



# Trojan Ethical Income Fund

All data as at 30 April 2025

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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.

prices 154.78p

120.98p

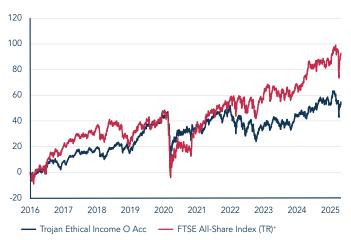
'O' accumulation shares 'O' income shares

YIELD\* 2.7%

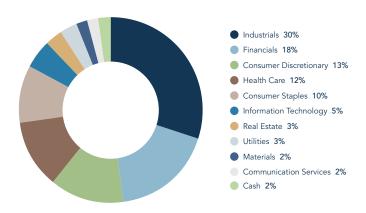
fund size £153m

'O' income shares
\*historic dividend yield

## PERCENTAGE GROWTH FROM 06/01/2016 TO 30/04/2025



#### **ASSET ALLOCATION**



Source: Factset, Asset Allocation subject to change.

Total Return to 30 April 2025		06/01/16 Since Launch		30/04/20 5 years		30/04/22 3 years		30/04/24 1 year		31/10/24 6 months	
Trojan Ethical Income Fund O Acc	+5	+54.8%		+21.4%		+7.8%		+6.3%		+1.4%	
FTSE All-Share Index (TR)+	+9	+92.8%		+67.9%		+22.6%		+7.5%		+5.6%	
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%	+1.0%	

<sup>\*</sup>From 6 January 2016

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Past performance is not a guide to future performance.

Source: Lipper

# **April Commentary**

Your Fund returned  $\pm 0.2\%$  during the month compared to  $\pm 0.2\%$  for the FTSE All-Share Index (TR).

The market's flattish return disguises notable intra-month volatility beginning on April 2<sup>nd</sup> when President Trump announced a set of tariffs that were more wide-ranging and punitive than expected. In the ensuing days, the FTSE All-Share fell c.10% (Source: Bloomberg) and there was significant weakness in US stocks, treasuries and the US dollar. Despite lingering uncertainty, by month end stock markets had recouped most of their losses as Trump softened his stance. As has historically been the case during market drawdowns, the Fund outperformed the index on the way down and provided a less volatile journey. We were pleased to see this performance in what felt like a dry run for a more difficult economic environment.

In terms of activity during this sharp selloff, we prioritised existing holdings. We added to Spirax, Croda, Diploma and AJ Bell, responding to improved valuations. Later in the month, we also added to Howden Joinery and Rentokil for the same reason, in each case using more fully valued holdings as sources of capital.

One notable drag on the Fund's return over the month came from distributor Bunzl which released a profit warning. Having earned a reputation for consistent delivery over many decades, this update, which highlighted a self-inflicted issue in Bunzl's North American business, spooked investors and drove a sharp share price fall. We have analysed the situation and whilst one can never rule out further mis-steps, we currently judge the issue to be fixable and feel that the share price reaction has been overly harsh. We added to the Fund's holding at a valuation of c.12x Price to Earnings and a dividend yield of >3%.

Having underperformed global markets in recent years, we find the valuation case for UK equities to be particularly attractive currently. Low valuations and comparative political stability, at least in the short term, should provide a good backdrop for UK stock-pickers.





# 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	+54.8%	+92.8%
Max Drawdown <sup>1</sup>	-25.4%	-35.3%
Best Month	+6.6%	+12.7%
Worst Month	-9.1%	-15.1%
Positive Months	+61.3%	+61.3%
Annualised Volatility <sup>2</sup>	+10.0%	+12.1%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Measures the worst investment period

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 <a href="https://www.waystone.com">www.waystone.com</a>.

## 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 Blake Hutchins **Fund Manager** Fergus McCorkell Assitant Fund Manager £ Sterlina Currency Launch Date 06 January 2016 **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) 2.74% **Benchmarks** For more information on the benchmarks used please refer to the 'use of benchmarks' section in the fund information sheet available from our website. Waystone Transfer Agency Solutions (UK) Limited Ernst & Young LLP Depositary

# **TOP 10 HOLDINGS**

Unilever	5.9%
RELX	5.9%
LSEG	4.2%
Experian	3.9%
Reckitt Benckiser	3.9%
Compass Group	3.8%
Bunzl	3.4%
Amadeus IT	3.3%
Next	3.3%
GSK	3.1%
Total Top 10	40.7%
25 Other Equity holdings	57.7%
Cash	1.6%
TOTAL	100.0%
Source: Factset. Holdings subject to change.	

## RESPONSIBLE INVESTMENT





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Ongoing Charges (capped)

'O' (ordinary) shares: 1.02% 'S' (charity) shares: 0.77%

"O" share class prices published daily in the FT

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





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