

# Trojan Fund

The investment objective of the Trojan Fund is to seek to achieve growth in capital (net of fees), ahead of inflation (UK Retail Price Index), over the longer term (5 to 7 years). The policy is to invest globally in government and public securities (such as sovereign debt and treasury bills), corporate bonds, equities and equity-related securities, private equity, precious metals, cash, cash equivalents and deposits.

#### PERCENTAGE GROWTH (31/05/2001 TO 31/03/2023)



## PRICES 386.56p 'O' accumulation shares 'O' income shares ASSET ALLOCATION US TIPS 36% Equities 23%

All data as at 31 March 2023

Short-dated Gilts 15%

Cash 2%

Short-dated US Treasuries 13%

Gold-related Investments 11%

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#### Source: Factset. Asset Allocation is subject to change.

Total Return to 31 March 2023		31/05/01 nce Launc		31/03/13 10 years		/03/18 years		03/20 vears	31/0 1 yı		30/09 6 mor	·
Trojan Fund O Inc		+322.9%		+52.1%	+	30.9%	+1	9.9%	-2.0	6%	+1.8	3%
UK Official Bank Base Rate		+53.6%		+6.3%		+4.0%	+2	2.6%	+2.	3%	+1.7	7%
UK Retail Price Index		+109.2%		+46.6%	+	31.0%	+2	4.6%	+12	.7%	+4.9	9%
FTSE All-Share Index (TR)*		+216.0%		+75.9%	+	27.8%	+4	7.4%	+2.	9%	+12.	3%
Discrete Calendar Annual Returns	2001#	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Trojan Fund O Inc	+0.6%	+4.1%	+15.4%	+10.3%	+15.9%	+12.0%	+6.1%	+1.1%	+11.6%	+14.4%	+8.5%	+2.1%
	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023 YTD	
	-3.1%	+8.9%	+3.2%	+12.3%	+4.1%	-3.0%	+10.7%	+7.4%	+12.1%	-3.8%	+1.7%	

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Past performance is not a guide to future performance.

Source: Lipper

### March Commentary

Your Fund returned +2.0% during the month compared to -2.8% for the FTSE All-Share Index (TR).

March was the month that saw the world creak under the strain of higher rates. We witnessed the largest banking failure since the financial crisis, in the form of Silicon Valley Bank (SVB) in the US, and the swift demise of Credit Suisse in Europe. The Swiss bank was bought by UBS for CHF3.2bn c. 97% below where it traded 15 years ago.

These were not the first rumblings of trouble. The UK's LDI<sup>1</sup> chaos last September was a hint of what happens when you have the fastest rate hiking cycle in decades. After the events of last month, banks are likely to tighten lending standards further. This will make life a lot harder for sectors of the economy reliant on bank lending. Small businesses and commercial real estate in the US are areas of particular risk. Funding difficulties for both will also have ramifications for the economy as a whole.

Year-to-date stock market performance does not reflect the level of risk western economies are facing. We expect that once the blanket of a stronger consumer (thanks to post-COVID recovery tailwinds) is lifted, the issues will become more apparent. We believe weaker earnings will drive markets lower. We are positioned accordingly.

<sup>1</sup> Liability Driven Investments



#### RETURN VS VOLATILITY SINCE LAUNCH (31/05/2001)



Source: Lipper

#### **RISK ANALYSIS**

Risk analysis since launch (31/05/01)	Trojan Fund O Inc	FTSE All-Share Index (TR)
Total Return	+322.9%	+216.0%
Max Drawdown <sup>2</sup>	-13.7%	-45.6%
Best Month	+8.9%	+12.7%
Worst Month	-4.7%	-15.1%
Positive Months	+66.0%	+58.8%
Annualised Volatility <sup>3</sup>	+6.2%	+13.7%

<sup>2</sup> Measures the worst investment period

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

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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. **The Trojan Fund is closed to new direct investments, but is still available to new investors through major fund platforms.** 

0.25%

For more information on the benchmarks used please refer to the 'use of benchmarks' section in the fund

The Bank of New York Mellon (International) Limited

information sheet, available from our website

Link Fund Administrators Limited

**Dividend Ex Dates** 

**Dividend Pay Dates** 

Historic Dividend Yield

('O' Inc shares)

**Benchmarks** 

Registrar

Auditor Ernst & Young LLP

Depositary

1 August (interim), 1 February (final)

30 September (interim), 31 March (final)

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Assistant Fund Manager	Charlotte Yonge				
Currency	£ Sterling				
Launch Date	31 May 2001				

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#### TOP 10 HOLDINGS (EXCLUDING GOVERNMENT BONDS)

Gold Bullion Securities	5.3%
Invesco Physical Gold	4.5%
Unilever	3.6%
Visa	3.0%
Nestlé	2.9%
Diageo	2.5%
Microsoft	1.8%
Becton Dickinson	1.7%
Alphabet	1.6%
Procter & Gamble	1.4%
Total Top 10	28.3%
7 other Equity Holdings	5.7%
US TIPS	35.6%
Short-dated Gilts	14.7%
Short-dated US Treasuries	13.5%
Cash	2.2%
Total	100.0%
Source: Factset. Holdings subject to change.	

#### FUND MANAGER AWARDS



#### **RESPONSIBLE INVESTMENT**







**Dealing** Daily at noon Tel: 0345 608 0950

ISIN

GB0034243732 (O Inc), GB00B01BP952 (O Acc) GB00B05M9T27 (S Inc), GB00B05M9S10 (S Acc)

NET ZERO

ASSET MANAGERS INITIATIVE

**SEDOL** B01BP95 (O Acc), 3424373 ( O Inc)

#### Bloomberg

CFTROJA\_LN (O Acc), CFTROJI\_LN (O Inc)

Ongoing Charges		
'O' (ordinary) shares:	1.01%	
'S' (charity) shares:	0.76%	

Pricing

"O" share class prices published daily in the FT





#### Important Information

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