0.96%) |              |                  |
| 264,434        | XP Power (UK Listing)                               | 6,399,303    | 1.03             |
|                | Total value of investments                          | 602,561,212  | 96.81            |
|                | Net other assets                                    | 19,845,427   | 3.19             |
|                | Net assets  | 622,406,639  | 100.00           |

All holdings are ordinary shares or stock units unless otherwise stated.

The figures in brackets show allocations as at 31 July 2022.

<sup>\*</sup>Represents an unlisted and unquoted security.

| Asset allocation          |                 |
|---------------------------|-----------------|
| Equities Net other assets | 96.81%<br>3.19% |
| Total                     | 100.00%         |

| Portfolio allocation                                       |                |
|--|----------------|
| Software and Computer Services                             | 15.03%         |
| Investment Banking and Brokerage                           | 11 700/        |
| Services   | 11.72%         |
| Industrial Support Services Construction and Materials     | 9.67%          |
|  | 5.60%          |
| Telecommunications Equipment                               | 5.55%          |
| Retailers  | 5.42%          |
| Finance and Credit Services                                | 5.04%          |
| Travel and Leisure   | 4.88%<br>4.44% |
| Electronic and Electrical Equipment                        |                |
| Telecommunications Service Providers                       | 4.06%          |
| Oil, Gas and Coal  | 3.94%          |
| Media  | 3.71%          |
| Industrial Engineering Real Estate Investment and Services | 3.37%          |
|  | 2.65%          |
| Aerospace and Defense                                      | 2.47%          |
| Closed End Investments                                     | 2.22%          |
| Real Estate Investment Trusts                              | 1.91%          |
| Banks  | 1.89%          |
| Precious Metals and Mining                                 | 1.16%          |
| Household Goods and Home<br>Construction                   | 1.12%          |
| Non-life Insurance   | 0.87%          |
| 11011 1110 11100101100                                     | 0.87%          |
| Personal Care, Drug and Grocery Stores                     |                |
| Net other assets   | 3.19%          |
| Total  | 100.00%        |

| Major holdings         | Percentage<br>of portfolio |
|------------------------|----------------------------|
| 0.63                   |                            |
| OSB                    | 4.18%                      |
| Gamma Communications   | 4.06%                      |
| Telecom Plus           | 3.44%                      |
| Oxford Instruments     | 3.41%                      |
| Vesuvius               | 3.37%                      |
| Alpha FX Group         | 3.27%                      |
| Smart Metering Systems | 3.26%                      |
| JTC                    | 2.73%                      |
| Helical                | 2.65%                      |
| Kin & Carta            | 2.64%                      |
| Number of holdings     | 60                         |

## **Statement of Total Return**

| For the six months ended 31 January 2023                                     |                     |                   |                     |                   |
|--|---------------------|-------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
|  | Six months to £'000 | 31.01.23<br>£'000 | Six months to £'000 | 31.01.22<br>£'000 |
| Income   |                     |                   |                     |                   |
| Net capital losses   |                     | (77,072)          |                     | (121,354)         |
| Revenue  | 7,751               |                   | 9,562               |                   |
| Expenses   | (3,985)             |                   | (8,179)             |                   |
| Interest payable and similar charges   | _                   |                   | _                   |                   |
| Net revenue before taxation  | 3,766               |                   | 1,383               |                   |
| Taxation   | -                   |                   | _                   |                   |
| Net revenue after taxation   |                     | 3,766             |                     | 1,383             |
| Total return before distributions  | _                   | (73,306)          | _                   | (119,971)         |
| Distributions  |                     | (486)             | _                   | (55)              |
| Change in net assets attributable to shareholders from investment activities |                     | (73,792)          | _                   | (120,026)         |

# **Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Shareholders**

| For the six months ended 31 January 2023                                     |                        |                   |                        |                   |
|--|------------------------|-------------------|------------------------|-------------------|
|  | Six months to<br>£'000 | 31.01.23<br>£'000 | Six months to<br>£'000 | 31.01.22<br>£'000 |
| Opening net assets attributable to shareholders                              |                        | 833,173           |                        | 1,415,314         |
| Amounts receivable on issue of shares  | 13,687                 |                   | 79,563                 |                   |
| Amounts payable on cancellation of shares                                    | (150,661)              |                   | (135,462)              |                   |
|  |                        | (136,974)         |                        | (55,899)          |
| Change in net assets attributable to shareholders from investment activities | _                      | (73,792)          | _                      | (120,026)         |
| Closing net assets attributable to shareholders                              |                        | 622,407           |                        | 1,239,389         |

## **Balance Sheet**

| As at 31 January 2023                   |          |          |
|---|----------|----------|
|   | 31.01.23 | 31.07.22 |
|   | £'000    | £'000    |
| Assets                                  |          |          |
| Fixed Assets:                           |          |          |
| Investments                             | 602,561  | 799,476  |
| Current assets:                         |          |          |
| Debtors                                 | 2,762    | 4,250    |
| Cash and bank balances                  | 20,955   | 38,274   |
| Total assets                            | 626,278  | 842,000  |
| Liabilities                             |          |          |
| Creditors:                              |          |          |
| Distributions payable                   | -        | (2,859)  |
| Other creditors                         | (3,871)  | (5,968)  |
| Total liabilities                       | (3,871)  | (8,827)  |
| Net assets attributable to shareholders | 622,407  | 833,173  |

#### **Notes to the Interim Financial Statements**

#### 1. Significant Accounting Policies

The interim financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis as modified by the revaluation of investments, in compliance with the Financial Conduct Authority's Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook. They have been prepared in accordance with FRS 102 and the Statement of Recommended Practice for Financial Statements of UK Authorised Funds issued by The Investment Management Association (now referred to as the Investment Association) in May 2014 (the 2014 SORP) and amended in June 2017.

Unless otherwise stated all other accounting policies applied are consistent with those of the annual financial statements for the year ended 31 July 2022 and are described in those financial statements.

#### 2. Financial Instruments

The sub-fund, in pursuing its objective, holds a number of financial instruments, which may comprise of the following: Equity shares and equity related shares.

The sub-fund will also hold cash and other short term debtors and creditors that arise directly from its operations.

In addition, the sub-fund may hold derivatives for the purpose of efficient portfolio management in accordance with the COLL Sourcebook. The financial instruments are held in line with the sub-fund's investment policy.

The Investment Adviser is responsible for monitoring the portfolio of the sub-fund in accordance with its investment objective and seeks to ensure that individual assets also meet a risk reward profile that is acceptable. The ACD has appointed specialist managers to manage the sub-fund, and continuously monitors this appointment.

Adherence to the investment guidelines and the investment and borrowing powers as set out in the Prospectus and in the rules of the Regulations also mitigates the risk of excessive exposure to any particular type of security or issuer. Further information on the investment portfolio is set out in the Investment Adviser's review and the Portfolio statement of each sub-fund.

The main risks arising from financial instruments are market price, foreign currency, interest rate, liquidity, credit and counterparty risk.

## **Appendix**

#### **Cross Holdings**

There were no cross holdings held by the sub-funds throughout the period to 31 January 2023 (31 January 2022: No cross holdings).

#### **Securities Financing Transactions Regulation Disclosure**

The ACD is subject to the provisions of the European Regulation 2015/2365 on Reporting and Transparency of Securities Financing Transactions (the "SFTR"). The SFTR sets out certain disclosure requirements regarding the use of securities financing transactions ("SFTs") and total return swaps ("TRSs"). At present, the only fund which may use SFTs or TRSs is Jupiter UK Opportunities Fund. As at 31 January 2023 Jupiter UK Opportunities Fund did not hold any SFTs or TRSs.

#### **General Information**

#### **Advice to Shareholders**

In recent years investment related scams have become increasingly sophisticated and difficult to spot. We are therefore warning all our shareholders to be cautious so that they can protect themselves and spot the warning signs.

Fraudsters will often:

- contact you out of the blue
- apply pressure to invest quickly
- downplay the risks to your money
- promise tempting returns that sound too good to be true
- say that they are only making the offer available to you
- ask you to not tell anyone else about it

You can avoid investment scams by:

- Rejecting unexpected offers Scammers usually cold call but contact can also come by email, post, word of mouth or at a seminar. If you have been offered an investment out of the blue, chances are it's a high risk investment or a scam.
- Checking the FCA Warning List Use the FCA Warning List to check the risks of a potential investment. You can also search to see if the firm is known to be operating without proper FCA authorisation.
- **Getting impartial advice** Before investing get impartial advice and don't use an adviser from the firm that contacted you.

If you are suspicious, report it:

- You can report the firm or scam to the FCA by contacting their Consumer Helpline on **0800 111 6768** or using their online reporting form.
- If you have lost money in a scam, contact Action Fraud on 0300 123 2040 or www.actionfraud.police.uk

For further helpful information about investment scams and how to avoid them please visit www.fca.org.uk/scamsmart

#### **Responsible Stewardship**

Jupiter believes that responsible stewardship is an important issue and aims to act in the best interests of all its stakeholders by engaging with the companies that it invests in, and by exercising its voting rights with care. We believe companies with high standards of corporate responsibility, governance and sustainable business practices create an appropriate culture to enhance good investment performance. **Jupiter's Corporate Governance and Voting Policy** and its compliance with the **UK Stewardship Code**, together with supporting disclosure reports are available at **www.jupiteram.com**.





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