



# Trojan Ethical Income Fund

## Fund Information Sheet

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). The Fund must invest at least 80% of its assets in UK and overseas equities. It may also invest in government and public securities (such as sovereign debt and treasury bills), corporate bonds, real estate (via REITs), private equity, cash, cash equivalents (including money-market instruments) and deposits.

### Investment Style and Approach

The Trojan Ethical Income Fund is a fully invested equity fund that aims to provide investors with growing levels of income with resilient capital growth by investing at least 60% of the Fund in UK-listed companies with the possibility of selectively owning the shares of overseas companies in the remainder. The Fund is managed in accordance with the parameters of its ethical investment criteria. These consider ethical issues in relation to alcohol, armaments, fossil fuels, gambling, high interest rate lending, pornography, and tobacco.

We believe our approach to income investing is differentiated through; our conservative quality-orientated process, our focus on total return and our prioritisation of dividend growth above high yield. We seek a sensible balance between capital and income return in order to deliver above average returns with below average volatility.

Since inception, the Fund's key aims have been:

- to provide investors with a high and regular stream of income that would grow in real terms;
- to minimise the risk of capital loss by emphasising absolute over relative returns; and
- to deliver strong performance over reasonable periods (i.e. at least three to five years) while exposing investors to lower than average volatility.

We aim to achieve this by creating a concentrated portfolio of high-quality, predominantly UK, companies purchased at attractive valuations and held for the long-term. Our long-term approach and focus on reasonably valued, high-quality, cash-generative companies leads to low portfolio turnover. We think like owners and buy equities to access the long-term future of a business. We want our investments to compound in value steadily over time therefore portfolio turnover is low. Although careful attention is paid to diversification and the risk associated with concentrated exposures there is no reference to sector or stock weightings within the index.

We manage a concentrated portfolio of 30-50 high-quality, cash-generative companies that are capable of consistent dividend growth. Sizing of positions is based on our conviction and the risk posed by the investment.

### Ethical Exclusion Criteria

#### Equities

The Trojan Ethical Global Income Fund will avoid investing in equities which generate turnover from alcohol, armaments, fossil fuels, gambling, high interest rate lending, pornography, and tobacco which are in excess of the limits stated in the Fund's Ethical Exclusion Criteria.

#### Government and Public Securities

Investment in government debt is limited to that issued by Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, the UK and the US (commonly known as the "G7"). The Fund will not invest in the securities of any sovereign issuer which is subject to a sanction issued by either the United Nations or the European Union.

Please read the Fund's Ethical Exclusion Criteria before investing (available at [www.linkfundsolutions.co.uk](http://www.linkfundsolutions.co.uk)).

### Performance Profile

The Fund tends to avoid cyclical and highly capital-intensive companies, in favour of those exhibiting more defensive characteristics. As a result of this, the Fund usually has a low beta or sensitivity to market moves. Our investment style is such that while our performance may lag in strongly rising markets (often led by cyclical companies), we tend to perform



well in falling markets. We believe that a portfolio that suffers fewer and less destructive drawdowns will be in a better position to compound returns over the long run.

### Use of Benchmarks

The Fund's performance may be compared against the FTSE All-Share Index Total Return (TR) which may assist investors in evaluating the fund's performance against GBP equity returns.

### Target Market and Distribution Strategy

Trojan Ethical Income Fund may be suitable for all eligible investors (be they retail clients, professional clients or eligible counterparties) who are seeking income with the potential for capital growth in the medium term (3 to 5 years) by investing predominantly in UK and overseas equities, as well as other asset classes and/or cash, provided they can meet any minimum investment amounts. The Fund may be suitable for investors who are seeking to hold a fund which does not have exposure to the securities excluded by the fund's ethical investment criteria. Financial experience is not considered a necessity. However, investors must at least understand a product where capital is at risk and have the capacity to bear losses (possibly total) on their original investment, accepting risk to their capital. The Fund may be suitable as a component of a portfolio and for investors who are looking to set aside their capital for the long term (at least five years), though shares may be redeemed on a daily basis. The risk and reward profile for each class of shares of the Fund is set out in the Key Investor Information Documents ("KIID") for the Fund. Any investor should be willing to accept price fluctuations.

The Trojan Ethical Income Fund is unlikely to be compatible with the requirements of an investor:

- looking for guaranteed income or return
- seeking full capital protection
- who does not have sufficient resources to bear any loss resulting from the investment
- who is not able to evaluate the risks and merits of the Fund
- looking to invest for a period of less than 3 years

It is expected that a distributor may consider the following to be appropriate channels for distribution of the Fund: execution only, with investment advice and discretionary portfolio management.

### Key Risks

- Past performance is not a guide to future returns. Capital invested is at risk and the value of investments and any income from them may go down as well as up. There is no guarantee that the investment objective of the Fund will be achieved.
- The Fund may invest in derivatives to generate additional capital and income. A movement in the value of a derivative's underlying asset may have a much larger negative impact on the value of the Fund than if the Fund were to hold the underlying asset directly.
- The Fund may invest in non-UK securities and be exposed to currencies other than pounds sterling. The effects of changes in exchange rates may affect the value of investments and you may get back less than you invested.
- Investments in mid and smaller cap companies are higher risk than investments in larger companies.

### FUND INFORMATION

Launch Date	6 January 2016	
IA Sector	Unclassified	
Fund Manager	Hugo Ure	
Structure	Sub-fund of Trojan Investment Funds. UK domiciled UCITS authorised by the FCA	
Currency	GBP (£)	
Share Class* 'O' Income 'O' Accumulation	ISIN Code GB00BYMLFL45 GB00BYMLFK38	
Ongoing Charges Figure	'O' Shares: 1.02% (clean share class)	
Minimum investment	£1,000	
Performance Comparators	FTSE All-Share Index (TR)	
Dealing	Daily at 12 noon	
Registered for Sale	United Kingdom, Ireland (professional investors only), Switzerland (qualified investors only) and Singapore (professional investors only)	
Dividend Ex Dates	1 Aug (interim)	1 Feb (final)
Dividend Pay Dates	30 Sep (interim)	31 Mar (final)
Investment Manager	Troy Asset Management Limited, 33 Davies Street, London W1K 4BP Tel: 020 7499 4030	
Authorised Corporate Director	Waystone Management (UK) Limited	
Administrator	Link Fund Administrators Limited	

This Fund Information Sheet is accurate as at 09 October 2023

\*Additional share classes available subject to eligibility



- This Fund holds a limited number of investments. If one of these investments falls in value this can have a greater impact on the Fund's value than if it held a larger number of investments.

**Important Information**

Before investing, you should read the relevant KIID for the share class you are interested in investing in and the prospectus, each of which can be obtained from Waystone's website at <https://www.fundsolutions.net/> or from Waystone's registered office. If you are in any doubt about whether or not an investment in the Fund is suitable for you, you should seek professional advice before investing. Troy Asset Management Limited is not able to provide investment advice.



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