

# Interim Report and Financial Statements (unaudited)

# **Premier Miton Liberation Fund**

For the period from 1 November 2022 to 30 April 2023

Consisting of the following sub-funds: Premier Miton Multi-Asset Absolute Return Fund Premier Miton Liberation No. IV Fund Premier Miton Liberation No. V Fund Premier Miton Liberation No. VI Fund Premier Miton Liberation No. VII Fund

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## MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION

The Authorised Corporate Director ("ACD") and registered office of Premier Miton Liberation Funds ("the Company"):

#### PREMIER PORTFOLIO MANAGERS LIMITED

Eastgate Court, High Street, Guildford, Surrey, GU1 3DE

Premier Portfolio Managers Limited is authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority ("FCA") and is a member of The Investment Association ("IA"). Premier Fund Managers Limited and Premier Portfolio Managers Limited are members of the 'Premier Miton Investors' Marketing group and subsidiaries of Premier Miton Group Plc.

#### DIRECTORS OF THE ACD:

Mike O'Shea Ian West Piers Harrison Rosamond Borer Gregor Craig Jonathan Willcocks Sarah Walton (Non-Executive Director) Nick Emmins (Non-Executive Director)

#### **INVESTMENT ADVISER:**

Premier Fund Managers Limited is the Investment Adviser to Premier Miton Liberation Funds.

#### DEPOSITARY:

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Authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority.

#### AUDITOR:

KPMG LLP 15 Canada Square, London, E14 5GL

#### ADMINISTRATOR & REGISTRAR:

Northern Trust Global Services SE, UK Branch 50 Bank Street, Canary Wharf, London, E14 5NT

#### COMPANY INFORMATION

The Premier Miton Liberation Funds is an Investment Company with Variable Capital under regulation 12 of the Open-Ended Investment Company Regulations and incorporated in England and Wales under registered number IC000416 and authorised by the Financial Conduct Authority with effect from 5 October 2005. Shareholders are not liable for the debts of the Company. At the period end, the Company contained five sub-funds, Premier Miton Multi-Asset Absolute Return Fund, Premier Miton Liberation No.VI Fund, Premier Miton Liberation No.VI Fund and Premier Miton Liberation No.VI Fund.

The Company is a UCITS scheme which complies with the Financial Conduct Authority's Collective Investment Schemes sourcebook and is structured as an umbrella company so that different sub-funds may be established from time to time by the ACD with the approval of the FCA and the agreement of the Depositary.

#### REPORT OF THE ACD TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF THE COMPANY

The ACD, as sole director, presents its report and the unaudited financial statements of the Company for the period from 1 November 2022 to 30 April 2023.

The Company is a UCITS scheme which complies with the Financial Conduct Authority's Collective Investment Schemes sourcebook. The shareholders are not liable for the debts of the Company.

The Investment Objectives and Policies of each sub-fund of the Company are covered in the section for each sub-fund. The sub-funds of an umbrella company should be invested as if they were a single company. The names and addresses of the ACD, the Depositary, the Registrar and the Auditor are detailed on this page.

In the future there may be other sub-funds of the Company. As a sub-fund is not a legal entity, if the assets attributable to any sub-fund were insufficient to meet the liabilities attributable to it, the shortfall might have to be met out of the assets attributable to one or more other sub-funds of the Company.

#### SUB-FUND CROSS HOLDINGS

At the period end, none of the shares in the sub-funds were held by any other sub-funds of the Company.

#### **DIRECTORS' STATEMENT**

In accordance with the Regulations, we hereby certify the report on behalf of the Directors of Premier Portfolio Managers Limited.

Gregor Craig Director (of the ACD) 29 June 2023

lan West Director (of the ACD)

#### **IMPORTANT NOTES**

#### **Change of OCF Capping Rates**

From 1 April 2023, the ACD is capping the OCF of the Premier Miton Multi-Asset Absolute Return Fund at the following rates:

Class A shares at 1.89%, Class B shares at 1.39% & Class C shares at 0.99%

From 1 April 2023, the ACD is capping the OCF of the Premier Miton Liberation No.IV – VII Funds at the following rates:

Class A shares at 1.79%, Class B shares at 1.04% & Class C shares at 0.89%

#### Value Assessment Report

It is our duty as Authorised Fund Manager ("AFM") to act in the best interests of our investors. As part of fulfilling this duty, we need to consider whether the charges taken from our funds are justified in the context of the overall service and value that we provide to our investors. The FCA have introduced new rules requiring the Boards of AFMs to consider robustly and in detail whether they are delivering value for money to their investors and to explain the assessment annually in a Value Statement made available to the public. The Value Assessment Report is available on the Premier Miton website www.premiermiton.com and can be found within the Literature section of the website under Funds, select any of the sub-funds of the Premier Miton Liberation Funds, Regulatory documents. The Value Assessment Report will be published before 30 April each year and will cover the period 1 January to 31 December for the previous year.

## MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION

#### **Russian Investment Update**

Premier Miton's directly invested funds have a policy to exclude Russian Sovereign debt, corporate debt instruments and equities listed on a Russian exchange or issued by a company incorporated in Russia or Belarus. Outside of our directly invested funds, including in our range of multi-manager funds which invest in Collective Investment Schemes, we have a policy to exclude Russian domiciled funds and to ensure that managers of external schemes intend to fully comply with sanctions issued against Russia and other relevant countries.

## COMPARATIVE TABLES

#### Performance Record

Calendar Year	High (p)	Low (p)
<b>Class A Accumulation Shares</b>		
2018	117.38	111.47
2019	117.22	111.48
2020	118.65	104.42
2021	124.00	118.56
2022	123.90	112.80
20231	120.80	116.80
Class B Income Shares		
2018	117.78	112.36
2019	118.75	112.38
2020	120.80	105.93
2021	126.80	120.75
2022	126.80	115.80
20231	123.90	119.80
<b>Class B Accumulation Shares</b>		
2022 <sup>2</sup>	126.60	115.80
20231	124.20	120.10
Class C Income Shares		
2018	121.64	116.47
2019	123.45	116.50
2020	125.80	110.20
2021	132.40	125.77
2022	132.40	121.10
20231	129.30	125.20
<b>Class C Accumulation Shares</b>		
2018	124.93	119.62
2019	126.92	119.65
2020	129.69	113.34
2021	136.60	129.65
2022	136.70	125.30
20231	134.60	130.30

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Calendar Year	Share (p)
Class B Income Shares	
2018	-
2019	-
2020	-
2021	-
2022	0.3776
20231	0.6765
Class B Accumulation Shares	
2022 <sup>2</sup>	0.5243
20231	0.6784
Class C Income Shares	
2018	-
2019	0.1533
2020	0.2423
2021	0.2413
2022	0.9297
2023 <sup>1</sup>	0.9492
Class C Accumulation Shares	
2018	-
2019	0.1869
2020	0.2320
2021	0.2494
2022	0.9614
20231	0.9874

Net Income per

#### Net Asset Value (NAV)

As at	Shares in Issue	NAV per Share (p) <sup>3</sup>
Class A Accumulation Shares		
31/10/21	2,405,493	122.67
31/10/22	2,176,789	115.01
30/04/23	2,072,202	118.19
Class B Income Shares		
31/10/21	430,575	125.40
31/10/22	432,309	117.79
30/04/23	368,592	120.69
<b>Class B Accumulation Shares</b>		
31/10/22	59,455	118.07
30/04/23	59,455	121.64
Class C Income Shares		
31/10/21	20,853,770	130.79
31/10/22	21,289,320	122.87
30/04/23	20,620,969	125.89
<b>Class C Accumulation Shares</b>		
31/10/21	80,873,188	135.09
31/10/22	74,690,997	127.84
30/04/23	66,097,012	131.97

Calendar Year	Net Income per Share (p)
Class A Accumulation Shares	
2018	-
2019	-
2020	-
2021	-
2022	-
20231	0.3663

Total NAV	NAV of Sub-Fund (£)
31/10/21	140,015,299
31/10/22	124,724,453
30/04/23	116,151,523

<sup>1</sup>To 30 April 2023.

<sup>2</sup> From 11 February 2022 to 31 December 2022.

<sup>3</sup>The net asset value per share is calculated on a bid basis and excludes any distribution payable.

ONGOING CHARGES FIGURE (OCF)					
30/04/23 31/10/22					
Class A Accumulation Shares	1.88%	1.89%			
Class B Income & Accumulation Shares	1.38%	1.39%			
Class C Income & Accumulation Shares 0.98% 0.99					

The ongoing charges figure is based on the last six month's expenses for the period ending 30 April 2023 and may vary from year to year.

The ACD is capping the OCF of the Class A shares at 1.89%, Class B shares at 1.39% and Class C shares at 0.99% meaning that any costs above these rates will be reimbursed.

It excludes the costs of buying or selling assets for the sub-fund (unless these assets are shares of another fund).

In line with the Investment Association "Disclosure of Fund Charges and Costs" circular published July 2020, the OCF quoted includes costs associated with investment in Packaged Retail and Insurance-based Investment Products (PRIIPs).

SYNTHETIC RISK AND REWARD INDICATOR (SRRI)						
Typically lower rewards Typically higher rewards Lower risk						
1	2	3	4	5	6	7

The sub-fund is ranked as 3 because it has experienced low to medium rises and falls in value over the past five years. Please note that even the lowest ranking does not mean a risk-free investment.

The Synthetic Risk and Reward Indicator demonstrates where the sub-fund ranks in terms of its potential risk and reward. The higher the rank the greater the potential reward but the greater the risk of losing money. It is based on past data, may change over time and may not be a reliable indication of the future risk profile of the sub-fund.

#### INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE AND POLICY

The Premier Miton Multi-Asset Absolute Return Fund aims to provide positive returns, in all market conditions and in excess of returns from the Bank of England Base rate, net of fees, over rolling three year periods. Three years is also the minimum recommended period for holding shares in this sub-fund. This does not mean that the sub-fund will achieve the objective over this, or any other, specific time period and there is a risk of loss to the original capital invested. The sub-fund aims to achieve this by investing in a globally diversified lower risk portfolio of investments covering different asset classes. This will include investments in equities (company shares and which may also include Convertible Bonds, Zero Dividend Preference Shares and structured investments), as well as in fixed income (including bonds issued by governments and companies, which could either be investment grade (higher quality) or non-investment grade (lower quality) bonds, specialist bonds and other forms of debt investments), alternative investments (which may include Real Estate Investment Trusts and ones aimed at making positive returns in all market conditions, and total return and absolute return funds), deposits, cash and near cash.

The sub-fund will typically gain exposure to the different asset classes and underlying investments directly and indirectly through closed-end investment companies, collective investment schemes, including openended investment companies (including those managed by the ACD and its affiliates) and exchange traded funds and other investments, which may be actively managed or track indices. Indirect investments will range between 60% and 100% of the Fund, excluding cash. The Investment Adviser may also gain exposure to different asset classes by investing in structured investments, which may use derivatives as part of their structure, as well as in the other asset classes referred to above.

The sub-fund may invest in derivatives, warrants and forward transactions (whose value is based on the change in price of an underlying investment) for investment purposes as well as for efficient portfolio management, including hedging (hedging is designed to offset the risk of another investment falling in price). The use of derivatives in the sub-fund will be limited.

#### INVESTMENT REVIEW

#### PERFORMANCE

The Premier Miton Multi-Asset Absolute Return Fund produced a return of 3.36% (Class C Accumulation shares) over the period, which compares to a return of 1.77% from the Bank of England base rate, and 1.72% from SONIA (Sterling Overnight Index Average). Over the period the sub-fund benefited from a number of the holdings in the Conservatives Equities sleeve (which have sensitivity to equity markets) which performed well as equity markets strengthened, especially in the UK and Europe.

To help investors assess the performance of the sub-fund, SONIA is used for comparison purposes. SONIA is a benchmark interest rate at which major global banks lend to one another in the international interbank market for short-term loans. As the sub-fund aims to deliver a positive return over rolling three year periods through a portfolio that includes investments with predictable return profiles, we believe it is a meaningful comparator to help investors assess the performance of the sub-fund.

One of the sub-fund's aims is to deliver returns in excess of the Bank of England base rate over rolling three year periods. This target is considered suitable because the sub-fund invests in a globally diversified lower risk portfolio of investments covering different asset classes including deposits, cash and near cash. The Bank of England base rate is the sub-fund's target benchmark and the sub-fund's performance can be measured against this to demonstrate whether the sub-fund has achieved this objective.

#### MARKET REVIEW

Early in the period financial markets performed well, as they were encouraged by hopes that central banks, in particular the US Federal Reserve, might soon start to pivot away from a path of rapid interest rate hikes as there were some signs that inflation was starting to ease. However, central banks in the US, Europe and the UK did continue to raise interest rates sharply over the period.

Financial markets started the year on a positive note in January, supported by China reopening their economy after the sudden abandonment of the zero COVID-19 policy, while falling natural gas prices in Europe also boosted sentiment.

However, in February there were growing concerns that interest rates would need to rise further to combat inflation, with bond markets weakening. In March, investors initially increased their expectations for further interest rate hikes, but this changed dramatically after the collapse of mediumsized US bank, Silicon Valley Bank. This resulted in strong performance from government bonds, with company shares weakening sharply. Furthermore, concerns then grew over Credit Suisse, the large Swiss bank, which culminated in a takeover by UBS (Union Bank of Switzerland).

As a result of concerns over financial markets, expectations for interest rates quickly changed from further increases to interest rate cuts later in the year, particularly in the US, which led to a weaker dollar. Over the period as a whole, UK company shares performed well, while the US stock market was weaker, partly due to the weaker dollar. With interest rates rising over the period as a whole, bonds saw subdued returns. The UK commercial property market remained under pressure as the outlook for the economy deteriorated, and higher bond yields also undermined the sector.

#### PORTFOLIO ACTIVITY

Over the period, the sub-fund's exposure to Conservative Equities slightly declined due to the maturity of two Zero Dividend Preference Shares (ZDPs). Issued by investment trusts, ZDPs have a maturity date, pay no income but pay a set amount at maturity. Given the improvement in equity markets, these maturities were slightly offset by the rising value of the structured investments, which have sensitivity to the underlying equity markets which they reference. Structured investments are built around a derivative and have specific criteria that need to be met to deliver a positive return. Within the Alternatives allocation, we continued to reduce some of the strategies that provided positive contributions over the period, such as gold. We also sold Jupiter UK Specialist Equity and Columbia Threadneedle Real Estate Equity Long Short fund, as we saw better opportunities elsewhere, particularly in our bond allocation. In contrast, market turbulence also provided the opportunity to revisit an infrastructure holding that produces high cash-flow and is relatively insensitive to the economic environment. This Alternative holding (BBGI Global Infrastructure) has for many years traded at expensive levels, but recent weakness has made the valuation more attractive.

Given the higher bond yields now available, much of the activity was focused on increasing the Specialist Bond allocation. For example, following market weakness we added two new holdings in short-dated US Treasury funds, with the currency risk from the US dollar hedged back into sterling. Whilst inflation risks remain in the US, we do think the higher yields now offer some protection against weaker economic growth. We also added a new position in Liontrust Absolute Return Credit, resulting from a much-improved return outlook verified after a meeting with the experienced manager that we know well. These moves also saw Cash being reduced to take advantage of the greater opportunities available in bonds.

#### OUTLOOK

While official interest rates were increased sharply last quarter, market expectations have gyrated considerably following concerns of banking stresses in the US and Europe in early March. In our view, whilst inflation appears to be more stubborn than most investors believed, we think there is reasonable value to be had in bonds, particularly high-quality corporate bonds and even some selective short-dated government bonds, as reflected in our increased exposure here. The sub-fund continues to hold a diversified spread of positions that aim to achieve a positive return outlook across various scenarios, and we are mindful to maintain this broad diversification to help lessen the impact of market setbacks. Negative returns from both bond and equity markets over 2022 have clearly demonstrated the appeal of many Alternatives where their return drivers offer diversification to traditional markets, hence we remain confident on our allocation here.

Source: Premier Portfolio Managers Limited, May 2023. The information provided and opinions expressed are those of the investment manager and can change. This information should not be interpreted as investment advice.

Performance source: FE Analytics. Based on UK sterling, Class C accumulation shares, on a total return basis, as at 30 April 2023. Performance is shown net of fees with income reinvested. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future returns. Reference to any particular stock/investment does not constitute a recommendation to buy or sell the stock/investment.

Please note that other share classes are available which may have higher or lower charges which will impact the returns of the sub-fund. Fund factsheets are published on our website for each available share class.

The top ten purchases and sales during the period were as follows:

Purchases	Costs £'000	Sales	Proceeds £'000
Liontrust GF Absolute		CIFC Long/Short Credit	
Return Bond 'C5' GBP	3,650	Fund 'C'	1,900
Lyxor US Treasury 3-7 Year		Jupiter UK Specialist	
UCITS ETF	3,033	Equity 'R'	1,852
TwentyFour Monument		BMO Real Estate Equity	
Bond 'L'	1,700	Market Neutral	1,810
Invesco US Treasury 0-1		TwentyFour Monument	
Year UCITS ETF	1,281	Bond 'L'	1,735
Invesco II US Treasury 0-1		Invesco Physical Gold ETC	1,368
Year UCITS ETF	1,250	Shenkman Finsbury	
Royal London Short		Global Convertible Bond	1,050
Duration Credit 'Z'	1,250	Fortem Capital Alternative	
Plenum Insurance Capital		Growth Fund	845
Fund	800	Fulcrum Equity Dispersion	
Semper Total Return 'I'		Fund	825
GBP	625	Dunn WMA 'B'	800
Polar Capital Global		Polar Capital Absolute	
Absolute Return	500	Return	750
Aviva Investors Global			
Convertibles	500		
Total purchases during the period were	16,484	Total sales during the period were	13,326

## PORTFOLIO OF INVESTMENTS

#### As at 30 April 2023

Holding	Investment	Market Value £'000	Total Value of Sub-Fund %
	COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES 47.21% (50.13%)		
	Alternatives 22.05% (24.64%)		
3,098,968	Atlantic House Uncorrelated Strategies Fund	3,048	2.62
1,943	CIFC Long/Short Credit Fund 'C'	1,837	1.58
17,088	Dunn WMA 'B'	3,038	2.62
2,840,027	Fortem Capital Alternative Growth Fund	2,904	2.50
25,316	Fulcrum Equity Dispersion Fund	2,981	2.57
18,507	Lazard Rathmore Alternative	2,399	2.06
364,823	Liontrust GF Absolute Return Bond 'C5' GBP	3,535	3.04
2,136,628	Man GLG UK Absolute Value	2,938	2.53
23,074	Polar Capital Global Absolute Return	2,934	2.53
		25,614	22.05
	Fixed Interest 20.87% (20.99%)		
39,538	Barings Active Short Duration Fund	3,632	3.13
32,305	Plenum Insurance Capital Fund	3,445	2.97
3,831,595	Premier Miton Strategic Monthly Income	-, -	
	Bond 'C'	3,591	3.09
5,092,086	Royal London Short Duration Credit 'Z'	4,685	4.03
30,810	Semper Total Return 'l' GBP	2,418	2.08
2,240	TCW MetWest Unconstrained	1,828	1.58
4,544,661	TwentyFour Monument Bond 'L'	4,636	3.99
		24,235	20.87
	Global 4.29% (4.50%)		
31,299	Aviva Investors Global Convertibles	3,434	2.95
1,655	Shenkman Finsbury Global Convertible		
	Bond	1,553	1.34
	_	4,987	4.29
	DEBT SECURITIES 1.12% (1.13%)		
	United Kingdom 1.12% (1.13%)		
GBP 350	APQ Global 3.50% 30/09/2024 <sup>2</sup>	1,295	1.12
		1,295	1.12
	EQUITIES 3.80% (3.15%)		
	Global 2.48% (0.06%)		
240,005	Bilfinger Berger Global Infrastructure SICAV	363	0.31
659	CATCo Reinsurance Opportunities Fund	49	0.04
1,380	CATCo Reinsurance Opportunities Fund 'C'	15	0.02
1,750,000	Digital 9 Infrastructure	1,209	1.04
2,240,500	Round Hill Music Royalty Fund 'C'	1,240	1.07
	-	2,876	2.48
	United Kingdom Specialist 1 229/ /2 009/1		
1,350,000	United Kingdom Specialist 1.32% (3.09%) Harmony Energy Income Trust	1,539	1.32
1,550,000	-		
		1,539	1.32

Holding	Investment	Market Value £'000	Total Value of Sub-Fund %
	EXCHANGE TRADED FUNDS 10.22% (3.06%)		
	Commodities 2.49% (0.00%)		
18,807	Invesco Physical Gold ETC	2,890	2.49
	-	2,890	2.49
	Fixed Interest 7.73% (3.06%)		
57,689	Invesco US Treasury 0-1 Year UCITS ETF	2,306	1.98
99,073	/ Invesco US Treasury 7-10 Year UCITS ETF	3,563	3.07
298,444	Lyxor US Treasury 3-7 Year UCITS ETF	3,116	2.68
,		8,985	7.73
	INVESTMENT TRUSTS 13.70% (14.25%)		
	Property 8.87% (8.98%)		
7,600,000	Assura	3,794	3.27
1,558,087	Empiric Student Property	1,415	1.22
3,625,000	Primary Health Properties	3,802	3.27
1,500,000	Supermarket Income REIT	1,293	1.11
_,,	-	10,304	8.87
	Zero Dividend Preference Shares 4.83% (5.27%)		
669,922	Aberforth Split Level Income Trust	790	0.68
1,250,000	Acorn Income ZDP <sup>1</sup>	-	_
1,787,571	EJF Investments 2025 ZDP	2,074	1.79
2,000,000	EPE Special Opportunities	1,940	1.67
980,000	Inland ZDP	804	0.69
	-	5,608	4.83
	STRUCTURED PLANS 20.93% (19.24%)		
	Europe 6.62% (6.07%)		
GBP 3,700,000	Credit Agricoleorate & Investment Bank		
	0.00% 26/10/2028 <sup>2</sup>	3,164	2.73
GBP 4,275,000	Goldman Sachs International 0.00% 13/10/2028 <sup>2</sup>	4,522	3.89
		7,686	6.62
	Global 3.46% (3.96%)		
GBP 2,700,000	JPMorgan Structured Products 0.00%		
	18/09/2024 <sup>2</sup>	2,881	2.48
GBP 1,250,000	UBS 0.00% 02/04/2024 <sup>2</sup>	1,134	0.98
		4,015	3.46
	United Kingdom 10.85% (9.21%)		
GBP 4,600,000	Barclays Bank 0.00% 02/04/2027 <sup>2</sup>	5,389	4.64
GBP 4,500,000	Citigroup Global Markets Funding Luxembourg 0.00% 18/02/2028 <sup>2</sup>	4,228	3.64
GBP 2,750,000	Morgan Stanley International 0.00%	2 001	2 57
	28/06/2029 <sup>2</sup>	2,991	2.57
		12,608	10.85

### PORTFOLIO OF INVESTMENTS

#### As at 30 April 2023

Holding	Investment	Market Value £'000	Total Value of Sub-Fund %
	Total Value of Investments	112,642	96.98
	Net Other Assets	3,510	3.02
	Total Net Assets	116,152	100.00
	iotal Net Assets		

Figures in brackets represent sector distribution at 31 October 2022.

Securities are admitted to an official stock exchange listing or traded on another regulated market unless otherwise stated.

<sup>1</sup> Securities in liquidation/delisted.

<sup>2</sup> Securities not traded in an official stock exchange have been valued at the ACD's best assessment of their fair and reasonable value.

### STATEMENT OF TOTAL RETURN

### For the period ended 30 April 2023

	30 £'000	0/04/23 £'000	30 £'000	0/04/22 £'000
Income				
Net capital gains Revenue	1,322	3,097	768	10
Expenses Interest payable and similar charges	(433)	_	(485)	
Net revenue before taxation Taxation	889 	_	283	
Net revenue after taxation	_	889	_	283
Total return before distributions		3,986		293
Distributions Change in net assets attributable to shareholders	_	(892)	_	(296)
from investment activities	=	3,094	=	(3)

### STATEMENT OF CHANGE IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO SHAREHOLDERS

For the period ended 30 April 2023

	3	<b>30/04/23</b> 1		30/04/22
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Opening net assets attributable to shareholders		124,724		140,015
Amounts receivable on issue of shares	9,998		14,164	
Amounts payable on cancellation of shares	(22,325)		(16,569)	
		(12,327)		(2,405)
Change in net assets attributable to shareholders from investment activities		3,094		(3)
Retained distributions on accumulation shares		661		238
Closing net assets attributable to shareholders	=	116,152		137,845

<sup>1</sup> Opening net assets attributable to shareholders for current period differs from the comparative period closing balance as they are not consecutive periods.

### BALANCE SHEET

As at 30 April 2023

	30/04/23 £'000	31/10/22 £'000
ASSETS		
Fixed assets:		
Investments	112,642	113,445
Current assets:		
Debtors	1,210	4,249
Cash and bank balances	3,143	7,711
Total assets	116,995	125,405
LIABILITIES		
Creditors:		
Distribution payable on income shares	(198)	(138)
Other creditors	(645)	(543)
Total liabilities	(843)	(681)
Net assets attributable to		
shareholders	116,152	124,724

On behalf of Premier Portfolio Managers Limited.

Gregor Craig Director (of the ACD) 29 June 2023

lan West Director (of the ACD)

### NOTE TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### **1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The interim financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified by the revaluation of investments and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice for UK Authorised Funds, issued by The Investment Association in May 2014 (2014 SORP) and amended on June 2017, the Financial Conduct Authority's Collective Investment Schemes sourcebook and the Instrument of Incorporation.

### DISTRIBUTION TABLES

For the period from 1 November 2022 to 30 April 2023

Interim dividend distribution in pence per share

#### **Class A Accumulation Shares**

		Amount Ac	cumulated	
	Net Income	Equalisation	28/06/23	28/06/22*
Group 1	0.3663	-	0.3663	_
Group 2	0.3619	0.0044	0.3663	

#### **Class B Income Shares**

			Distrib	oution Paid
	Net Income	Equalisation	28/06/23	28/06/22
Group 1	0.6765	-	0.6765	0.0147
Group 2	0.6459	0.0306	0.6765	0.0147

#### **Class B Accumulation Shares**

		Amount Ac	cumulated	
	Net Income	Equalisation	28/06/23	28/06/22
Group 1	0.6784	-	0.6784	0.1529
Group 2	0.6784	-	0.6784	0.1529

#### **Class C Income Shares**

			<b>Distribution Paid</b>	
	Net Income	Equalisation	28/06/23	28/06/22
Group 1	0.9492	_	0.9492	0.2890
Group 2	0.4763	0.4729	0.9492	0.2890

#### **Class C Accumulation Shares**

			Amount Accumulated	
	Net Income	Equalisation	28/06/23	28/06/22
Group 1	0.9874	-	0.9874	0.2984
Group 2	0.5203	0.4671	0.9874	0.2984

\* Expenses exceeded revenue during the period, as a result no distributions were paid.

## COMPARATIVE TABLES

#### **Performance Record**

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Calendar Year	High (p)	Low (p)
<b>Class A Accumulation Shares</b>		
2018	150.60	141.14
2019	152.81	141.85
2020	154.03	124.98
2021	164.30	153.89
2022	164.10	147.30
20231	159.50	152.90
Class B Income Shares		
2018	115.96	108.13
2019	115.38	108.68
2020	115.71	94.00
2021	120.90	114.10
2022	120.30	106.70
20231	114.10	109.40
<b>Class B Accumulation Shares</b>		
2022 <sup>2</sup>	117.30	107.80
20231	117.00	112.20
Class C Income Shares		
2018	118.61	110.75
2019	118.36	111.32
2020	118.69	96.45
2021	124.40	117.27
2022	123.80	109.90
20231	117.60	112.80
<b>Class C Accumulation Shares</b>		
2018	160.85	151.16
2019	164.90	151.94
2020	167.40	135.06
2021	179.70	167.26
2022	179.60	162.20
20231	176.00	168.90

#### Income/Accumulation Record continued

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Calendar Year	Net Income per Share (p)
Class B Income Shares	
2018	2.0163
2019	2.4424
2020	2.4662
2021	2.1172
2022	2.8639
2023 <sup>1</sup>	1.6254
Class B Accumulation Shares	
2022 <sup>2</sup>	2.3469
20231	1.6611
Class C Income Shares	
2018	2.0330
2019	2.3751
2020	2.5006
2021	2.1414
2022	2.9128
2023 <sup>1</sup>	1.6581
Class C Accumulation Shares	
2018	2.7442
2019	3.2687
2020	3.5117
2021	3.0715
2022	4.2634
2023 <sup>1</sup>	2.4744

#### Net Asset Value (NAV)

As at	Shares in Issue	NAV per Share (p) <sup>3</sup>
Class A Accumulation Shares		
31/10/21	3,197,551	161.85
31/10/22	2,937,311	149.19
30/04/23	2,899,743	155.49
Class B Income Shares		
31/10/21	1,025,800	118.58
31/10/22	549,949	107.28
30/04/23	492,357	110.53
<b>Class B Accumulation Shares</b>		
31/10/22	8,032	109.22
30/04/23	8,032	114.18
Class C Income Shares		
31/10/21	5,352,140	122.01
31/10/22	4,240,444	110.52
30/04/23	4,094,911	113.96
<b>Class C Accumulation Shares</b>		
31/10/21	51,243,961	176.98
31/10/22	43,442,589	164.34
30/04/23	40,754,348	171.91

### Income/Accumulation Record

Calendar Year	Share (p)
Class A Accumulation Shares	
2018	2.8400
2019	3.3113
2020	3.5052
2021	3.1011
2022	4.1661
2023 <sup>1</sup>	2.3806

Net Income per

Total NAV	NAV of Sub-Fund (£)
31/10/21	103,614,227
31/10/22	81,062,123
30/04/23	79,788,762

<sup>1</sup>To 30 April 2023.

<sup>2</sup> From 11 February 2022 to 31 December 2022.

<sup>3</sup>The net asset value per share is calculated on a bid basis and excludes any distribution payable.

ONGOING CHARGES FIGURE (OCF)			
30/04/23 31/10/			
Class A Accumulation Shares	1.79%	1.86%	
Class B Income & Accumulation Shares	1.04%	1.11%	
Class C Income & Accumulation Shares	0.89%	0.96%	

The ongoing charges figure is based on the last six month's expenses for the period ending 30 April 2023 and may vary from year to year.

The ACD is capping the OCF of the Class A shares at 1.79%, Class B shares at 1.04% and Class C shares at 0.89% meaning that any costs above these rates will be reimbursed.

It excludes the costs of buying or selling assets for the sub-fund (unless these assets are shares of another fund).

In line with the Investment Association "Disclosure of Fund Charges and Costs" circular published July 2020, the OCF quoted includes costs associated with investment in Packaged Retail and Insurance-based Investment Products (PRIIPs).

SYNTHETIC RISK AND REWARD INDICATOR (SRRI)						
Typically lower rewards Typically higher rewards   Lower risk Higher risk						
1	2	3	4	5	6	7

The sub-fund is ranked as 4 because it has experienced medium rises and falls in value over the past five years. Please note that even the lowest ranking does not mean a risk-free investment.

The Synthetic Risk and Reward Indicator demonstrates where the sub-fund ranks in terms of its potential risk and reward. The higher the rank the greater the potential reward but the greater the risk of losing money. It is based on past data, may change over time and may not be a reliable indication of the future risk profile of the sub-fund.

#### INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE AND POLICY

The investment objective of the Premier Miton Liberation No.IV Fund is to provide an income together with capital growth over the long-term, being five years or more, whilst seeking to remain within a defined risk profile with defined volatility parameters which may result in the income and the capital growth from the sub-fund being constrained. The sub-fund will aim to maintain a risk profile classification of 4 as set and monitored by an external third party risk rating company. Five years is also the minimum recommended period for holding shares in this sub-fund. This does not mean that the subfund will achieve the objective throughout this, or any other, specific time period and there is a risk of loss to the original capital invested.

Income will be paid four times a year as dividend distributions.

The sub-fund aims to achieve its objective by investing in different asset classes and underlying investments directly and indirectly through collective investment schemes, including open-ended investment companies (including those managed by the ACD and its affiliates), Exchange Traded Funds, closed end investment companies (including investment trusts) and Real Estate Investment Trusts. The Fund may hold up to 100% in indirect investments, which may be actively managed or track indices.

The sub-fund will be invested in a globally diversified portfolio of investments covering different asset classes; these will include investments in equities (company shares and indices of company shares), fixed income (including bonds issued by governments and companies, which could either be investment grade (higher quality) or non-investment grade (lower quality) bonds), property (including Real Estate Investment Trusts), alternative investments (which may include ones aimed at making positive returns in all market conditions, such as total return and absolute return funds), structured investments (investments built around a derivative and which have specific criteria that need to be met to deliver a positive return) based on company shares or indices, deposits, cash and near cash.

The sub-fund will be managed to maintain a specific risk profile, within defined volatility parameters, which may result in the income and the capital growth from the sub-fund being constrained. An independent risk profiling service will be employed by the sub-fund to profile its investment portfolio. The sub-fund will allocate investments to the different asset classes in order to maintain the sub-fund's specific risk profile. The exposure to fixed income will typically be greater in lower volatility funds than funds with more volatility.

The sub-fund may invest in derivatives, warrants and forward transactions (these are contracts whose value is based on the change in price of an underlying investment) for investment purposes as well as for the purpose of efficient portfolio management, including hedging (hedging is designed to offset the risk of another investment falling in price). The use of derivatives in the sub-fund will be limited.

#### INVESTMENT REVIEW

#### PERFORMANCE

Over the period the Premier Miton Liberation No.IV Fund produced a return of 4.63% (Class C accumulation shares), which compares to a return of 4.66% from the Investment Association Mixed Investment 20-60% Shares sector. The sub-fund benefited from exposure to UK company shares (equities), while a lack of exposure to US equities also contributed. In contrast, in the volatile environment some of the UK Commercial Property holdings held the sub-fund back.

Many funds sold in the UK are grouped into sectors by the Investment Association (the trade body that represents UK investment managers), to facilitate comparison between funds with broadly similar characteristics. As a result of the sub-fund's investment strategy, we believe the IA Mixed Investment 20% to 60% shares sector, is a meaningful comparator to help investors assess the performance of the sub-fund.

#### MARKET REVIEW

Early in the period financial markets performed well, as they were encouraged by hopes that central banks, in particular the US Federal Reserve, might soon start to pivot away from a path of rapid interest rate hikes as there were some signs that inflation was starting to ease. However, central banks in the US, Europe and the UK did continue to raise interest rates sharply over the period. Financial markets started the year on a positive note in January, supported by China reopening their economy after the sudden abandonment of the zero COVID-19 policy, while falling natural gas prices in Europe also boosted sentiment.

However, in February there were growing concerns that interest rates would need to rise further to combat inflation, with bond markets weakening. In March, investors initially increased their expectations for further interest rate hikes, but this changed dramatically after the collapse of mediumsized US bank, Silicon Valley Bank. This resulted in strong performance from government bonds, with company shares weakening sharply. Furthermore, concerns then grew over Credit Suisse, the large Swiss bank, which culminated in a takeover by UBS (Union Bank of Switzerland). As a result of concerns over financial markets, expectations for interest rates quickly changed from further increases to interest rate cuts later in the year, particularly in the US, which led to a weaker dollar.

Over the period as a whole, UK company shares performed well, led by large companies. Stock markets were also strong in Europe, Asia, Japan and Emerging Markets; however, the US was weaker, partly due to the weaker dollar. With interest rates rising over the period as a whole, bonds saw subdued returns. The UK commercial property market remained under pressure as the outlook for the economy deteriorated, and higher bond yields also undermined the sector.

#### PORTFOLIO ACTIVITY

Over the period, portfolio activity was heavily focussed on bond allocations, with adjustments being made to improve the overall quality of the portfolio given the higher yields on offer from bonds issued by high quality companies. Therefore, we sold our holding in the Royal London Short Duration Credit 'Z' Fund, which has performed well for the sub-fund, and added a new holding in a longer maturity, high quality corporate bond fund, the Premier Miton Corporate Bond Monthly Income Fund. There was also a new purchase in short-dated US Treasuries to enhance the short term near-cash returns. At the time of investment, the yield was higher than that of similar duration UK gilts. Bond duration is a measure of the interest rate risk for a bond. It measures how much bond prices are likely to change if interest rates move. In general, bonds with a higher duration are more sensitive to changes to interest rates. Following the volatility in March, we used this as an opportunity to add to financial corporate bonds that had weakened.

In the equity portfolio, we reduced the sub-fund's exposure to UK equities. During March, as equity markets fell, we then increased the sub-fund's exposure to UK equities to ensure we maintained the level of exposure to this area that we felt was appropriate. Elsewhere, we reduced the sub-fund's exposure to Japan equities, which had performed well compared to other areas. Towards the end of the period, we added a new holding, Premier Miton UK Value Opportunities, to provide a better balance in the UK equity allocation. The sub-fund also purchased CRUX Asia ex-Japan Fund, that had seen recent weakness and reduced Federated Hermes Asia ex-Japan to accommodate this. Over the period, after strong performance, our exposure to Alternatives (assets that tend to have less correlation to traditional markets) was reduced, especially Fortem Capital Alternative Growth and Fulcrum Equity Dispersion.

Within the property exposure, following weakness in this market, we added to Assura Group.

#### OUTLOOK

We continue to favour UK equities that can produce a healthy level of income. We also see value in a number of overseas markets, though we continue to believe that US equities are expensive, hence our lower exposure to this area.

Bond yields and short term interest rates have gyrated sharply following concerns of banking stresses in the US and Europe in March, but we do believe that yields on higher quality bonds still offer attractive value, which is why we have increased the sub-fund's government bond exposure. The sub-fund's Alternative investments continue to provide good diversification from more traditional markets and still have a role to play, hence we maintain exposure here. The property sector has remained under pressure in the volatile environment amidst tighter lending standards, but the income on offer nevertheless remains attractive and can provide some protection from inflation.

Source: Premier Portfolio Managers Limited, May 2023. The information provided and opinions expressed are those of the investment manager and can change. This information should not be interpreted as investment advice.

Performance source: FE Analytics. Based on UK sterling, Class C Accumulation shares, on a total return basis, as at 30 April 2023. Performance is shown net of fees with income reinvested. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future returns. Reference to any particular investment does not constitute a recommendation to buy or sell the investment.

Please note that other share classes are available which may have higher or lower charges which will impact the returns of the sub-fund. Fund factsheets are published on our website for each available share class.

The top ten purchases and sales during the period were as follows:

Purchases	Costs £'000	Sales	Proceeds £'000
Premier Miton Corporate Bond Monthly Income 'C' Premier Miton UK Value	3,710	Royal London Short Duration Credit 'Z' TwentyFour Monument	1,244
Opportunities 'B' Invesco US Treasury Bond	1,650	Bond 'L' Lyxor Core Morningstar	1,160
UCITS ETF	1,236	UK NT (DR) UCITS ETF	1,115
CRUX Asia ex-Japan Fund Royal London Sterling	760	Man GLG UK Income Hermes Asia ex-Japan	1,025
Credit Fund	400	Equity 'F'	955
TwentyFour Monument Bond 'L'	375	Montanaro UK Income Barings Active Short	850
Lyxor Core Morningstar UK NT (DR) UCITS ETF	350	Duration Fund Fortem Capital Alternative	850
Invesco US Treasury Bond UCITS ETF	280	Growth Fund iShares Core FTSE 100	775
Muzinich Asia Credit		UCITS ETF	670
Opportunities Fund Hermes Asia ex-Japan	100	TCW Income Fund	600
Equity 'F'	100		
Total purchases during the period were	9,317	Total sales during the period were	11,954

## PORTFOLIO OF INVESTMENTS

#### As at 30 April 2023

Holding	Investment	Market Value £'000	Total Value of Sub-Fund %
Holding		1 000	
	COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES 58.21% (59.15%)		
	Alternatives 13.00% (13.94%)		
3,103,860	Atlantic House Uncorrelated Strategies Fund	2,536	3.18
3,028	CIFC Long/Short Credit Fund 'C'	2,863	3.59
2,051,639	Fortem Capital Alternative Growth Fund	2,098	2.63
24,444	Fulcrum Equity Dispersion Fund	2,878	3.60
	_	10,375	13.00
	Asia (au Jaman) 1 849( (1 709()		
10 222	Asia (ex-Japan) 1.84% (1.70%)	710	0.00
10,232	CRUX Asia ex-Japan Fund	713	0.90
245,116	Hermes Asia ex-Japan Equity 'F'	751	0.94
		1,464	1.84
	Emerging Markets 1.43% (1.44%)		
1,276,960	Schroder Small Cap Discovery 'Z'	1,142	1.43
	-	1,142	1.43
	E		
522 740	Europe 4.62% (4.58%)	4 4 4 5	1 12
522,719	Montanaro European Income	1,145	1.43
2,292,728	VT Downing European Unconstrained Income Fund 'F'	2,542	3.19
	-	3,687	4.62
		3,007	4.02
	Fixed Interest 26.63% (26.95%)		
17,407	Barings Active Short Duration Fund	1,599	2.00
21,955	Muzinich Asia Credit Opportunities Fund	1,283	1.61
19,245	Plenum Insurance Capital Fund	2,052	2.57
4,663,364	Premier Miton Corporate Bond Monthly Income 'C'	2 605	4.52
1,841,244	Premier Miton Financials Capital Securities	3,605	4.52
1,041,244	'C'	1,597	2.00
2,760,896	Royal London Sterling Credit Fund	3,216	4.03
28,854	Semper Total Return 'I' GBP	2,264	2.84
2,649	TCW Income Fund	1,974	2.47
13,780	TwentyFour Dynamic Bond 'I'	1,257	1.58
2,015,961	TwentyFour Monument Bond 'L'	2,401	3.01
	-	21,248	26.63
67,501	Japan 1.53% (1.51%)	1 221	1 5 2
67,501	Eastspring Japan Smaller Companies	1,221	1.53
		1,221	1.53
	United Kingdom 9.16% (9.03%)		
1,479,393	Man GLG UK Income	1,815	2.28
1,017,443	Montanaro UK Income	1,967	2.47
701,137	Premier Miton UK Value Opportunities 'B'	1,629	2.04
1,104,504	VT Teviot UK Smaller Companies	1,894	2.37
	_	7,305	9.16
	EXCHANGE TRADED FUNDS 29.04% (27.43%)		
	Asia (ex-Japan) 1.70% (1.62%)		
38,679	L&G Asia Pacific ex-Japan Equity UCITS ETF	385	0.48

Holding	Investment	Market Value £'000	Total Value of Sub-Fund %
	Asia (ex-Japan) continued		
122,950	Lyxor MSCI EM Asia UCITS ETF	969	1.22
,		1,354	1.70
	Emerging Markets 2.01% (1.90%)		
396,645	iShares MSCI EM ESG Enhanced UCITS ETF	1,602	2.01
	-	1,602	2.01
	Fixed Interest 9.79% (8.06%)		
30,863	Invesco US Treasury 0-1 Year UCITS ETF	1,234	1.55
128,030	Invesco US Treasury Bond UCITS ETF	3,887	4.87
18,322	Lyxor Core UK Government Inflation-Link	2,692	3.37
10,522	Lyxor Core or Government innation-Link	7,813	<u> </u>
	Japan 3.95% (3.85%)		
155,449	Amundi Prime Japan UCITS ETF	3,153	3.95
200)110	-	3,153	3.95
		3,133	3.55
	North America 0.81% (0.81%)		
1,021	Invesco S&P 500 UCITS ETF	649	0.81
		649	0.81
	United Kingdom 10.78% (11.19%)		
14,879	iShares Core FTSE 100 UCITS ETF	2,128	2.67
593,455	Lyxor Core Morningstar UK NT (DR) UCITS ETF	6,472	8.11
	-	8,600	10.78
		0,000	10.70
	INVESTMENT TRUSTS 2.48% (2.73%)		
	Property 2.48% (2.73%)		
1,915,000	Assura	956	1.20
1,355,000	Picton Property Income	1,026	1.28
		1,982	2.48
	STRUCTURED PLANS 3.83% (3.96%)		
	North America 3.83% (3.96%)		
USD 3,941,000	SG Issuer 0.00% 05/05/20231	3,056	3.83
	-	3,056	3.83
	- Total Value of Investments	74,651	93.56
	Net Other Assets	5,138	6.44
	Total Net Assets	79,789	100.00
Figures in	brackets represent sector distribution at 31 Oct	tober 2022.	

Securities are admitted to an official stock exchange listing or traded on another regulated market unless otherwise stated.

<sup>1</sup> Securities not traded in an official stock exchange have been valued at the ACD's best assessment of their fair and reasonable value.

## STATEMENT OF TOTAL RETURN

### For the period ended 30 April 2023

	30 £'000	0/04/23 £'000	3 £'000	80/04/22 £'000
Income				
Net capital gains/(losses) Revenue	1,291	2,816	1,175	(2,776)
Expenses Interest payable and	(300)		(358)	
similar charges		_	(1)	
Net revenue before taxation	991		816	
Taxation	(110)	_	(68)	
Net revenue after taxation	_	881	-	748
Total return/(loss) before distributions		3,697		(2,028)
Distributions	_	(1,180)	_	(1,106)
Change in net assets attributable to shareholders from investment activities	_	2,517	=	(3,134)

### STATEMENT OF CHANGE IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO SHAREHOLDERS

For the period ended 30 April 2023

	3	0/04/23 <sup>1</sup>		30/04/22
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Opening net assets attributable to shareholders		81,062		103,614
Amounts receivable on issue of shares	4,600		2,616	
Amounts payable on cancellation of shares	(9,478)		(11,989)	
		(4,878)		(9,373)
Change in net assets attributable to shareholders from investment activities		2,517		(3,134)
Retained distributions on accumulation shares		1,088		1,010
Closing net assets attributable to shareholders	=	79,789		92,117

<sup>1</sup> Opening net assets attributable to shareholders for current period differs from the comparative period closing balance as they are not consecutive periods.

### BALANCE SHEET

As at 30 April 2023

	30/04/23 £'000	31/10/22 £'000
ASSETS		
Fixed assets:		
Investments	74,651	75,608
Current assets:		
Debtors	1,243	1,141
Cash and bank balances	5,266	4,630
Total assets	81,160	81,379
LIABILITIES		
Creditors:		
Distribution payable on income shares	(39)	(37)
Other creditors	(1,332)	(280)
Total liabilities	(1,371)	(317)
Net assets attributable to		
shareholders	79,789	81,062

On behalf of Premier Portfolio Managers Limited.

Gregor Craig Director (of the ACD) 29 June 2023 lan West Director (of the ACD)

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### DISTRIBUTION TABLES

For the period from 1 November 2022 to 31 January 2023

First interim dividend distribution in pence per share

#### **Class A Accumulation Shares**

			Amount Ac	cumulated
	Net Income	Equalisation	28/03/23	28/03/22
Group 1	1.1597	_	1.1597	0.7812
Group 2	0.6291	0.5306	1.1597	0.7812

#### **Class B Income Shares**

			Distrib	oution Paid
	Net Income	Equalisation	28/03/23	28/03/22
Group 1	0.7925	-	0.7925	0.5280
Group 2	0.2362	0.5563	0.7925	0.5280

#### **Class B Accumulation Shares**

			Amount Acc	umulated*
	Net Income	Equalisation	28/03/23	28/03/22
Group 1	0.8076	-	0.8076	_
Group 2	0.8076	-	0.8076	

#### **Class C Income Shares**

			Distrib	oution Paid
	Net Income	Equalisation	28/03/23	28/03/22
Group 1	0.8080	_	0.8080	0.5337
Group 2	0.3189	0.4891	0.8080	0.5337

#### **Class C Accumulation Shares**

			Amount Ac	cumulated
	Net Income	Equalisation	28/03/23	28/03/22
Group 1	1.2015	-	1.2015	0.7742
Group 2	0.4957	0.7058	1.2015	0.7742

For the period from 1 February 2023 to 30 April 2023

Second interim dividend distribution in pence per share

#### **Class A Accumulation Shares**

			Amount Accumulate	
	Net Income	Equalisation	28/06/23	28/06/22
Group 1	1.2209	_	1.2209	1.1832
Group 2	0.5954	0.6255	1.2209	1.1832

#### **Class B Income Shares**

			Distrib	oution Paid
	Net Income	Equalisation	28/06/23	28/06/22
Group 1	0.8329	_	0.8329	0.8231
Group 2	0.2520	0.5809	0.8329	0.8231

#### **Class B Accumulation Shares**

			Amount Ac	cumulated
	Net Income	Equalisation	28/06/23	28/06/22
Group 1	0.8535	_	0.8535	0.8236
Group 2	0.8535	_	0.8535	0.8236

#### **Class C Income Shares**

			Dist	ribution Paid
	Net Income	Equalisation	28/06/23	28/06/22
Group 1	0.8501	-	0.8501	0.8385
Group 2	0.5633	0.2868	0.8501	0.8385

#### **Class C Accumulation Shares**

			Amount Accumulated	
	Net Income	Equalisation	28/06/23	28/06/22
Group 1	1.2729	_	1.2729	1.2216
Group 2	0.7837	0.4892	1.2729	1.2216

\* There are no comparative figures shown as the share class launched on 11 February 2022.

## COMPARATIVE TABLES

#### Performance Record

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Calendar Year	High (p)	Low (p)
<b>Class A Accumulation Shares</b>		
2018	179.41	164.93
2019	182.54	166.10
2020	183.38	143.47
2021	198.90	183.30
2022	197.60	175.10
20231	193.50	183.60
Class B Income Shares		
2018	156.53	143.45
2019	157.47	144.48
2020	158.20	123.90
2021	169.30	156.21
2022	167.60	147.90
20231	161.90	153.80
<b>Class B Accumulation Shares</b>		
2022 <sup>2</sup>	164.60	148.90
20231	164.80	156.50
Class C Income Shares		
2018	156.89	143.76
2019	157.79	144.79
2020	158.53	124.20
2021	169.60	156.55
2022	167.90	148.30
20231	162.30	154.20
<b>Class C Accumulation Shares</b>		
2018	192.28	177.25
2019	197.66	178.52
2020	199.81	155.57
2021	218.30	199.97
2022	217.00	193.50
20231	214.30	203.50

#### Income/Accumulation Record continued

Calendar Year	Net Income per Share (p)
Class B Income Shares	
2018	1.5438
2019	2.2390
2020	2.5418
2021	1.7617
2022	3.0522
20231	1.8448
Class B Accumulation Shares	
2022 <sup>2</sup>	3.0789
20231	1.8765
Class C Income Shares	
2018	1.7320
2019	2.4459
2020	2.7213
2021	1.9569
2022	3.2503
2023 <sup>1</sup>	1.9432
Class C Accumulation Shares	
2018	2.1184
2019	3.0214
2020	3.4255
2021	2.5076
2022	4.2220
2023 <sup>1</sup>	2.5647

#### Net Asset Value (NAV)

As at	Shares in Issue	NAV per Share (p) <sup>3</sup>
Class A Accumulation Shares		
31/10/21	2,745,578	195.33
31/10/22	2,553,682	177.91
30/04/23	2,251,704	187.48
Class B Income Shares		
31/10/21	471,393	165.48
31/10/22	470,008	148.66
30/04/23	455,542	155.28
<b>Class B Accumulation Shares</b>		
31/10/22	48,764	151.32
30/04/23	48,764	159.93
Class C Income Shares		
31/10/21	6,281,447	165.79
31/10/22	5,506,813	148.97
30/04/23	5,281,692	155.61
<b>Class C Accumulation Shares</b>		
31/10/21	50,588,940	214.28
31/10/22	42,164,321	196.65
30/04/23	39,790,418	207.97

#### Income/Accumulation Record

Calendar Year	Net Income per Share (p)
Class A Accumulation Shares	
2018	0.6938
2019	1.5367
2020	1.9629
2021	0.9230
2022	2.4739
20231	1.6466

	NAV of Sub-Fund
Total NAV	(£)
31/10/21	124,957,462
31/10/22	96,435,163
30/04/23	95,977,720

<sup>1</sup>To 30 April 2023.

<sup>2</sup> From 11 February 2022 to 31 December 2022.

<sup>3</sup>The net asset value per share is calculated on a bid basis and excludes any distribution payable.

ONGOING CHARGES FIGURE (OCF)				
30/04/23 31/10,				
Class A Accumulation Shares	1.79%	1.88%		
Class B Income & Accumulation Shares	1.04%	1.13%		
Class C Income & Accumulation Shares 0.89% 0.9%				

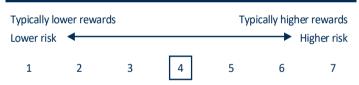
The ongoing charges figure is based on the last six month's expenses for the period ending 30 April 2023 and may vary from year to year.

The ACD is capping the OCF of the Class A shares at 1.79%, Class B shares at 1.04% and Class C shares at 0.89% meaning that any costs above these rates will be reimbursed.

It excludes the costs of buying or selling assets for the sub-fund (unless these assets are shares of another fund).

In line with the Investment Association "Disclosure of Fund Charges and Costs" circular published July 2020, the OCF quoted includes costs associated with investment in Packaged Retail and Insurance-based Investment Products (PRIIPs).

#### SYNTHETIC RISK AND REWARD INDICATOR (SRRI)



The sub-fund is ranked as 4 because it has experienced medium rises and falls in value over the past five years. Please note that even the lowest ranking does not mean a risk-free investment.

The Synthetic Risk and Reward Indicator demonstrates where the sub-fund ranks in terms of its potential risk and reward. The higher the rank the greater the potential reward but the greater the risk of losing money. It is based on past data, may change over time and may not be a reliable indication of the future risk profile of the sub-fund.

## INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE AND POLICY

The investment objective of the Premier Miton Liberation No.V Fund is to provide an income together with capital growth over the long-term, being five years or more, whilst seeking to remain within a defined risk profile with defined volatility parameters which may result in the income and the capital growth from the sub-fund being constrained. The sub-fund will aim to maintain a risk profile classification of 5 as set and monitored by an external third party risk rating company. Five years is also the minimum recommended period for holding shares in this sub-fund. This does not mean that the sub-fund will achieve the objective throughout this, or any other, specific time period and there is a risk of loss to the original capital invested. The sub-fund aims to achieve its objective by investing in different asset classes and underlying investments directly and indirectly through collective investment schemes including open-ended investment companies (including those managed by the ACD and its affiliates), Exchange Traded Funds, closed end investment companies (including investment trusts) and Real Estate Investment Trusts. The sub-fund may hold up to 100% in indirect investments, which may be actively managed or track indices.

The sub-fund will be invested in a globally diversified portfolio of investments covering different asset classes; these will include investments in equities (company shares and indices of company shares), fixed income (including bonds issued by governments and companies, which could either be investment grade (higher quality) or non-investment grade (lower quality) bonds), property (including Real Estate Investment Trusts), alternative investments (which may include ones aimed at making positive returns in all market conditions, such as total return and absolute return funds), structured investments (investments built around a derivative and which have specific criteria that need to be met to deliver a positive return) based on company shares or indices, deposits, cash and near cash.

The sub-fund will be managed to maintain a specific risk profile, within defined volatility parameters, which may result in the income and the capital growth from the sub-fund being constrained. An independent risk profiling service will be employed by the sub-fund to profile the sub-fund's investment portfolio. The sub-fund will allocate investments to the different asset classes in order to maintain the sub-fund's specific risk profile. The exposure to fixed income will typically be greater in lower volatility funds than funds with more volatility.

The sub-fund may invest in derivatives, warrants and forward transactions (these are contracts whose value is based on the change in price of an underlying investment) for investment purposes as well as for the purpose of efficient portfolio management, including hedging (hedging is designed to offset the risk of another investment falling in price). The use of derivatives in the sub-fund will be limited.

#### INVESTMENT REVIEW

#### PERFORMANCE

Over the period, the Premier Miton Liberation No.V Fund produced a return of 5.90% (Class C Accumulation shares), which compares to a return of 4.66% from the Investment Association Mixed Investment 20 to 60% Shares sector. The sub-fund benefited from exposure to UK company shares (equities), while a lack of exposure to US equities also contributed. In contrast, in the volatile environment some of the UK Commercial Property holdings held the sub-fund back.

Many funds sold in the UK are grouped into sectors by the Investment Association (the trade body that represents UK investment managers), to facilitate comparison between funds with broadly similar characteristics. As a result of the sub-fund's investment strategy, we believe the IA Mixed Investment 20% to 60% shares sector is a meaningful comparator to help investors assess the performance of the sub-fund.

#### MARKET REVIEW

Early in the period financial markets performed well, as they were encouraged by hopes that central banks, in particular the US Federal Reserve, might soon start to pivot away from a path of rapid interest rate hikes as there were some signs that inflation was starting to ease. However, central banks in the US, Europe and the UK did continue to raise interest rates sharply over the period. Financial markets started the year on a positive note in January, supported by China reopening their economy after the sudden abandonment of the zero COVID-19 policy, while falling natural gas prices in Europe also boosted sentiment.

However, in February there were growing concerns that interest rates would need to rise further to combat inflation, with bond markets weakening. In March, investors initially increased their expectations for further interest rate hikes, but this changed dramatically after the collapse of mediumsized US bank, Silicon Valley Bank. This resulted in strong performance from government bonds, with company shares weakening sharply. Furthermore, concerns then grew over Credit Suisse, the large Swiss bank, which culminated in a takeover by UBS (Union Bank of Switzerland). As a result of concerns over financial markets, expectations for interest rates quickly changed from further increases to interest rate cuts later in the year, particularly in the US, which led to a weaker dollar.

Over the period as a whole, UK company shares performed well, led by large companies. Stock markets were also strong in Europe, Asia, Japan and Emerging Markets; however, the US was weaker, partly due to the weaker dollar. With interest rates rising over the period as a whole, bonds saw subdued returns. The UK commercial property market remained under pressure as the outlook for the economy deteriorated, and higher bond yields also undermined the sector.

#### PORTFOLIO ACTIVITY

Over the period, portfolio activity was heavily focused on bond allocations, with adjustments being made to improve the overall quality of the portfolio given the higher yields on offer from bonds issued by high quality companies. Therefore, we sold our holding in the Royal London Short Duration Credit fund, which has performed well for the sub-fund, and added a new holding in a longer maturity, high quality corporate bond fund, the Premier Miton Corporate Bond Monthly Income Fund. There was also a new purchase in short-dated US Treasuries to enhance the short term near-cash returns. At the time of investment, the yield was higher than that of similar duration UK gilts. Bond duration is a measure of the interest rate risk for a bond. It measures how much bond prices are likely to change if interest rates move. In general, bonds with a higher duration are more sensitive to changes to interest rates. Following the volatility in March, we used this as an opportunity to add to financial corporate bonds that had weakened.

In the equity portfolio, we reduced the sub-fund's exposure to UK equities. During March, as equity markets fell, we then increased the sub-fund's exposure to UK equities to ensure we maintained the level of exposure to this area that we felt was appropriate. Elsewhere, we reduced the sub-fund's exposure to Japan equities, which had performed well compared to other areas. Towards the end of the period, we added a new holding, Premier Miton UK Value Opportunities, to provide a better balance in the UK equity allocation. The sub-fund also purchased CRUX Asia ex-Japan Fund, that had seen recent weakness and reduced Federated Hermes Asia ex-Japan to accommodate this. Over the period, after strong performance, our exposure to Alternatives (assets that tend to have less correlation to traditional markets) was reduced, especially Fortem Capital Alternative Growth Fund and Fulcrum Equity Dispersion Fund.

Within the property exposure, following weakness in this market, we added to Assura Group.

#### OUTLOOK

We continue to favour UK equities that can produce a healthy level of income. We also see value in a number of overseas markets, though we continue to believe that US equities are expensive, hence our lower exposure to this area.

Bond yields and short term interest rates have gyrated sharply following concerns of banking stresses in the US and Europe in March, but we do believe that yields on higher quality bonds still offer attractive value, which is why we have increased the sub-fund's government bond exposure. The sub-fund's Alternative investments continue to provide good diversification from more traditional markets and still have a role to play, hence we maintain exposure here. The property sector has remained under pressure in the volatile environment amidst tighter lending standards, but the income on offer nevertheless remains attractive and can provide some protection from inflation.

Source: Premier Portfolio Managers Limited, May 2023. The information provided and opinions expressed are those of the investment manager and can change. This information should not be interpreted as investment advice.

Performance source: FE Analytics. Based on UK sterling, Class C Accumulation shares, on a total return basis, to 30 April 2023. Performance is shown net of fees with income reinvested. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future returns. Reference to any particular stock/investment does not constitute a recommendation to buy or sell the stock/investment.

Please note that other share classes are available which may have higher or lower charges which will impact the returns of the sub-fund. Fund factsheets are published on our website for each available share class.

The top ten purchases and sales during the period were as follows:

Purchases	Costs £'000	Sales	Proceeds £'000
Premier Miton Corporate		Hermes Asia ex-Japan	
Bond Monthly Income 'C'	3,420	Equity 'F'	1,635
Premier Miton UK Value		Man GLG UK Income	1,550
Opportunities 'B'	2,500	Lyxor Core Morningstar	
CRUX Asia ex-Japan Fund	1,300	UK NT (DR) UCITS ETF	1,504
Lyxor Core Morningstar		Montanaro UK Income	1,475
UK NT (DR) UCITS ETF	551	<b>CIFC Global Floating Rate</b>	
Royal London Sterling		Credit Fund	1,238
Credit Fund	515	Fortem Capital Alternative	
TwentyFour Monument		Growth Fund	1,045
Bond 'L'	480	VT Teviot UK Smaller	
Plenum Insurance Capital		Companies	1,000
Fund	385	Royal London Short	
iShares MSCI EM ESG	200	Duration Credit 'Z'	970
Enhanced UCITS ETF	300	TwentyFour Monument	
Invesco US Treasury Bond	250	Bond 'L'	915
UCITS ETF	250	Barings Active Short	
Hermes Asia ex-Japan	200	Duration Fund	900
Equity 'F'	200		
Total purchases during the period were	10,416	Total sales during the period were	16,427

## PORTFOLIO OF INVESTMENTS

#### As at 30 April 2023

Holding	Investment	Market Value £'000	Total Value of Sub-Fund %
	COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES 55.36% (56.33%)		
	Alternatives 10.88% (12.02%)		
3,360,397	Atlantic House Uncorrelated Strategies Fund	2,746	2.86
3,011	CIFC Long/Short Credit Fund 'C'	2,846	2.97
1,860,971	Fortem Capital Alternative Growth Fund	1,903	1.98
24,994	Fulcrum Equity Dispersion Fund	2,943	3.07
		10,438	10.88
	Asia (ex-Japan) 2.61% (2.42%)		
17 501	CRUX Asia ex-Japan Fund	1,220	1.27
17,501			1.27
420,920	Hermes Asia ex-Japan Equity 'F'	1,289 <b>2,509</b>	2.61
		2,505	2.01
	Emerging Markets 1.69% (1.68%)		
1,819,294	Schroder Small Cap Discovery 'Z'	1,627	1.69
		1,627	1.69
	Europe 5.08% (5.05%)		
700,490	Montanaro European Income	1,535	1.60
3,010,386	VT Downing European Unconstrained		
	Income Fund 'F'	3,338	3.48
		4,873	5.08
	Fixed Interest 21.24% (21.09%)		
16,588	Barings Active Short Duration Fund	1,524	1.59
26,179	Muzinich Asia Credit Opportunities Fund	1,530	1.59
18,677	Plenum Insurance Capital Fund	1,992	2.08
4,390,450	Premier Miton Corporate Bond Monthly	_,	
,,	Income 'C'	3,394	3.54
1,733,961	Premier Miton Financials Capital Securities		
	'C'	1,504	1.57
2,505,347	Royal London Sterling Credit Fund	2,919	3.04
28,007	Semper Total Return 'I' GBP	2,197	2.29
2,190	TCW Income Fund	1,632	1.70
	TwentyFour Dynamic Bond 'I'	1,243	1.29
2,058,958	TwentyFour Monument Bond 'L'	2,452	2.55
		20,387	21.24
	Japan 2.05% (1.99%)		
108,516	Eastspring Japan Smaller Companies	1,963	2.05
		1,963	2.05
	United Kingdom 11.81% (12.08%)		
2,423,109	Man GLG UK Income	2,973	3.10
1,540,639	Montanaro UK Income	2,978	3.10
1,062,298	Premier Miton UK Value Opportunities 'B'	2,469	2.57
1,702,353	VT Teviot UK Smaller Companies	2,919	3.04
	-	11,339	11.81
	EXCHANGE TRADED FUNDS 32.50% (31.93%)		
	Asia (ex-Japan) 2.54% (2.40%)		
59,111	L&G Asia Pacific ex-Japan Equity UCITS ETF	589	0.61
29,111	Loo Asia Pacific ex-Japan Equity UCITS ETF	589	0.61

Holding	Investment	Market Value £'000	Total Value of Sub-Fund %
234,600	Asia (ex-Japan) continued Lyxor MSCI EM Asia UCITS ETF	1,848	1.93
234,000		2,437	2.54
		2,437	2.54
045 500	Emerging Markets 3.98% (3.81%)	2.04.0	2.00
945,506	iShares MSCI EM ESG Enhanced UCITS ETF	3,818	3.98
		3,818	3.98
00.010	Fixed Interest 4.55% (4.43%)	0 740	2.00
90,319 11,064	Invesco US Treasury Bond UCITS ETF Lyxor Core UK Government Inflation-Link	2,742 1,626	2.86 1.69
11,004	Lyxor core on government innation-link	4,368	4.55
		4,500	4.55
264.064	Japan 5.54% (5.37%)	5 24 4	
261,964	Amundi Prime Japan UCITS ETF	5,314	5.54
		5,314	5.54
	North America 1.27% (1.28%)		
1,923	Invesco S&P 500 UCITS ETF	1,224	1.27
		1,224	1.27
	United Kingdom 14.62% (14.64%)		
26,535	iShares Core FTSE 100 UCITS ETF	3,794	3.95
938,580	Lyxor Core Morningstar UK NT (DR) UCITS ETF	10,236	10.67
	-	14,030	14.62
	INVESTMENT TRUSTS 3.80% (4.15%)		
	North America 1.35% (1.42%)		
1,122,214	EJF Investments	1,290	1.35
, ,		1,290	1.35
	Property 2 (59/(2.729))		
2,395,000	Property 2.45% (2.73%) Assura	1,196	1.25
1,528,815	Picton Property Income	1,157	1.20
	-	2,353	2.45
	STRUCTURED PLANS 5.50% (5.75%)		
	North America 5.50% (5.75%)		
GBP 6,814,000	SG Issuer 0.00% 05/05/2023 <sup>1</sup>	5,284	5.50
,- ,	-	5,284	5.50
	Total Value of Investments	93,254	97.16
	Net Other Assets	2,724	2.84
	Total Net Assets	95,978	100.00
Figures in	brackets represent sector distribution at 31 Oc	tober 2022	
Securities	are admitted to an official stock exchange listimarket unless otherwise stated.		on another
	s not traded in an official stock exchange have h	a han valued a	t the ACD's

<sup>1</sup> Securities not traded in an official stock exchange have been valued at the ACD's best assessment of their fair and reasonable value.

## STATEMENT OF TOTAL RETURN

### For the period ended 30 April 2023

	30/04/23 £'000 £'000		30/04/22 £'000 £'000	
Income				
Net capital gains/(losses) Revenue	1,643	4,335	1,543	(4,078)
Expenses Interest payable and similar charges	(355)	_	(425)	
Net revenue before taxation Taxation	1,288 (85)	_	1,118 (43)	
Net revenue after taxation	_	1,203	_	1,075
Total return/(loss) before distributions		5,538		(3,003)
Distributions	_	(1,206)	_	(1,081)
Change in net assets attributable to shareholders from investment activities	_	4,332	=	(4,084)

### STATEMENT OF CHANGE IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO SHAREHOLDERS

For the period ended 30 April 2023

	30/04/231		30/04/2	
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Opening net assets attributable to shareholders		96,435		124,957
Amounts receivable on issue of shares	3,609		3,822	
Amounts payable on cancellation of shares	(9,456)		(16,450)	
		(5 <i>,</i> 847)		(12,628)
Change in net assets attributable to shareholders from investment activities		4,332		(4,084)
Retained distributions on accumulation shares		1,058		938
Closing net assets attributable to shareholders	=	95,978		109,183

<sup>1</sup> Opening net assets attributable to shareholders for current period differs from the comparative period closing balance as they are not consecutive periods.

### BALANCE SHEET

As at 30 April 2023

	30/04/23 £'000	31/10/22 £'000
ASSETS		
Fixed assets:		
Investments	93,254	94,659
Current assets:		
Debtors	1,971	1,663
Cash and bank balances	2,907	1,004
Total assets	98,132	97,326
LIABILITIES		
Creditors:		
Bank overdrafts	-	(361)
Distribution payable on income shares	(111)	(100)
Other creditors	(2,043)	(430)
Total liabilities	(2,154)	(891)
Net assets attributable to		
shareholders	95,978	96,435

On behalf of Premier Portfolio Managers Limited.

Gregor Craig Director (of the ACD) 29 June 2023 lan West Director (of the ACD)

### NOTE TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### **1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The interim financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified by the revaluation of investments and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice 'Financial Statements of Authorised Funds', issued by The Investment Association in May 2014, the Financial Conduct Authority's Collective Investment Schemes sourcebook and the Instrument of Incorporation.

### DISTRIBUTION TABLES

For the period from 1 November 2022 to 30 April 2023

Interim dividend distribution in pence per share

#### **Class A Accumulation Shares**

			Amount Ac	cumulated
	Net Income	Equalisation	28/06/23	28/06/22
Group 1	1.6466	-	1.6466	1.1473
Group 2	0.9127	0.7339	1.6466	1.1473

#### **Class B Income Shares**

			Distrib	oution Paid
	Net Income	Equalisation	28/06/23	28/06/22
Group 1	1.8448	_	1.8448	1.4633
Group 2	0.6645	1.1803	1.8448	1.4633

#### **Class B Accumulation Shares**

			Amount Ac	cumulated
	Net Income	Equalisation	28/06/23	28/06/22
Group 1	1.8765	_	1.8765	1.4786
Group 2	1.8765	-	1.8765	1.4786

#### **Class C Income Shares**

			Distrib	ution Paid
	Net Income	Equalisation	28/06/23	28/06/22
Group 1	1.9432	_	1.9432	1.5635
Group 2	0.6629	1.2803	1.9432	1.5635

#### **Class C Accumulation Shares**

			Amount Ac	cumulated
	Net Income	Equalisation	28/06/23	28/06/22
Group 1	2.5647	_	2.5647	2.0200
Group 2	1.4269	1.1378	2.5647	2.0200

## COMPARATIVE TABLES

#### Performance Record

Class A Accumulation Shares2018200.46180.572019202.97182.222020204.02151.632021201.00199.592022220.20193.802023 <sup>1</sup> 217.50203.90Class B Income Shares2018185.34166.462019185.40168.002020186.44138.752021199.40180.342022196.90172.702023 <sup>1</sup> 192.10180.302022 <sup>2</sup> 194.00184.002023 <sup>2</sup> 195.80133.702018215.62194.91201921.08196.70201921.08196.70202022.34165.51202121.08196.70202022.34165.51202122.34165.51202222.34165.512023 <sup>1</sup> 22.34165.512023 <sup>1</sup> 22.34165.512023 <sup>1</sup> 22.34165.51202424.3021.65202524.3021.65202424.3021.652023 <sup>1</sup> 24.3024.30202424.3026.70	Calendar Year	High (p)	Low (p)
2019   202.97   182.22     2020   204.02   151.63     2021   221.90   199.59     2022   220.20   193.80     2023 <sup>1</sup> 217.50   203.90     Class B Income Shares     2018   185.34   166.46     2019   185.40   168.00     2020   186.44   138.75     2021   186.44   138.75     2020   199.40   180.34     2021   199.40   180.34     2022   199.40   180.34     2022   199.40   180.34     2021   199.40   180.34     2022   199.40   180.34     2023 <sup>1</sup> 192.10   180.30     2023 <sup>2</sup> 194.00   174.00     2023 <sup>2</sup> 194.00   180.34     2022 <sup>2</sup> 194.00   180.30     2023 <sup>1</sup> 195.80   183.70     2024   21.08   194.91     2018   21.08   194.91     2019   22.34   165.51     2020   22.	<b>Class A Accumulation Shares</b>		
2020     204.02     151.63       2021     221.90     199.59       2022     220.20     193.80       2023 <sup>1</sup> 217.50     203.90       Class B Income Shares       2018     185.34     166.46       2019     185.40     168.00       2020     186.44     138.75       2021     199.40     180.34       2020     186.44     138.75       2021     199.40     180.34       2022     199.40     180.34       2023 <sup>1</sup> 192.10     180.30       2022 <sup>2</sup> 194.00     174.00       2023 <sup>1</sup> 195.80     183.70       2022 <sup>2</sup> 194.00     174.00       2023 <sup>1</sup> 195.80     183.70       2023 <sup>2</sup> 194.00     174.00       2023 <sup>1</sup> 195.80     183.70       2023 <sup>2</sup> 194.01     174.00       2023 <sup>1</sup> 215.62     194.91       2019     21.08     196.72       2019     221.08     196.72 <td>2018</td> <td>200.46</td> <td>180.57</td>	2018	200.46	180.57
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	20231	243.70	228.70

#### Income/Accumulation Record

	Net Income per
Calendar Year	Share (p)
Class A Accumulation Shares	
2018	0.6665
2019	1.8164
2020	1.9162
2021	2.2013
2022	2.5069
20231	1.5847
Class B Income Shares	
2018	1.9723
2019	3.0345
2020	3.0033
2021	3.4063
2022	3.6279
2023 <sup>1</sup>	2.0873
Class B Accumulation Shares	
2022 <sup>2</sup>	3.6652
2023 <sup>1</sup>	2.2247

Income/Accumulation Record continued

Calendar Year	Net Income per Share (p)
Class C Accumulation Shares	
2018	2.6024
2019	3.9070
2020	3.9011
2021	4.5088
2022	4.9477
20231	2.7954

#### Net Asset Value (NAV)

	Shares in	NAV per Share
As at	Issue	(p) <sup>3</sup>
<b>Class A Accumulation Shares</b>		
31/10/21	1,512,715	216.76
31/10/22	1,223,950	196.56
30/04/23	1,126,534	209.25
Class B Income Shares		
31/10/21	311,556	193.51
31/10/22	299,617	173.28
30/04/23	304,683	183.08
<b>Class B Accumulation Shares</b>		
31/10/22	20,612	176.56
30/04/23	6,638	188.66
<b>Class C Accumulation Shares</b>		
31/10/21	25,894,924	240.06
31/10/22	22,909,386	219.73
30/04/23	20,226,373	234.96
		NAV of Sub-Fund

(£)
66,045,999
53,300,640
50,451,121

<sup>1</sup>To 30 April 2023.

<sup>2</sup> From 11 February 2022 to 31 December 2022.

<sup>3</sup> The net asset value per share is calculated on a bid basis and excludes any distribution payable.

### ONGOING CHARGES FIGURE (OCF)

	30/04/23	31/10/22
Class A Accumulation Shares	1.79%	1.89%
Class B Income & Accumulation Shares	1.04%	1.14%
Class C Accumulation Shares	0.89%	0.99%

The ongoing charges figure is based on the last six month's expenses for the period ending 30 April 2023 and may vary from year to year.

The ACD is capping the OCF of the Class A shares at 1.79%, Class B shares at 1.04% and Class C shares at 0.89% meaning that any costs above these rates will be reimbursed.

It excludes the costs of buying or selling assets for the sub-fund (unless these assets are shares of another fund).

In line with the Investment Association "Disclosure of Fund Charges and Costs" circular published July 2020, the OCF quoted includes costs associated with investment in Packaged Retail and Insurance-based Investment Products (PRIIPs).

### SYNTHETIC RISK AND REWARD INDICATOR (SRRI)



The sub-fund is ranked as 5 because it has experienced medium to high rises and falls in value over the past five years. Please note that even the lowest ranking does not mean a risk-free investment.

The Synthetic Risk and Reward Indicator demonstrates where the sub-fund ranks in terms of its potential risk and reward. The higher the rank the greater the potential reward but the greater the risk of losing money. It is based on past data, may change over time and may not be a reliable indication of the future risk profile of the sub-fund.

#### INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE AND POLICY

The investment objective of the Premier Miton Liberation No.VI Fund is to provide capital growth over the long-term, being five years or more, whilst seeking to remain within a defined risk profile with defined volatility parameters which may result in the income and the capital growth from the sub-fund being constrained. The sub-fund will aim to maintain a risk profile classification of 6 as set and monitored by an external third party risk rating company. Five years is also the minimum recommended period for holding shares in this sub-fund. This does not mean that the sub-fund will achieve the objective throughout this, or any other, specific time period and there is a risk of loss to the original capital invested.

The sub-fund aims to achieve its objective by investing in different asset classes and underlying investments through collective investment schemes, including open-ended investment companies (including those managed by the ACD and its affiliates), Exchange Traded Funds, closed end investment companies (including investment trusts) and Real Estate Investment Trusts. The sub-fund may hold up to 100% in indirect investments, which may be actively managed or track indices.

The sub-fund will be invested in a globally diversified portfolio of investments covering different asset classes; these will include investments in equities (company shares and indices of company shares), fixed income (including bonds issued by governments and companies, which could either be investment grade (higher quality) or non-investment grade (lower quality) bonds), property (including Real Estate Investment Trusts), alternative investments (which may include ones aimed at making positive returns in all market conditions, such as total return and absolute return funds), structured investments (investments built around a derivative and which have specific criteria that need to be met to deliver a positive return) based on company shares or indices, deposits, cash and near cash.

The sub-fund will be managed to maintain a specific risk profile, within defined volatility parameters, which may result in the capital growth from the sub-fund being constrained. An independent risk profiling service will be employed by the Investment Adviser to profile the sub-fund's investment portfolio. The Investment Adviser will allocate investments to the different asset classes in order to maintain the sub-fund's specific risk profile. The exposure to equities will typically be greater in higher volatility funds than funds with less volatility.

The sub-fund may invest in derivatives, warrants and forward transactions (these are contracts whose value is based on the change in price of an underlying investment) for investment purposes as well as for the purpose of efficient portfolio management, including hedging (hedging is designed to offset the risk of another investment falling in price). The use of derivatives in the sub-fund will be limited.

#### INVESTMENT REVIEW

#### PERFORMANCE

Over the period the Premier Miton Liberation No.VI produced a return of 7.05% (C accumulation share class), which compares to a return of 5.13% from the Investment Association Mixed Investment 40-85% Shares sector. As equity markets recovered, the sub-fund benefited from exposure to UK company shares (equities), while a lack of exposure to US equities also contributed. In contrast, in the volatile environment some of the UK Commercial Property holdings held the sub-fund back.

Many funds sold in the UK are grouped into sectors by the Investment Association (the trade body that represents UK investment managers), to facilitate comparison between funds with broadly similar characteristics. As a result of the sub-fund's investment strategy, we believe the Investment Association Mixed Investment 40-85% Shares sector is a meaningful comparator to help investors assess the performance of the sub-fund.

#### MARKET REVIEW

Early in the period financial markets performed well, as they were encouraged by hopes that central banks, in particular the US Federal Reserve, might soon start to pivot away from a path of rapid interest rate hikes as there were some signs that inflation was starting to ease. However, central banks in the US, Europe and the UK did continue to raise interest rates sharply over the period. Financial markets started the year on a positive note in January, supported by China reopening their economy after the sudden abandonment of the zero COVID-19 policy, while falling natural gas prices in Europe also boosted sentiment.

However, in February there were growing concerns that interest rates would need to rise further to combat inflation, with bond markets weakening. In March, investors initially increased their expectations for further interest rate hikes, but this changed dramatically after the collapse of mediumsized US bank, Silicon Valley Bank. This resulted in strong performance from government bonds, with company shares weakening sharply. Furthermore, concerns then grew over Credit Suisse, the large Swiss bank, which culminated in a takeover by UBS (Union Bank of Switzerland). As a result of concerns over financial markets, expectations for interest rates quickly changed from further increases to interest rate cuts later in the year, particularly in the US, which led to a weaker dollar.

Over the period as a whole, UK company shares performed well, led by large companies. Stock markets were also strong in Europe, Asia, Japan and Emerging Markets; however, the US was weaker, partly due to the weaker dollar. With interest rates rising over the period as a whole, bonds saw subdued returns. The UK commercial property market remained under pressure as the outlook for the economy deteriorated, and higher bond yields also undermined the sector.

#### PORTFOLIO ACTIVITY

We continued to make adjustments in the sub-fund's bond allocation to improve the overall quality given the higher yields available within investment grade bonds. Investment grade bonds are issued by companies that typically have better balance sheets, a lower expected risk of default and will often pay a lower yield due to these factors. Therefore, we sold the Royal London Short Duration Credit fund, which has performed well for the sub-fund, and added a new holding into a longer duration high quality corporate bond fund, the Premier Miton Corporate Bond Monthly Income Fund. In the high yield bond allocation, we added a new holding - Plenum Insurance Capital - which offers a highly attractive yield with low correlation to the other bond and equity markets. In addition, we made a new purchase in short-dated US Treasuries to enhance the short term returns. At the time of investment, the vield was higher than that of similar duration UK gilts. Bond duration is a measure of the interest rate risk for a bond. It measures how much bond prices are likely to change if interest rates move. In general, bonds with a higher duration are more sensitive to changes to in interest rates.

In the equity portfolio, we reduced the sub-fund's exposure to UK equities. During March, as equity markets fell, we then increased the sub-fund's exposure to UK equities to ensure we maintained the level of exposure to this area that we felt was appropriate. Elsewhere, we reduced the subfund's exposure to Japan equities, which had performed well compared to other areas. Towards the end of the period, we added a new holding, Premier Miton UK Value Opportunities, to provide a better balance in the UK equity allocation. The sub-fund also purchased CRUX Asia ex-Japan, that had seen recent weakness and reduced Federated Hermes Asia ex-Japan to accommodate this. Over the period, after strong performance, our exposure to Alternatives (assets that tend to have less correlation to traditional markets) was reduced, especially Fortem Capital Alternative Growth and Fulcrum Equity Dispersion.

Within the property exposure, following weakness in this market, we added to Assura Group.

#### OUTLOOK

We continue to favour UK equities where valuations are still reasonable. We also see value in a number of overseas markets, though we continue to believe that US equities are expensive, hence our lower exposure to this area.

Bond yields and short term interest rates have gyrated sharply following concerns of banking stresses in the US and Europe in March, but we do believe that yields on higher quality bonds still offer attractive value, which is why we have increased the sub-fund's government bond exposure. The sub-fund's Alternative investments continue to provide good diversification from more traditional markets and still have a role to play, hence we maintain exposure here. The property sector has remained under pressure in the volatile environment amidst tighter lending standards, but the income on offer nevertheless remains attractive and can provide some protection from inflation.

Source: Premier Portfolio Managers Limited, May 2023. The information provided and opinions expressed are those of the investment manager and can change. This information should not be interpreted as investment advice.

Performance source: FE Analytics. Based on UK sterling, Class C accumulation shares, on a total return basis, to 30 April 2023. Performance is shown net of fees with income reinvested. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future returns. Reference to any particular stock/investment does not constitute a recommendation to buy or sell the stock/investment.

Please note that other share classes are available which may have higher or lower charges which will impact the returns of the sub-fund. Fund factsheets are published on our website for each available share class. The top ten purchases and sales during the period were as follows:

Purchases	Costs £'000	Sales	Proceeds £'000
Premier Miton UK Value		GAM UK Equity Income 'Z'	2,162
Opportunities 'B'	1,940	Lyxor Core Morningstar	
Premier Miton Corporate	4 5 7 9	UK NT (DR) UCITS ETF	1,915
Bond Monthly Income 'C'	1,570	Hermes Asia ex-Japan	
Invesco US Treasury 0-1	4 4 5 0	Equity 'F'	735
Year UCITS ETF	1,150	Premier Miton Financials	
Plenum Insurance Capital	700	Capital Securities 'C'	690
Fund	700	iShares MSCI EM ESG	
CRUX Asia ex-Japan Fund	560	Enhanced UCITS ETF	556
Fulcrum Equity Dispersion		Royal London Short	
Fund	350	Duration Credit 'Z'	534
Lyxor Core Morningstar		VT Downing European	
UK NT (DR) UCITS ETF	350	Unconstrained Income	
Royal London Sterling		Fund 'F'	530
Credit Fund	135	Amundi Prime Japan	
Amundi Prime Japan		UCITS ETF	470
UCITS ETF	130	Royal London Sterling	
iShares MSCI EM ESG		Credit Fund	415
Enhanced UCITS ETF	120	CIFC Long/Short Credit	
		Fund 'C'	403
Total purchases during		Total sales during	
the period were	7,316	the period were	11,940

## PORTFOLIO OF INVESTMENTS

#### As at 30 April 2023

Holding	Investment	Market Value £'000	Total Value of Sub-Fund %
	COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES 48.00% (46.87%)		
	Alternatives 6.61% (6.14%)		
1,149,533	Atlantic House Uncorrelated Strategies Fund	939	1.86
1,161	CIFC Long/Short Credit Fund 'C'	1,098	2.18
11,018	Fulcrum Equity Dispersion Fund	1,298	2.57
		3,335	6.61
	Asia (ex-Japan) 2.13% (1.92%)		
7,539	CRUX Asia ex-Japan Fund	525	1.04
180,101	Hermes Asia ex-Japan Equity 'F'	552 <b>1,077</b>	1.09 2.13
	Emoration - Markata 2 160/ (2 020/)	2,077	2.110
1 702 167	Emerging Markets 3.16% (3.02%)	1 504	3.16
1,782,467	Schroder Small Cap Discovery 'Z'	1,594	
		1,594	3.16
	Europe 6.11% (6.25%)		
416,706	Montanaro European Income	913	1.81
1,956,562	VT Downing European Unconstrained		
	Income Fund 'F'	2,169	4.30
		3,082	6.11
	Fixed Interest 12.50% (12.43%)		
6,104	Barings Active Short Duration Fund	561	1.11
5,784	Plenum Insurance Capital Fund	617	1.22
1,968,396	Premier Miton Corporate Bond Monthly Income 'C'	1,522	3.02
761,727	Premier Miton Financials Capital Securities	_,	
	'C'	660	1.31
1,094,141	Royal London Sterling Credit Fund	1,275	2.53
12,035	Semper Total Return 'l' GBP	944	1.87
609,175	TwentyFour Monument Bond 'L'	725 6,304	1.44 <b>12.50</b>
	Japan 2.11% (2.03%)		
58,724	Eastspring Japan Smaller Companies	1,063	2.11
56), 2 .		1,063	2.11
		1,003	2.11
	United Kingdom 15.38% (15.08%)		
1,616,457	Man GLG UK Income	1,983	3.93
1,003,228	Montanaro UK Income	1,939	3.84
824,924	Premier Miton UK Value Opportunities 'B'	1,917	3.80
1,120,743	VT Teviot UK Smaller Companies	1,922	3.81
		7,761	15.38
	EXCHANGE TRADED FUNDS 40.02% (37.96%)		
	Asia (ex-Japan) 4.77% (4.70%)		
62,570	L&G Asia Pacific ex-Japan Equity UCITS ETF	623	1.24
226,288	Lyxor MSCI EM Asia UCITS ETF	1,783	3.53
		2,406	4.77

Holding	Investment	Market Value £'000	Total Value of Sub-Fund %
000 455	Emerging Markets 6.71% (6.66%)	2 2 2 4	6.74
838,155	iShares MSCI EM ESG Enhanced UCITS ETF	3,384	6.71
		3,384	6.71
	Fixed Interest 2.07% (0.00%)		
26,203	Invesco US Treasury 0-1 Year UCITS ETF	1,047	2.07
		1,047	2.07
	Japan 6.96% (6.79%)		
173,214	Amundi Prime Japan UCITS ETF	3,514	6.96
		3,514	6.96
	North America 0.81% (0.77%)		
639	Invesco S&P 500 UCITS ETF	407	0.81
	-	407	0.81
	United Kingdom 18.70% (19.04%)		
5,174	iShares Core FTSE 100 UCITS ETF	740	1.47
796,966	Lyxor Core Morningstar UK NT (DR) UCITS		
	ETF	8,692	17.23
		9,432	18.70
	INVESTMENT TRUSTS 3.98% (4.14%)		
	North America 1.39% (1.40%)		
613,142	EJF Investments	705	1.39
		705	1.39
	Property 2.59% (2.74%)		
1,305,000	Assura	651	1.29
865,000	Picton Property Income	655	1.30
		1,306	2.59
	STRUCTURED PLANS 6.83% (7.25%)		
	North America 6.83% (7.25%)		
USD 4,441,000	SG Issuer 0.00% 05/05/2023 <sup>1</sup>	3,444	6.83
	-	3,444	6.83
	Total Value of Investments	49,861	98.83
	Net Other Assets	590	1.17
	Total Net Assets	50,451	100.00
Securities	brackets represent sector distribution at 31 Oc are admitted to an official stock exchange listir market unless otherwise stated.		on another

<sup>1</sup> Securities not traded in an official stock exchange have been valued at the ACD's best assessment of their fair and reasonable value.

## STATEMENT OF TOTAL RETURN

### For the period ended 30 April 2023

	30 £'000	0/04/23 £'000	3 £'000	80/04/22 £'000
Income				
Net capital gains/(losses) Revenue	842	3,103	832	(1,885)
Expenses Interest payable and similar charges	(204)	_	(229)	
Net revenue before taxation Taxation	638		603 _	
Net revenue after taxation		638	_	603
Total return/(loss) before distributions		3,741		(1,282)
Distributions	_	(641)	_	(608)
Change in net assets attributable to shareholders from investment activities	_	3,100	=	(1,890)

### STATEMENT OF CHANGE IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO SHAREHOLDERS

For the period ended 30 April 2023

	30	/04/23 <sup>1</sup>		30/04/22
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Opening net assets attributable to shareholders		53,301		66,046
Amounts receivable on issue of shares	4,014		3,236	
Amounts payable on cancellation of shares	(10,547)	_	(8,069)	
		(6,533)		(4,833)
Change in net assets attributable to shareholders from investment activities		3,100		(1,890)
Retained distributions on accumulation shares		583		576
Closing net assets attributable to shareholders	_	50,451	=	59,899

<sup>1</sup> Opening net assets attributable to shareholders for current period differs from the comparative period closing balance as they are not consecutive periods.

### BALANCE SHEET

As at 30 April 2023

	30/04/23 £'000	31/10/22 £'000
ASSETS		
Fixed assets:		
Investments	49,861	51,285
Current assets:		
Debtors	1,113	978
Cash and bank balances	661	1,656
Total assets	51,635	53,919
LIABILITIES		
Creditors:		
Bank overdrafts	(105)	(113)
Distribution payable on income shares	(6)	(6)
Other creditors	(1,073)	(499)
Total liabilities	(1,184)	(618)
Net assets attributable to shareholders		
Shareholders	50,451	53,301

On behalf of Premier Portfolio Managers Limited.

Gregor Craig Director (of the ACD) 29 June 2023

Ian West Director (of the ACD)

### NOTE TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### **1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The interim financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified by the revaluation of investments and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice for UK Authorised Funds, issued by The Investment Association in May 2014, the Financial Conduct Authority's Collective Investment Schemes sourcebook and the Instrument of Incorporation.

### DISTRIBUTION TABLES

For the period from 1 November 2022 to 30 April 2023

Interim dividend distribution in pence per share

#### **Class A Accumulation Shares**

			Amount Ac	cumulated
	Net Income	Equalisation	28/06/23	28/06/22
Group 1	1.5847	-	1.5847	1.1052
Group 2	0.6147	0.9700	1.5847	1.1052

#### **Class B Income Shares**

			Distrib	oution Paid
	Net Income	Equalisation	28/06/23	28/06/22
Group 1	2.0873	-	2.0873	1.6923
Group 2	0.9533	1.1340	2.0873	1.6923

#### **Class B Accumulation Shares**

			Amount Ac	cumulated
	Net Income	Equalisation	28/06/23	28/06/22
Group 1	2.2247	_	2.2247	1.7145
Group 2	2.2247	-	2.2247	1.7145

#### **Class C Accumulation Shares**

			Amount Ac	cumulated
	Net Income	Equalisation	28/06/23	28/06/22
Group 1	2.7954	_	2.7954	2.3330
Group 2	1.1203	1.6751	2.7954	2.3330

## COMPARATIVE TABLES

#### Performance Record

Class A Accumulation Shares2018164.46145.192019166.73146.702020168.16119.742021183.50163.032022181.40157.302023 <sup>1</sup> 178.60166.20Class B Income Shares2018159.79140.812019160.51142.292020161.95154.512021161.95154.512022174.70154.932023 <sup>1</sup> 157.50156.102023 <sup>2</sup> 169.40150.202023 <sup>1</sup> 159.20159.202023 <sup>1</sup> 176.32156.332019181.16157.982020182.80130.362021203.00178.882022203.01178.782023 <sup>1</sup> 203.02175.70	Calendar Year	High (p)	Low (p)
2019     166.73     146.70       2020     168.16     119.74       2021     183.50     163.03       2022     181.40     157.30       2023 <sup>1</sup> 178.60     166.20       Class B Income Shares       2018     159.79     140.81       2019     160.51     142.29       2020     161.95     115.45       2019     160.51     142.29       2020     161.95     115.45       2021     172.00     148.80       2022     172.00     148.80       2023 <sup>1</sup> 167.50     156.10       2022 <sup>2</sup> 169.40     150.20       2023 <sup>1</sup> 170.90     159.20       2024 <sup>2</sup> 169.40     150.20       2023 <sup>1</sup> 170.90     159.20       2018     170.90     159.20       2018     176.32     156.33       2019     181.16     157.98       2020     182.80     130.36       2021     203.00     178.88 <td><b>Class A Accumulation Shares</b></td> <td></td> <td></td>	<b>Class A Accumulation Shares</b>		
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#### Income/Accumulation Record

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	Net Income per
Calendar Year	Share (p)
<b>Class A Accumulation Shares</b>	
2018	0.2331
2019	2.8590
2020	1.7636
2021	0.3213
2022	1.7247
20231	1.0642
Class B Income Shares	
2018	1.3976
2019	2.3353
2020	2.7674
2021	1.6374
2022	2.8532
2023 <sup>1</sup>	1.5943
Class B Accumulation Shares	
2022 <sup>2</sup>	2.8339
20231	1.6184

Income/Accumulation Record continued

Calendar Year	Net Income per Share (p)
Class C Accumulation Shares	
2018	1.7954
2019	1.2440
2020	3.3818
2021	2.4067
2022	3.8924
20231	2.1249

#### Net Asset Value (NAV)

	Shares in	NAV per Share
As at	Issue	(p) <sup>3</sup>
<b>Class A Accumulation Shares</b>		
31/10/21	1,426,250	178.50
31/10/22	1,005,067	159.25
30/04/23	961,224	170.99
Class B Income Shares		
31/10/21	968,067	168.99
31/10/22	805,698	149.14
30/04/23	801,558	159.14
<b>Class B Accumulation Shares</b>		
31/10/22	2,952	152.12
30/04/23	2,952	163.95
<b>Class C Accumulation Shares</b>		
31/10/21	13,613,792	197.44
31/10/22	11,518,395	177.99
30/04/23	10,397,097	192.07
		NAV of Sub-Fund

Total NAV	(£)
31/10/21	31,060,987
31/10/22	23,308,722
30/04/23	22,893,689

<sup>1</sup>To 30 April 2023.

<sup>2</sup> From 11 February 2022 to 31 December 2022.

<sup>3</sup> The net asset value per share is calculated on a bid basis and excludes any distribution payable.

### ONGOING CHARGES FIGURE (OCF)

	30/04/23	31/10/22
Class A Accumulation Shares	1.79%	1.89%
Class B Income & Accumulation Shares	1.04%	1.14%
Class C Accumulation Shares	0.89%	0.99%

The ongoing charges figure is based on the last six month's expenses for the period ending 30 April 2023 and may vary from year to year.

The ACD is capping the OCF of the Class A shares at 1.79%, Class B shares at 1.04% and Class C shares at 0.89% meaning that any costs above these rates will be reimbursed.

It excludes the costs of buying or selling assets for the sub-fund (unless these assets are shares of another fund).

In line with the Investment Association "Disclosure of Fund Charges and Costs" circular published July 2020, the OCF quoted includes costs associated with investment in Packaged Retail and Insurance-based Investment Products (PRIIPs).

SYNTHETIC RISK AND REWARD INDICATOR (SRRI)						
Typically lov Lower risk		rds		Туріс	ally highe	r rewards ligher risk
1	2	3	4	5	6	7

The sub-fund is ranked as 5 because it has experienced medium to high rises and falls in value over the past five years. Please note that even the lowest ranking does not mean a risk-free investment.

The Synthetic Risk and Reward Indicator demonstrates where the sub-fund ranks in terms of its potential risk and reward. The higher the rank the greater the potential reward but the greater the risk of losing money. It is based on past data, may change over time and may not be a reliable indication of the future risk profile of the sub-fund.

### INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE AND POLICY

The investment objective of the Premier Miton Liberation No.VII Fund is to provide capital growth over the long-term, being five years or more, whilst seeking to remain within a defined risk profile with defined volatility parameters which may result in the income and the capital growth from the sub-fund being constrained. The sub-fund will aim to maintain a risk profile classification of 7 as set and monitored by an external third party risk rating company. Five years is also the minimum recommended period for holding shares in this sub-fund. This does not mean that the sub-fund will achieve the objective throughout this, or any other, specific time period and there is a risk of loss to the original capital invested.

The sub-fund aims to achieve its objective by investing in different asset classes and underlying investments directly and indirectly through collective investment schemes, including open-ended investment companies (including those managed by the ACD and its affiliates), Exchange Traded Funds, closed end investment companies (including investment trusts) and Real Estate Investment Trusts. The sub-fund may hold up to 100% in indirect investments, which may be actively managed or track indices.

The sub-fund will be invested in a globally diversified portfolio of investments covering different asset classes; these will include investments in equities (company shares and indices of company shares), fixed income (including bonds issued by governments and companies, which could either be investment grade (higher quality) or non-investment grade (lower quality) bonds), property (including Real Estate Investment Trusts), alternative investments (which may include ones aimed at making positive returns in all market conditions, such as total return and absolute return funds), structured investments (investments built around a derivative and which have specific criteria that need to be met to deliver a positive return) based on company shares or indices, deposits, cash and near cash.

The sub-fund will be managed to maintain a specific risk profile, within defined volatility parameters, which may result in the capital growth from the sub-fund being constrained. An independent risk profiling service will be employed by the sub-fund to profile its investment portfolio. The sub-fund will allocate investments to the different asset classes in order to maintain the sub-fund's specific risk profile. The exposure to equities will typically be greater in higher volatility funds than funds with less volatility.

The sub-fund may invest in derivatives, warrants and forward transactions (these are contracts whose value is based on the change in price of an underlying investment) for investment purposes as well as for the purpose of efficient portfolio management, including hedging (hedging is designed to offset the risk of another investment falling in price). The use of derivatives in the sub-fund will be limited.

#### INVESTMENT REVIEW

#### PERFORMANCE

Over the period, the Premier Miton Liberation No.VII Fund produced a return of 7.86% (Class C Accumulation shares), which compares to a return of 4.53% from the Investment Association Flexible Investment sector. As equity markets recovered, so the sub-fund benefited from exposure to UK and global equities, while a lack of exposure to US equities also contributed. In contrast, in the volatile environment some of the UK Commercial Property holdings held the sub-fund back.

Many funds sold in the UK are grouped into sectors by the Investment Association (the trade body that represents UK investment managers), to facilitate comparison between funds with broadly similar characteristics. As a result of the sub-fund's investment strategy, we believe the Investment Association Flexible Investment sector is a meaningful comparator to help investors assess the performance of the sub-fund.

#### MARKET REVIEW

Early in the period financial markets performed well, as they were encouraged by hopes that central banks, in particular the US Federal Reserve, might soon start to pivot away from a path of rapid interest rate hikes as there were some signs that inflation was starting to ease. However, central banks in the US, Europe and the UK did continue to raise interest rates sharply over the period. Financial markets started the year on a positive note in January, supported by China reopening their economy after the sudden abandonment of the zero COVID-19 policy, while falling natural gas prices in Europe also boosted sentiment.

However, in February there were growing concerns that interest rates would need to rise further to combat inflation, with bond markets weakening. In March, investors initially increased their expectations for further interest rate hikes, but this changed dramatically after the collapse of mediumsized US bank, Silicon Valley Bank. This resulted in strong performance from government bonds, with company shares weakening sharply. Furthermore, concerns then grew over Credit Suisse, the large Swiss bank, which culminated in a takeover by UBS (Union Bank of Switzerland). As a result of concerns over financial markets, expectations for interest rates quickly changed from further increases to interest rate cuts later in the year, particularly in the US, which led to a weaker dollar.

Over the period as a whole, UK company shares performed well, led by large companies. Stock markets were also strong in Europe, Asia, Japan and Emerging Markets; however, the US was weaker, partly due to the weaker dollar. With interest rates rising over the period as a whole, bonds saw subdued returns. The UK commercial property market remained under pressure as the outlook for the economy deteriorated, and higher bond yields also undermined the sector.

#### PORTFOLIO ACTIVITY

There was less activity in this sub-fund compared to the others in the range, given its lower bond exposure. We reduced the UK and Europe holdings, given that these regions performed well early in the period. During March, as equity markets fell, we then increased the sub-fund's exposure to UK equities to ensure we maintained the level of exposure to this area that we felt was appropriate. Elsewhere, we reduced the sub-fund's exposure to Japan equities, which had performed well compared to other areas. Towards the end of the period, we added a new holding, Premier Miton UK Value Opportunities, to provide a better balance in the UK equity allocation, selling out of GAM UK Equity Income to make way for this. The sub-fund also purchased CRUX Asia ex-Japan Fund that had seen recent weakness and reduced Federated Hermes Asia ex-Japan to accommodate this.

In the small bond allocation, there was a new purchase in the form of Plenum Insurance Capital Fund, which offers highly attractive yields with low correlation to the wider credit and equity markets. In order to accommodate this position, we sold our holding in CIFC Long/Short Credit Fund which had performed well, which reduced the sub-fund's overall allocation to Alternative investments (assets that tend to have less correlation to traditional markets).

Within the property exposure, following weakness in this market, we added to Assura Group.

#### OUTLOOK

We continue to favour UK equities where valuations are still reasonable. We also see value in a number of overseas markets, though we continue to believe that US equities are expensive, hence our lower exposure to this area.

Bond yields and short term interest rates have gyrated sharply following concerns of banking stresses in the US and Europe in March, but we do believe that yields on selective corporate bonds offer some value, though the sub-fund retains limited bond exposure. The sub-fund's Alternative investments continue to provide good diversification from more traditional markets and still have a role to play, hence we maintain exposure here. The property sector has remained under pressure in the volatile environment amidst tighter lending standards, but the income on offer nevertheless remains attractive and can provide some protection from inflation.

Source: Premier Portfolio Managers Limited, May 2023. The information provided and opinions expressed are those of the investment manager and can change. This information should not be interpreted as investment advice.

Performance source: FE Analytics. Based on UK sterling, Class C accumulation shares, on a total return basis, to 30 April 2023. Performance is shown net of fees with income reinvested. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future returns. Reference to any particular stock/investment does not constitute a recommendation to buy or sell the stock/investment.

Please note that other share classes are available which may have higher or lower charges which will impact the returns of the sub-fund. Fund factsheets are published on our website for each available share class. The total purchases and top ten sales during the period were as follows:

Purchases	Costs £'000	Sales	Proceeds £'000
Premier Miton UK Value		GAM UK Equity Income 'Z'	1,006
Opportunities 'B'	825	Lyxor Core Morningstar	
Plenum Insurance Capital		UK NT (DR) UCITS ETF	555
Fund	425	CIFC Long/Short Credit	
iShares Core FTSE 100		Fund 'C'	445
UCITS ETF	325	Hermes Asia ex-Japan	
CRUX Asia ex-Japan Fund	255	Equity 'F'	285
iShares MSCI EM ESG		VT Teviot UK Smaller	
Enhanced UCITS ETF	85	Companies	240
Amundi Prime Japan		iShares MSCI EM ESG	
UCITS ETF	65	Enhanced UCITS ETF	238
		VT Downing Investor	
		Funds ICVC	169
		Montaro Equity Income	167
		Man GLG UK Income	165
		L&G Japan Equity UCITS	
		ETF	126
Total purchases during		Total sales during	
the period were	1,980	the period were	4,197

## PORTFOLIO OF INVESTMENTS

#### As at 30 April 2023

		Market	Total Value of
Holding	Investment	Value £'000	Sub-Fund %
	COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES 41.82% (43.62%)		
	Alternatives 2.02% (4.01%)		
3,922	Fulcrum Equity Dispersion Fund	462	2.02
		462	2.02
	Asia (ex-Japan) 2.14% (2.00%)		
3,433	CRUX Asia ex-Japan Fund	240	1.05
81,338	Hermes Asia ex-Japan Equity 'F'	249	1.09
		489	2.14
	Emerging Markets 4.56% (4.40%)		
1,168,013	Schroder Small Cap Discovery 'Z'	1,044	4.56
	_	1,044	4.56
	Europe 8.95% (9.01%)		
223,848	Montanaro European Income	491	2.14
43,371	Polar Capital European ex-UK Income 'S'	520	2.27
937,427	VT Downing European Unconstrained		
	Income Fund 'F'	1,039	4.54
		2,050	8.95
	Fixed Interest 5.73% (4.40%)		
5,289	Muzinich Asia Credit Opportunities Fund	309	1.35
3,668	Plenum Insurance Capital Fund	391	1.71
705,712	Premier Miton Financials Capital Securities		
	'C'	612	2.67
		1,312	5.73
	Japan 4.01% (3.84%)		
37,972	Eastspring Japan Smaller Companies	687	3.00
213,093	Lindsell Train Japanese Equity 'B'	230	1.01
		917	4.01
	United Kingdom 14.41% (15.96%)		
728,933	Man GLG UK Income	894	3.90
439,124	Montanaro UK Income	849	3.71
350,883	Premier Miton UK Value Opportunities 'B'	815	3.56
432,593	VT Teviot UK Smaller Companies	742	3.24
		3,300	14.41
	EXCHANGE TRADED FUNDS 46.53% (44.97%)		
	Asia (ex-Japan) 6.38% (6.10%)		
40,476	L&G Asia Pacific ex-Japan Equity UCITS ETF	403	1.76
134,247	Lyxor MSCI EM Asia UCITS ETF	1,058	4.62
		1,461	6.38
	Emerging Markets 9.20% (9.05%)		
521,351	iShares MSCI EM ESG Enhanced UCITS ETF	2,105	9.20
	_	2,105	9.20
	Japan 8.04% (7.79%)		
49,030	Amundi Prime Japan UCITS ETF	995	4.35
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Holding	Investment	Market Value £'000	Total Value of Sub-Fund %
	Japan continued		
91,000	L&G Japan Equity UCITS ETF	846	3.69
		1,841	8.04
	North America 2.86% (2.84%)		
1,030	Invesco S&P 500 UCITS ETF	655	2.86
		655	2.86
	United Kingdom 20.05% (19.19%)		
4,629	iShares Core FTSE 100 UCITS ETF	662	2.89
360,177	Lyxor Core Morningstar UK NT (DR) UCITS	2 0 2 0	17.40
	ETF	3,928 <b>4,590</b>	17.16 20.05
		4,550	20.05
	INVESTMENT TRUSTS 3.80% (4.10%)		
	North America 1.26% (1.31%)		
250,774	EJF Investments	289	1.26
		289	1.26
	Property 2.54% (2.79%)		
565,000	Assura	282	1.23
395,000	Picton Property Income	299	1.31
		581	2.54
	STRUCTURED PLANS 6.14% (6.55%)		
	North America 6.14% (6.55%)		
USD 1,814,000	SG Issuer 0.00% 05/05/20231	1,407	6.14
		1,407	6.14
	Total Malue of Investments		
	Total Value of Investments	<b>22,503</b> 391	<b>98.29</b> 1.71
	Net Other Assets		100.00
	Total Net Assets	22,894	100.00
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	market unless otherwise stated.		
	s not traded in an official stock exchange have b essment of their fair and reasonable value.	een valued a	t the ACD's

## STATEMENT OF TOTAL RETURN

### For the period ended 30 April 2023

	30 £'000	0/04/23 £'000	3 £'000	0/04/22 £'000
Income				
Net capital gains/(losses) Revenue	346	1,532	345	(1,023)
Expenses Interest payable and similar charges	(94)	_	(113)	
Net revenue before taxation Taxation	252	_	232	
Net revenue after taxation	_	252	_	232
Total return/(loss) before distributions		1,784		(791)
Distributions		(254)	_	(234)
Change in net assets attributable to shareholders from investment activities	_	1,530	=	(1,025)

### STATEMENT OF CHANGE IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO SHAREHOLDERS

For the period ended 30 April 2023

	3	0/04/23 <sup>1</sup>		30/04/22
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Opening net assets attributable to shareholders		23,309		31,061
Amounts receivable on issue of shares	1,066		1,160	
Amounts payable on cancellation of shares	(3,242)	_	(4,361)	
		(2,176)		(3,201)
Change in net assets attributable to shareholders from investment activities		1,530		(1,025)
Retained distributions on accumulation shares		231		212
Closing net assets attributable to shareholders	=	22,894	-	27,047

<sup>1</sup> Opening net assets attributable to shareholders for current period differs from the comparative period closing balance as they are not consecutive periods.

### BALANCE SHEET

As at 30 April 2023

	30/04/23 £'000	31/10/22 £'000
ASSETS		
Fixed assets:		
Investments	22,503	23,132
Current assets:		
Debtors	523	127
Cash and bank balances	408	258
Total assets	23,434	23,517
LIABILITIES		
Creditors:		
Bank overdrafts	(46)	(147)
Distribution payable on income shares	(13)	(13)
Other creditors	(481)	(48)
Total liabilities	(540)	(208)
Net assets attributable to		
shareholders	22,894	23,309

On behalf of Premier Portfolio Managers Limited.

Gregor Craig Director (of the ACD) 29 June 2023

Ian West Director (of the ACD)

### NOTE TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### **1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The interim financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified by the revaluation of investments and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice 'Financial Statements of Authorised Funds', issued by The Investment Association in May 2014, the Financial Conduct Authority's Collective Investment Schemes sourcebook and the Instrument of Incorporation.

### DISTRIBUTION TABLES

For the period from 1 November 2022 to 30 April 2023

Interim dividend distribution in pence per share

#### **Class A Accumulation Shares**

			Amount Accumulated	
	Net Income	Equalisation	28/06/23	28/06/22
Group 1	1.0642	-	1.0642	0.6200
Group 2	0.5359	0.5283	1.0642	0.6200

#### **Class B Income Shares**

			Distribution Paid	
	Net Income	Equalisation	28/06/23	28/06/22
Group 1	1.5943	_	1.5943	1.2131
Group 2	0.7952	0.7991	1.5943	1.2131

#### **Class B Accumulation Shares**

			Amount Accumulated	
	Net Income	Equalisation	28/06/23	28/06/22
Group 1	1.6184	_	1.6184	1.1881
Group 2	1.6184	-	1.6184	1.1881

#### **Class C Accumulation Shares**

			Amount Accumulated	
	Net Income	Equalisation	28/06/23	28/06/22
Group 1	2.1249	_	2.1249	1.6774
Group 2	0.8113	1.3136	2.1249	1.6774