



## Trojan Ethical Fund

All data as at 30 April 2020

[www.taml.co.uk](http://www.taml.co.uk)

The investment objective of the Trojan Ethical Fund is to provide capital growth (net of fees), ahead of inflation (UK Retail Price Index), over the longer term (5 to 7 years). Its investment policy is to invest across a broad range of asset classes. Whilst asset allocation will vary, in general, the investment universe will comprise high-quality, developed market equities, developed market government bonds, gold related investments, cash and money market instruments (such as treasury bills). The portfolio will be constructed with input from both top-down analysis (looking at an economy as a whole) and bottom-up analysis (study of individual securities). The Fund will invest in accordance with the parameters of its Ethical Exclusion Criteria.

### Prices

**112.17p**

'O' accumulation shares

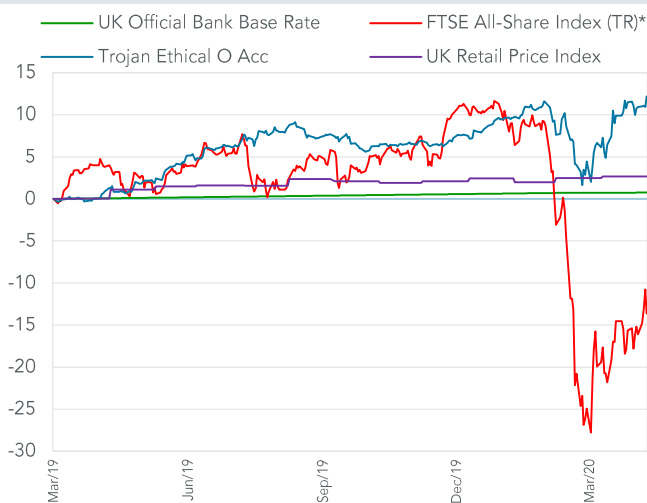
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'O' incomes shares

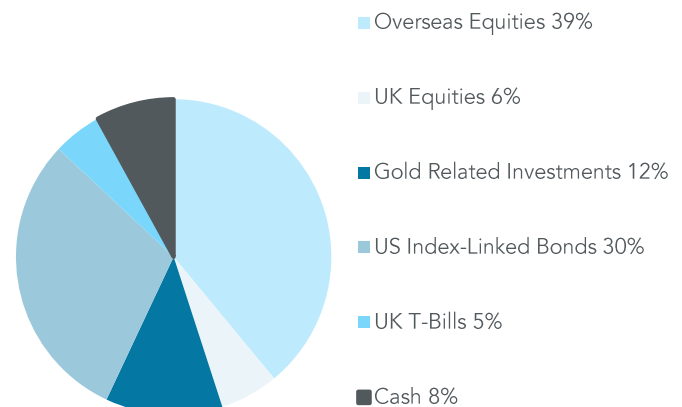
### Fund Size

**£111m**

### Percentage Growth from 22/03/2019 to 30/04/2020



### Asset Allocation



Asset allocation subject to change

Total Return to 30 April 2020	22/03/19 Since launch	30/04/19 1 year	31/10/19 6 months
Trojan Ethical Fund O Acc	+12.2%	+10.8%	+5.3%
UK Official Bank Base Rate	+0.7%	+0.7%	+0.3%
UK Retail Price Index	+2.7%	+1.5%	+0.8%
FTSE All-Share Index (TR)*	-13.6%	-16.7%	-17.0%
Discrete Calendar Annual Returns	2019#	2020 YTD	
Trojan Ethical Fund O Acc	+7.1%	+4.7%	

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#from 22 March 2019

Past performance is not a guide to future performance

Source: Lipper

### April Commentary

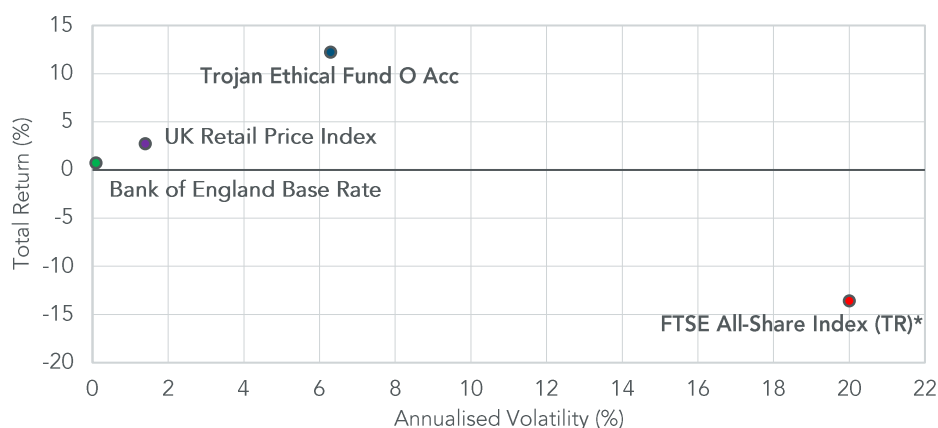
Your Fund returned +4.6% during the month compared to +4.9% for the FTSE All-Share Index (TR). It is far too early to have any clarity on the economic effects of Covid-19 but the start of the quarterly reporting season has provided us with some very early indications. Most of the Fund's longstanding holdings demonstrated resilience and the sustainability of their business models has been underlined. Some of our companies such as Nestlé, Procter & Gamble and Colgate have benefited from what is described in the UK as 'panic buying' and in the US, less dramatically, as 'pantry loading'. With demand brought forward for staples like coffee and pet

food, this growth is likely to abate in the coming year.

Unlike many companies, these multinationals have dealt with multiple crises in the recent past, emerging robustly from the Asian crisis, hyperinflation in certain markets and even wars. Many have the experience and resources to adapt their supply chains and routes to market. Despite Nestlé closing 98% of its Nespresso shops during the lockdown, online sales of the brand rose by +60% and the brand's overall sales were up +8% during the quarter. This is testament to the resilience of the brand and the strength of a business model which can adapt.

We are convinced that while some companies may not recover from the economic impact of Covid-19, others will emerge stronger. Microsoft's quarterly figures highlighted its continued growth in all divisions and, in contrast to many companies suspending buybacks, the company stepped up its share repurchase programme. Chief Executive, Satya Nadella remarked in the earnings call "We've seen two years' worth of digital transformation in two months". Of the many changes brought on by the virus, we expect that the digitisation of working practices is here to stay.

## Return vs volatility since launch (22/03/2019)



Source: Lipper

Risk analysis since launch (22/03/19)	Trojan Ethical Fund O Acc	FTSE All-Share Index (TR)
Total Return	+12.2%	-13.6%
Max Drawdown <sup>1</sup>	-8.9%	-35.3%
Best Month	+4.6%	+4.9%
Worst Month	-2.0%	-15.1%
Positive Months	+69.2%	+53.8%
Annualised Volatility <sup>2</sup>	+6.3%	+20.0%

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

Top 10 holdings (excluding government bonds)	% Fund
ETFS Physical Gold	7.3
Microsoft	5.8
Alphabet	4.7
Nestlé	4.7
Medtronic	4.6
ETC Physical Gold	4.6
Visa	4.5
Unilever	4.4
Colgate-Palmolive	3.2
Berkshire Hathaway	2.5
Total Top 10	46.2
17 other holdings	40.3
UK T-Bills	5.4
Cash	8.1
Total	100.0

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 at [www.linkfundsolutions.co.uk](http://www.linkfundsolutions.co.uk).

<b>Structure</b> Sub-fund of Trojan Investment Funds UCITS	<b>Dividend Ex Dates</b> 1 August (interim), 1 February (final)	<b>Dealing</b> Daily at noon Tel: 0345 608 0950
<b>Investment Manager</b> Troy Asset Management Limited 33 Davies Street London W1K 4BP Tel: 020 7499 4030 Fax: 020 7491 2445 email: <a href="mailto:busdev@taml.co.uk">busdev@taml.co.uk</a>	<b>Dividend Pay Dates</b> 30 September (interim), 31 March (final)	<b>Registrar</b> Link Fund Administrators Limited
<b>Fund Manager</b> Charlotte Yonge	<b>Authorised Corporate Director</b> Link Fund Solutions Limited	<b>Auditor</b> Ernst & Young LLP
<b>Currency</b> £ Sterling	<b>ISIN</b> GB00BJP0XY24 (O Inc), GB00BJP0XX17 (O Acc) GB00BJP0Y054 (S Inc), GB00BJP0XZ31 (S Acc)	<b>Depository</b> The Bank of New York Mellon (International) Limited
<b>Launch Date</b> 22 March 2019	<b>Benchmarks</b> For more information on the benchmarks used please refer to the 'use of benchmarks' section in the fund information sheet, available from our <a href="#">website</a>	<b>SEDOL (O shares)</b> BJP0XY2 (O Inc), BJP0XX1 (O Acc) BJP0Y05 (S Inc), BJP0XZ3 (S Acc)
<b>Ongoing Charges (capped)</b> 'O' (ordinary) shares: 1.02% 'S' (charity) shares: 0.77%		<b>Pricing</b> "O" share class prices published daily in the FT

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