

# Interim Report and Financial Statements for Margetts Venture Strategy Fund

For the six months ended 31 December 2020 (Unaudited)

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#### **Fund Manager's Report**

For the period ended 31 December 2020

#### **Investment Objective**

The objective of the Margetts Venture Strategy Fund is to provide long term (more than 5 years) capital growth through a portfolio of regulated collective investment schemes, that focuses on shares in high growth geographical areas.

Capital is at risk and there is no guarantee that the objective will be achieved.

#### **Investment Review**

Venture Strategy Fund 16.96% Venture Strategy Fund R 17.43%

#### Benchmarks:

The Fund does not have a performance target and is not constrained by any index, IA sector or similar factor. The IA (Investment Association) Flexible Investment Sector is used as the comparator. This is considered appropriate for investors to use when comparing performance as the Fund is a member of this sector, which is made up of funds with a similar strategy as defined by the IA.

IA Flexible Investment

11 53%

Source: FE Analytics; Performance growth in the period is bid to bid with income reinvested.

The Margetts Venture Strategy fund performed strongly during this interim reporting period and rose in value by 17.43% ('R' share class) as markets continue to recover following sharp falls in March 2020 due to Covid-19 concerns. The fund performance has been ahead of the reference peer group, the IA Flexible sector, which rose by 11.53%.

This reporting period has witnessed two historic events: Brexit, and a newly elected US president. Such events would normally dominate market sentiment, but both have been overshadowed by the continued uncertainty due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

Global stock markets continued to recover from Covid-19 lows that occurred around the middle of March 2020. The profile of the recovery altered during this reporting period as optimistic results from stage three vaccine trials were released by Pfizer/BioNTech and Moderna in November 2020, followed by Oxford/AstraZeneca. This caused a rapid shift in favour of traditional stocks as some investors took profits from technology sector gains, believing a route out of the Covid crisis was emerging.

The Brexit referendum took place on June 2016 to ask the UK electorate whether the country should leave or remain a member of the European Union. This referendum had been a manifesto pledge made by the Conservative party under the leadership of David Cameron during the 2015 election campaign. The strategy was to retain and attract increasing numbers of voters who were becoming disillusioned with EU membership and was successful in securing a Conservative majority.

David Cameron had been Prime Minister, in coalition with the Liberal Democrats, during the Scottish independence referendum in 2014, which secured a 55% majority of voters backing Scotland to remain part of the UK. This result may have led to confidence that the UK would similarly vote to remain part of the EU and this belief was endorsed by early opinion polls. As campaigning progressed, it became clear the result would be much closer than originally anticipated. In the event, the leave vote won by 52% to 48% and the term 'Brexit' was adopted to describe the process by which the UK would exit from the European Union.

#### **Fund Manager's Report (continued)**

In the days, weeks and months following the Brexit vote, it became clear that little planning or preparation had been undertaken to affect the UK withdrawal from the EU in practice. A tumultuous political period followed with three prime ministers in office and two elections taking place between the referendum and this reporting period. During this lengthy period of uncertainty, we maintained the expectation that the UK exit from the EU would pinnacle with a trade deal and this outcome was ultimately achieved on 31st December 2020.

The agreed deal essentially provides free trade of physical goods and close alignment in areas such as environmental, social, labour and tax transparency standards. The area of financial services is not covered, which is important as the UK benefits from trade in this area whereas the EU sells more physical goods into the UK than are exported.

Sterling strengthened slightly on the announcement, and this lacklustre response demonstrates the lack of clarity regarding which side, if any, has come out with an advantage. The UK will benefit from improved future certainty but the benefits of being unshackled from EU membership will depend on the speed and quality of future trade deals together with how the EU relationship now develops. The UK stock market has notably underperformed its peers during the period of Brexit uncertainty, and we are optimistic that recent developments and attractive valuations will lead investors to increase UK allocations.

The 2020 United States presidential election took place on 3rd November 2020 with the result eventually being declared in favour of Joe Biden. The Presidency of Donald Trump has challenged political ideals throughout his tenure, and his refusal to accept the election outcome and possible impeachment for inciting insurrection reflects his confrontational style throughout his Presidency.

Donald Trump campaigned on an 'America First' agenda and took aggressive action to protect American interests, especially in relation to trade, embarking on a hostile trade war with China amongst other things. His policy announcements were often delivered by Twitter, and global markets became increasing surprised by the erratic nature of policy developments, leading to increased volatility. Although US markets benefitted from Donald Trump's approach, the effect on global markets has been mixed.

Joe Biden was inaugurated on 20th January 2021 and the Democrats now control both houses of congress due to the Democrat wins in the Georgia elections which followed the Presidential election. A more traditional style of politics is now expected, with President Biden already re-joining the US to the Paris Climate Accord and World Health Organisation, which were recently exited by Donald Trump. The new Presidential style is expected to be re-assuring for global markets and therefore an overall positive development, although anticipated tax and regulation policies could reduce demand for some US equities.

Under normal circumstances, Brexit and the US elections would significantly impact stock market valuations and market sentiment. However, market movements during this reporting period have been dominated by the effect of the Covid-19 pandemic, and this is expected to continue for the foreseeable future due to the scale of the crisis.

The global economy can be compared to the analogy of a man with his head in the oven and feet in the freezer being, on average, at room temperature. The on-going economic restrictions have created a deep freeze for sectors such as airlines and hospitality whilst extraordinary stimulus has created hot spots for on-line consumption.

China, where Covid-19 is believed to have originated, has achieved a full 'V' shaped recovery by supressing the virus successfully, whilst the UK, Europe and the US have endured a second or third wave of economic lockdowns. Economies which have suppressed Covid-19 have enjoyed a rapid economic recovery, suggesting that demand can return quickly in economies currently struggling with high infection rates, once the situation is under control.

#### **Fund Manager's Report (continued)**

Since the risk of Covid-19 was first identified, the global response has been impressive, particularly in relation to testing and developing vaccines. In the UK, daily testing capability in March 2020 was less than 10,000 per day and current capacity is around 750,000 per day. Vaccines have been developed, tested, approved and deployed, with data indicating they provide effective protection and dramatically reduce infections. To date, 10 vaccines have been approved (some with limited use) following stage 3 trials, with a further 13 vaccines in late stage trials or pending regulatory approval. Vaccines currently face production challenges, although we expect this will be addressed shortly and the summer will provide a vaccination window due to seasonally lower transmission rates.

The UK has demonstrated a strong relative advantage as the Oxford/AstraZeneca vaccine has been developed in the UK, production of several vaccines is taking place within the UK, and the UK deployed an early, aggressive vaccine procurement programme. The UK is currently leading Europe and the US in terms of vaccinations, and this could provide a material economic advantage if restrictions can be lifted ahead of other western economies. Combined with favourable valuations and the removal of Brexit uncertainty, the vaccination programme success could be a further catalyst for UK stocks to outperform.

Whilst acknowledging the risk of Covid-19 mutations' potential to thwart the vaccination strategy, we observe that medical technology advances appear to be developing exponentially. Manufacturing capability improvements, vaccine refinement and the potential for combination vaccines are likely to be successful in suppressing the outbreak during 2021.

If Covid-19 is suppressed, as expected, the effects on asset prices globally will not necessarily provide a universal 'lifting' tide. The Covid-19 benefits enjoyed by virtual economy stocks could erode whilst real economy stocks should benefit. Over time, the picture will become more interesting with prospects of a second era of the roaring 20s, as the trillions of stimulus dollars boost spending when people re-discover their freedoms.

The end to low interest rates and quantitative easing is likely to be caused by rising inflationary pressures. Since these tools were used aggressively following the credit crisis, inflationary pressures have remained subdued. The magnitude, speed and aggression of the stimulus response to Covid-19 is now likely to provoke this outcome, leading to yields rising slowly from the current historic low points. This will reduce the value of government bonds and stocks which correlate, such as technology stocks, whilst value stocks generally benefit from higher inflation expectations.

Recent surges in Bitcoin, silver and GameStop suggest areas of potential market froth and downside risk. The tug of war between hedge funds and online investor groups creates a good story but will have little impact on the outcome for long-term investors. Stock markets have demonstrated the ability to eventually determine the fair price for stocks even if short term movements become more volatile.

#### Outlook

We are optimistic that Covid-19 risks will diminish throughout 2021 as the vaccine response accelerates and is further boosted by warmer weather heading into spring and summer.

The evidence from economies that have successfully suppressed Covid-19 indicates a rapid economic rebound is likely to begin as restrictions are reduced.

This is expected to be positive for stock markets generally, with real economy stocks having more scope for recovery. Economies able to release restrictions sooner are expected to maintain an advantage into the next cycle, particularly the UK, which is leading vaccine roll outs and recovering from longstanding Brexit issues.

#### Fund Manager's Report (continued)

#### Strategy

At this stage, we believe the current strategy remains appropriate with reduced weighting to US equities and global fixed interest. Increased weightings are being held in the UK, Asia, Emerging Markets and Japan where appropriate to the target level of risk.

Elevated market volatility is expected in the short-term requiring patience as speculation is creating unpredictable micro-trends.

Margetts Fund Management Ltd *Manager*11 February 2021

#### **Certification of Accounts by Directors of the Manager**

This report is signed in accordance with the requirements of the Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook (COLL) as issued and amended by the Financial Conduct Authority.

#### T J Ricketts M D Jealous

Margetts Fund Management Ltd 25 February 2021

#### **Authorised Status**

The fund is a unit trust scheme established on 10 February 1995 and authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority.

It is a Non UCITS Retail Fund (NURS) authorised under Section 243 of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 and complies with the requirements of the FCA FUND and COLL handbooks. The currency of the fund is Pounds Sterling.

# **Portfolio statement**

As at 31 December 2020

		Total Net Assets		
Holding	Portfolio of Investments	Value (£)	31.12.20 %	30.06.20 %
	LIIZ			
30,119	<b>UK</b> Vanguard FTSE UK All Share Index Unit Trust	5 040 076	6.56	
1,433,368	L&G UK Index C	5,949,076 4,358,872	4.80	
8,526,659	L&G Mid Cap Index C	5,053,751	5.58	
0,020,000	Total UK	15,361,699	16.94	16.53
	Emerging Markets			
3,378,099	Fidelity Index Emerging Markets P	6,348,461	7.00	
3,107,763	Fidelity Institutional Emerging Markets W	6,582,241	7.26	
6,789,597	JP Morgan Emerging Markets Income C	6,591,341	7.27	
3,1 33,331	Threadneedle Global Emerging Markets Equity	0,001,011		
3,655,378	ZNA	6,452,473	7.12	
6,002,760	UBS Global Emerging Markets Equity C Acc	6,177,441	6.82	
	Total Emerging Markets	32,151,957	35.47	28.33
	Asia Pacific (excl. Japan)			
3,433,422	Aberdeen Asia Pacific Enhanced B	6,479,210	7.15	
354,506	Fidelity Asia Fund W	6,615,077	7.30	
6,620,285	Schroder Asian Income L	6,616,313	7.30	
348,533	Schroder Institutional Pacific	6,451,341	7.12	
720,196	Stewart Investors Asia Pacific Leaders Inst B	6,871,895	7.58	
	Total Asia Pacific (excl. Japan)	33,033,836	36.45	36.74
	Total Global	-	-	7.13
	North America			
12,745	Vanguard US Equity Index GBP	7,822,096	8.63	
,	Total North America	7,822,096	8.63	8.77
	Portfolio of Investments	88,369,588	97.49	97.50
	Net Current Assets	2,271,240	2.51	2.50
	Net Assets	90,640,828	100.00	100.00

The investments have been valued in accordance with note 1(b) and are authorised Collective Investment Schemes.

# **Net Asset Value per Unit and Comparative Tables**

# **Accumulation share class**

Change	in net assets per share	31/12/2020	30/06/2020	30/06/2019	30/06/2018
	Opening net asset value per share	530.2800	545.5500	523.4800	497.5800
	Return before operating charges *	94.5700	-6.8900	30.1800	34.2400
	Operating charges	-4.5200	-8.3800	-8.1100	-8.3400
	Return after operating charges	90.0500	-15.2700	22.0700	25.9000
	Distribution on income shares	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
	Closing NAV per share	620.3300	530.2800	545.5500	523.4800
	Retained distribution on acc shares	0.0000	3.6305	1.5301	1.2866
	* After direct transaction costs of	0.0006	0.0021	0.0021	0.0037
Perform	ance				
	Return after charges	16.98%	-2.80%	4.22%	5.21%
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Otner in	oformation	22 442 052	20 050 957	24 596 400	27 011 005
	Closing number of shares	33,413,953 5,386,533	29,950,857 5,648,166	34,586,109 6,339,693	37,911,985
	Closing number of shares OCF	2.11%	2.11%	2.11%	7,242,426 2.24%
	Direct transaction costs	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
	Direct transaction costs	0.0076	0.0076	0.0076	0.0070
<b>Prices</b>					
	Highest share price (pence)	654.29	608.67	572.82	571.56
	Lowest share price (pence)	526.84	418.30	478.68	496.50
R accu	mulation share class				
Change	in net assets per share	31/12/2020	30/06/2020	30/06/2019	30/06/2018
•	Opening net asset value per share	562.4700	574.1700	546.6600	515.5600
	Return before operating charges *	100.5400	-7.2100	31.8100	35.5500
	Operating charges	-2.4400	-4.4900	-4.3000	-4.4500
	Return after operating charges	98.1000	-11.7000	27.5100	31.1000
	Distribution on income shares	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
	Closing NAV per share	660.5700	562.4700	574.1700	546.6600
	Retained distribution on acc shares	0.0000	3.6305	1.5301	1.2866
	* After direct transaction costs of	0.0007	0.0022	0.0022	0.0039
Perform	ance				
	Return after charges	17.44%	-2.04%	5.03%	6.03%
Other In	formation				
	Closing net asset value (£)	40,081,100	37,627,265	52,943,986	50,860,599
	Closing number of shares	6,067,736	6,689,725	9,221,095	9,304,067
	OCF	1.33%	1.33%	1.33%	1.46%
	Direct transaction costs	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Prices					
	Highest share price (pence)	663.50	612.76	574.17	566.36
	Lowest share price (pence)	558.84	442.75	500.96	514.52
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# **Net Asset Value per Unit and Comparative Tables (continued)**

#### S accumulation share class

Change	Change in net assets per share		30/06/2020	30/06/2019
	Opening net asset value per share	564.4200	574.1500	546.6600
	Return before operating charges *	101.0100	-7.2500	27.8100
	Operating charges	-1.4100	-2.4800	-0.3200
	Return after operating charges	99.6000	-9.7300	27.4900
	Distribution on income shares	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
	Closing NAV per share	664.0200	564.4200	574.1500
	Retained distribution on acc shares	0.0000	10.1480	5.7983
	* After direct transaction costs of	0.0006	0.0015	0.0019
Perform	ance			
	Return after charges	17.65%	-1.69%	5.03%
Other In	formation			
	Closing net asset value (£)	17,145,775	11,414,389	458,630
	Closing number of shares	2,582,127	2,022,305	79,881
	OCF	0.99%	0.99%	0.99%
	Direct transaction costs	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Prices				
	Highest share price (pence)	670.30	617.02	577.04
	Lowest share price (pence)	560.79	443.87	541.30

#### **Risk Warning**

An investment in a unit trust should be regarded as a medium to long term investment. Investors should be aware that the price of units and the income from them can fall as well as rise and investors may not receive back the full amount invested. Past performance is not a guide to future performance. Investments denominated in currencies other than the base currency are subject to fluctuations in exchange rates, which can be favourable or unfavourable.

#### **Fund Performance**

The performance of the fund is shown in the Fund Manager's Report.

#### **Synthetic Risk and Reward Indicator**

Typically Lower Returns

Typically Higher Returns

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Lower Risk Higher Risk

The risk and reward score is based on past performance and calculated in accordance with European legislation. It may not be a reliable indication of the future risk profile.

# **Financial statements**

# Statement of total return

For the period ended 31 December 2020

	Notes		31.12.20		31.12.19
Income		£	£	£	£
Net capital gains	4		13,051,593		1,228,823
Other gains			-		-
Revenue	6	1,030,510		1,329,815	
Expenses	7	(439,787)		(473,079)	
Finance costs: Interest	9			405	
Net revenue before taxation		590,723		857,141	
Net revenue after taxation			590,723	_	857,141
Total return before distributions			13,642,316		2,085,964
Change in net assets attributable unitholders from investment acti			13,642,316		2,085,964

# Statement of change in net assets attributable to unitholders For the period ended 31 December 2020

	£	£	£	£
Opening net assets attributable to unitholders		78,992,511		87,988,725
Amounts receivable on issue of units	5,149,576		6,330,157	
Amounts payable on cancellation of units	(7,143,575)		(10,935,227)	
dillo		(1,993,999)		(4,605,070)
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities		13,642,316	_	2,085,964
Closing net assets attributable to unitholders		90,640,828		85,469,619

# **Balance sheet**

As at 31 December 2020

	Notes		31.12.20		30.06.20
Assets		£	£	£	£
Investment assets			88,369,588		77,018,041
Debtors	10	132,041		81,562	
Cash and bank balances		14,495,905		13,202,979	
Total other assets	_		14,627,946		13,284,541
Total assets		_	102,997,534		90,302,582
Liabilities					
Creditors	11	127,589		471,986	
Bank overdrafts		12,229,117		10,838,085	
Total other liabilities	_	_	12,356,706		11,310,071
Net assets attributable to		_	_		
unitholders		_	90,640,828		78,992,511

#### Notes to the financial statements

As at 31 December 2020

### 1 Accounting policies

#### a) Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost basis in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard (FRS) 102, as modified by the revaluation of investments, and in accordance with the revised Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) for Authorised Funds issued by the Investment Association in May 2014.

#### b) Basis of valuation of investments

The investments are valued at quoted bid prices for dual priced funds and at quoted prices for single priced funds, on the last business day of the accounting period.

#### c) Foreign exchange rates

Transactions in foreign currencies are recorded in sterling at the rate ruling at the date of the transactions. Assets and liabilities expressed in foreign currencies at the end of the accounting period are translated into sterling at the closing middle exchange rates ruling on that date.

#### d) Revenue

All income allocations and distributions declared by the managers of the underlying funds up to the accounting date are included in Income, net of attributable tax credits. The net allocations which are retained in Income are included in the fund's own income allocation. Bank and other interest receivable is accrued up to the accounting date. Equalisation on distributions received is deducted from the cost of the investment and not included in the fund's income available for distribution.

#### e) Expenses

The Manager's periodic charge is deducted from Capital. All of the other expenses are charged against Income except for costs associated with the purchase and sale of investments which are charged against Capital.

#### f) Taxation

- (i) The fund is treated as a corporate unitholder with respect to its underlying holdings and its income is subject to streaming into franked and unfranked.
- (ii) Corporation tax is provided at 20% on income, other than the franked portion of distributions from collective investment schemes, after deduction of expenses.
- (iii) The charge for deferred tax is based on the profit for the year and takes into account taxation deferred because of timing differences between the treatment of certain items for taxation and accounting purposes. Deferred tax is provided using the liability method on all timing differences, calculated at the rate at which it is anticipated the timing differences will reverse. Deferred tax assets are recognised only when, on the basis of available evidence, it is more likely than not that there will be taxable profits in the future against which the deferred tax asset can be offset.

# 2 Distribution policy

Income arising from investments accumulates during each accounting period. Surplus income is allocated to unitholders in accordance with the COLL regulations. In order to conduct a controlled dividend flow to unitholders, interim distributions will be made at the Manager's discretion, up to a maximum of the distributable income available for the period. All remaining income is distributed in accordance with the COLL regulations.

#### 3 Risk management policies

In pursuing the investment objective, a number of financial instruments are held which may comprise securities and other investments, cash balances and debtors and creditors, that arise directly from operations. Derivatives, such as futures or forward foreign exchange contracts, may be utilised for efficient portfolio management purposes.

Political and economic events in the major economies of the world, such as the United States, Japan and the European Union, will influence stock and securities markets worldwide.

The main risks from the fund's holding of financial instruments with the Manager's policy for managing these risks are set out below:

- i. **Credit Risk** The fund may find that collective investment schemes in which it invests fail to settle their debts or deliver the investments purchased on a timely basis.
- ii. Interest Rate Risk Debt securities may be held by the underlying investments of the fund. The Interest Rate Risk of these securities is managed by the relevant manager.
- **iii. Foreign Currency Risk** Although the net assets of the fund are denominated in sterling, a proportion of the fund's investments in collective investment schemes have currency exposure with the effect that the balance sheet and total return can be affected by currency movements.
- iv. Liquidity Risk The main liability of the fund is the cancellation of any units that investors want to sell. Securities may have to be sold to fund such cancellations should insufficient cash be held at the bank to meet this obligation.

Smaller companies by their nature, tend to have relatively modest traded share capital, and the market in such shares can, at times, prove illiquid. Shifts in investor sentiment, or the announcement of new price-sensitive information, can provoke significant movement in share prices, and make dealing in any quantity difficult.

The equity markets of emerging countries tend to be more volatile than the more developed markets of the world. Standards of disclosure and accounting regimes may not always fully comply with international criteria, and can make it difficult to establish accurate estimates of fundamental value. The dearth of accurate and meaningful information and insufficiencies in its distribution, can leave emerging markets prone to sudden and unpredictable changes in sentiment. The resultant investment flows can trigger significant volatility in these relatively small and illiquid markets. At the same time, this lack of liquidity, together with the low dealing volumes, can restrict the Manager's ability to execute substantial deals.

v. Market Price Risk – Market Price Risk is the risk that the value of the fund's financial instruments will fluctuate as a result of changes in market prices caused by factors other than interest rates or foreign currency movement. The Market Price Risk arises primarily from uncertainty about the future prices of financial instruments that the fund holds.

Market Price Risk represents the potential loss the fund may suffer through holding market positions in the face of price movements. This risk is generally regarded as consisting of two elements – Stock Specific Risk and Market Risk. The fund's exposure to Stock Specific Risk is reduced for equities and bonds through the holding of a diversified portfolio in accordance with the investment and borrowing powers set out in the Trust Deed.

- vi. Counterparty Risk Transactions in securities entered into by the fund give rise to exposure to the risk that the counterparties may not be able to fulfil their responsibility by completing their side of the transaction.
- vii. Fair Value of Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities There is no material difference between the value of the financial assets and liabilities, as shown in the balance sheet, and their fair value.

4 Net capital gains	31.12.20	31.12.19
Proceeds from cales on investments during the period	£ 11,243,148	<b>£</b> 4,826,000
Proceeds from sales on investments during the period Original cost of investments sold during the period	(7,935,413)	(3,646,922)
Gains realised on investments sold during the period	3,307,735	1,179,078
Net appreciation thereon already recognised in prior periods	(2,825,331)	(1,172,700)
Net realised appreciation for the period	482,404	6,378
Transaction handling charge	(96)	(200)
Net unrealised appreciation for the period	12,569,285	1,222,645
Net gains on non-derivative securities	13,051,593	1,228,823
Net capital gains	13,051,593	1,228,823
5 Purchases, sales and transaction charges		
Purchases excluding transaction costs	8,525,952	<u>-</u>
Trustee transaction charges: 0.00% [0.00%]	47	_
Purchases including transaction costs	8,525,999	-
Sales excluding transaction costs	11,243,148	4,826,000
Trustee transaction charges: 0.00% [0.00%]	(49)	4,020,000
Sales net of transaction costs	11,243,099	4,825,800
Trustee transaction charges have been deducted in determining net capital Transaction charges are displayed as percentage of purchase/sale  Total trustee transaction charges: 0.00% [0.00%]	96	200
Total charges displayed as percentage of average net asset value		
Average portfolio dealing spread: 0.00% [0.00%]		
6 Revenue		
UK franked dividends	1,016,999	1,310,367
UK unfranked dividends	-	1,825
Rebate of annual management charges	13,393	16,854
Bank interest	118	769
Total revenue	1,030,510	1,329,815
7 Expenses		
Payable to the Manager, associates of the Manager and agents	of either:	
Manager's periodic charge	391,354	425,103
Payable to the Trustee associates of the Trustee and agents of		
Trustee's fee	18,310	18,520
Safe custody	2,355	4,387
Other expenses:	20,665	22,907
FCA fee	72	72
Audit fee	6,369	3,660
Registration fees	21,327	21,337
Total expenses	439,787	473,079

8 Taxation	31.12.20	31.12.19
	£	£
a) Analysis of the tax charge for the period:		
UK Corporation tax	-	-
Irrecoverable income tax	-	-
Current tax charge (note 8b)	-	-
Total tax charge	-	-
b) Factors affecting the tax charge for the period:		
Net revenue before taxation	590,723	857,141
Corporation tax at 20%  Effects of:	118,145	171,429
UK dividends	(203,400)	(262,073)
Movement in revenue accruals	-	
Utilisation of excess management expenses	85,255	90,644
Corporation tax charge	-	-
Irrecoverable income tax	-	-
Current tax charge for the period (note 8a)	-	-

#### c) Provision for deferred taxation

No provision for deferred taxation has been made in the current or prior accounting period.

# d) Factors that may affect future tax changes

The fund has unutilised management expenses of £11,069,137 (prior year £10,642,862). The fund does not expect to be able to utilise this in the forseeable future.

9 Finance costs	31.12.20	31.12.19
	£	£
Distributions		
Interim Finance costs: Distribution	-	-
Finance costs: Distribution  Finance costs: Interest		(405)
Total finance costs	-	(405)
10 Debtors	31.12.20	30.06.20
	£	£
Amounts receivable for issue of units	132,022	81,562
Prepayments	19	-
Total debtors	132,041	81,562
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11 Creditors		
	£	£
Amounts payable for cancellation of units	43,976	400,560
Accrued expenses:		
Amounts payable to the Manager, associates and agents:		
Manager's periodic charge	64,721	56,998
Amounts payable to the Trustee, associates and agents:		
Trustee's fees	3,241	2,787
Transaction charges	58	180
Safe custody fee	1,033	604
	4,332	3,571
Other creditors	14,560	10,857
Total creditors	127,589	471,986

# 12 Contingent liabilities and commitments

There were no contingent liabilities or outstanding commitments at the balance sheet date.

# 13 Related party transactions

Margetts Fund Management Ltd as manager, is a related party, and acts as principal in respect of all transactions of shares in the Company. The aggregate monies received through issues, and paid on cancellations are disclosed in the statement of change in net assets attributable to shareholders and note 11.

Amounts paid to Margetts Fund Management Ltd in respect of management services are disclosed in note 7 and amounts due at the end of the year in note 10.

#### 14 Unitholders' funds

	Acc	R Acc	S Acc
Opening number of units	5,648,166	6,689,725	2,022,305
Units issued	7,126	342,107	779,841
Units converted	(13,106)	12,354	(16)
Units redeemed	(255,653)	(976,450)	(220,003)
Closing number of units	5,386,533	6,067,736	2,582,127

#### 15 Risk disclosures

Debt securities may be held by the underlying investments of the fund. The Interest Rate Risk of these securities is managed by the relevant manager. The table below shows the Interest Rate Risk profile at the balance sheet date:

i. Interest risk	31.12.20 £	30.06.20
Floating rate assets (pounds sterling):	14,495,905	13,202,979
Floating rate liabilities (pounds sterling):	(12,229,117)	(10,838,085)
Assets on which interest is not paid (pounds sterling):	88,501,629	77,099,603
Liabilities on which interest is not paid (pounds sterling):	(127,589)	(471,986)
Net Assets	90,640,828	78,992,511

The floating rate financial assets and liabilities comprise bank balances, which earn or pay interest at rates linked to the UK base rate.

The fund has no interest bearing securities with maturity dates, other than collective investment schemes, which do not have maturity dates.

#### 16 Post balance sheet events

There were no material post balance sheet events which have a bearing on the understanding of the financial statements.

#### 17 Fair Value Techniques

Assets	31.12.20	30.06.20
	£	£
Quoted prices for identical instruments in active markets	88,369,588	77,018,041
Prices of recent transactions for identical instruments	-	-
Valuation techniques using observable data	-	-
Valuation techniques using non-observable data		-
	88,369,588	77,018,041

#### 18 Periodic disclosure

As required by FUND 3.2.5R the manager is required to disclose certain information periodically in relation to the Fund which is shown below.

At the end of the reporting period the percentage of the Fund's assets subject to special arrangements arising from their illiquid nature was 0% of the NAV.

There have been no new arrangements introduced for managing the liquidity of the Fund.

The risk characteristics of the Fund are explained in the Prospectus.

In order to assess the sensitivity of the Fund's portfolio to the risks to which the Fund is or could be exposed, Margetts Fund Management Ltd monitors relative value at risk, commitment, gross leverage and the results of stress tests.

The ACD has set limits considered appropriate to the risk profile of the fund. Any breaches of these limits are investigated by the Margetts risk committee and appropriate action taken if necessary.

During the reporting period there have been no changes to the maximum level of leverage that the Fund can employ or any right of reuse of collateral or any guarantee granted under leveraging arrangements.

At the end of the reporting period the total amount of leverage, expressed as a ratio, calculated using the commitment approach was 0.97:1 and using the gross method was 0.97:1.

Leverage is limited to overdraft use and the gross exposure from EPM techniques. Although the ACD may use derivatives for EPM, no collateral arrangements are currently in place and no asset re-use arrangements are in place.

The maximum leverage expressed as the ratio of the exposure to net asset value using the commitment method is 1.1:1.0 and using the gross method 3.3:1.0. Please note that the maximum leverage under the gross method is theoretical and would only occur if market risk and currency risk were hedged across the entire Sub-fund whilst it was using the maximum borrowing facility of 10%. It is not anticipated that both market risk and currency risk would be simultaneously hedged and therefore the likely maximum leverage which would be used in normal circumstances using the commitment method is 1.1:1.0 and using the gross method 2.2:1.0.

The fund does not engage in securities financing transactions or loan securities or commodities to third parties.

There have been no arrangements made by the Depositary to discharge itself of contractual liability.

#### 19 Remuneration

In accordance with the requirements of FUND 3.3.5(5) the total amount of remuneration paid by the manager to its staff for the financial year ended 30 September 2020 is:

	£
Fixed Remuneration	2,833,780
Variable Remuneration	803,035
Total Remuneration	3,636,815
Full Time Equivalent number of staff	51
Analysis of senior management	
Senior management	1,710,897
Staff whose actions may have a material impact on the funds	-
Other	
	1,710,897

The remuneration for senior management has been calculated in accordance with the Remuneration Policy and is reviewed annually. The remuneration policy and, where required by the FCA, how benefits are calculated together with details of the remuneration committee can be found on the website: www.margetts.com. A paper copy of this is available free of charge upon request by writing to the compliance officer at 1 Sovereign Court, Graham Street, Birmingham B1 3JR. No material changes were made to the Policy or irregularities reported at the last review.

# 20 Securities Financing Transactions (SFT) and Total Return Swaps (TRS)

As at the Balance Sheet date, the amount of securities and commodities on loan as a proportion of total lendable assets is 0.00%

#### General information

#### **Valuation Point**

The Valuation Point of the fund is 8.30am on each business day. Valuations may be made at other times with the Trustee's approval.

#### **Buying and Selling of Units**

The Manager will accept orders to buy or sell units on normal business days between 9.00am and 5.00pm and transactions will be effected at prices determined by the following valuation. Instructions to buy or sell units may be made either in writing to: Margetts Fund Management Ltd, PO Box 17067, Birmingham, B2 2HL or by telephone on 0345 607 6808. A contract note will be issued by close of business on the next business day after the dealing date to confirm the transaction.

#### **Prices**

The most recent bid prices of units are published on the Margetts website at www.margetts.com. The associated cancellation price is available on request from the Manager.

#### Other Information

The Trust Deed, Supplementary Information Document, Key Investor Information Document and the latest annual and interim reports may be inspected at the offices of the Manager, with a copy available, free of charge, on written request.

The register of unitholders can be inspected by unitholders during normal business hours at the offices of the Administrator.

Unitholders who have any complaints about the operation of the fund should contact the Manager or the Trustee in the first instance. In the event that a unitholder finds the response unsatisfactory, they may make their complaint direct to the Financial Ombudsman Service at Exchange Tower, London E14 9SR or email to: complaint.info@financial-ombudsman.org.uk or by telephone to 0800 023 4567.