



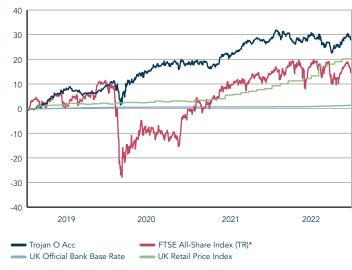
All data as at 31 August 2022

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# Trojan Ethical Fund

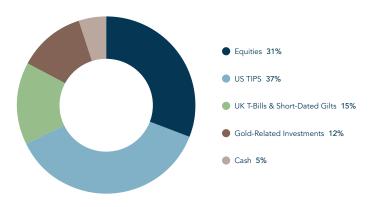
The investment objective of the Trojan Ethical Fund is to provide capital growth (net of fees), ahead of inflation (UK Retail Price Index), over the longer term (5 to 7 years). Its investment policy is to invest across a broad range of asset classes. Whilst asset allocation will vary, in general, the 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.

# PERCENTAGE GROWTH FROM 22/03/2019 TO 31/08/2022



PRICES		FUND SIZE
128.15p	127.89p	£752m
O' accumulation shares	'O' income shares	

ASSET ALLOCATION



Source: Factset. Asset Allocation is subject to change.

Total Return to 31 August 2022	22/03/19 Since launch	31/08/2019 3 years	31/08/21 1 year	28/02/22 6 months	31/08/22 1 month
Trojan Ethical Fund O Acc	+28.2%	+17.8%	-0.7%	-0.5%	-0.0%
UK Official Bank Base Rate	+1.5%	+1.2%	+0.6%	+0.5%	+0.1%
UK Retail Price Index	+20.4%	+17.7%	+11.6%	+7.2%	-0.0%
FTSE All-Share Index (TR)*	+14.9%	+12.0%	+1.0%	-1.3%	-1.7%

Discrete Calendar Annual Returns	2019#	2020	2021	2022 YTD
Trojan Ethical Fund O Acc	+7.1%	+10.9%	+10.1%	-2.1%

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Past performance is not a guide to future performance.

Source: Lipper

# August Commentary

Your Fund returned +2.6% during the month compared to +4.4% for the FTSE All-Share Index (TR).

July saw equity and bond markets rally, with the MSCI World equity index returning +7.7% in sterling, partially reversing the damage seen in markets during a torrid first six months of the year. This change in fortune reflects a fading of recession fears and a hope that the US Federal Reserve may slow the pace of interest rate rises after a further +75bps rate increase in late July. The more optimistic mood is unsurprising after several months of extremely negative investor sentiment.

Today investors are struggling to reconcile a world of high historical valuations, high inflation and tightening monetary conditions. Central banks are a long way behind the curve on required interest rate rises, with the latest data published in July showing US annual inflation of +9.1%,

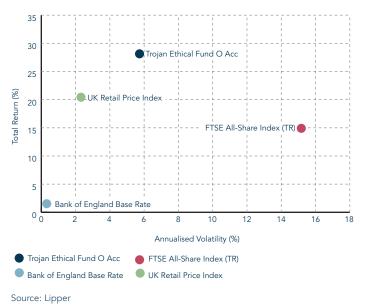
while US benchmark interest rates are 2.25%-2.5%. It appears wishful thinking to expect inflation to be tamed, central bank interest rate rises to moderate and to avoid recession, amid all the myriad political and economic challenges that we face. Central bankers have their hands tied by historically high debt levels. 'Soft landings' are rare.

History informs us that valuations fall as inflation rises. As described in <u>Investment Report No.73</u>, published in July, stock prices are reliant on earnings growth alongside a valuation multiple on those earnings.

The investment backdrop has become considerably more challenging in the past six months, but the environment should benefit disciplined and risk-averse investors, prepared to bide their time for more attractive valuations.

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Trojan Ethical Fund

O Acc

+28.2%

-8.9%

+4.6%

-2.4%

+65.9%

+5.7%

#### **RETURN VS VOLATILITY SINCE LAUNCH (22/03/2019)**

#### **TOP 10 HOLDINGS**

Invesco Physical Gold	8.5%
Microsoft	4.9%
Visa	4.1%
Alphabet	3.5%
WisdomTree Physical Gold	3.0%
American Express	2.3%
Unilever	2.3%
Agilent Technologies	2.3%
Nestlé	2.1%
Becton, Dickinson and Company	2.0%
Total Top 10	35.1%
5 Other equity holdings	6.9%
Index-Linked Bonds	37.4%
UK T-Bills	15.2%
Cash	5.4%
Total	100.0%
Source: Factset. Holdings subject to change.	

## **RESPONSIBLE INVESTMENT**



NET ZERO ASSET MANAGERS INITIATIVE



Positive Months

**RISK ANALYSIS** 

(22/03/19)

Total Return

Best Month

Worst Month

Annualised Volatility<sup>2</sup>

Max Drawdown<sup>1</sup>

Risk analysis since launch

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

<sup>2</sup> Measured by standard deviation of annual returns Source: Lipper Past performance is not a guide to future performance

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.

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 Charlotte Yonge £ Sterlina Currency Launch Date 22 March 2019 Ongoing Charges (capped) 1.02% 'O' (ordinary) shares 'S' (charity) shares: 0.77%

## Dividend Ex Dates

FTSE All-Share Index

(TR)

+14.9%

-35.3%

+12.7%

-15.1%

+61.0%

+15.2%

1 August (interim), 1 February (final) Dividend Pay Dates 30 September (interim), 31 March (final)

Authorised Corporate Director

Link Fund Solutions Limited

ISIN 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 <u>website</u>

0.00%

#### Historic Dividend Yield (historic 'O' Inc shares)

Dealing

Daily at noon Tel: 0345 608 0950

Registrar Link Fund Administrators Limited

Auditor Ernst & Young LLP Depositary

The Bank of New York Mellon (International) Limited

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

**Pricing** "O" share class prices published daily in the FT





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