



# Trojan Ethical Income Fund

All data as at 31 August 2020

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£266m

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.

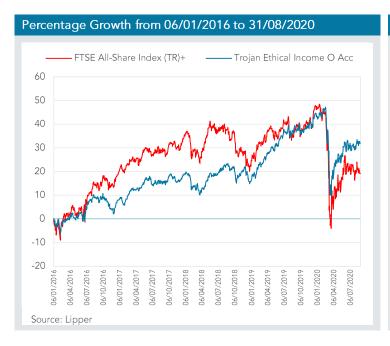
131.98p	115.78p
'O' accumulation shares	'O' income shares
Dividend Yield	Fund Size

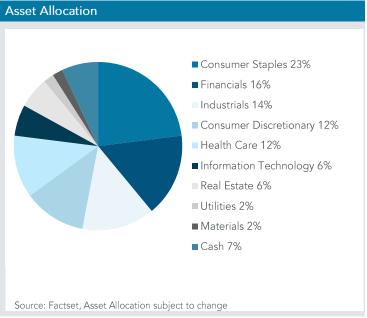
'O' income shares

**Prices** 

2.5%







Total Return to 31 August 2020	06/01/16 Since launch	31/08/17 3 years	31/08/19 1 year	29/02/20 6 months
Trojan Ethical Income Fund O Acc	+32.0%	+14.4%	-4.6%	-0.5%
FTSE All-Share Index (TR)+	+19.1%	-8.2%	-12.6%	-7.6%

Discrete Calendar Annual Returns	2016#	2017	2018	2019	2020 YTD
Trojan Ethical Income Fund O Acc	+8.0%	+10.2%	-2.9%	+23.9%	-7.8%

6Source: Lipper from 6 January 2016

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## **August Commentary**

return of the FTSE-All Share Index (TR).

We have always aimed to deliver an attractive total return with below average volatility, and construct your Fund accordingly. Fast-moving goods companies (FMCG), especially in the areas of food, household and personal goods, have been longstanding core holdings in the portfolio, and have consistently contributed to these dual aims. Your Fund has significant holdings in Nestlé, Unilever, Reckitt Benckiser (RB), Colgate and Procter & Gamble (P&G), all of which have been amongst the strongest contributors to generation of shareholder value.

Your Fund delivered a total return of +2.2% Of course not all brands will perform well every division grew 19% like-for-like. When led by during the month compared to +2.4% the year. Consumer preferences change, and FMCG companies must be mindful of maintaining agility in their capital allocation. benefited since selling non-core beauty brands to Coty in 2015 and Unilever from disposing of 2018. Investors should not be surprised if this world. RB's recent partnering with hotel group continues; Nestle has an ongoing review of their North American 'Waters' business and under strategic review.

organically 14%. Similarly, RB's Hygiene future, much as it has done in the past.

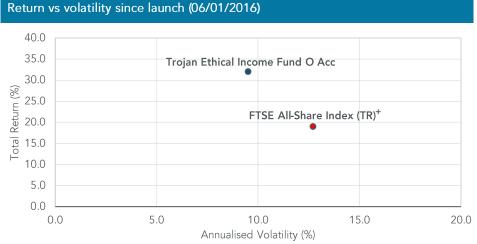
previous CEO Rakesh Kapoor, it was frequently mooted that RB might dispose of some such brands or even the entire Hygiene business. Acquiring new brands can be beneficial as can Laxman Narasimhan, the relatively new chief disposing of laggards. As examples, P&G has executive, has given no such indication to date. Clearly such fast growth is not sustainable, but time will tell if brands such as Dettol and Lysol their Spreads business to private equity in maintain increased relevance in a COVID-19 Hilton as part of the latter's 'CleanStay' programme may be one indication that we are Unilever is again looking to simplify their entering an era of higher demand for those corporate structure whilst their Tea business is powerful consumer brands associated with health and hygiene.

returns in this volatile year. Selling affordable, An interesting consequence of COVID-19 is the Whilst not all FMCG companies have every-day, repeat-purchase items, under renewed relevance of certain household performed so well during the global pandemic, hundreds of renowned brands across many brands, in particular those relating to hygiene we continue to see the Fund's FMCG exposure countries, creates resilient revenues that we and cleanliness. In the last quarter, P&G saw as collectively being able to deliver resilient, find tend to result in relatively predictable their Fabric and Homecare division grow growing cash flow and dividends long into the

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Risk analysis since launch (22/03/19)	Trojan Ethical Income Fund O Acc	FTSE All-Share Index (TR)
Total Return	+32.0%	+19.1%
Max Drawdown <sup>1</sup>	-25.4%	-35.3%
Best Month	+5.7%	+6.4%
Worst Month	-9.1%	-15.1%
Positive Months	+61.8%	+61.8%
Annualised Volatility <sup>2</sup>	+9.5%	+12.7%

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

Top 10 holdings	% Fund
Unilever	5.5
RELX	4.9
Reckitt Benckiser	4.0
Experian	3.7
Nestlé	3.6
Colgate-Palmolive	3.5
AstraZeneca	2.8
Aveva Group	2.8
Compass Group	2.8
Paychex	2.6
Total Top 10	36.1
35 other holdings	56.7
Cash & Equivalent	7.2
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 and Link Fund Administrators Ltd (Authorised and Regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority) on 0345 608 0950.

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 Currency
 £ Sterling

 Launch Date
 06 January 2016

#### 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>

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## **Ongoing Charges**

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

# Dividend Ex Dates

1 August (interim), 1 February (final)

## Dividend Pay Dates

30 September (interim), 31 March (final)

Net Yield (historic 'O' Inc shares) 2.48%

## Authorised Corporate Director

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GB00BYMLFL45 (O Inc), GB00BYMLFK38 (O Acc) GB00BYMLFR07 (S Inc), GB00BYMLFQ99 (S Acc)

### Dealing

Daily at noon Tel: 0345 608 0950

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Link Fund Administrators Limited

#### Auditor

Ernst & Young LLP

#### Depositary

The Bank of New York Mellon (International) Limited

#### Bloomberg (O shares)

TEIFOAC\_LN (O Acc), TEIFOIN\_LN (O Inc)

#### SEDOL (O shares)

BYMLFK3 (O Acc), BYMLFL4 (O Inc)

## Pricing

"O" share class prices published daily in the FT

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