

# 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. All data as at 31 August 2023

FUND SIZE

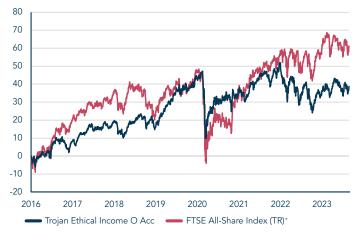
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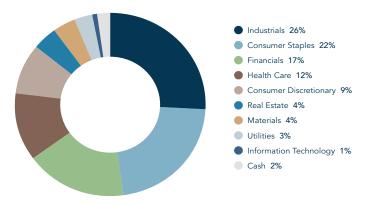
PRICESYIELD\*138.63p113.09p'O' accumulation shares'O' income shares'O' accumulation shares'O' income shares

'O' income shares \*historic dividend yield

PERCENTAGE GROWTH FROM 06/01/2016 TO 31/08/2023



## ASSET ALLOCATION



Source: Factset, Asset Allocation subject to change.

| Total Return to 31 August 2023     | 06/01/<br>Since La |        | 31/08/18<br>5 years |        | 18/20<br>ears | 31/08/22<br>1 year |        | 28/02/23<br>6 months |
|------------------------------------|--------------------|--------|---------------------|--------|---------------|--------------------|--------|----------------------|
| Trojan Ethical Income Fund O Acc   | +38.6              | %      | +13.5%              | +5     | .0%           | +3.3%              |        | +1.5%                |
| FTSE All-Share Index (TR)⁺         | +60.7              | %      | +18.4%              | +34    | .9%           | +5.2%              |        | -3.2%                |
| Discrete Calendar Annual Returns   | 2016#              | 2017   | 2018                | 2019   | 2020          | 2021               | 2022   | 2023 YTD             |
| Trojan Ethical Income Fund O Acc   | +8.0%              | +10.2% | -2.9%               | +23.9% | -6.0%         | +12.1%             | -11.2% | +3.4%                |
| *© FTSE International Limited 2023 |                    |        |                     |        |               |                    |        | Source: Lippe        |

#from 6 January 2016

Past performance is not a guide to future performance.

# August Commentary

Your Fund returned -1.1% during the month compared to -2.5% for the FTSE All-Share Index (TR). August was a soft month for equities, with the S&P 500 also declining for a second consecutive month amidst mixed economic data and volatile government bond yields. Every sector in the FTSE All-Share saw a negative return except for Energy, which benefited from rising oil prices. Your Fund's outperformance was driven by beneficial stock selection, with Domino's Pizza gaining +14.6% and Admiral Group shares rising +17%.

It was pleasing to see Admiral report reassuring results, once again demonstrating its ability to navigate volatile motor insurance cycles better than peers. The business has managed to protect profitability in a tough environment by proactively raising prices early to account for the material claims inflation that the industry has suffered post-COVID lockdowns. With signs of normalisation emerging and pain being felt by peers, Admiral should be in a strong position to gain market share heading into the second half of 2023 and beyond. We made limited changes to the portfolio in the month, although we did take advantage of share price weakness to add to certain holdings including Bunzl and Experian. Sentiment towards UK equities remains soft but valuations, more importantly, are particularly attractive to us. We will continue to look through the short-term noise and invest in attractively valued high-quality, resilient companies that generate cash and grow their dividends.

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70 FTSE All Share Index (TR) 60 50 Trojan Ethical Income Fund O Acc Fotal Return (%) 40 30 20 10 0 0 2 4 8 10 12 14 6 Annualised Volatility (%)

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

Source: Lipper

## **RISK ANALYSIS**

| Risk analysis since launch<br>(06/01/16) | Trojan Ethical<br>Income Fund O Acc | FTSE All-Share Index<br>(TR) |
|--|-------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Total Return                             | +38.6%                              | +60.7%                       |
| 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%                              | +61.5%                       |
| Annualised Volatility <sup>2</sup>       | +10.2%                              | +12.7%                       |

<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 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.

Structure

| Sub-fund of Trojan Inv<br>UK UCITS | estment Funds |
|------------------------------------|---------------|
| Investment Manager                 |               |
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| London W1K 4BP                     |               |
| Tel: 020 7499 4030                 |               |
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| email: busdev@taml.co              | o.uk          |
| Fund Manager                       | Hugo Ure      |
|                                    |               |

| Currency    | £ Sterling      |
|-------------|-----------------|
| Launch Date | 06 January 2016 |
|             |                 |

Authorised Corporate Director Link Fund Solutions Limited

Tel: 0345 300 2110

# **Dividend Ex Dates**

1 August (interim), 1 February (final)

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

Historic Dividend Yield 2.72% ('O' Inc shares)

### 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

Registrar

Link Fund Administrators Limited

Auditor Ernst & Young LLP

# Depositary

The Bank of New York Mellon (International) Limited

## **TOP 10 HOLDINGS**

| RELX              | 7.2%   |
|-------------------|--------|
| Unilever          | 6.9%   |
| Reckitt Benckiser | 5.8%   |
| Compass Group     | 3.9%   |
| Experian          | 3.7%   |
| Nestlé            | 3.6%   |
| Bunzl             | 3.6%   |
| GSK               | 3.5%   |
| Novartis          | 3.1%   |
| Paychex           | 3.1%   |
| Total Top 10      | 44.4%  |
| 31 Other Holdings | 54.1%  |
| Cash & Equivalent | 1.5%   |
| TOTAL             | 100.0% |
|                   |        |

Source: Factset. Holdings subject to change.

## **RESPONSIBLE INVESTMENT**

| Principles for | Responsible | Investment



Signatory of:



Dealing

Daily at noon Tel: 0345 608 0950

### ISIN

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

SEDOL BYMLFK3 (O Acc), BYMLFL4 (O Inc)

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

| Ongoing Charges (capped) |       |  |  |  |
|--------------------------|-------|--|--|--|
| 'O' (ordinary) shares:   | 1.02% |  |  |  |
| 'S' (charity) shares:    | 0.77% |  |  |  |

## Pricing

"O" share class prices published daily in the FT





### Important Information

Please refer to Troy's Glossary of Investment terms <u>here</u>. Fund performance data provided is calculated net of fees with income reinvested unless stated otherwise. All performance and income data is in relation to the stated share class, performance of other share classes may differ. Past performance is not a guide to future performance. Overseas investments may be affected by movements in currency exchange rates. Investments in mid and smaller cap companies are higher risk than investments in larger companies. The value of an investment and any income from it may fall as well as rise and investors may get back less than they invested. The historic yield reflects distributions declared over the past twelve months as a percentage of the fund's price, as at the date shown. It does not include any preliminary charge and investors may be subject to tax on their distributions. Any reference to benchmarks are for comparative purposes only. Tax legislation and the levels of relief from taxation can change at any time. Any change in the tax status of a Fund or in tax legislation could affect the value of the investments held by the Fund or its ability to provide returns to its investors. The tax treatment of an investment, and any dividends received, will depend on the individual circumstances of the investor and may be subject to change in the future. The yield is not guaranteed and will fluctuate. Any objective will be treated as a target only and should not be considered as an assurance or guarantee of performance of the Fund or any part of it. Neither the views nor the information contained within this document constitute investment advice or an offer to invest or to provide discretionary investment management services and should not

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