

# 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 29 February 2024

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FUND SIZE

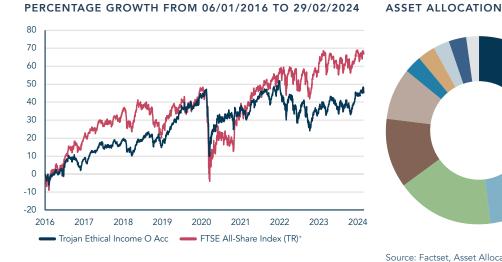
£214m

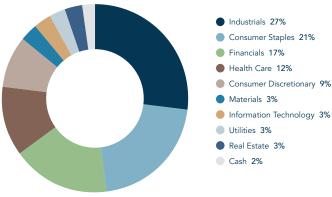
'O' accumulation shares 'O' income shares

116.78p

PRICES

145.49p





YIELD\*

2.8%

'O' income shares

\*historic dividend yield

Source: Factset, Asset Allocation subject to change.

| Total Return to 29 February 2024   |       | 06/01/16<br>Since Launch |       | 28/02/19<br>5 years |        | 28/02/21<br>3 years |        |             | 31/08/23<br>6 months |  |
|------------------------------------|-------|--------------------------|-------|---------------------|--------|---------------------|--------|-------------|----------------------|--|
| Trojan Ethical Income Fund O Acc   | +45.  | +45.5%                   |       | +19.2%              |        | +11.6%              |        | +6.5% +4.9% |                      |  |
| FTSE All-Share Index (TR)+         | +67.  | 0%                       | +27.7 | %                   | +25.2% |                     | +0.6%  |             | +3.9%                |  |
| Discrete Calendar Annual Returns   | 2016# | 2017                     | 2018  | 2019                | 2020   | 2021                | 2022   | 2023        | 2024 YTD             |  |
| Trojan Ethical Income Fund O Acc   | +8.0% | +10.2%                   | -2.9% | +23.9%              | -6.0%  | +12.1%              | -11.2% | +8.2%       | +0.3%                |  |
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#from 6 January 2016

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## February Commentary

Your Fund returned -0.7% during the month compared to +0.2% for the FTSE All-Share Index (TR). February is always busy for us, with many companies reporting their full year numbers. This provides an opportunity to reflect on new data points and to meet with management teams.

RELX was the top contributor to the Fund in the month as the shares reacted positively to another solid earnings report, which included +8% growth in the full-year dividend. InterContinental Hotels Group (IHG) was also a strong performer with the shares rising +11.7% in the month after the company used their full year results to flag the potential for material margin expansion as well as an increased share buyback and +10% dividend growth.

The two biggest detractors in the month were Reckitt and St. James's Place. Reckitt reported a reasonable set of underlying results, good cash generation and +5% dividend growth, however also revealed that they had identified an understatement of trade spend in their middle eastern business that caused the company to miss sales and profit estimates. St. James's Place announced that the company had booked a large provision relating to an industry-wide regulatory investigation into the historic charging of advice fees. Concurrently, the new CEO used his inaugural results presentation to announce a significant rebasing of the dividend. Despite these two disappointments, the significant majority of holdings that have reported in recent weeks are delivering strong results and healthy dividend growth and we look forward to hearing from more of our portfolio companies in the coming weeks.

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# **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                             | +45.5%                              | +67.0%                       |
| Max Drawdown <sup>1</sup>                | -25.4%                              | -35.3%                       |
| Best Month                               | +6.6%                               | +12.7%                       |
| Worst Month                              | -9.1%                               | -15.1%                       |
| Positive Months                          | +61.9%                              | +61.9%                       |
| Annualised Volatility <sup>2</sup>       | +10.2%                              | +12.5%                       |

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

<sup>2</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 Waystone Management (UK) Limited, the Fund's Authorised Corporate Director, (Authorised and Regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority) at www.waystone.com.

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

Authorised Corporate Director Waystone Management (UK) Limited

Tel: 0345 608 0950

## **Dividend Ex Dates**

1 August (interim), 1 February (final)

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

Historic Dividend Yield 2.79% ('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                     | 6.9%   |
|--------------------------|--------|
| Unilever                 | 6.8%   |
| Reckitt Benckiser        | 5.2%   |
| Experian                 | 4.4%   |
| GSK                      | 4.1%   |
| Bunzl                    | 4.0%   |
| National Grid            | 3.3%   |
| Nestlé                   | 3.2%   |
| Novartis                 | 3.2%   |
| LSEG                     | 3.0%   |
| Total Top 10             | 44.2%  |
| 30 Other Equity holdings | 53.8%  |
| Cash                     | 2.0%   |
| TOTAL                    | 100.0% |
|                          |        |

Source: Factset. Holdings subject to change.

### **RESPONSIBLE INVESTMENT**



#### Signatory of:



## The Net Zero Asset Managers initiative

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

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