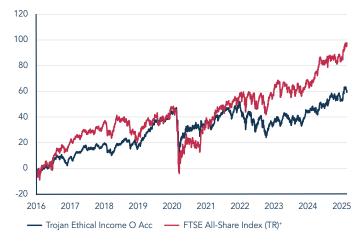


# **Trojan Ethical Income Fund**

The investment objective of the Trojan Ethical Income Fund is to seek to achieve income with the potential for capital growth in the medium term (3 to 5 years). Its investment policy is to invest at least 80% of its assets in UK and overseas equities, including investment trusts and real estate investment trusts and equity-related securities. At least 60% of its assets will be invested in UK equities and equity-related securities. A maximum of 30% of its assets may also be invested in overseas equities and equity-related securities.

### PERCENTAGE GROWTH FROM 06/01/2016 TO 28/02/2025



#### All data as at 28 February 2025

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FUND SIZE

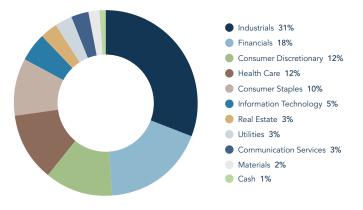
£171m

PRICES YIELD\* 159.92p 125.00p 2.7% 'O' accumulation shares 'O' income shares

'O' income shares

\*historic dividend yield

#### ASSET ALLOCATION



#### Source: Factset, Asset Allocation subject to change.

Total Return to 28 February 2025		06/01/16 Since Launch		29/02/20 5 years		28/02/22 3 years		29/02/24 1 year		31/08/24 6 months	
Trojan Ethical Income Fund O Acc	+59	+59.9% +20.6%		+15.1%		+9.9%		+2.2%			
FTSE All-Share Index (TR)⁺	+97	7.7%	+5	+53.4% +27.7%		+18.4%		+5.2%			
Discrete Calendar Annual Returns	2016#	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025 YTD	
Trojan Ethical Income Fund O Acc	+8.0%	+10.2%	-2.9%	+23.9%	-6.0%	+12.1%	-11.2%	+8.2%	+5.6%	+4.4%	
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#from 6 January 2016

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## February Commentary

Your Fund returned -2.0% during the month compared to +1.3% for the FTSE All-Share Index (TR).

There was a strong 'value tilt' to returns with several large index constituents not owned by your Fund, including banks HSBC and Lloyds Banking Group, rising sharply, hurting relative performance. At the same time, various Fund holdings declined in the month including RELX and IHG. Your Fund has returned +4.4% YTD.

As reflected in the pie chart above, so-called 'Industrials' (as defined by GICS<sup>1</sup> classification) currently represent the largest sector exposure within the Fund. Over the years, we have expanded within this sector by investing in a wide variety of high-quality businesses - from data and analytics companies RELX and Experian, through to specialist engineering groups such as Smiths. The latest addition to your Fund is another FTSE 100 Industrial - Spirax Group, which was purchased in January.

Headquartered in Cheltenham, England, Spirax is a global leader in designing and implementing advanced steam and electrical heating solutions used across a diverse set of end markets. The company also owns Watson-Marlow, a leader in niche pumping solutions that are employed

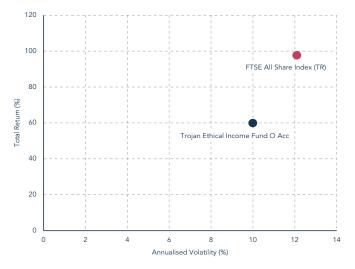
<sup>1</sup> Global Industry Classification Standard (GICS)

where hygiene and precise fluid handling is essential. Their largest end markets include life sciences and food & beverage, and collectively defensive sectors make up more than 60% of sales. One of the key attractions of the business is its resilience and strong pricing power; 85% of sales are from maintenance, repair, and small ticket improvement projects that are funded from customer's opex (operating expenses) budgets. Spirax's solutions have relatively short payback periods (6-24 months) by helping customers save energy, and ultimately money, by making their processes significantly more efficient. Spirax has been a stellar long-term performer, including producing the FTSE 100's longest track record of consecutive dividend growth (56 years and counting). Unusually poor recent performance has provided an opportunity to start a holding at what we consider an attractive valuation (c.22x PE, 2.3% dividend yield) for the quality and growth potential.

Elsewhere in terms of recent activity, we exited two of the Fund's overseas holdings - Medtronic and Nestlé. We used the proceeds to add to the existing holding in UK consumer health company Haleon, where we see better prospects for long-term free cash flow growth at a similar valuation.



## RETURN VS VOLATILITY SINCE LAUNCH (06/01/2016)



#### Source: Lipper

#### **RISK ANALYSIS**

Risk analysis since launch (06/01/16)	Trojan Ethical Income Fund O Acc	FTSE All-Share Index (TR)
Total Return	+59.9%	+97.7%
Max Drawdown <sup>1</sup>	-25.4%	-35.3%
Best Month	+6.6%	+12.7%
Worst Month	-9.1%	-15.1%
Positive Months	+61.5%	+62.4%
Annualised Volatility <sup>2</sup>	+10.0%	+12.1%

<sup>1</sup> Measures the worst investment period

<sup>2</sup> Measured by standard deviation of annual returns

Source: Lipper

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#### FUND INFORMATION

A copy of the latest Prospectus and the KIID for each class (in English) upon which you should base your investment decision is available from Waystone Management (UK) Limited, the Fund's Authorised Corporate Director, (Authorised and Regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority) at <u>www.waystone.com</u>.

**Structure** Sub-fund of Trojan Investment Funds UK UCITS

Investment Manager Troy Asset Management Limited 33 Davies Street London W1K 4BP Tel: 020 7499 4030 Fax: 020 7491 2445 email: busdev@taml.co.uk

Fund Manager Assitant Fund Manager	Blake Hutchins Fergus McCorkell
Currency	£ Sterling
Launch Date	06 January 2016
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Authorised Corporate Director Waystone Management (UK) Limited Tel: 0345 608 0950 **Dividend Ex Dates** 1 August (interim), 1 February (final)

**Dividend Pay Dates** 30 September (interim), 31 March (final)

Historic Dividend Yield ('O' Inc shares) 2.66%

#### Benchmarks

For more information on the benchmarks used please refer to the 'use of benchmarks' section in the fund information sheet available from our <u>website</u>.

#### Registrar

Waystone Transfer Agency Solutions (UK) Limited

## Auditor

Ernst & Young LLP

Depositary

#### **TOP 10 HOLDINGS**

Unilever	5.7%
RELX	5.5%
Bunzl	4.2%
LSEG	4.2%
Reckitt Benckiser	4.1%
Compass Group	4.1%
Experian	3.9%
Paychex	3.4%
Amadeus IT	3.3%
Roche Holding	3.1%
Total Top 10	41.4%
25 Other Equity holdings	57.6%
Cash	1.0%
TOTAL	100.0%
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Source: Factset. Holdings subject to change.

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 Ongoing Charges (capped)

 'O' (ordinary) shares:
 1.02%

 'S' (charity) shares:
 0.77%

Pricing

"O" share class prices published daily in the FT

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