



## Trojan Ethical Fund

All data as at 31 August 2020

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The investment objective of the Trojan Ethical Fund is to provide capital growth (net of fees), ahead of inflation (UK Retail Price Index), over the longer term (5 to 7 years). Its investment policy is to invest across a broad range of asset classes. Whilst asset allocation will vary, in general, the investment universe will comprise high-quality, developed market equities, developed market government bonds, gold related investments, cash and money market instruments (such as treasury bills). The portfolio will be constructed with input from both top-down analysis (looking at an economy as a whole) and bottom-up analysis (study of individual securities). The Fund will invest in accordance with the parameters of its Ethical Exclusion Criteria.

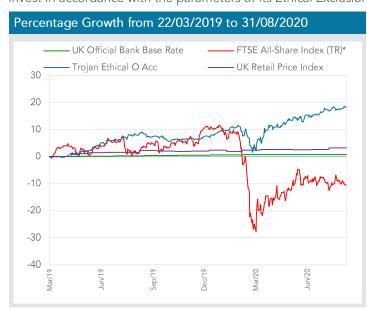
**Prices** 118.36p

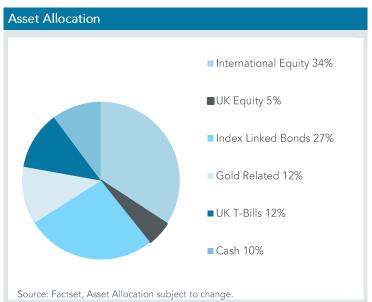
'O' accumulation shares

118.13p

'O' income shares

**Fund Size** £159m





Total Return to 31 August 2020	22/03/19 Since launch			
Trojan Ethical Fund O Acc	+18.4%	+8.8%	+10.0%	
UK Official Bank Base Rate	+0.8%	+0.4%	+0.1%	
UK Retail Price Index	+3.2%	+0.9%	+0.8%	
FTSE All-Share Index (TR)*	-10.4%	-12.6%	-7.6%	
Discrete Calendar Annual Returns	20	019#	2020 YTD	
Trojan Ethical Fund O Acc	+	7.1%	+10.4%	
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#from 22 March 2019

Past performance is not a guide to future performance

### **August Commentary**

compared to +2.4% for the FTSE All-Share talk of a bubble. While valuations have risen Index (TR).

The recovery in US stock markets since the end of March has been breath-taking. While some moves appear rational, buoyed by lower bond yields and supportive monetary policy, growth and stability have been sought-after qualities. built into share

Your Fund returned +1.3% during the month This bifurcation of the stock market has led to of S&P500 total market cap and 14.8% of the and the number of trillion dollar companies, like Apple, Microsoft and Alphabet, makes headlines, comparisons with the 2000 tech bubble appear easy but are misguided. The difference today is that these companies are profitable and not buoyed by an internet investment boom. As Christopher Wood of The narrative of a 'K'-shaped recovery, in which Jeffries points out, "For the moment these [Big some sectors gain from the pandemic such as tech] companies' dominant share of total online retailers, as others like airlines suffer, is market cap does not look out of line with their explicable. Yet there is a growing sense that share of earnings when a premium is put on the over-extrapolation and exuberance is being quality of their earnings. On this point, prices. Facebook, Apple, Alphabet (Google), Netflix, and Microsoft account for a combined 23.5%

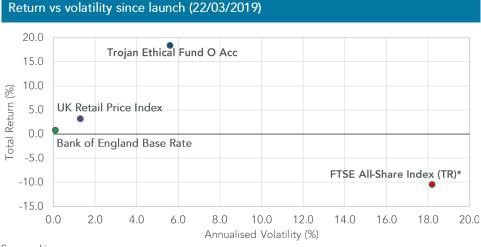
S&P500 2020 consensus forecast earnings."

Resilience, permanence, scarcity sustainability are qualities we look for in the equities we want to hold. The past six months prove how difficult it is to value the equity of a business with declining cash flows, especially when they are saddled with debt. There is, no doubt, room for rotation into the distressed parts of the market over the short term. Should that occur, we have plenty of dry powder to increase our equity exposure to more resilient businesses if they fall from favour.

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Source: Lipper

Risk analysis since launch (22/03/19)	Trojan Ethical Fund O Acc	FTSE All-Share Index (TR)	
Total Return	+18.4%	-10.4%	
Max Drawdown <sup>1</sup>	-8.9%	-35.3%	
Best Month	+4.6%	+4.9%	
Worst Month	-2.0%	-15.1%	
Positive Months	+76.5%	+58.8%	
Annualised Volatility <sup>2</sup>	+5.6%	+18.2%	

Source: Lipper 1. Measures the worst investment period <sup>2</sup> Measured by standard deviation of annual returns

Top 10 holdings (excluding government bonds)	% Fund
ETFS Physical Gold	7.0
Microsoft	5.3
Invesco Physical Gold ETC	4.9
Alphabet	4.4
Visa	4.1
Medtronic	4.0
Nestlé	3.7
Unilever	3.7
Colgate-Palmolive	2.4
Agilent Technologies	2.0
Total Top 10	41.3
8 other equity holdings	9.8
Index-Linked Bonds	26.7
UK T-Bills	12.0
Cash	10.2
Total	100.0

Source: Factset, holdings subject to change

### 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 Link Fund Solutions Ltd, the Fund's Authorised Corporate Director at www.linkfundsolutions.co.uk.

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Fund Manager

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Currency

£ Sterling

Launch Date

22 March 2019

Ongoing Charges (capped)

'O' (ordinary) shares:

'S' (charity) shares:

Dividend Ex Dates

1 August (interim), 1 February (final)

**Dividend Pay Dates** 

30 September (interim), 31 March (final)

Authorised Corporate Director

Link Fund Solutions Limited

ISIN

1.02%

0.77%

GB00BJP0XY24 (O Inc), GB00BJP0XX17 (O Acc) GB00BJP0Y054 (S Inc), GB00BJP0XZ31 (S Acc)

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

Net Yield (historic 'O' Inc shares)

Dealing

Daily at noon Tel: 0345 608 0950

Registra

Link Fund Administrators Limited

Auditor

Ernst & Young LLP

Depositary

The Bank of New York Mellon (International) Limited

SEDOL (O shares)

BJP0XY2 (O Inc), BJP0XX1 (O Acc) BJP0Y05 (S Inc), BJP0XZ3 (S Acc)

Pricing

0.09%

"O" share class prices published daily in the FT

Important Information

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