



# Trojan Ethical Income Fund

All data as at 31 October 2022

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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 130.10p

109.03p

'O' accumulation shares 'O' income shares

YIELD\* 2.7%

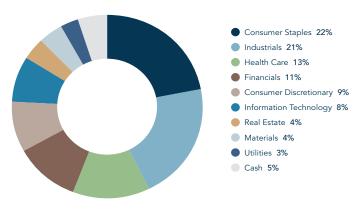
fund size £295m

'O' income shares
\*historic dividend yield

# PERCENTAGE GROWTH FROM 06/01/2016 TO 31/10/2022



#### **ASSET ALLOCATION**



Source: Factset, Asset Allocation subject to change

Total Return to 31 October 2022	06/01/16 Since laund		1/10/17 5 Years	31/10/19 3 years	31/10, 1 yea		30/04/22 6 months
Trojan Ethical Income Fund O Acc	+30.1%	+	-10.9%	-6.0%	-9.69	%	-9.4%
FTSE All-Share Index (TR)+	+48.2%	+	-12.7%	+7.1%	-2.89	%	-5.8%
Discrete Calendar Annual Returns	2016#	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022 YTD
Trojan Ethical Income Fund O Acc	+8.0%	+10.2%	-2.9%	+23.9%	-6.0%	+12.1%	-13.8%

<sup>\*©</sup> FTSE International Limited 2022

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Source: Lipper

# October Commentary

Your Fund delivered a total return of +2.4% during the month, compared with +3.1% from the FTSE All-Share Index (TR).

Another month and another new Prime Minister and Chancellor. Thankfully, the more prudent fiscal agenda signalled by this new leadership has restored some poise to UK markets. Two-year UK gilt yields have retrenched from >4.6% to c.3.1% and sterling has rebounded from historical lows of 1.04 against the dollar to c.1.15. Many UK equities most impacted by last month's events have partially rebounded.

That said, there are signs of pressure in markets - a recent EY report notes that there were 86 profit warnings from UK-listed companies in Q3 – the highest number since 2008. In your portfolio, we continue to see notable resilience from global, diversified businesses. RELX and Bunzl reported rock-solid Q3 numbers and reiterated their full-year expectations. The large consumer staples holdings have so far demonstrated their ability to raise their prices with only modest impact on volumes. However, we do expect tougher tests ahead. Some of the domestically focussed holdings are showing some strain – the investment platforms such as SJP and AJ Bell

reported slower organic growth against prior year comparators. However, the market already anticipated this and we continue to be very pleased by the relative operational strength of these companies against peers. Their investment cases remain compelling.

We all know that the coming months will bring challenges, and the portfolio remains defensively positioned, but we are increasingly excited about valuations and prospective returns. Sentiment on the UK market remains subdued. Because of its major index constituents, the UK has often traded at a discount to other markets. However, the current level of discount is stark; on a price-to-earnings basis¹, the MSCI UK index now trades at a >40% discount to the MSCI World index - a level that has never been lower as far back as we can see on this comparison (almost two decades). While there is likely further capitulation to come on corporate earnings forecasts, we do not expect the UK malaise to be a permanent feature. We have always managed to find exceptional businesses in the UK market and our shopping list is growing, both among existing holdings and potential new ones.

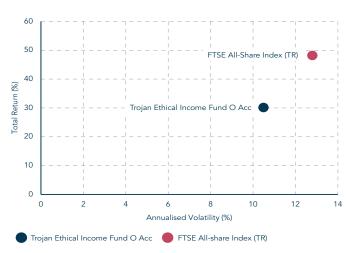
<sup>#</sup>from 6 January 2016

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Price to Earnings is a valuation metric which compares a firm's stock price to its earnings per share.





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



Source: Lipper

### **TOP 10 HOLDINGS**

Cash & Equivalent	4.8%
Total 30 other holdings	45.2% 49.9%
Bunzl	3.3%
Procter & Gamble	3.3%
GSK	3.5%
Nestlé	3.6%
Paychex	3.7%
Compass Group	4.1%
Experian	4.3%
Reckitt Benckiser	5.5%
Unilever	6.9%

#### **RISK ANALYSIS**

Risk analysis since launch (06/01/16)	Trojan Ethical Income Fund O Acc	FTSE All-Share Index (TR)
Total Return	+30.1%	+48.2%
Max Drawdown <sup>2</sup>	-25.4%	-35.3%
Best Month	+6.6%	+12.7%
Worst Month	-9.1%	-15.1%
Positive Months	+61.7%	+61.7%
Annualised Volatility <sup>3</sup>	+10.5%	+12.7%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Measures the worst investment period

#### RESPONSIBLE INVESTMENT









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# **FUND INFORMATION**

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# Structure

Sub-fund of Trojan Investment Funds UK UCITS

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**Fund Manager** Hugo Ure Currency £ Sterling Launch Date 06 January 2016

For more information on the benchmarks used please refer to the 'use of benchmarks' section in the fund information sheet available from our website

# Ongoing Charges

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

# Dividend Ex Dates

1 August (interim), 1 February (final)

#### **Dividend Pay Dates**

30 September (interim), 31 March (final)

# Historic Dividend Yield

('O' Inc shares) 2.70%

### **Authorised Corporate Director**

Link Fund Solutions Limited Tel: 0345 300 2110

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

#### Dealing

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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)

"O" share class prices published daily in the FT

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Measured by standard deviation of annual returns





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