

Premier Miton Growth Funds ICVC

Interim Report and Financial Statements (unaudited)

For the period from 1 September 2024 to 28 February 2025

Premier Miton Responsible UK Equity Fund Premier Miton UK Growth Fund Premier Miton Global Smaller Companies Fund Premier Miton Emerging Markets Sustainable Fund

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MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION

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

PREMIER PORTFOLIO MANAGERS LIMITED

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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 Piers Harrison Rosamond Borer** Nicola Stronach* Gregor Craig Jonathan Willcocks Sarah Walton (Non-Executive Director) Nick Emmins (Non-Executive Director)

* Appointed 16 December 2024.

** Resigned 14 March 2025.

INVESTMENT ADVISER:

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

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COMPANY INFORMATION

Premier Miton Growth Funds ICVC is an Open-Ended Investment Company with Variable Capital under regulation 12 of the Open-Ended Investment Company Regulations and incorporated in England and Wales under registered number IC62 and authorised by the Financial Conduct Authority with effect from 22 February 2000. Shareholders are not liable for the debts of the Company. At the period end, the Company contained four sub-funds, the Premier Miton Responsible UK Equity Fund, the Premier Miton UK Growth Fund, and the Premier Miton Global Smaller Companies Fund, and the Premier Miton Emerging Markets Sustainable 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. Premier Miton has published an annual report to help you understand the effect our funds have on the climate as well as the effect that changes to the climate may have on the Premier Miton funds. A copy of the Report can be found here:

https://corporate-premiermiton.huguenots.co.uk/srp/documentsid/873ba333-c716-4127-a7c3-dfa4ba4901cf/TCFDProductreport.pdf

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 September 2024 to 28 February 2025.

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.

Where a sub-fund invests in other Collective Investment Schemes, the maximum annual management fee that may be charged to that Collective Investment Scheme is 5% of the net asset value of such a scheme, however, it is expected that the actual annual management fee will not exceed 2%.

SUB-FUND CROSS HOLDINGS

At the period end, none of the shares in the sub-funds were held by any other sub-funds or 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 April 2025 Nicola Stronach Director (of the ACD)

IMPORTANT NOTES

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 Regulatory documents after selecting any of the sub-funds of the Premier Miton Investment Funds. 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.

Share Class Closures

On 13 December 2024, the 'A' share classes were closed for Premier Miton Responsible UK Equity Fund and Premier Miton UK Growth Fund.

COMPARATIVE TABLES

Performance Record

| Performance Record | | |
|------------------------------------|----------|---------|
| Calendar Year | High (p) | Low (p) |
| Class A Income Shares | | |
| 2020 | 384.98 | 213.93 |
| 2021 | 460.30 | 377.80 |
| 2022 | 433.80 | 301.80 |
| 2023 | 353.40 | 297.60 |
| 20241 | 372.50 | 327.20 |
| Class A Accumulation Shares | | |
| 2020 | 442.03 | 245.46 |
| 2021 | 530.40 | 433.79 |
| 2022 | 499.90 | 351.20 |
| 2023 | 411.20 | 353.00 |
| 20241 | 449.10 | 388.20 |
| Class B Income Shares | | |
| 2020 | 389.29 | 216.03 |
| 2021 | 465.10 | 382.18 |
| 2022 | 439.10 | 304.90 |
| 2023 | 357.60 | 300.70 |
| 2024 | 376.70 | 331.00 |
| 2025 ² | 378.90 | 353.40 |
| Class B Accumulation Shares | | |
| 2022 ³ | 403.00 | 312.10 |
| 2023 | 365.90 | 315.30 |
| 2024 | 403.40 | 347.10 |
| 2025 ² | 405.80 | 378.50 |
| Class C Income Shares | | |
| 2020 | 389.60 | 216.02 |
| 2021 | 465.20 | 382.56 |
| 2022 | 439.60 | 305.20 |
| 2023 | 358.30 | 301.10 |
| 2024 | 377.30 | 331.60 |
| 2025 ² | 379.70 | 354.10 |
| Class C Accumulation Shares | | |
| 2020 | 435.40 | 239.91 |
| 2021 | 525.30 | 427.56 |
| 2022 | 496.60 | 351.10 |
| 2023 | 412.20 | 355.90 |
| 2024 | 456.50 | 391.90 |
| 2025 ² | 459.40 | 428.40 |
| | | |

Income/Accumulation Record

| incomeraccumulation Record | Net Income per |
|-----------------------------|----------------|
| Calendar Year | Share (p) |
| Class A Income Shares | |
| 2020 | 0.3732 |
| 2021 | 1.4117 |
| 2022 | 3.2034 |
| 2023 | 6.3409 |
| 20241 | 5.8099 |
| Class A Accumulation Shares | |
| 2020 | 0.4315 |
| 2021 | 1.6581 |
| 2022 | 3.6993 |
| 2023 | 7.3938 |
| 2024 ¹ | 6.9184 |
| Class B Income Shares | |
| 2020 | 1.9272 |
| 2021 | 3.3879 |
| 2022 | 5.2512 |
| 2023 | 8.0899 |
| 2024 | 7.5992 |
| 2025 ² | 1.9257 |
| Class B Accumulation Shares | |
| 2022 ³ | 5.3283 |
| 2023 | 8.3194 |
| 2024 | 8.0099 |
| 2025 ² | 2.0597 |
| Class C Income Shares | |
| 2020 | 2.7136 |
| 2021 | 4.3941 |
| 2022 | 6.2039 |
| 2023 | 8.9427 |
| 2024 | 8.4704 |
| 2025 ² | 2.3632 |
| Class C Accumulation Shares | |
| 2020 | 3.0090 |
| 2021 | 4.9158 |
| 2022 | 7.0364 |
| 2023 | 10.3438 |
| 2024 | 10.0620 |

2.8637

2025²

Net Asset Value (NAV)

| As at | Shares in Issue | NAV per Share (p)⁴ |
|---|--------------------|-----------------------|
| Class A Income Shares | | (197 |
| 31/08/23 | 5,911,398 | 317.61 |
| 31/08/241 | 4,743,370 | 365.83 |
| Class A Accumulation Shares | | |
| 31/08/23 | 438,388 | 376.80 |
| 31/08/241 | 308,755 | 441.09 |
| Class B Income Shares | | |
| 31/08/23 | 3,207,182 | 320.67 |
| 31/08/24 | 3,169,427 | 369.43 |
| 28/02/25 | 6,237,221 | 363.07 |
| Class B Accumulation Shares | | |
| 31/08/23 | 217,191 | 336.25 |
| 31/08/24 | 237,140 | 395.60 |
| 28/02/25 | 405,707 | 390.84 |
| Class C Income Shares | | |
| 31/08/23 | 20,278,753 | 320.99 |
| 31/08/24 | 18,763,376 | 369.83 |
| 28/02/25 | 14,887,549 | 363.46 |
| Class C Accumulation Shares | | |
| 31/08/23 | 16,067,040 | 379.37 |
| 31/08/24 | 11,925,605 | 447.45 |
| 28/02/25 | 10,608,344 | 442.59 |
| | | NAV of Sub-Fund |
| Total NAV | | (£) |
| 31/08/23 | | 157,489,174 |
| 31/08/24 | | 154,115,135 |
| 28/02/25 | | 125,293,624 |
| 1 Chara along along d an 12 December 2024 | | |

¹Share class closed on 13 December 2024.

² To 28 February 2025.

³ From 11 February 2022 to 31 December 2022.

⁴The net asset value per share is calculated on a bid basis and excludes any distribution payable.

| ONGOING CHARGES FIGURE (OCF) | | |
|--------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| | 28/02/25 | 31/08/24 |
| Class B Income & Accumulation Shares | 1.21% | 1.20% |
| Class C Income & Accumulation Shares | 0.96% | 0.95% |

The ongoing charges figure is based on the last six month's expenses for the period ended 28 February 2025 and may vary from year to year.

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

SYNTHETIC RISK AND REWARD INDICATOR (SRRI)

| Typically | lower rewa | rds | Typically higher rewards | | | |
|-----------|------------|-----|--------------------------|---|---|-------------|
| Lower ris | k ┥ | | | | | Higher risk |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |

The sub-fund is ranked as 6 because it has experienced relatively 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.

The SRRI remains the same from the last reporting period.

INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE AND POLICY

The investment objective of the Premier Miton Responsible UK Equity Fund is to provide capital growth over the long term, being five years or more.

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 over this, or any other, specific time period and there is a risk of loss to the original capital invested.

The Investment Adviser aims to achieve the objective of the sub-fund by investing in an actively managed portfolio with a minimum of 80% of its assets in shares in companies incorporated, domiciled or which have a significant part of their business in the UK. The Investment Adviser will focus on companies that act responsibly; those with strong environmental or social characteristics (sustainability characteristics) and which display a good governance profile. At least 70% of the sub-fund's total assets must be in investments that meet the sustainability characteristics, although, in practice, the Investment Adviser will normally look to invest over 90% of the sub-fund's assets in these investments.

Responsible investment themes

The themes that the Investment Adviser looks at when considering if a company is acting responsibly may include (but not be restricted to); health and education (physical health, mental health and wellbeing, education and social development), protecting the planet (clean energy, resource efficiency, sustainable infrastructure and cities) and enhancing society (good employment practices, reducing inequality, sustainable economy and finance). Companies across a wide range of industrial sectors can have businesses that drive or benefit from these themes, which may evolve over time.

Equities: for each company, propriety scoring metrics are used to set thresholds for individual criteria and in aggregate which need to be met on an ongoing basis. The Investment Adviser's process would look to identify a company that scores well against various sustainability, environmental and social impact of business factors (including; carbon emissions, resource usage and intensity, supply chain management, business ethics) and which is aligned to the sub-fund's responsible investment themes. An example of this would be that each company must have a minimum of 50 on the Ethical Screening ESG score, a broadly based independent assessment of the company's environmental, social and governance ("ESG") standards.

<u>Sustainability characteristics</u>: Ethical Screening is an independent research company that provides analysis on a wide range of sustainability characteristics. The Ethical Screening ESG dataset assists the Investment Adviser review companies' performance against a number of areas to identify investments that score well against sustainability characteristics; such as GHG emissions, energy consumption, waste generation, water usage, positive processes such as Net Zero commitments, negative processes such as environmental damage risk, positive product enhancement such as packaging, negative product impact such as life-cycle impacts and social factors, such as living wage, health & safety, labour standards and supply chain assessment.

The Investment Adviser will also consider corporate governance (including; female representation on boards, remuneration structure and disclosures), management (including; tenure, capability, clarity of strategy and policies) and sustainability of business (including; barriers to entry, risks to assets, regulatory risk, innovation) factors as part of its assessment, as these can be indicators of good sustainability characteristics.

A number of sources of information are employed in assessing these characteristics. These include; meetings with company management, proprietary analysis (including company report and accounts and other reports and disclosures) and third party analysis (including from Institutional Shareholder Services (ISS) and other specialist research providers). The use of ISS Climate scores, as an example, helps the Investment Adviser consider companies that score well against criteria such as their carbon footprint and carbon intensity metrics (using ISS's proprietary classification system).

Using that information each investment is assessed against relevant criteria to produce an overall score to ensure it meets the required standards. The Investment Adviser monitors the profitability and financial strength of each investment alongside the responsible investment themes.

The Investment Adviser will seek to avoid investing directly in companies that have more than 10% of their revenues coming from tobacco, fossil fuels or gambling, who conduct business in pornography, promote the irresponsible use of alcohol, are involved in animal cruelty or testing (except where such testing is required by regulators for product licensing purposes in a specific jurisdiction) or those assessed to pursue aggressive tax avoidance policies. The sub-fund will not invest in companies that have any business involved in banned weapons, such as biological or chemical weapons or anti-personnel mines.

Up to 20% of the sub-fund's assets may be in other investments which may include listed company shares in other geographical regions such as Europe and the USA, government and corporate (company) bonds (including higher quality investment grade and lower quality sub-investment grade bonds), convertible bonds (bonds that can convert into company shares), collective investment schemes (including those managed by the Authorised Corporate Director and its affiliates), deposits, cash and near cash. Investment in bonds will be subject to appropriate assessment of sustainability characteristics and the same exclusion criteria as companies.

Government bonds: for bonds issued by governments, it is expected that the issuing countries' scores exceed a minimum level across a number of standards including the Transparency International Corruption Perception Index, Freedom House and the Notre Dame Global Adaptation initiative (ND-GAIN), where a score of over 60, out of 100, is required.

<u>Sustainability characteristics</u>: for instance, using the ND-GAIN standard assists the Investment Adviser review a country's (i) exposure, sensitivity and capacity to adapt to the negative effects of climate change (Vulnerability); and (ii) readiness to do so (Readiness). Using data from Transparency International allows the Investment Adviser to review a country's perceived level of public sector corruption, with lower scoring countries not considered investable and stronger scoring countries more likely to have appropriate frameworks in place to have a reduced risk of inequality.

Corporate bonds: for bonds and convertible bonds issued by companies, the issuing company must have a minimum score of 50 on the Ethical Screening ESG score, the same score that applies to company shares.

Sustainability characteristics: as mentioned above, the Ethical Screening ESG dataset assists the Investment Adviser review a company's performance against a number of areas to identify investments that score well against the sustainability characteristics. At least 70% of the sub-fund's total assets will meet the responsible investment themes and incorporate sustainability characteristics. If an investment ceased to meet the necessary standard, the Investment Adviser would engage with it to discuss a route to meet the criteria within a reasonable timeframe. If this engagement did not result in the investment regaining the necessary standard within twelve months, it would ultimately be sold. Similarly, an investment may be made in anticipation of it meeting the required criteria within a period of twelve months. A list of the types of companies that the Investment Adviser will seek to avoid investing in directly (including those that derive 10% of their revenue from tobacco interests, gambling or involvement in fossil fuels as well as those involved in pornography, the promotion of the irresponsible use of alcohol, that damage the environment, contravene human rights, are involved in animal cruelty or testing (except if required by regulators in a specific jurisdiction), that are assessed to pursue aggressive tax avoidance policies or that manufacture armaments), can also be found on the ACD's website (www.premiermiton. com).

Other investments: investments in collective investment schemes, as well as in derivatives, warrants, forward transactions, deposits, cash and near cash which are intended to be used for the purposes of maintaining appropriate liquidity and effective portfolio management, are not assessed against sustainability characteristics, or the exclusion criteria referred to above and will not be part of the responsible investment themes.

The sub-fund may use derivatives, warrants and forward transactions (whose value is based on the change in price of an underlying investment) for the purposes 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

The Premier Miton Responsible UK Equity Fund (Class C Income shares) delivered a return of 4.60% in the period. This compares to the IA UK All Companies sector which rose 16.60%.

The sub-fund is classified in the IA UK All Companies sector, which we believe is a meaningful comparator to help investors assess the performance of the sub-fund.

MARKET REVIEW

The UK government's October budget dominated UK equity markets for much of the period, with the run-up and aftermath of the budget both weighing on consumer and business expectations for the economy. As the period progressed the share price performance of UK smaller and medium sized (SMID) companies increasingly diverged with that of larger UK companies. This seems likely to have been driven by a variety of factors including international investors focusing on UK larger companies, while not showing similar interest in medium and smaller sized companies. At the beginning of the year the UK was in the international spotlight due to the notable fall in the prices of UK gilts, which also had a knock-on effect on UK smaller and medium-sized company equities.

PORTFOLIO ACTIVITY

The latter half of the period was challenging for the sub-fund as larger UK companies saw their share prices notably outperform those of SMID companies. Across the period, the sub-fund had more exposure to SMID companies than larger ones, as has been the case for much of the sub-fund's history. The sub-fund is focused on these SMID companies as they often operate in growing industries or are seeking to disrupt an existing industry through a differentiated approach or new technologies. While this can make SMID companies riskier, it can also make them compelling sources of share price growth.

Having said this, we do hold larger UK companies in the sub-fund and several of these were among the sub-fund's best performers over the period. One example was tabletop wargame manufacturer Games Workshop, a recent addition to the FTSE 100 Index, which benefitted from strong financial results including the success of a video game based on its intellectual property. Education company Pearson also performed strongly after seeing growth across all of its divisions.

Outside of the FTSE 100 Index, interest rates remaining higher than many expected benefitted one of the sub-fund's strongest performers, cross-border payments provider Wise. The company generates interest revenue from client balances as well as being a disruptor in the cross-border payments market.

We made several changes to the sub-fund over the period. One was to add Auction Technology Group (ATG), which operates online auction sites and sells its proprietary technology to third parties. ATG performed well for the sub-fund over the period. Drug company AstraZeneca was another important addition which we believe has an exciting product set and pipeline that many investors have not properly appreciated. Identity verification and online security company GB Group also joined the sub-fund, whose technologies help protect customers from fraud.

We also bid farewell to some names over the period. These included apparel retailer JD Sports Fashion, which we believe will struggle to grow at the rate it has done previously, and Mony, operator of the Moneysupermarket.com price comparison website. Sylvania Platinum was also sold as we could not see a catalyst for meaningful change to the price of platinum and we felt better opportunities were on offer elsewhere.

OUTLOOK

The outlook for both the UK and global economies is uncertain amid rising geopolitical tensions and disruptions to global trade stemming from the US's tariff policies. These developments look set to dominate financial markets for some time. While uncertainty can increase share price volatility, it can also offer opportunities to buy equities in attractive companies at lower prices.

Moreover, while in the UK consumer and business confidence seems weak, as we have seen over the past year these can both turn quickly when situations change. Low expectations often make positive surprises more likely and there is much to continue to like about the UK's prospects, including comparatively strong consumer and business balance sheets. When sentiment turns, this should mean that consumers have some scope to spend and businesses likewise to invest.

We will continue to focus on monitoring the sub-fund's holdings for emerging and developing risks, as well as keeping an eye on opportunities that uncertain times will likely offer.

Source: Premier Portfolio Managers Limited, March 2025. 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 Income shares, on a total return basis, to 28 February 2025. 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 |
|--|----------------|------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Astrazeneca | 3,493 | Mony | 3,154 |
| Cranswick | 2,434 | OSB | 3,026 |
| Auction Technology | | GB Group | 2,356 |
| Group | 2,148 | Hikma Pharmaceuticals | 2,304 |
| Wise | 1,870 | JD Sports Fashion | 2,185 |
| Telecom Plus | 1,310 | Britvic | 2,046 |
| GB Group | 1,304 | Wise | 2,013 |
| Spirax | 1,259 | Card Factory | 1,937 |
| Trainline | 1,050 | PageGroup | 1,818 |
| Bytes Technology Group | 770 | GlaxoSmithKline | 1,733 |
| AJ Bell | 641 | | 1,, 00 |
| Total purchases during the period were | 21,042 | Total sales during the period were | 47,323 |

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PORTFOLIO OF INVESTMENTS

As at 28 February 2025

| Holding | Investment | Market Value £'000 | Total Value of Sub-Fund % |
|--------------------|--|--------------------------|------------------------------------|
| | BERMUDA 2.18% (3.28%) | | |
| 695,290 | Conduit | 2,726 | 2.18 |
| | | 2,726 | 2.18 |
| | GUERNSEY 2.89% (3.12%) | | |
| | Foresight | 1,185 | 0.95 |
| 163,276 | Pollen Street Renewables Infrastructure Group | 1,189 1,244 | 0.95 0.99 |
| 1,000,000 | | 3,618 | 2.89 |
| | JAPAN 2.37% (1.43%) | | |
| 50,400 | Nintendo | 2,965 | 2.37 |
| | | 2,965 | 2.37 |
| | UNITED KINGDOM 88.85% (89.07%) | | |
| | BASIC MATERIALS 2.80% (2.74%) | | |
| | Chemicals 1.25% (1.33%) | | |
| 391,433 | Treatt | 1,566 1,566 | 1.25 1.25 |
| | Industrial Materials 1.55% (1.41%) | 2,500 | 1120 |
| 2,207,585 | Coats | 1,936 | 1.55 |
| | | 1,936 | 1.55 |
| | CONSUMER DISCRETIONARY 9.37% (9.82%) | | |
| | General Retailers 0.00% (1.53%) | | |
| | Leisure Goods 0.00% (0.50%) | | |
| | Media 0.78% (1.22%) | | |
| 277,225 | YouGov | 973 | 0.78 |
| | | 973 | 0.78 |
| 007 500 | Retailers 4.50% (3.57%) | 2 000 | 2.46 |
| 867,562 607,141 | Marks & Spencer Moonpig | 3,090 1,321 | 2.46 1.05 |
| 1,378,827 | Victorian Plumbing | 1,241 | 0.99 |
| | | 5,652 | 4.50 |
| | Travel & Leisure 4.09% (3.00%) | | |
| 1,500,000 | Hostelworld | 1,890 | 1.51 |
| 1,044,046 | Trainline | 3,230 | 2.58 |
| | | 5,120 | 4.09 |
| | CONSUMER GOODS 6.75% (5.95%) | | |
| | Household Goods & Home Construction 2.84% (3.46%) | | |
| 214,692 | Barratt Developments | 913 | 0.73 |
| 112,645 | Bellway | 2,643 | 2.11 |
| | | 3,556 | 2.84 |

| Holding | Investment | Market Value £'000 | Total Value of Sub-Fund % |
|-----------|--|--------------------------|------------------------------------|
| | | | |
| 24.205 | Leisure Goods 3.91% (2.49%) | 4.000 | 2.01 |
| 34,385 | Games Workshop | 4,906 | 3.91 |
| | | 4,906 | 3.91 |
| | CONSUMER SERVICES 7.85% (12.21%) | | |
| | Food & Drug Retailers 2.86% (2.71%) | | |
| 80,441 | Unilever | 3,586 | 2.86 |
| | | 3,586 | 2.86 |
| | General Retailers 0.49% (3.21%) | | |
| 224,172 | B&M European Value Retail | 620 | 0.49 |
| | _ | 620 | 0.49 |
| | Media 4.50% (6.29%) | | |
| 273,508 | Pearson | 3,707 | 2.97 |
| 548,201 | Wilmington | 1,919 | 1.53 |
| | | 5,626 | 4.50 |
| | CONSUMER STAPLES 4.15% (3.20%) | | |
| | Beverages 0.00% (1.31%) | | |
| | Food Producers 4.15% (1.89%) | | |
| 50,000 | Cranswick | 2,448 | 1.95 |
| 314,289 | Hilton Food Group | 2,756 | 2.20 |
| | | 5,204 | 4.15 |
| | FINANCIALS 13.94% (15.70%) | | |
| | Financial Services 4.12% (7.06%) | | |
| 187,588 | Alpha FX Group | 5,159 | 4.12 |
| | | 5,159 | 4.12 |
| | Investment Banking & Brokerage Services 6.94% (6.11%) | | |
| 611,936 | AJ Bell | 2,564 | 2.05 |
| 12,880 | London Stock Exchange Group | 1,507 | 1.20 |
| 1,768,340 | TP ICAP | 4,624 | 3.69 |
| | | 8,695 | 6.94 |
| | Life Insurance/Assurance 2.88% (2.53%) | | |
| 1,481,293 | Legal & General | 3,613 | 2.88 |
| | | 3,613 | 2.88 |
| | HEALTH CARE 8.78% (8.77%) | | |
| | Health Care Equipment & Services 0.67% (1.99%) | | |
| 579,790 | PureTech Health | 836 | 0.67 |
| | | 836 | 0.67 |
| | Pharmaceuticals & Biotechnology 8.11% (6.78%) | | |
| 28,987 | AstraZeneca | 3,467 | 2.77 |
| 243,521 | | 3,569 | 2.84 |
| 144,348 | Hikma Pharmaceuticals | 3,129 | 2.50 |
| | | 10,165 | 8.11 |

PORTFOLIO OF INVESTMENTS

As at 28 February 2025

| Holding | Investment | Market Value £'000 | Total Value of Sub-Fund % |
|----------------------|--|--------------------------|------------------------------------|
| | INDUSTRIALS 19.10% (17.06%) | | |
| | Construction & Materials 3.15% (3.18%) | | |
| 2,011,664 | Costain | 2,152 | 1.71 |
| 1,107,138 | lbstock | 1,798 | 1.44 |
| | | 3,950 | 3.15 |
| | Electronic & Electrical Equipment 4.89% (4.44%) | | |
| 154,722 | IMI | 3,071 | 2.46 |
| 303,701 | Porvair | 2,211 | 1.76 |
| 75,641 | XP Power | 834 | 0.67 |
| | | 6,116 | 4.89 |
| | Industrial Engineering 3.09% (2.47%) | | |
| 202,605 | Hill & Smith | 3,874 | 3.09 |
| 202,005 | | 3,874 | 3.09 |
| | Industrial Support Services 3.99% (2.03%) | 3,074 | 5.05 |
| 506,130 | Wise | 5,003 | 3.99 |
| , | — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — | 5,003 | 3.99 |
| | | | |
| | Support Services 3.98% (4.94%) | | |
| 68,267 | - | 2,566 | 2.05 |
| 966,822 | FRP Advisory Group | 1,354 | 1.08 |
| 790,993 | Gateley Holdings | 1,068 4,988 | 0.85 3.98 |
| | | 4,500 | 5.90 |
| | REAL ESTATE 0.98% (0.99%) | | |
| | Real Estate Investment & Services 0.98% (0.99%) | | |
| 1,559,383 | Sirius Real Estate | 1,224 | 0.98 |
| | | 1,224 | 0.98 |
| | TECHNOLOGY 10.90% (9.47%) | | |
| | Software & Computer Services 10.90% (9.47%) | | |
| 1,716,352 | Alfa Financial Software | 4,119 | 3.30 |
| 443,483 | Auction Technology Group | 2,537 | 2.02 |
| 241,595 | Auto Trader | 1,872 | 1.49 |
| 445,553 | Bytes Technology Group | 1,895 | 1.51 |
| 1,123,348 372,986 | Dotdigital GB Group | 856 1,205 | 0.68 |
| 1,039,460 | Netcall | 1,203 | 0.96 0.94 |
| 1,000,400 | | 13,659 | 10.90 |
| | TELECOMMUNICATIONS 4.23% (3.16%) | | |
| | Fixed Line Telecommunications 3.06% (2.09%) | | |
| | | | |
| 227,302 | Telecom Plus | 3,842 | 3.06 |

| Holding | Investment | Market Value £'000 | Total Value of Sub-Fund % |
|---------|---|--------------------------|------------------------------------|
| | Telecommunications Service Providers 1.17% (1.07%) | | |
| 111,109 | Gamma Communications | 1,464 | 1.17 |
| | | 1,464 | 1.17 |
| | Total Value of Investments | 120,642 | 96.29 |
| | Net Other Assets | 4,652 | 3.71 |
| | Total Net Assets | 125,294 | 100.00 |
| | | | |

Figures in brackets represent sector distribution at 31 August 2024.

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

STATEMENT OF TOTAL RETURN

For the period ended 28 February 2025

| | /28/02 £'000 £'0 | | 9/02/24 £'000 |
|--|---------------------|---------------|------------------|
| Income | | | |
| Net capital (losses)/gains Revenue | (2,47 1,531 | 2) 2,171 | 7,497 |
| Expenses Interest payable and similar charges | (698) | (814) | |
| Net revenue before taxation Taxation | 833 (17) | 1,357 (19) | |
| Net revenue after taxation | 8 | 16 | 1,338 |
| Total (loss)/return before distributions | (1,65 | 6) | 8,835 |
| Distributions | (84 | 6) | (1,339) |
| Change in net assets attributable to shareholders from investment activities | (2,50 | <u>)2)</u> | 7,496 |

STATEMENT OF CHANGE IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO SHAREHOLDERS

For the period ended 28 February 2025

| | 2 £'000 | 28/02/25 ¹ £'000 | £'000 | 29/02/24 £'000 |
|--|------------|--------------------------------|----------|-------------------|
| Opening net assets attributable to shareholders | | 154,115 | | 157,489 |
| Amounts receivable on issue of shares | 4,880 | | 8,338 | |
| Amounts payable on cancellation of shares | (31,546) | | (23,909) | |
| | | (26,666) | | (15,571) |
| Dilution levy | | 35 | | 69 |
| Change in net assets attributable to shareholders from investment activities | | (2,502) | | 7,496 |
| Retained distributions on accumulation shares | | 312 | | 514 |
| Closing net assets attributable to shareholders | = | 125,294 | | 149,997 |

¹ 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 28 February 2025

| | 28/02/25 £'000 | 31/08/24 £'000 |
|----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| ASSETS | | |
| Fixed assets: | | |
| Investments | 120,642 | 149,345 |
| Current assets: | | |
| Debtors | 304 | 1,327 |
| Cash and bank balances | 5,644 | 5,466 |
| Total assets | 126,590 | 156,138 |
| LIABILITIES | | |
| Creditors: | | |
| Distribution payable | | |
| on income shares | (472) | (1,378) |
| Other creditors | (824) | (645) |
| Total liabilities | (1,296) | (2,023) |
| Net assets attributable to | | |
| shareholders | 125,294 | 154,115 |

On behalf of Premier Portfolio Managers Limited.

Gregor Craig Director (of the ACD) 29 April 2025

Nicola Stronach 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 September 2024 to 28 February 2025

Interim dividend distribution in pence per share

Class A Income Shares

| | | | | ion Paid |
|---------|------------|--------------|-----------------------|----------|
| | Net Income | Equalisation | 28/04/25 ¹ | 26/04/24 |
| Group 1 | - | - | _ | 1.7521 |
| Group 2 | - | - | - | 1.7521 |

Class A Accumulation Shares

| | | | Amount | Accumulated |
|---------|------------|--------------|-----------------------|-------------|
| | Net Income | Equalisation | 28/04/25 ¹ | 26/04/24 |
| Group 1 | - | - | - | 2.0747 |
| Group 2 | - | - | - | 2.0747 |

Class B Income Shares

| | | Distribut | ion Paid | |
|---------|------------|--------------|----------|----------|
| | Net Income | Equalisation | 28/04/25 | 26/04/24 |
| Group 1 | 1.9257 | - | 1.9257 | 2.5899 |
| Group 2 | 0.9608 | 0.9649 | 1.9257 | 2.5899 |

Class B Accumulation Shares

| | | | Amount Accumulated | |
|---------|------------|--------------|--------------------|----------|
| | Net Income | Equalisation | 28/04/25 | 26/04/24 |
| Group 1 | 2.0597 | - | 2.0597 | 2.7173 |
| Group 2 | 0.0411 | 2.0186 | 2.0597 | 2.7173 |

Class C Income Shares

| | | | Distrib | ution Paid |
|---------|------------|--------------|----------|------------|
| | Net Income | Equalisation | 28/04/25 | 26/04/24 |
| Group 1 | 2.3632 | - | 2.3632 | 3.0007 |
| Group 2 | 1.4636 | 0.8996 | 2.3632 | 3.0007 |

Class C Accumulation Shares

| | | | Amount A | ccumulated |
|---------|------------|--------------|----------|------------|
| | Net Income | Equalisation | 28/04/25 | 26/04/24 |
| Group 1 | 2.8637 | - | 2.8637 | 3.5450 |
| Group 2 | 1.3527 | 1.5110 | 2.8637 | 3.5450 |

¹Share class was closed on 13 December 2024.

COMPARATIVE TABLES

Performance Record

| Calendar Year | High (p) | Low (p) |
|-----------------------|----------|---------|
| Class A Income Shares | | |
| 2020 | 299.42 | 161.29 |
| 2021 | 355.00 | 293.31 |
| 2022 | 333.70 | 248.10 |
| 2023 | 286.30 | 246.70 |
| 20241 | 315.40 | 267.10 |
| Class B Income Shares | | |
| 2020 | 300.03 | 161.50 |
| 2021 | 355.40 | 294.03 |
| 2022 | 334.60 | 248.30 |
| 2023 | 287.00 | 247.00 |
| 2024 | 316.00 | 267.70 |
| 2025 ² | 316.10 | 300.60 |
| Class C Income Shares | | |
| 2020 | 299.67 | 160.62 |
| 2021 | 355.30 | 293.86 |
| 2022 | 335.00 | 248.70 |
| 2023 | 287.70 | 247.40 |
| 2024 | 316.70 | 268.30 |
| 2025 ² | 316.90 | 301.40 |

Income Record

| | Net Income per |
|-----------------------|----------------|
| Calendar Year | Share (p) |
| Class A Income Shares | |
| 2020 | 0.2922 |
| 2021 | 1.5395 |
| 2022 | 2.6733 |
| 2023 | 5.4812 |
| 20241 | 5.0368 |
| Class B Income Shares | |
| 2020 | 1.4930 |

| 2021 | 3.0619 |
|-------------------|--------|
| 2022 | 4.2933 |
| 2023 | 6.8443 |
| 2024 | 6.4471 |
| 2025 ² | 1.7619 |

Class C Income Shares

| 2020 | 2.0662 |
|-------------------|--------|
| 2021 | 3.8268 |
| 2022 | 5.0342 |
| 2023 | 7.5333 |
| 2024 | 7.1589 |
| 2025 ² | 2.1429 |

Net Asset Value (NAV)

| As at | Shares in Issue | NAV per Share (p) ³ |
|-----------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Class A Income Shares | | <u> </u> |
| 31/08/23 | 8,394,703 | 258.16 |
| 31/08/24 ¹ | 7,230,611 | 305.87 |
| Class B Income Shares | | |
| 31/08/23 | 21,870,485 | 258.27 |
| 31/08/24 | 20,914,352 | 306.07 |
| 28/02/25 | 25,528,296 | 304.31 |
| Class C Income Shares | | |
| 31/08/23 | 38,091,317 | 258.62 |
| 31/08/24 | 29,689,223 | 306.53 |
| 28/02/25 | 32,329,483 | 304.75 |
| Total NAV | | NAV of Sub-Fund (£) |
| 31/08/23 | | 176,666,281 |
| 31/08/24 | | 177,134,838 |
| 28/02/25 | | 176,209,409 |
| | | |

¹Share class closed on 13 December 2024.

² To 28 February 2025.

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

| ONGOING CHARC | ONGOING CHARGES FIGURE (OCF) | | |
|----------------|------------------------------|----------|--|
| | 28/02/25 | 31/08/24 | |
| Class B Income | 1.18% | 1.21% | |
| Class C Income | 0.93% | 0.96% | |

The ongoing charges figure is based on the last six month's expenses for the period ended 28 February 2025 and may vary from year to year.

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

| SYNTHETIC RISK AND REWARD INDICATOR (SRRI) | | | | | | |
|--|------------|-----|---|-----|---------------|-------------|
| Typically | lower rewa | rds | | Тур | oically highe | r rewards |
| Lower ris | k ┥ | | | | — н | ligher risk |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |

The sub-fund is ranked as 6 because it has experienced relatively 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.

The SRRI remains the same from the last reporting period.

INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE AND POLICY

The investment objective of the Premier Miton UK Growth Fund is to provide capital growth over the long-term, being five years or more.

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 over this, or any other, specific time period and there is a risk of loss to the original capital invested.

The Investment Adviser aims to achieve the objective of the sub-fund by investing in an actively managed portfolio with a minimum of 80% of its assets in shares in companies incorporated, domiciled or which have a significant part of their business in the UK.

Up to 20% of the sub-fund's assets may be in other investments which may include shares in companies listed in other geographical regions such as Europe and the USA, government and corporate (company) bonds (including higher quality investment grade and lower quality sub-investment grade bonds) convertible bonds (bonds that can convert into company shares), collective investment schemes (including those managed by the ACD and its affiliates), deposits, cash and near cash.

The Investment Adviser will seek to maintain a spread of investments; the assets of the sub-fund will be diversified across a range of different industries and sectors as well as in different sized companies, from very large to smaller companies.

The sub-fund may use derivatives, warrants and forward transactions (whose value is based on the change in price of an underlying investment) for the purposes 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

The Premier Miton UK Growth Fund delivered a return of 11.5% (Class C Income shares) in the period. This compares to the IA UK All Companies sector which rose 16.6% and the FTSE All-Share Index which rose 27.7%.

The sub-fund is classified in the IA UK All Companies sector, which we believe is a meaningful comparator to help investors assess the performance of the sub-fund. As the sub-fund invests in UK companies, we believe the FTSE All-Share Index, which is made up of many of the companies listed on the London Stock Exchange, is also a meaningful comparator to help investors assess performance of the sub-fund.

MARKET REVIEW

The UK government's October budget dominated UK equity markets for much of the period, with the run-up and aftermath of the budget both weighing on consumer and business expectations for the economy. As the period progressed the share price performance of UK smaller and medium sized (SMID) companies increasingly diverged with that of larger UK companies.

This seems likely to have been driven by a variety of factors including international investors focusing on UK larger companies, while not showing similar interest in SMID companies. At the beginning of the year the UK was in the international spotlight due to the notable fall in the prices of UK gilts, which also had a knock-on effect on UK SMID company equities.

PORTFOLIO ACTIVITY

The latter half of the period was challenging for the sub-fund as larger UK companies saw their share prices notably outperform those of SMID companies. Across the period, the sub-fund had more exposure to SMID companies than larger ones, as has been the case for much of the sub-fund's history. The sub-fund is focused on these SMID companies as they often operate in growing industries or are seeking to disrupt an existing industry through a differentiated approach or new technologies. While this can make SMID companies riskier, it can also make them compelling sources of share price growth.

Having said this, we do hold larger UK companies in the sub-fund and several of these were among the sub-fund's best performers over the period. One example was tabletop wargame manufacturer Games Workshop, a recent addition to the FTSE 100 Index, which benefitted from strong financial results including the success of a video game based on its intellectual property. Education company Pearson also performed strongly after seeing growth across all of its divisions.

Outside of the FTSE 100 Index, interest rates remaining higher than many expected benefitted one of the sub-fund's strongest performers, cross-border payments provider Wise. The company generates interest revenue from client balances as well as being a disruptor in the cross-border payments market.

We made several changes to the sub-fund over the period. One was to add Auction Technology Group (ATG), which operates online auction sites and sells its proprietary technology to third parties. ATG performed well for the sub-fund as did new addition BAE Systems, which benefitted from a commitment to increased defence spending from the UK and many European governments. Drug company AstraZeneca was another important addition which we believe has an exciting product set and pipeline that many investors have not properly appreciated.

We also bid farewell to some names over the period. These included apparel retailer JD Sports Fashion, which we believe will struggle to grow at the rate it has done previously, and Mony Group plc, operator of the Moneysupermarket.com price comparison website. Sylvania Platinum was also sold as we could not see a catalyst for meaningful change to the price of platinum and we felt better opportunities were on offer elsewhere.

OUTLOOK

The outlook for both the UK and global economies is uncertain amid rising geopolitical tensions and disruptions to global trade stemming from the US's tariff policies. These developments look set to dominate financial markets for some time. While uncertainty can increase share price volatility, it can also offer opportunities to buy equities in attractive companies at lower prices.

Moreover, while in the UK consumer and business confidence seems weak, as we have seen over the past year these can both turn quickly when situations change. Low expectations often make positive surprises more likely and there is much to continue to like about the UK's prospects, including comparatively strong consumer and business balance sheets. When sentiment turns, this should mean that consumers have some scope to spend and businesses likewise to invest.

We will continue to focus on monitoring the sub-fund's holdings for emerging and developing risks, as well as keeping an eye on opportunities that uncertain times will likely offer.

Source: Premier Portfolio Managers Limited, March 2025. 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 Income shares, on a total return basis, to 28 February 2025. 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.

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

| Purchases | Costs £'000 | Sales | Proceeds £'000 |
|--|----------------|------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Trainline | 4,493 | IG Group Holdings | 3,543 |
| Wise | 3,954 | OneSavings Bank | 3,245 |
| AstraZeneca | 3,823 | Wise | 2,903 |
| IG Group Holdings | 3,164 | Moneysupermarket.com | 2,574 |
| Auction Technology | | Britvic | 2,568 |
| Group | 3,076 | Inchcape | 2,470 |
| BAE Systems | 2,569 | JD Sports Fashion | 2,444 |
| Telecom Plus | 2,130 | GB Group | 2,244 |
| GB Group | 1,877 | Hikma Pharmaceuticals | 2,223 |
| JTC | 1,858 | Spirax Group | 2,056 |
| Chemring | 1,743 | | _, |
| Total purchases during the period were | 51,036 | Total sales during the period were | 50,242 |

PORTFOLIO OF INVESTMENTS

| As at 28 | February | 2025 |
|----------|----------|------|
|----------|----------|------|

| AS at 28 Februa | 17 2025 | Market | Total Value of |
|----------------------|---|-----------------------|---------------------|
| Holding | Investment | Value £'000 | Sub-Fund % |
| | BASIC MATERIALS 2.28% (2.96%) | | |
| | Chemicals 1.04% (1.20%) | | |
| 458,578 | Treatt | 1,834 | 1.04 |
| | | 1,834 | 1.04 |
| | Industrial Materials 1.24% (1.39%) | | |
| 2,486,733 | Coats | 2,181 2,181 | 1.24 1.24 |
| | | 2,101 | 1.24 |
| | Mining 0.00% (0.37%) | | |
| | CONSUMER DISCRETIONARY 13.17% (10.62%) | | |
| | General Retailers 0.00% (1.20%) | | |
| | Leisure Goods 5.15% (3.81%) | | |
| 40,296 | Games Workshop | 5,750 | 3.27 |
| 56,400 | Nintendo | 3,318 | 1.88 |
| | | 9,068 | 5.15 |
| | Media 0.64% (1.18%) | | |
| 319,682 | YouGov | 1,122 | 0.64 |
| | | 1,122 | 0.64 |
| | Personal Goods 1.12% (0.76%) | | |
| 534,467 | Warpaint London | 1,978 | 1.12 |
| | | 1,978 | 1.12 |
| | Retailers 4.07% (3.67%) | | |
| 1,082,574 | Marks & Spencer | 3,856 1,768 | 2.19 1.00 |
| 812,656 1,721,030 | Moonpig Victorian Plumbing | 1,768 | 0.88 |
| | | 7,173 | 4.07 |
| | Travel & Leisure 2.19% (0.00%) | | |
| 1,248,904 | Trainline | 3,864 | 2.19 |
| | — | 3,864 | 2.19 |
| | CONSUMER GOODS 2.00% (2.57%) | | |
| | Household Goods & Home Construction 2.00% (2.57%) | | |
| 150,365 | Bellway | 3,528 | 2.00 |
| | | 3,528 | 2.00 |
| | CONSUMER SERVICES 8.95% (13.85%) | | |
| | Food & Drug Retailers 1.79% (1.96%) | | |
| 70,666 | Unilever | 3,150 | 1.79 |
| | | 3,150 | 1.79 |
| | General Retailers 0.49% (3.18%) | | |
| 315,367 | B&M European Value Retail | 872 | 0.49 |
| 1,140,000 | Izodia ¹ | - | |
| | | 872 | 0.49 |

| Holding | Investment | Market Value £'000 | Total Value of Sub-Fund % |
|-----------|---|--------------------------|------------------------------------|
| | Media 1.90% (3.42%) | | |
| 247,354 | Pearson | 3,353 | 1.90 |
| , | | 3,353 | 1.90 |
| | | | |
| | Travel & Leisure 4.77% (5.29%) | | |
| 15,139 | Flutter Entertainment | 3,255 | 1.85 |
| 368,808 | Jet2 | 5,134 | 2.92 4.77 |
| | | 8,389 | 4.77 |
| | CONSUMER STAPLES 4.38% (5.81%) | | |
| | Beverages 0.00% (1.43%) | | |
| | Food Producers 4.38% (4.38%) | | |
| 183,243 | Applied Nutrition | 243 | 0.14 |
| 75,333 | Cranswick | 3,688 | 2.09 |
| 431,570 | Hilton Food Group | 3,784 | 2.15 |
| | | 7,715 | 4.38 |
| | ENERGY 2.92% (2.40%) | | |
| | Oil, Gas & Coal 2.92% (2.40%) | | |
| 24,377 | Gaztransport & Technigaz | 2,967 | 1.68 |
| 1,711,764 | Serica Energy | 2,179 | 1.24 |
| | | 5,146 | 2.92 |
| | FINANCIALS 18.29% (20.22%) | | |
| | Financial Services 4.87% (6.89%) | | |
| 247,693 | Alpha FX Group | 6,812 | 3.86 |
| 188,728 | JTC | 1,787 | 1.01 |
| | | 8,599 | 4.87 |
| | Investment Banking & Brokerage Services 10.02% (9.51%) | | |
| 841,276 | AJ Bell | 3,525 | 2.00 |
| 593,742 | IG Group Holdings | 5,632 | 3.20 |
| 15,574 | London Stock Exchange Group | 1,822 | 1.03 |
| 186,136 | Pollen Street | 1,355 | 0.77 |
| 2,031,771 | TP ICAP | 5,313 17,647 | 3.02 |
| | | 17,647 | 10.02 |
| | Life Insurance/Assurance 1.85% (1.69%) | | |
| 1,334,332 | Legal & General | 3,254 | 1.85 |
| | | 3,254 | 1.85 |
| | Non-life Insurance/Assurance 1.55% (2.13%) | | |
| 696,151 | Conduit | 2,729 | 1.55 |
| , | | 2,729 | 1.55 |
| | HEALTH CARE 6.67% (4.91%) | | |
| | Pharmaceuticals & Biotechnology 6.67% (4.91%) | | |
| 31,709 | AstraZeneca | 3,792 | 2.15 |
| 275,224 | GlaxoSmithKline | 4,033 | 2.30 |
| 180,797 | Hikma Pharmaceuticals | 3,920 | 2.22 |
| | | 11,745 | 6.67 |

PORTFOLIO OF INVESTMENTS

As at 28 February 2025

| Holding | Investment | Market Value £'000 | Total Value of Sub-Fund % |
|----------------------|---|--------------------------|------------------------------------|
| | INDUSTRIALS 22.87% (20.22%) | | |
| | Aerospace & Defence 4.11% (2.44%) | | |
| 142,014 | BAE Systems | 1,992 | 1.13 |
| 457,169 | Chemring | 1,726 | 0.98 |
| 861,864 | QinetiQ | 3,527 | 2.00 |
| | | 7,245 | 4.11 |
| | Construction & Materials 2.69% (2.56%) | | |
| 2,194,340 | Costain | 2,348 | 1.33 |
| 1,477,296 | Ibstock | 2,399 | 1.36 |
| | | 4,747 | 2.69 |
| | Electronic & Electrical Equipment 4.27% (3.89%) | | |
| 187,968 | IMI | 3,731 | 2.12 |
| 368,137 | Porvair | 2,680 | 1.52 |
| 101,400 | XP Power | 1,117 | 0.63 |
| | | 7,528 | 4.27 |
| | Industrial Engineering 2.88% (2.47%) | | |
| 265,772 | Hill & Smith | 5,082 | 2.88 |
| | — | 5,082 | 2.88 |
| | Industrial Support Services 5.16% (4.51%) | | |
| 275,290 | Inchcape | 1,869 | 1.06 |
| 730,828 | Wise | 7,225 | 4.10 |
| | _ | 9,094 | 5.16 |
| | Mining 2.46% (2.99%) | | |
| 565,029 | Glencore | 1,813 | 1.03 |
| 52,588 | Rio Tinto | 2,525 | 1.43 |
| | | 4,338 | 2.46 |
| | Support Services 1.30% (1.36%) | | |
| 1,632,764 | FRP Advisory Group | 2,286 | 1.30 |
| | | 2,286 | 1.30 |
| | OIL & GAS 2.69% (2.76%) | | |
| | Oil & Gas Producers 2.69% (2.76%) | | |
| 180,163 | Shell | 4,737 | 2.69 |
| | | 4,737 | 2.69 |
| | TECHNOLOGY 9.61% (8.24%) | | |
| | Software & Computer Services 9.61% (8.24%) | | |
| 1,984,811 | Alfa Financial Software | 4,763 | 2.71 |
| 626,111 | Auction Technology Group | 3,581 | 2.03 |
| | Auto Trader | 2,002 | 1.14 |
| | Bytes Technology Group | 2,401 | 1.36 |
| 1,258,163 538,077 | Dotdigital GB Group | 959 1,739 | 0.54 0.99 |
| 1,311,074 | Netcall | 1,739 | 0.33 |
| | — | 16,927 | 9.61 |

| Holding | Investment | Market Value £'000 | Total Value of Sub-Fund % |
|---------|---|--------------------------|------------------------------------|
| | TELECOMMUNICATIONS 3.61% (2.60%) | | |
| | Fixed Line Telecommunications 2.57% (1.53%) | | |
| 268,594 | Telecom Plus | 4,539 | 2.57 |
| | | 4,539 | 2.57 |
| | Telecommunications Service Providers 1.04% (1.07%) | | |
| 138,708 | Gamma Communications | 1,828 | 1.04 |
| | | 1,828 | 1.04 |
| | UTILITIES 1.22% (1.17%) | | |
| | Electricity 1.22% (1.17%) | | |
| 350,283 | Drax | 2,154 | 1.22 |
| | | 2,154 | 1.22 |
| | | | |
| | Total Value of Investments | 173,852 | 98.66 |
| | Net Other Assets | 2,357 | 1.34 |
| | Total Net Assets | 176,209 | 100.00 |
| | | | |

Figures in brackets represent sector distribution at 31 August 2024.

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

¹ Securities in liquidation/delisted.

STATEMENT OF TOTAL RETURN

For the period ended 28 February 2025

| | 28/02/2 £'000 £'0 | |
|--|----------------------|-------------------|
| Income | | |
| Net capital (losses)/gains Revenue | (1,12 2,067 | 7) 9,288 2,434 |
| Expenses Interest payable and similar charges | (944) | (992) |
| Net revenue before taxation Taxation | 1,123 (22) | 1,442 (19) |
| Net revenue after taxation | 1,10 | 1,423 |
| Total (loss)/return before distributions | (2 | 6) 10,711 |
| Distributions | (1,13 | 7) (1,424) |
| Change in net assets attributable to shareholders from investment activities | (1,16 | 3) 9,287 |

STATEMENT OF CHANGE IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO SHAREHOLDERS

For the period ended 28 February 2025

| | 2 | 28/02/25 ¹ | | 29/02/24 |
|--|----------|-----------------------|----------|----------|
| | £'000 | £'000 | £'000 | £'000 |
| Opening net assets attributable to shareholders | | 177,135 | | 176,666 |
| Amounts receivable on issue of shares | 16,234 | | 9,030 | |
| Amounts payable on cancellation of shares | (16,058) | | (25,859) | |
| | | 176 | | (16,829) |
| Dilution levy | | 58 | | 80 |
| Change in net assets attributable to shareholders | | (| | |
| from investment activities | | (1,163) | | 9,287 |
| Unclaimed distributions | | 3 | | 5 |
| Closing net assets attributable to shareholders | = | 176,209 | | 169,209 |

¹ 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 28 February 2025

| | 28/02/25 £'000 | 31/08/24 £'000 |
|----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| ASSETS | | |
| Fixed assets: | | |
| Investments | 173,852 | 174,179 |
| Current assets: | | |
| Debtors | 1,015 | 1,247 |
| Cash and bank balances | 3,198 | 5,640 |
| Total assets | 178,065 | 181,066 |
| LIABILITIES | | |
| Creditors: | | |
| Distribution payable | | |
| on income shares | (1,143) | (2,597) |
| Other creditors | (713) | (1,334) |
| Total liabilities | (1,856) | (3,931) |
| Net assets attributable to | | |
| shareholders | 176,209 | 177,135 |

On behalf of Premier Portfolio Managers Limited.

Gregor Craig Director (of the ACD) 29 April 2025 Nicola Stronach 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 September 2024 to 28 February 2025

Interim dividend distribution in pence per share

Class A Income Shares

| | | | Distrib | oution Paid |
|---------|------------|--------------|-----------------------|-------------|
| | Net Income | Equalisation | 28/04/25 ¹ | 26/04/24 |
| Group 1 | - | _ | _ | 1.3918 |
| Group 2 | - | - | - | 1.3918 |

Class B Income Shares

| | | | Distrib | oution Paid |
|---------|------------|--------------|----------|-------------|
| | Net Income | Equalisation | 28/04/25 | 26/04/24 |
| Group 1 | 1.7619 | _ | 1.7619 | 2.0576 |
| Group 2 | 0.9805 | 0.7814 | 1.7619 | 2.0576 |

Class C Income Shares

| | | | Dist | tribution Paid |
|---------|------------|--------------|----------|----------------|
| | Net Income | Equalisation | 28/04/25 | 26/04/24 |
| Group 1 | 2.1429 | _ | 2.1429 | 2.3912 |
| Group 2 | 0.7457 | 1.3972 | 2.1429 | 2.3912 |

¹Share class was closed on 13 December 2024.

COMPARATIVE TABLES

Performance Record

| Calendar Year | High (p) | Low (p) |
|------------------------------------|----------|---------|
| Class C Income Shares | | |
| 2021 ¹ | 123.70 | 96.93 |
| 2022 | 120.60 | 91.73 |
| 2023 | 101.70 | 88.73 |
| 2024 | 113.20 | 95.73 |
| 2025 ² | 113.80 | 106.50 |
| Class C Accumulation Shares | | |
| 20211 | 123.80 | 96.98 |
| 2022 | 120.70 | 91.89 |
| 2023 | 101.90 | 89.15 |
| 2024 | 113.90 | 96.17 |
| 2025 ² | 114.50 | 107.20 |
| Class F Income Shares | | |
| 20211 | 123.60 | 96.89 |
| 2022 | 120.50 | 91.67 |
| 2023 | 101.70 | 88.65 |
| 2024 | 113.00 | 95.68 |
| 2025 ² | 113.60 | 106.40 |
| Class F Accumulation Shares | | |
| 20211 | 123.70 | 96.94 |
| 2022 | 120.70 | 92.00 |
| 2023 | 102.10 | 89.45 |
| 2024 | 114.60 | 96.54 |
| 2025 ² | 115.20 | 107.90 |
| | | |

Income/Accumulation Record

| income/Accumulation Record | |
|-----------------------------|----------------|
| | Net Income per |
| Calendar Year | Share (p) |
| Class C Income Shares | |
| 20211 | - |
| 2022 | - |
| 2023 | 0.2095 |
| 2024 | 0.2017 |
| 2025 | - |
| Class C Accumulation Shares | |
| 20211 | - |
| 2022 | 0.0423 |
| 2023 | 0.2401 |
| 2024 | 0.3135 |
| 2025 | - |
| | |

Income/Accumulation Record continued

| Net Income per |
|----------------|
| Share (p) |
| |
| - |
| 0.2395 |
| 0.6529 |
| 0.5396 |
| 0.0789 |
| |
| - |
| 0.2256 |
| 0.4917 |
| 0.5451 |
| 0.0805 |
| |

Net Asset Value (NAV)

| | Shares in | NAV per Share |
|------------------------------------|------------|------------------|
| As at | Issue | (p) ³ |
| Class C Income Shares | | |
| 31/08/23 | 4,019,043 | 96.92 |
| 31/08/24 | 753,923 | 109.12 |
| 28/02/25 | 548,904 | 106.61 |
| Class C Accumulation Shares | | |
| 31/08/23 | 6,514,756 | 97.37 |
| 31/08/24 | 12,632,806 | 109.82 |
| 28/02/25 | 11,184,795 | 107.29 |
| Class F Income Shares | | |
| 31/08/23 | 1,810,077 | 96.78 |
| 31/08/24 | 1,826,349 | 108.88 |
| 28/02/25 | 1,504,978 | 106.43 |
| Class F Accumulation Shares | | |
| 31/08/23 | 12,216,333 | 97.65 |
| 31/08/24 | 13,283,284 | 110.42 |
| 28/02/25 | 15,000,949 | 108.01 |
| | | NAV of Sub-Fund |
| Total NAV | | (£) |
| 31/08/23 | | 23,919,823 |
| 31/08/24 | | 31,351,760 |
| | | |

¹ From 22 March 2021 to 31 December 2021.

² To 28 February 2025.

28/02/25

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

30,390,356

ONGOING CHARGES FIGURE (OCF)

| | 28/02/25 | 31/08/24 |
|--------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Class C Income & Accumulation Shares | 0.95% | 0.95% |
| Class F Income & Accumulation Shares | 0.70% | 0.70% |

The ongoing charges figure is based on the last six month's expenses for the period ended 28 February 2025 and may vary from year to year.

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

SYNTHETIC RISK AND REWARD INDICATOR (SRRI)

| Typically | lower rewa | rds | | Тур | ically highe | r rewards |
|-----------|------------|-----|---|-----|--------------|------------|
| Lower ris | k ┥ | | | | — н | igher risk |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |

The sub-fund is ranked as 6 because it and portfolios holding similar assets have experienced relatively 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.

The SRRI remains the same from the last reporting period.

INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE AND POLICY

The investment objective of the Premier Miton Global Smaller Companies Fund is to provide capital growth over the long term, being five years or more. Five years is also the minimum recommended term 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 Investment Adviser aims to achieve the objective of the sub-fund by investing a minimum of 80% of its assets in an actively managed portfolio of smaller company shares. A smaller company will be considered to be one that is no larger (by market capitalisation) than the largest company in that same country, as classified by the MSCI AC World Small Cap Index, at the time of initial purchase. The Investment Adviser can invest in any geographical region of the world and in any industry or sector. All companies invested in will be listed on the stock markets of countries in the MSCI AC World Small Cap Index, though may not necessarily themselves be constituents of that index.

Up to 20% of the sub-fund's assets may be in other investments which may include shares in larger and medium sized companies, fixed income (including bonds issued by governments or companies, which could either be investment grade (higher quality) or non-investment grade (lower quality) bonds), convertible bonds (bonds that can convert into company shares), deposits, cash and near cash and (up to 10%) in units in collective investment schemes (including those managed or operated by the ACD and its affiliates).

The Investment Adviser will seek to maintain a spread of investments and will typically hold between 40 and 80 individual investments, although may exceed this range if, in the Investment Adviser's opinion, it is appropriate to do so.

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 the purposes 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

The Premier Miton Global Smaller Companies Fund (Class C Accumulation shares) fell 2.9% compared to the IA Global sector which rose 5.1%. Smaller companies continue to lag the performance of larger companies due to weak global economic growth and geopolitical uncertainties. The US continued to outperform other regions during the period due to optimism that Trump's policies would be good for the US economy but the sub-fund has a lower weighting in the US compared to many other global funds. However, this optimism began to fade in February. Also, one of the sub-fund's holdings, ELF Beauty, which makes colour cosmetics, saw a slowdown in sales which impacted its share price.

The sub-fund is classified in the IA Global sector, which we believe is a meaningful comparator to help investors assess the performance of the sub-fund.

MARKET REVIEW

Global smaller company share prices rose in the first half of the period, especially in the US, as the market began to anticipate a boost to the economy from a Donald Trump victory in the US Presidential election. His promises of tax cuts, deregulation and rebalancing the terms of trade with other countries were seen as being a good thing for US corporate profitability. However, by December, the rally began to fade as inflation started to rise again which dented hopes for interest rate cuts. Then in February, an escalating trade war and indications of a slowing in US economic growth began to dent sentiment.

PORTFOLIO ACTIVITY

Our focus continues to be on identifying what we believe are great smaller businesses that have the potential to earn higher profits in the future than the market expects them to.

One such company share that was added to the sub-fund was Birkenstock, the iconic German footwear maker whose stock is listed in the US. The company is leveraging its strong brand in sandals to expand its product range into closed-toe shoes which we think will drive sales and earnings. With a focus on five core silhouettes and strong pricing and inventory discipline, we think the company will deliver a positive earnings surprise ahead.

Another company we added that met our investment criteria was Japan Elevator Services. This is the largest independent provider of maintenance services for lifts in Japan. We expect them to continue taking market share thanks to their superior remote monitoring technology which means the lifts they service break down less often. In addition, their efficient cost structure means they are able to offer maintenance services at a lower price than their competition.

We sell companies from the sub-fund when we expect their future profit growth to slow and fall below market expectations. An example of this is Inchcape, the global auto distributor based in the UK. Car sales have been weak around the world due to rising car prices as a result of cost inflation. Whilst Inchcape is a well-run, quality business, we see little prospect of a pick-up in sales so decided to redeploy capital into better ideas.

Another example of this is Man Group, the UK-listed investment management business. Performance fees on its absolute return funds have been disappointing this year while UK stocks in general have suffered from steady outflows from the UK stockmarket. We see better opportunities elsewhere.

OUTLOOK

There is a growing realisation that the Trump administration is serious about bringing debt under control and reducing the trade deficit. In his first few weeks, we have seen cuts to public spending, cuts to foreign aid, ending support for Ukraine and import tariffs on major trade partners. This will likely cause some disruption in the short term for the US economy. Meanwhile, Europe and China are responding with increased public spending and interest rate cuts which may breathe some life into their economies. As a result, after many years of US outperformance led by the large technology companies, we are starting to see a significant rotation out of the US into the rest of the world. This may well prove to be an inflection point for smaller companies as money flows out of US large companies and into undervalued areas of the market.

Source: Premier Portfolio Managers Limited, March 2025. 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 28 February 2025. 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 |
|--|----------------|------------------------------------|-------------------|
| Lotes | 786 | Royal Gold | 908 |
| Birkenstock | 752 | Booz Allen Hamilton | 839 |
| SharkNinja | 671 | Kongsberg Gruppen | 839 |
| Wintrust Financial | 667 | Tenet Healthcare | 763 |
| First Horizon | 660 | Rohto Pharmaceutical | 666 |
| Construction Partners | 547 | Inchcape | 625 |
| Japan Elevator Service | 489 | Nexans | 599 |
| Avient | 480 | Varun Beverages | 580 |
| Planet Fitness | 459 | Stericycle | 532 |
| Ollie's Bargain Outlet | 454 | Pro Medicus | 465 |
| Total purchases during the period were | 11,457 | Total sales during the period were | 11,573 |

PORTFOLIO OF INVESTMENTS

| As at | 28 | February | 2025 |
|-------|----|----------|------|
|-------|----|----------|------|

| Holding | Investment | Market Value £'000 | Tota Value o Sub-Fund ۶ |
|---------|---|--------------------------|----------------------------------|
| | BASIC MATERIALS 2.85% (3.64%) | | |
| | Chemicals 2.85% (1.55%) | | |
| 25,894 | Avient | 866 | 2.8 |
| | | 866 | 2.8 |
| | Precious Metals & Mining 0.00% (2.09%) | | |
| | CONSUMER DISCRETIONARY 25.89% (19.67%) | | |
| | Consumer Services 4.30% (3.61%) | | |
| 7,480 | DO & Co | 1,306 | 4.30 |
| | | 1,306 | 4.3 |
| | Household Goods & Home Construction 3.57% (1.14%) | | |
| 14,763 | De' Longhi | 409 | 1.3 |
| 8,208 | SharkNinja | 674 | 2.2 |
| | · _ | 1,083 | 3.5 |
| | Media 0.00% (0.98%) | | |
| | Personal Goods 6.44% (6.17%) | | |
| 19,064 | Birkenstock | 743 | 2.4 |
| 9,259 | e.l.f. Beauty | 514 | 1.6 |
| , | Intercos | 409 | 1.3 |
| 131,400 | Samsonite International | 289 1,955 | 0.9 6.4 |
| | Retailers 6.29% (2.32%) | , | |
| 6,164 | Ollie's Bargain Outlet | 485 | 1.6 |
| 42,700 | Sanrio | 1,425 | 4.6 |
| ,, | | 1,910 | 6.2 |
| | Travel & Leisure 5.29% (5.45%) | | |
| 37,740 | Jet2 | 525 | 1.7 |
| 14,893 | Planet Fitness | 1,081 | 3.5 |
| | | 1,606 | 5.2 |
| | CONSUMER STAPLES 6.41% (9.38%) | | |
| 50 5 10 | Beverages 0.77% (2.99%) | | |
| 59,548 | Varun Beverages | 234 | 0.7 |
| | | 234 | 0.7 |
| | Food Producers 5.64% (3.83%) | | |
| 14,954 | BellRing Brands | 836 | 2.7 |
| 100,528 | Hilton Food Group | 882 1,718 | 2.8 5.6 |
| | Personal Care, Drug & Grocery Stores 0.00% (2.56%) | 1,710 | 5.0 |
| | ENERGY 7.46% (5.88%) | | |
| | Oil, Gas & Coal 4.77% (4.77%) | | |
| 89,957 | Ashtead Technology | 461 | 1.5 |
| 2,912 | Chord Energy | 263 | 0.8 |
| 47.000 | Matador Resources | 724 | 2.3 |
| 17,360 | | | |

| | | Market Value | Total Value of Sub-Fund |
|---------|--|---------------------|-------------------------------|
| Holding | Investment | £'000 | % |
| | Renewable Energy 2.69% (1.11%) | | |
| 27,655 | Grenergy Renovables | 819 | 2.69 |
| | | 819 | 2.69 |
| | FINANCIALS 14.60% (8.89%) | | |
| | | | |
| 2 742 | Banks 1.65% (1.74%) | 502 | 1.05 |
| 3,742 | Ringkjoebing Landbobank | 502 502 | 1.65 1.65 |
| | | 502 | 1.05 |
| | Financial Services 4.21% (0.00%) | | |
| 40,096 | First Horizon | 669 | 2.20 |
| 6,269 | Wintrust Financial | 611 1,280 | 2.01 4.21 |
| | Investment Banking & Brokerage Services 0.00% (0.91%) | 1,200 | 4.21 |
| | Non-life Insurance 8.74% (6.24%) | | |
| 8,630 | Palomar | 839 | 2.75 |
| 8,242 | , , , | 458 | 1.51 |
| 218,072 | | 604 | 1.99 |
| 15,324 | W.R. Berkley | 756 | 2.49 |
| | | 2,657 | 8.74 |
| | HEALTH CARE 5.83% (6.97%) | | |
| | Health Care Providers 1.10% (4.67%) | | |
| 3,219 | Tenet Healthcare | 334 | 1.10 |
| | | 334 | 1.10 |
| | Pharmaceuticals & Biotechnology 4.73% | | |
| 28,617 | (2.30%) BoneSupport | 813 | 2.67 |
| 28,500 | PeptiDream | 306 | 1.01 |
| 20,638 | Stevanato | 319 | 1.05 |
| | | 1,438 | 4.73 |
| | INDUSTRIALS 16.01% (26.60%) | | |
| | ND051NAL5 10.01% (20.00%) | | |
| | Construction & Materials 2.96% (3.16%) | | |
| 132,141 | Cadeler Construction Partners | 477 423 | 1.57 |
| 7,473 | | 900 | 1.39 2.96 |
| | Electronic & Electrical Equipment 0.00% (3.09%) | 500 | 2.30 |
| | General Industrials 4.91% (7.49%) | | |
| 35,075 | Graphic Packaging | 732 | 2.41 |
| 7,921 | Kongsberg Gruppen | 760 | 2.50 |
| | | 1,492 | 4.91 |
| | Industrial Engineering 3.19% (2.36%) | | |
| 652,318 | Imdex | 969 | 3.19 |
| | — | 969 | 3.19 |
| | Industrial Support Services 1.78% | | |
| 32,600 | (7.10%) Japan Elevator Service | 471 | 1.55 |
| 52,000 | Jupan Lievalui Jeivile | 471 | 1.55 |

PORTFOLIO OF INVESTMENTS

| | | Market Value | Tota Value c Sub-Fun |
|---------|--|---------------------|----------------------------|
| Holding | Investment | £'000 | 9 |
| | Industrial Support Services continued | | |
| 11,258 | Kelly Partners | 71 | 0.2 |
| | _ | 542 | 1.7 |
| | Industrial Transportation 3.17% (3.40%) | | |
| 11,850 | Kirby | 964 | 3.1 |
| | | 964 | 3.1 |
| | REAL ESTATE 4.24% (4.23%) | | |
| | Real Estate Investment & Services 2.15% (2.29%) | | |
| 833,052 | Sirius Real Estate | 654 | 2.1 |
| | | 654 | 2.1 |
| | Real Estate Investment Trusts 2.09% (1.94%) | | |
| 785,053 | Empiric Student Property | 634 | 2.0 |
| | | 634 | 2.0 |
| | TECHNOLOGY 13.26% (11.66%) | | |
| | Software & Computer Services 3.90% (4.95%) | | |
| 1,809 | Globant | 213 | 0.7 |
| - / | Pro Medicus | 488 | 1.6 |
| 23,468 | Verra Mobility | 483 1,184 | 1.5 3.9 |
| | Technology Hardware & Equipment | 1,104 | 515 |
| | Technology Hardware & Equipment 9.36% (6.71%) | | |
| 7,800 | Alchip Technologies | 620 | 2.0 |
| 5,000 | eMemory Technology | 355 | 1.1 |
| 21,000 | Lotes | 839 | 2.7 |
| 78,100 | Sinbon Electronics | 574 | 1.8 |
| 3,783 | SiTime | 459 2,847 | 1.5 9.3 |
| | TELECONANALINICATIONS 2 450/ (2 570/) | 2,047 | 5.5 |
| | TELECOMMUNICATIONS 3.45% (2.57%) Telecommunications Service Providers | | |
| | 3.45% (2.57%) | | |
| 47,200 | Internet Initiative Japan | 631 | 2.0 |
| 89,761 | Rai Way SpA | 416 | 1.3 |
| | | 1,047 | 3.4 |
| | Total Value of Investments | 30,389 | 100.0 |
| | Net Other Assets | 1 | |
| | Total Net Assets | 30,390 | 100.0 |

Figures in brackets represent sector distribution at 31 August 2024.

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

STATEMENT OF TOTAL RETURN

For the period ended 28 February 2025

| | 2: £'000 | 8/02/25 £'000 | 2 £'000 | 9/02/24 £'000 |
|--|-------------|------------------|------------|------------------|
| Income | | | | |
| Net capital (losses)/gains | | (704) | | 1,185 |
| Revenue | 139 | | 97 | |
| Expenses | (124) | | (82) | |
| Interest payable and similar charges | _ | | _ | |
| similar charges | | _ | | |
| Net revenue before taxation | 15 | | 15 | |
| Taxation | 1 | _ | (55) | |
| Net revenue/(expense) after taxation | _ | 16 | | (40) |
| Total (loss)/return before | | | | |
| distributions | | (688) | | 1,145 |
| Distributions | _ | (12) | _ | (11) |
| Change in net assets | | | | |
| attributable to shareholders from investment activities | _ | (700) | _ | 1,134 |

STATEMENT OF CHANGE IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO SHAREHOLDERS

For the period ended 28 February 2025

| | 2 £'000 | 28/02/25 ¹ £'000 | £'000 | 29/02/24 £'000 |
|--|------------|--------------------------------|---------|-------------------|
| Opening net assets attributable to shareholders | | 31,352 | | 23,920 |
| Amounts receivable on issue of shares | 5,177 | | 8,350 | |
| Amounts payable on cancellation of shares | (5,464) | _ | (9,730) | |
| | | (287) | | (1,380) |
| Dilution levy | | 13 | | 40 |
| Change in net assets attributable to shareholders from investment activities | | (700) | | 1,134 |
| Retained distributions on accumulation shares | | 12 | | 7 |
| Closing net assets attributable to shareholders | = | 30,390 | - | 23,721 |

¹ 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 28 February 2025

| | 28/02/25 £'000 | 31/08/24 £'000 |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|
| ASSETS | | |
| Fixed assets: | | |
| Investments | 30,389 | 31,192 |
| Current assets: | | |
| Debtors | 748 | 177 |
| Cash and bank balances | 45 | 163 |
| Total assets | 31,182 | 31,532 |
| LIABILITIES | | |
| Creditors: | | |
| Distribution payable on income shares | (1) | (10) |
| Other creditors | (791) | (170) |
| Total liabilities | (792) | (180) |
| Net assets attributable to | | |
| shareholders | 30,390 | 31,352 |

On behalf of Premier Portfolio Managers Limited.

Gregor Craig Director (of the ACD) 29 April 2025

Nicola Stronach Director (of the ACD)

NOTE TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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DISTRIBUTION TABLES

For the period from 1 September 2024 to 28 February 2025

Interim dividend distribution in pence per share

Class C Income Shares

| | | | Distri | bution Paid |
|---------|------------|--------------|-----------|-------------|
| | Net Income | Equalisation | 28/04/25* | 26/04/24* |
| Group 1 | _ | _ | _ | _ |
| Group 2 | | | | |

Class C Accumulation Shares

| | | | Amount | Accumulated |
|---------|------------|--------------|-----------|-------------|
| | Net Income | Equalisation | 28/04/25* | 26/04/24* |
| Group 1 | _ | _ | _ | _ |
| Group 2 | - | - | _ | |

Class F Income Shares

| | | | Dist | tribution Paid |
|---------|------------|--------------|----------|----------------|
| | Net Income | Equalisation | 28/04/25 | 26/04/24 |
| Group 1 | 0.0789 | _ | 0.0789 | 0.0852 |
| Group 2 | - | 0.0789 | 0.0789 | 0.0852 |

Class F Accumulation Shares

| | | | Amount | Amount Accumulated | |
|---------|------------|--------------|----------|--------------------|--|
| | Net Income | Equalisation | 28/04/25 | 26/04/24 | |
| Group 1 | 0.0805 | - | 0.0805 | 0.0857 | |
| Group 2 | - | 0.0805 | 0.0805 | 0.0857 | |

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

COMPARATIVE TABLES

Performance Record

| Calendar Year | High (p) | Low (p) | | |
|-----------------------------|----------|---------|--|--|
| Class B Income Shares | | | | |
| 2023 ¹ | 104.90 | 96.34 | | |
| 2024 | 115.10 | 98.36 | | |
| 2025 ² | 116.50 | 110.30 | | |
| Class C Income Shares | | | | |
| 2023 ¹ | 105.00 | 96.38 | | |
| 2024 | 115.10 | 98.45 | | |
| 2025 ² | 116.60 | 110.40 | | |
| Class C Accumulation Shares | | | | |
| 20231 | 105.40 | 97.02 | | |
| 2024 | 116.90 | 99.11 | | |
| 2025 ² | 118.30 | 112.10 | | |
| Class F Income Shares | | | | |
| 2023 ¹ | 105.00 | 96.43 | | |
| 2024 | 115.20 | 98.62 | | |
| 2025 ² | 116.80 | 110.60 | | |
| Class F Accumulation Shares | | | | |
| 2023 ¹ | 105.70 | 97.20 | | |
| 2024 | 117.60 | 99.41 | | |
| 2025 ² | 119.10 | 112.80 | | |

Income/Accumulation Record

| Calendar Year | Net Income per Share (p) |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Class B Income Shares | |
| 2023 ¹ | 0.5349 |
| 2024 | 0.6774 |
| 2025 ² | 0.0049 |
| Class C Income Shares | |
| 20231 | 0.6104 |
| 2024 | 0.8858 |
| 2025 ² | 0.1163 |
| Class C Accumulation Shares | |
| 20231 | 0.6722 |
| 2024 | 0.8874 |
| 2025 ² | 0.1148 |
| Class F Income Shares | |
| 20231 | 0.7731 |
| 2024 | 1.2989 |
| 2025 ² | 0.3392 |
| Class F Accumulation Shares | |
| 2023 ¹ | 0.7851 |
| 2024 | 1.3148 |
| 2025 ² | 0.3465 |
| | |

Net Asset Value (NAV)

| As at | Shares in Issue | NAV per Share (p) ³ |
|------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Class B Income Shares | 15540 | (9) |
| | 77 100 | 101.07 |
| 31/08/23 | 77,139 | 101.97 |
| 31/08/24 | 56,341 | 105.40 |
| 28/02/25 | 56,530 | 112.35 |
| Class C Income Shares | | |
| 31/08/23 | 1,326,297 | 101.98 |
| 31/08/24 | 1,098,404 | 105.41 |
| 28/02/25 | 1,046,257 | 112.37 |
| Class C Accumulation Shares | | |
| 31/08/23 | 106,718 | 102.67 |
| 31/08/24 | 551,407 | 107.02 |
| 28/02/25 | 216,355 | 114.19 |
| Class F Income Shares | | |
| 31/08/23 | 156,255 | 101.96 |
| 31/08/24 | 1,840,516 | 105.41 |
| 28/02/25 | 1,914,870 | 112.37 |
| Class F Accumulation Shares | | |
| 31/08/23 | 1,966,476 | 102.79 |
| 31/08/24 | 3,111,927 | 107.57 |
| 28/02/25 | 2,713,601 | 115.02 |
| | | NAV of Sub-Fund |

| NAV of Sub-Fund (£) |
|------------------------|
| 3,721,492 |
| 7,095,041 |
| 6,759,115 |
| |

¹From 21 April 2023 to 31 December 2023.

² To 28 February 2025.

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

ONGOING CHARGES FIGURE (OCF)

| | 28/02/25 | 31/08/24 |
|--------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Class B Income Shares | 1.20% | 1.20% |
| Class C Income & Accumulation Shares | 1.00% | 1.00% |
| Class F Income & Accumulation Shares | 0.60% | 0.60% |

The ongoing charges figure is based on the last six month's expenses for the period ended 28 February 2025 and may vary from year to year.

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



The sub-fund is ranked as 6 because it and portfolios holding similar assets have experienced relatively 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.

The SRRI remains the same from the last reporting period.

INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE AND POLICY

The investment objective of the Premier Miton Emerging Markets Sustainable Fund is to achieve capital growth over the long-term, being five years or more.

The minimum recommended holding term is at least five years. 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 Investment Adviser aims to achieve the objective of the sub-fund by investing a minimum of 80% of its assets in an actively managed portfolio of company shares listed on the stock exchanges of, or which are domiciled or incorporated in, or have assets within, less developed countries (those that are part of the MSCI Emerging Markets Index and may include frontier markets) or are listed on the stock markets of, or are domiciled or incorporated in, other countries, but which derive a majority of their revenues or profits from less developed countries.

Up to 20% of the sub-fund's assets may be in other investments which may include fixed income (including bonds issued by governments and companies, which could either be investment grade (higher quality) or non-investment grade (lower quality) bonds, convertible bonds (bonds that can convert into company shares), deposits, cash and near cash. The sub-fund may also invest in collective investment schemes (including those managed by the ACD and its affiliates).

The Investment Adviser will focus on companies with a strong Environmental, Social and Governance ('ESG') profile and those that it believes offer longterm sustainable growth themes and which have a positive influence on society and the environment. Other investments (apart from deposits, cash and near cash) will also be subject to appropriate responsible and ESG criteria and the same exclusion criteria as companies.

The long-term sustainable growth themes could include; health and wellbeing, sustainable cities and communities, education and employment, financial inclusion, and energy transition, amongst others. Companies across a wide range of industrial sectors can have businesses that drive or benefit from these themes. The Investment Adviser analyses companies on a wide range of criteria including specific ESG and sustainability factors which may evolve over time. The factors could include corporate governance (including; female representation on boards, remuneration structure, efficacy of auditors, disclosures), management (including; tenure, capability, clarity of strategy and policies), sustainability of business (including; barriers to entry, risks to assets, regulatory risk, innovation), contribution to United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (including; revenues aligned to the goals, negative impacts), environmental and social impact of business (including; carbon emissions, resource usage and intensity, supply chain management, business ethics). A number of sources of information are employed in assessing these factors. These include; meetings with company management, proprietary analysis (including company report and accounts and other reports and disclosures), third party analysis (including from Ethical Screening, Institutional Shareholder Services (ISS) and other specialist research providers). Using that information each investment is assessed against relevant criteria to produce an overall score to ensure it meets the required standards. The Investment Adviser monitors the profitability and financial strength of each investment alongside the ESG and sustainability factors.

The Investment Adviser will use the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals ('SDGs') as a recognised set of global standards to reference and will seek to align the investments in the sub-fund with those standards where possible, recognizing that not all investments will align with the SDGs, in whole or in part, all of the time. For certain asset classes alignment with the SDGs may be less clear. In those cases appropriate factors will be assessed. For example, for government bonds, a country's approach to factors including democracy, civil liberties and corruption will be assessed. It is expected that the amount of investments not aligned to the SDGs will be limited.

Up to 10% of the sub-fund's assets (excluding deposits, cash or near cash) may be in investments that do not meet the ESG criteria or are not part of the long-term sustainable growth themes. This may be when a company ceases to meet the necessary standard, in which case the Investment Adviser would engage with it to discuss a route to meet the criteria. If this engagement did not result in the investment regaining the necessary standard, it would ultimately be sold. This would normally be expected to be within 9 months. Similarly, an investment may be made in anticipation of a company meeting the required criteria within a period of 9 months. The investment would be sold if the criteria were not met within that timeframe.

The Investment Adviser will not invest in companies that it believes have a negative societal or environmental impact including those with more than 10% of their revenues coming from tobacco, gambling, oil and gas or coal mining. The Investment Adviser will not invest in companies with any involvement in banned weapons or those it believes contravene human rights.

A Non-Financial Objectives Report will be published twice a year that will detail the alignment of the sub-fund's investments to the investment themes, report on the ESG criteria and proxy voting and provide other information on the sustainable investing approach, along with a Sustainable Investing Policy, that will provide more details on the sub-fund's investment approach, which will be updated from time to time.

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

INVESTMENT REVIEW

PERFORMANCE

The Premier Miton Emerging Markets Sustainable Fund delivered a return of 5.29% in the period. This compares to the IA Global Emerging Markets sector, which returned 4.49%. Emerging markets are countries with less developed financial markets, and which are generally considered riskier than investing in developed markets. The sub-fund is classified in the IA Global Emerging Markets sector which we believe is a meaningful comparator to help investors assess the performance of the sub-fund.

MARKET REVIEW

While emerging markets have delivered a positive return over the last 6 months, they have lagged the strong performance seen in developed markets, led by the US. Markets have been characterised by periods of volatility as investors have grappled with the implications of Trump's accession to the White House, in particular concerns over Trump's trade policy and the impact of tariffs. This has impacted sentiment around some of the United States' largest trade partners including Mexico, as well as those markets which are more sensitive to global trade flows such as Indonesia. Sentiment towards China improved materially at the end of the period, as initial tariffs applied by the US were lower than feared. Domestic concerns weighed on the market in Brazil, where measures to contain government spending disappointed the market and the Central Bank increased interest rates.

PORTFOLIO ACTIVITY

The sub-fund invests in high quality, financially sustainable companies to hold for the long term. All companies must be able to demonstrate that they are sustainable in the products and services that they offer as well as in the way that they conduct their business.

The sub-fund has benefited from holding companies in Korea and Taiwan, which form part of the supply chain for the development of artificial intelligence (AI) and support higher digital data demand.

Our holding in Polish internet platform Allegro was sold off as the market became more concerned about competition from low-cost Chinese players and the impact this could have on future profitability.

Whilst the sub-fund's higher allocation to India was negative for the subfund, the companies held in the portfolio performed well and contributed positively to performance.

The sub-fund's position in China has been mixed as performance was negatively impacted by the sub-fund not holding large index positions such as online consumer platforms Alibaba and Tencent, which do not meet the sustainable investment criteria.

During the last six months we initiated a new position in Hygeia Healthcare, a Chinese cancer hospital operator. We also introduced LWSA which offers domain hosting, e-commerce shopfront, payments and related accounting and ERP solutions for small and micro-business clients in Brazil. Ahead of the US election, we reduced exposure to our Mexican holdings and realised some profits on our holdings. We exited our holding in Indian electricity transmission business Power Grid.

OUTLOOK

The outlook for emerging markets has become less clear in the short run and markets are likely to see higher volatility arising from US trade policy and geopolitics. Investors are starting to become more concerned about the concentration of capital in US markets given the higher risk of inflation which comes from President Trump's implementation of trade tariffs and the impact on economic growth of higher interest rates. Investors are beginning to look at a more diverse range of investments. We believe emerging market companies could grow their earnings at a similar rate to the United States, but valuations have looked much less expensive to date. Meanwhile the challenges around economic growth in China are starting to be addressed more actively by the government, which has announced further measures to support growth. We believe that the best risk management for an unpredictable world is to buy resilient companies with strong cashflows, operating in alignment with global sustainable development priorities. We will continue to focus on identifying and investing in high quality financially sustainable businesses which are able to deliver positive environmental and social outcomes.

Source: Premier Portfolio Managers Limited, March 2025. 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 28 February 2025. 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 |
|---|--|--|--|
| Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing ADR Hygeia Healthcare Sungrow Power Supply LWSA Polycab India Kingdee International Software Shenzhen Mindray Bio- Medical Electronics Prudential Godrej Consumer | 136 111 92 79 68 66 66 62 59 | Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Kingdee International Software Shenzhen Envicool Technology Sungrow Power Supply Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing ADR Mondi MercadoLibre Shenzhen Inovance Technology | 196 185 179 157 148 116 98 77 |
| Products Chroma ATE Total purchases during | 58 50 | Gentera Power Grid Corp of India Total sales during | 77 77 77 |
| the period were | 1,383 | the period were | 2,214 |

PORTFOLIO OF INVESTMENTS

As at 28 February 2025

| Holding | Investment | Market Value £'000 | Total Value of Sub-Fund % |
|---------|---|--------------------------|------------------------------------|
| | BASIC MATERIALS 0.00% (1.52%) | | |
| | Industrial Materials 0.00% (1.52%) | | |
| | CONSUMER DISCRETIONARY 9.46% (10.11%) | | |
| 140,050 | Automobiles & Parts 2.69% (2.44%) Yadea | 182 | 2.69 |
| | | 182 | 2.69 |
| | Consumer Services 6.77% (7.67%) | | |
| 31,571 | Allegro.EU | 176 | 2.60 |
| 6,899 | Laureate Education | 109 | 1.61 |
| 102 | MercadoLibre | 173 | 2.56 |
| | | 458 | 6.77 |
| | CONSUMER STAPLES 5.31% (6.11%) | | |
| | Personal Care, Drug & Grocery Stores 5.31% (6.11%) | | |
| 6,964 | Clicks | 105 | 1.55 |
| 17,443 | Godrej Consumer Products | 160 | 2.37 |
| 37,532 | Raia Drogasil | 94 | 1.39 |
| | | 359 | 5.31 |
| | ENERGY 1.98% (2.86%) | | |
| | Alternative Energy 1.98% (2.86%) | | |
| 17,320 | Sungrow Power Supply | 134 | 1.98 |
| | | 134 | 1.98 |
| | FINANCIALS 19.85% (21.96%) | | |
| | Banks 10.56% (11.79%) | | |
| 14,542 | HDFC Bank | 228 | 3.36 |
| 198,950 | Military Commercial Joint Stock Bank | 142 | 2.10 |
| 5,951 | Nova Ljubljanska banka dd Ljubljana | 136 | 2.01 |
| 816,800 | PT Bank Rakyat Indonesia (Persero) | 131 | 1.94 |
| 15,120 | Regional | 78 | 1.15 |
| | | 715 | 10.56 |
| | Finance & Credit Services 2.94% (3.22%) | | |
| 41,542 | Aptus Value Housing Finance India | 116 | 1.72 |
| 69,500 | Gentera | 82 | 1.22 |
| | | 198 | 2.94 |
| | Life Insurance 6.35% (6.95%) | | |
| 28,395 | HDFC Life Insurance | 157 | 2.32 |
| 26,450 | Prudential | 187 | 2.77 |
| 22,360 | Sanlam | 85 | 1.26 |
| | | 429 | 6.35 |
| | HEALTH CARE 7.47% (5.49%) | | |
| | Health Care Providers 4.66% (3.14%) | | |
| 64,000 | Hygeia Healthcare | 96 | 1.42 |
| 30,721 | Krishna Institute of Medical Sciences | 143 | 2.12 |
| 111,163 | Oncoclinicas Do Brasil Servicos | 70 | 1 1 2 |
| | Medicos | 76 | 1.12 |
| | | 315 | 4.66 |

| Holding | Investment | Market Value £'000 | Total Value of Sub-Fund % |
|---------|--|--------------------------|------------------------------------|
| | Medical Equipment & Services 2.81% (2.35%) | | |
| 6,900 | Shenzhen Mindray Bio-Medical | 100 | 2.01 |
| | Electronics | 190 190 | 2.81 2.81 |
| | | 150 | 2.01 |
| | INDUSTRIALS 16.46% (14.07%) | | |
| | Construction & Materials 2.77% (2.40%) | | |
| 38,080 | Shenzhen Envicool Technology | 187 | 2.77 |
| | | 187 | 2.77 |
| | Electronic & Electrical Equipment 4.98% (5.03%) | | |
| 23,500 | | 193 | 2.86 |
| 3,332 | Polycab India | 143 | 2.12 |
| | | 336 | 4.98 |
| | Industrial Engineering 4.50% (3.99%) | | |
| 21,300 | Shenzhen Inovance Technology | 167 | 2.47 |
| 20,654 | Weg | 137 | 2.03 |
| | | 304 | 4.50 |
| | Industrial Support Services 4.21% (2.65%) | | |
| 88,900 | Centre Testing International | 120 | 1.78 |
| 13,131 | Kanzhun | 164 | 2.43 |
| | | 284 | 4.21 |
| | REAL ESTATE 5.32% (5.29%) | | |
| | Real Estate Investment & Services 2.94% (2.68%) | | |
| 14,532 | СТР | 199 | 2.94 |
| | | 199 | 2.94 |
| | Real Estate Investment Trusts 2.38% (2.61%) | | |
| 48,740 | Embassy Office Parks REIT | 161 | 2.38 |
| | | 161 | 2.38 |
| | TECHNOLOGY 27.34% (26.70%) | | |
| | Software & Computer Services 9.94% | | |
| | (7.22%) | | |
| 2,088 | Kaspi.kz | 172 | 2.54 |
| 191,000 | Kingdee International Software | 248 | 3.67 |
| 178,600 | LWSA Persistent Systems | 69 183 | 1.02 2.71 |
| 3,834 | | 672 | 9.94 |
| | Technology Hardware & Equipment | 072 | 5.54 |
| 167 | 17.40% (19.48%) ASM International | 70 | 1.04 |
| 2,500 | eMemory Technology | 178 | 2.63 |
| 1,082 | Park Systems | 122 | 1.81 |
| 600 | Samsung SDI | 73 | 1.08 |
| 1,693 | SK Hynix | 175 | 2.59 |
| 16,315 | Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing | 410 | 6.06 |
| | | | |

PORTFOLIO OF INVESTMENTS

| As at 28 | February | 2025 |
|----------|----------|------|
|----------|----------|------|

| Holding | Investment | Market Value £'000 | Total Value of Sub-Fund % |
|---------|---|--------------------------|------------------------------------|
| | Technology Hardware & Equipment continued | | |
| 1,032 | Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing ADR | 148 | 2.19 |
| | | 1,176 | 17.40 |
| | TELECOMMUNICATIONS 4.93% (4.00%) | | |
| | Telecommunications Equipment 3.08% (2.34%) | | |
| 12,800 | Accton Technology | 208 | 3.08 |
| | | 208 | 3.08 |
| | Telecommunications Service Providers 1.85% (1.66%) | | |
| 87,689 | Airtel Africa | 125 | 1.85 |
| | | 125 | 1.85 |
| | UTILITIES 0.00% (1.31%) | | |
| | Electricity 0.00% (1.31%) | | |
| | | | |
| | Total Value of Investments | 6,632 | 98.12 |
| | Net Other Assets | 127 | 1.88 |
| | Total Net Assets | 6,759 | 100.00 |

Figures in brackets represent sector distribution at 31 August 2024.

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

STATEMENT OF TOTAL RETURN

For the period ended 28 February 2025

| | 2: £'000 | 8/02/25 £'000 | 2: £'000 | 9/02/24 £'000 |
|--|-------------|------------------|-------------|------------------|
| Income | | | | |
| Net capital gains Revenue | 48 | 401 | 36 | 14 |
| Expenses Interest payable and similar charges | (17) | | (4) | |
| Net revenue before taxation Taxation | 31 30 | _ | 32 (7) | |
| Net revenue after taxation | _ | 61 | | 25 |
| Total return before distributions | | 462 | | 39 |
| Distributions Change in net assets | _ | (19) | _ | (15) |
| attributable to shareholders from investment activities | = | 443 | _ | 24 |

STATEMENT OF CHANGE IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO SHAREHOLDERS

For the period ended 28 February 2025

| | | 28/02/25 ¹ | | 29/02/24 |
|--|---------|-----------------------|-------|----------|
| | £'000 | £'000 | £'000 | £'000 |
| Opening net assets attributable to shareholders | | 7,095 | | 3,721 |
| Amounts receivable on issue of shares | 1,474 | | 3,978 | |
| Amounts payable on cancellation of shares | (2,272) | | (396) | |
| | | (798) | | 3,582 |
| Dilution levy | | 9 | | 10 |
| Change in net assets attributable to shareholders from investment activities | | 443 | | 24 |
| Retained distributions on accumulation shares | | 10 | | 15 |
| Closing net assets attributable to shareholders | - | 6,759 | | 7,352 |

¹ 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 28 February 2025

| | 28/02/25 £'000 | 31/08/24 £'000 |
|----------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| ASSETS | | |
| Fixed assets: | | |
| Investments | 6,632 | 7,054 |
| Current assets: | | |
| Debtors | 75 | 85 |
| Cash and bank balances | 184 | 92 |
| Total assets | 6,891 | 7,231 |
| LIABILITIES | | |
| Creditors: | | |
| Distribution payable | | |
| on income shares | (8) | (26) |
| Other creditors | (124) | (110) |
| Total liabilities | (132) | (136) |
| Net assets attributable to | | |
| shareholders | 6,759 | 7,095 |

On behalf of Premier Portfolio Managers Limited.

Gregor Craig Director (of the ACD) 29 April 2025

Nicola Stronach Director (of the ACD)

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DISTRIBUTION TABLES

For the period from 1 September 2024 to 28 February 2025

Interim dividend distribution in pence per share

Class B Income Shares

| | | | Distribution Paid | |
|---------|------------|--------------|--------------------------|----------|
| | Net Income | Equalisation | 28/04/25 | 26/04/24 |
| Group 1 | 0.0049 | - | 0.0049 | 0.0605 |
| Group 2 | - | 0.0049 | 0.0049 | 0.0605 |

Class C Income Shares

| | | | Distrib | istribution Paid | |
|---------|------------|--------------|----------|------------------|--|
| | Net Income | Equalisation | 28/04/25 | 26/04/24 | |
| Group 1 | 0.1163 | _ | 0.1163 | 0.1617 | |
| Group 2 | 0.0215 | 0.0948 | 0.1163 | 0.1617 | |

Class C Accumulation Shares

| | | | Amount Accumulated | |
|---------|------------|--------------|--------------------|----------|
| | Net Income | Equalisation | 28/04/25 | 26/04/24 |
| Group 1 | 0.1148 | _ | 0.1148 | 0.1643 |
| Group 2 | 0.0418 | 0.0730 | 0.1148 | 0.1643 |

Class F Income Shares

| | | | Distribution Paid | |
|---------|------------|--------------|-------------------|----------|
| | Net Income | Equalisation | 28/04/25 | 26/04/24 |
| Group 1 | 0.3392 | _ | 0.3392 | 0.3577 |
| Group 2 | 0.1970 | 0.1422 | 0.3392 | 0.3577 |

Class F Accumulation Shares

| | | | Amount Accumulated | |
|---------|------------|--------------|--------------------|----------|
| | Net Income | Equalisation | 28/04/25 | 26/04/24 |
| Group 1 | 0.3465 | - | 0.3465 | 0.3691 |
| Group 2 | 0.0832 | 0.2633 | 0.3465 | 0.3691 |