

# Annual Report & Financial Statements

EF Brompton Multi Manager OEIC

For the year ended 31 July 2022





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#### Authorised Corporate Director's ("ACD") Report

We are pleased to present the Annual Report & audited Financial Statements for EF Brompton Multi Manager OEIC for the year ended 31 July 2022.

#### **Authorised Status**

EF Brompton Multi Manager OEIC ("the Company") is an investment company with variable capital ("ICVC") incorporated in England and Wales under registered number IC000944 and authorised by the Financial Conduct Authority ("FCA"), with effect from 25 June 2012. The Company has an unlimited duration.

Shareholders are not liable for the debts of the Company.

Head Office: the Head Office of the Company is at Cedar House, 3 Cedar Park, Cobham Road, Wimborne, Dorset BH21 7SB.

The Head Office is the address of the place in the UK for service on the Company of notices or other documents required or authorised to be served on it.

#### **Structure of the Company**

The Company is structured as an umbrella company, in that different Funds may be established from time to time by the ACD with the approval of the FCA. On the introduction of any new Fund or Share Class, a revised prospectus will be prepared setting out the relevant details of each Fund or Share Class.

The Company is a non-UCITS retail scheme ("NURS").

The assets of each Fund will be treated as separate from those of every other Fund and will be invested in accordance with the investment objective and investment policy applicable to that Fund. Investment of the assets of each of the Funds must comply with the FCA's Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook ("COLL"), the FCA's Investment Funds Sourcebook ("FUND") and the investment objective and policy of each of the relevant Funds.

Currently the Company has six Funds. In the future there may be other Funds established.

Under the Alternative Investment Fund Managers Directive ("AIFMD") we are required to disclose remuneration information (see page 114) in regards to those individuals whose actions have a material impact on the risk profile of the Company.

#### Crossholdings

There were no Shares in any fund held by any other fund of the Company.

#### Important events during the year

The investment manager changed on 1 December 2021, from Brompton Asset Management LLP to Brompton Asset Management Limited.

On 19 February 2022, the depositary changed from Northern Trust Global Services SE to Northern Trust Investor Services Limited.

#### Brexit

Following the UK's withdrawal from the European Union, dialogue between the UK and EU has been ongoing about the future of financial services in an effort to agree and sign a Memorandum of Understanding on post-Brexit regulatory cooperation. During March 2021, HM Treasury confirmed that the UK and the European Union had agreed to a regulatory framework for the financial services industry. However, formal steps still need to be taken before a memorandum of understanding can be signed, which means that the final detailed information could still be a little way off. WFM believes that neither EF Brompton Multi Manager OEIC, nor its sub-funds are materially affected by the UK's withdrawal from the EU. However, should these views change in the future, we will endeavour to post updates to our website at www.wayfunds.com.

# Authorised Corporate Director's ("ACD") Report (continued)

#### **COVID-19 pandemic**

Although COVID-19 continues to make its presence felt across the globe, the success of the vaccination programme has meant that the World has accepted that it has to live with the virus. At this moment in time, it appears less likely that there will be further widespread lockdowns, whilst governments keep a watchful eye on the emergence of any more virulent mutations of the virus.

The ACD monitors the markets daily and, should circumstances warrant, fair value pricing of assets will be applied to protect shareholders. If the situation changes, the ACD will act and inform Shareholders in accordance with the requirements outlined in the Financial Conduct Authority's Handbook of Rules and Guidance.

#### Going concern assessment

The ACD's Directors are currently of the opinion that it is appropriate for EF Brompton Multi Manager OEIC to continue to adopt the going concern basis in the preparation of its Financial Statements. EF Brompton Multi Manager OEIC's assets currently remain readily realisable, and accordingly, the ACD's Directors believe that the Fund has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future.

#### **Assessment of Value**

The Financial Conduct Authority (FCA), the regulator for Financial Services, in its goal to provide transparency to investors, requires all Authorised Fund Managers (AFMs) to produce an Assessment of Value (AoV) for money offered by each share class in each fund or sub-fund under their management. Broadly speaking, an Assessment of Value requires the AFM to consider a combination of factors, including, but not limited to the quality of service provided to investors, the performance of the fund, the cost of investing in the fund, whether economies of scale can be achieved, comparable market rates and services and classes of units. WFM has chosen to publish the AoV separate to the Fund's annual report. This will be available within four months of the annual accounting end date of 31 July 2022, and can be found on WFM's website, at https://www.wayfunds.com/Sponsors/ BromptonAssetManagementLLP\_AOV.

#### **Base Currency:**

The base currency of the Company is Pounds Sterling.

#### **Share Capital:**

The minimum Share Capital of the Company is  $\pounds 1$  and the maximum is  $\pounds 100,000,000,000$ . Shares in the Company have no par value. The Share Capital of the Company at all times equals the sum of the Net Asset Values of each of the Funds.

# Certification of Financial Statements by Directors of the ACD For the year ended 31 July 2022

#### **Directors' Certification**

This report has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of COLL and FUND, as issued and amended by the FCA. We hereby certify the report on behalf of the Directors of WAY Fund Managers Limited.

The Directors are of the opinion, unless it is stated differently in the ACD report, that it is appropriate to continue to adopt the going concern basis in the preparation of the Financial Statements as the assets of the Funds consist predominantly of securities that are readily realisable, and accordingly, the Funds have adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future.

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**WAY Fund Managers Limited** 

23 November 2022

# **EF Brompton Multi Manager OEIC**

# Statement of the ACD's Responsibilities For the year ended 31 July 2022

The Authorised Corporate Director ("ACD") of EF Brompton Multi Manager OEIC ("the Company") is responsible for preparing the Annual Report and the audited Financial Statements in accordance with the Open-Ended Investment Companies Regulations 2001 ("the OEIC Regulations"), the FCA's Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook ("COLL"), the FCA's Investment Funds Sourcebook ("FUND") and the Company's Instrument of Incorporation.

The OEIC Regulations and COLL require the ACD to prepare Financial Statements for each annual accounting period which:

• are in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice ("United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law"), including FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" and the Statement of Recommended Practice: "Financial Statements of UK Authorised Funds" issued by the Investment Association ("IA SORP") in May 2014; and

• give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Company and each of its sub funds as at the end of that year and the net revenue and the net capital losses on the property of the Company and each of its sub funds for that year.

In preparing the Financial Statements, the ACD is required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards and the IA SORP have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the Financial Statements; and

• prepare the Financial Statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Company will continue in operation.

The ACD is responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Company and enable them to ensure that the Financial Statements comply with the applicable IA SORP and United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law. The ACD is also responsible for the system of internal controls, for safeguarding the assets of the Company and for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

In accordance with COLL 4.5.8BR and FUND 3.3.2R, the Annual Report and the audited Financial Statements were approved by the Board of Directors of the ACD of the Company and authorised for issue on 23 November 2022.

# **EF Brompton Multi Manager OEIC**

# Statement of the Depositary's Responsibilities For the year ended 31 July 2022

The Depositary must ensure that the Company is managed in accordance with the Financial Conduct Authority's Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook, and, from 22 July 2014 the Investment Funds Sourcebook, the Open-Ended Investment Companies Regulations 2001 (SI 2001/1228), as amended, the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000, as amended, (together "the Regulations"), the Company's Instrument of Incorporation and Prospectus (together "the Scheme documents") as detailed below.

The Depositary must in the context of its role act honestly, fairly, professionally, independently and in the interests of the Company and its investors.

The Depositary is responsible for the safekeeping of all custodial assets and maintaining a record of all other assets of the Company in accordance with the Regulations.

The Depositary must ensure that:

• the Company's cash flows are properly monitored and that cash of the Company is booked into the cash accounts in accordance with the Regulations;

• the sale, issue, repurchase, redemption and cancellation of shares are carried out in accordance with the Regulations;

• the value of shares of the Company are calculated in accordance with the Regulations;

• any consideration relating to transactions in the Company's assets is remitted to the Company within the usual time limits;

• the Company's income is applied in accordance with the Regulations; and

• the instructions of the Alternative Investment Fund Manager ("the AIFM") are carried out (unless they conflict with the Regulations).

#### Report of the Depositary to the Shareholders of the Company For the year ended 31 July 2022

The Depositary also has a duty to take reasonable care to ensure that the Company is managed in accordance with the Scheme documents and the Regulations in relation to the investment and borrowing powers applicable to the Company.

Having carried out such procedures as we consider necessary to discharge our responsibilities as Depositary of the Company, it is our opinion, based on the information available to us and the explanations provided, that in all material respects the Company, acting through the AIFM:

(i) has carried out the issue, sale, redemption and cancellation, and calculation of the price of the Company's shares and the application of the Company's income in accordance with the Regulations, the Scheme documents of the Company, and

(ii) has observed the investment and borrowing powers and restrictions applicable to the Company.

#### **Northern Trust Investor Services Limited**

UK Trustee and Depositary Services 23 November 2022

# **Independent Auditor's Report to the Shareholders of EF Brompton Multi Manager OEIC** For the year ended 31 July 2022

#### Report on the audit of the financial statements

#### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of EF Brompton Multi Manager OEIC ("the Fund") and its sub-funds for the year ended 31 July 2022 which comprise the statement of total return, the statement of change in net assets attributable to shareholders, the balance sheet, notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies and the distribution table. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including FRS 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), the Statement of Recommended Practice: "Financial Statements of UK Authorised Funds" issued by the Investment Association May 2014 (the Statement of Recommended Practice), Open-Ended Investment Companies Regulations 2001 ("the OEIC Regulations"), the FCA's Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook ("COLL"), the FCA's Investment Funds Sourcebook ("FUND") and the Fund's Instrument of Incorporation.

In our opinion, the Financial Statements:

• give a true and fair view of the state of EF Brompton Multi Manager OEIC and its sub-fund's affairs as at 31 July 2022 and of the net revenue and the net capital losses on the property of the Fund for the year then ended;

• have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, the Statement of Recommended Practice, the FCA's Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook ("COLL"), the FCA's Investment Funds Sourcebook ("FUND") and the Instrument of Incorporation.

#### **Basis for opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the Fund in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

# **Conclusions relating to going concern**

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the Authorised Corporate Director's use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the Fund's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the Authorised Corporate Director with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

# **Other information**

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The Authorised Corporate Director is responsible for the other information contained within the annual report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon. Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the course of the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

# Independent Auditor's Report to the Shareholders of EF Brompton Multi Manager OEIC (continued)

#### For the year ended 31 July 2022

#### **Opinion on other matters prescribed by the Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook**

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

• proper accounting records for the Fund and its sub funds have been kept and the Financial Statements are in agreement with those records;

• we have received all the information and explanations which, to the best of our knowledge and belief, were necessary for the purposes of our audit; and

• the information disclosed in the report of the Authorised Corporate Director for the year end for the purpose of complying with Paragraph 4.5.9R of the Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook is consistent with the Financial Statements.

#### **Responsibilities of Authorised Corporate Director and Depositary**

As explained more fully in the statement of Depositary's responsibilities and the statement of Authorised Corporate Director's responsibilities, the Depositary is responsible for safeguarding the property of the Fund and the Authorised Corporate Director is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal controls as the Authorised Corporate Director determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the Authorised Corporate Director is responsible for assessing the Fund's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Authorised Corporate Director either intends to liquidate the Fund or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

#### Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

• We obtained an understanding of the legal and regulatory framework applicable through discussions with management and from industry knowledge. The laws and regulations that we considered significant in this context included FRS102, the Statement of Recommended Practice ("SORP") for Financial Statements of UK Authorised Funds issued by the Investment Association in May 2014, the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000, the Open-Ended Investment Companies Regulations 2001, the FCA's Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook ("COLL"), the FCA's Investment Funds Sourcebook ("FUND"), the Fund's Instrument of Incorporation and relevant tax

• We designed our audit procedures to ensure the audit team considered whether there were any indications of non-compliance by the Fund with those laws and regulations. These procedures included:

• agreement of the financial statement disclosures to underlying supporting documentation and agreeing that all relevant disclosures under the SORP and COLL were included;

- enquires of management and those charged with governance;
- reviewing correspondence with regulators.

#### **EF Brompton Multi Manager OEIC**

#### Independent Auditor's Report to the Shareholders of EF Brompton Multi Manager OEIC For the year ended 31 July 2022

#### Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements (continued)

• We assessed the susceptibility of the financial statements to material misstatement, including how fraud might occur, from discussions with senior management and obtaining an understanding of the controls and processes in place to prevent, deter and detect fraud. The key areas identified were revenue recognition and management override of the controls in place and our tests to address these included but were not limited to:

• agreement of a sample of dividend receipts to third party evidence to check accuracy and existence.

• agreement of a sample of realised gains and losses to third party evidence and bank statements to check accuracy and existence.

• agreement of the calculation of the unrealised gains and losses and agreement of the valuation of year end investments to third party sources.

• identifying and testing journal entries made throughout the year which were considered to be large or unusual as well as a sample of others.

Because of the inherent limitations of an audit, there is a risk that we will not detect all irregularities, including those leading to a material misstatement in the financial statements or non-compliance with regulation. This risk increases the more that compliance with a law or regulation is removed from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, as we will be less likely to become aware of instances of non-compliance. The risk is also greater regarding irregularities occurring due to fraud rather than error, as fraud involves intentional concealment, forgery, collusion, omission or misrepresentation.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

#### Use of our report

This report is made solely to the Fund's Shareholders, as a body, in accordance with Paragraph 4.5.12R of the Collective Investment Schemes Source book and Paragraph 3.3.7R of the Investment Funds Sourcebook issued by the Financial Conduct Authority. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Fund's Shareholders those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Fund and the Fund's Shareholders as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

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**PKF Littlejohn LLP** Statutory Auditor London, United Kingdom

23 November 2022

#### **1** Accounting Basis And Policies

#### (a) Basis of accounting

The Financial Statements have been prepared under the historical cost basis, as modified by the revaluation of investments and in accordance with FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standards Applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" and the Statement of Recommended Practice ("SORP") for Financial Statements of UK Authorised Funds issued by the Investment Association in May 2014.

As described in the Certification of Financial Statements by Directors of the ACD on page 5, the ACD continues to adopt the going concern basis in the preparation of the Financial Statements of the Funds.

#### (b) Realised and unrealised gains and losses

Realised gains or losses have been calculated as the proceeds from disposal less book cost.

Unrealised gain/losses are calculated with reference to the original recorded value of the asset or liability, and only the element of gain/loss within the accounting period is recorded in the Financial Statements. All unrealised and realised gains are capital in nature and do not form part of the Fund's distributable income.

# (c) Recognition of revenue

Rebates of annual management charges on underlying investments are accounted for on an accruals basis and recognised as revenue or capital in line with the treatment of the charge on the underlying Fund.

Distributions from collective investment schemes are recognised when the schemes are quoted exdistribution. Equalisation returned with the distribution is deducted from the cost of the investment and does not form part of the distributable revenue.

Interest on bank and other cash deposits is recognised on an accruals basis.

All revenue includes withholding taxes but excludes irrecoverable tax credits.

Any reported revenue from an offshore fund, in excess of any distribution received in the reporting year, is recognised as revenue no later than the date on which the reporting fund makes this information available.

# (d) Treatment of stock and special dividends

The ordinary element of stock dividends received in lieu of cash dividends is credited to capital in the first instance followed by a transfer to revenue of the cash equivalent being offered and this forms part of the distributable revenue.

Special dividends are reviewed on a case by case basis in determining whether the dividend is to be treated as revenue or capital. Amounts recognised as revenue will form part of the distributable revenue. The tax treatment follows the treatment of the principal amount.

#### (e) Treatment of expenses

With the exception of the EF Brompton Global Income Fund the expenses of the Funds are charged against revenue except for costs associated with the purchase and sale of investment which are allocated to the capital of the Funds. The EF Brompton Global Income Fund charges all expenses to capital.

Expenses are recorded on an accrual basis but the Fund may incur additional allowable expenses which are charged as and when they are incurred.

Rebates on the fees payable to the ACD are accounted for on an accruals basis and recognised as revenue or capital based on the expense policy of the underlying fund. Rebates on the fees payable to the ACD are netted off against the expense to which they relate.

# **1** Accounting Basis And Policies (continued)

#### (f) Allocation of revenue and expenses to multiple Share Classes and Funds

Any revenue or expenses not directly attributable to a particular Share Class or Fund will normally be allocated pro-rata to the net assets of the relevant Share Classes and Funds.

# (g) Taxation

Tax is provided for using tax rates and laws which have been enacted or substantively enacted at the balance sheet date.

Corporation tax is provided for on the income liable to corporation tax less deductible expenses.

Corporation tax is provided for on realised gains on non-reporting offshore funds less deductible expenses. Deferred tax is provided for on unrealised gains on non-reporting offshore funds less deductible expenses.

Where tax has been deducted from revenue that tax can, in some instances, be set off against the corporation tax payable, by way of double tax relief.

Deferred tax is provided using the liability method on all timing differences arising on the treatment of certain items for taxation and accounting purposes, calculated at the rate at which it is anticipated the timing differences will reverse. Deferred tax assets are recognised only when, on the basis of available evidence, it is probable that there will be taxable profits in the future against which the deferred tax asset can be offset.

# (h) Distribution policy

The net revenue after taxation, as disclosed in the Financial Statements, after adjustment for items of a capital nature, is distributable to Shareholders as dividend distributions. Any revenue deficit is deducted from capital.

In addition, the portfolio transaction charges will be charged wholly to the capital of the Fund. Accordingly, the imposition of such charges may constrain the capital growth of the Fund.

The ACD has elected to pay all revenue less expenses charged to revenue and taxation as a final distribution at the end of the annual accounting year, with the exception of EF Brompton Global Income Fund where distributions are made biannually.

# (i) Basis of valuation of investments

Market value is defined by the SORP as fair value which is the bid value of each security.

Collective investment schemes are valued at quoted bid prices for dual priced funds and at quoted prices for single priced funds, on the last business day of the accounting year.

All securities with quoted prices in active markets, including open ended funds and all investment trusts are classified as Level 1 in the Fair Value Disclosure described in the Notes to the Financial Statements.

All investments are recognised and derecognised on trade date, and any trades that occur between valuation point and close of business are included in the Financial Statements.

Non-observable entity specific data is only used where relevant observable market data is not available. Typically this category will include single broker-priced instruments, suspended/unquoted securities, private equity, unlisted close-ended funds and open-ended funds with restrictions on redemption rights.

# **1** Accounting Basis And Policies (continued)

# (j) Exchange rates

Transactions in foreign currencies are recorded in Sterling at the rate ruling at the date of the transactions. Assets and liabilities expressed in foreign currencies at the end of the accounting year are translated into Sterling at the closing mid market exchange rates ruling on that date.

# (k) Dilution Adjustment

The ACD may require a dilution adjustment on the sale and redemption of Shares if, in its opinion, the existing Shareholders (for sales) or remaining Shareholders (for redemptions) might otherwise be adversely affected. In particular, the dilution adjustment may be charged in the following circumstances: where the scheme property is in continual decline; on a Fund experiencing large levels of net sales relative to its size; on 'large deals'; in any case where the ACD is of the opinion that the interests of remaining Shareholders require the imposition of a dilution adjustment.

# (I) Equalisation

Equalisation applies only to Shares purchased during the distribution period (Group 2 Shares). It represents the accrued revenue included in the purchase price of the Shares.

After averaging it is returned with the distribution as a capital repayment. It is not liable to income tax but must be deducted from the cost of the Shares for Capital Gains tax purposes.

# (m) Derivatives

The Funds may enter into permitted transactions such as derivative contracts or forward foreign currency transactions. Where these transactions are used to protect or enhance revenue, the revenue and expenses are included within net revenue in the Statement of Total Return.

Where the transactions are used to protect or enhance capital, the gains/losses are treated as capital and included within gains/losses on investments in the Statement of Total Return. Any open positions in these types of transactions at the year end are included in the Balance Sheet at their mark to market value. There were no derivative transactions during the year.

#### 2 Derivatives and other financial instruments

Management of risk is a critical responsibility of the ACD in managing the Company.

The Funds for which WAY Fund Managers Limited acts as ACD are exposed to a wide range of risks. The purpose of the ACD's Risk Management Policy ("RMP") is to identify these risks and document the controls and processes in place to manage and mitigate these risks. The specific risks to the Funds are documented in sections (a) to (i) below and are reviewed on a regular basis.

The control environment on which the ACD's RMP has been developed is based on six key characteristics:

(i) Commitment, from senior management and all employees, to a control ethic based on competence and integrity.

(ii) Identification and evaluation of risks and control objectives.

(iii) Control and information procedures that identify and capture relevant and reliable data to monitor risks within pre-determined limits.

(iv) Formal procedures for monitoring, reporting, escalation and remedial follow-up action.

(v) An independent and permanent risk management function in regards to portfolio management.

(vi) An independent and permanent risk management function in regards to the firm.

In pursuing the investment objectives a number of financial instruments are held which may comprise securities and other investments, cash balances and debtors and creditors that arise directly from operations. Derivatives, such as futures or forward currency contracts, may be utilised for hedging purposes.

The main risks from the Company's holding of financial instruments, together with the ACD's policy for managing these risks, are disclosed below:

# (a) Foreign currency risk

A significant portion of the Company's assets or the underlying assets of the collective investment schemes in which the Company invests may be denominated in a currency other than the base currency of the Company or Class. There is the risk that the value of such assets and/or the value of any distributions from such assets may decrease if the underlying currency in which assets are traded falls relative to the base currency in which Shares of the relevant Fund are valued and priced.

The Company is not required to hedge its foreign currency risk, although it may do so through foreign currency exchange contracts, forward contracts, currency options and other methods. To the extent that the Company does not hedge its foreign currency risk or such hedging is incomplete or unsuccessful, the value of the Company's assets and revenue could be adversely affected by currency exchange rate movements. There may also be circumstances in which a hedging transaction may reduce currency gains that would otherwise arise in the valuation of the Company in circumstances where no such hedging transactions are undertaken.

# (b) Interest rate risk profile of financial assets and liabilities

The interest rate risk is the risk that the value of the Company's investments will fluctuate due to changes in the interest rate. Cashflows from floating rate securities, bank balances, or bank overdrafts will be affected by the changes in interest rates. As the Company's objective is to seek capital growth, these cashflows are considered to be of secondary importance and are not actively managed.

The Company did not have any long term financial liabilities at the balance sheet date.

#### 2 Derivatives and other financial instruments (continued)

#### (c) Credit risk

The Company may find that companies in which it invests fail to settle their debts on a timely basis. The value of securities issued by such companies may fall as a result of the perceived increase in credit risk. Adhering to investment guidelines and avoiding excessive exposure to one particular issuer can limit credit risk.

# (d) Liquidity risk

Subject to the Regulations, the Company may invest up to and including 20% of the Scheme Property of the Company in transferable securities which are not approved securities (essentially transferable securities which are admitted to official listing in an EEA state or traded on or under the rules of an eligible securities market). Such securities and instruments are generally not publicly traded, may be unregistered for securities law purposes and may only be able to be resold in privately negotiated transactions with a limited number of purchasers. The difficulties and delays associated with such transactions could result in the Company's inability to realise a favourable price upon disposal of such securities, and at times might make disposition of such securities and instruments impossible. To the extent the Company invests in securities and instruments the terms of which are privately negotiated, the terms of such securities and instruments may contain restrictions regarding resale and transfer.

In addition, certain listed securities and instruments, particularly securities and instruments of smaller capitalised or less seasoned issuers, may from time to time lack an active secondary market and may be subject to more abrupt or erratic price movements than securities of larger, more established companies or stock market averages in general. In the absence of an active secondary market the Company's ability to purchase or sell such securities at a fair price may be impaired or delayed.

# (e) Market price risk

The Company invests principally in collective investment schemes. The value of these investments are not fixed and may go down as well as up. This may be the result of a specific factor affecting the value of an individual equity or be caused by general market factors (such as government policy or the health of the underlying economy) which can affect the entire portfolio. The Investment Manager seeks to minimise these risks by holding a diversified portfolio of collective investment schemes in line with the Company's objectives. In addition, the management of the Company complies with the FCA's COLL sourcebook, which includes rules prohibiting a holding greater than 35% of assets in any one Fund.

# (f) Counterparty risk

Transactions in securities entered into by the Company give rise to exposure to the risk that the counterparties may not be able to fulfil their responsibility by completing their side of the transaction. The Investment Manager minimises this risk by conducting trades through only the most reputable counterparties.

Counterparty risk is also managed by limiting the exposure to individual counterparties through adherence to the investment spread restrictions included within the Company's prospectus and COLL.

#### 2 Derivatives and other financial instruments (continued)

#### (g) Operational risk

Operational risk is the risk of loss arising from systems failure, human error, fraud or external events. When controls fail to perform, operational risks can cause damage to reputation, have legal or regulatory implications, or lead to financial loss. The Company cannot eliminate operational risks but, through the continual review and assessment of its control environment, by monitoring and responding to potential risks, they can be managed.

High level controls include effective segregation of duties, trade confirmation checking and reconciliation procedures, incident reporting and oversight of delegated functions.

# (h) Leverage

In accordance with the Alternative Investment Managers Directive ("AIFMD") and the IA SORP issued in May 2014, as ACD we are required to disclose any leverage of the Fund. Leverage is defined as any method by which the Fund increases its exposure through borrowing or the use of derivatives (calculated in accordance with the commitment method approach (AIFMR article 8)) divided by the net asset value.

The Fund's exposure is defined with reference to the 'Commitment' method. Commitment method exposure is calculated as the sum of all positions of the Fund, after netting off derivative and security positions and is disclosed within the individual Funds' Financial Statements.

# (i) Fair value of financial assets and financial liabilities

There is no material difference between the value of the financial assets and liabilities, as shown in the balance sheet, and their fair value.

# Investment Manager's Report For the year ended 31 July 2022

#### **Investment Objective**

To achieve moderate growth.

#### **Investment Policy**

The Fund will typically invest a minimum of 80% of its net asset value in collective investment schemes, exchange traded funds, unregulated collective investment schemes, and may also include transferable securities (including investment trusts and similar instruments), money-market instruments, fixed income instruments, deposits and foreign exchange contracts.

It is expected that exposure to equity markets will typically range from a minimum of 20% to a maximum of 60% of the total Fund, with the aim of achieving the Fund's objective. However, investments will not be confined by industrial, economic or geographical sector.

The Fund may also hold, on a temporary basis, all or part of its assets in cash or other ancillary liquid assets.

The Fund may utilise derivatives for the purposes of efficient portfolio management (typically hedging, including investing in hedged share classes, which attempts to mitigate against falls in the value of the Fund's assets and the effects of changes in currency exchange rates against the Fund's base currency, which is pounds sterling).

#### **Investment Review**

The EF Brompton Global Balanced Fund fell 6.58% over the year to 31 July 2022 while the IA Mixed Investment 20-60% Shares Index fell 5.42%.

Global equities and global bonds gained 2.75% and fell 2.41% respectively in sterling terms over the year under review, with significant falls in overseas markets masked by the pound's weakness against the dollar. The main factors behind the weakness were rising inflation fuelled in part by higher energy prices, the Russia-Ukraine war and China's zero-Covid19 policy. US inflation reached 9.1% over the year to June, the highest level since 1982, while UK and eurozone prices rose by 9.4% and 8.6% respectively. Central banks responded by raising interest rates. In their latest meetings, the Federal Reserve increased its Fed Funds Rate by three-quarters of a percentage point to 2.25-2.5%, the Bank of England raised Bank Rate by a quarter point to 1.25% and the European Central Bank raised its policy rate by half a point, ending negative rates.

The US labour market, a lagging indicator, remained relatively strong, with unemployment at 3.5% in July, but consumer sentiment was weak as real incomes fell and investors feared rising inflation and interest rates might lead to a prolonged recession. The International Monetary Fund downgraded its global economic growth forecast for 2022 to 3.2%.

Following its invasion of Ukraine, sanctions were imposed on Russia, the largest supplier of natural gas and oil to the European Union, targeting banks, businesses, and trade. This contributed to the 78.67% oil price rise in sterling terms over the year under review while a broader basket of commodities rose 53.84%. Within the portfolio, an investment was made in BlackRock Natural Resources Growth & Income, whose portfolio of mining, energy and agriculture equities may benefit from demand and supply imbalances and offer some protection against inflation.

The portfolio benefitted from its exposure to short-dated inflation-linked bonds and some profits were taken from the allocation after a period of solid performance because inflation expectations rose. The proceeds were reinvested into two new investments, a sterling-hedged holding in the iShares \$ Treasury Bond 7-10 Years exchange-traded fund (ETF) and Vanguard Global Bond. Longer-dated government bonds appeared attractive, with US 10-year treasury bond yields close to 3%. Holdings in high-yield bond and strategic bond investments were reduced as credit spreads widened.

# Investment Manager's Report (continued) For the year ended 31 July 2022

#### **Investment Review (continued)**

Global growth stocks fell 4.85% in sterling terms while value stocks, which tend to benefit from higher inflation, rose 10.00%. Vulcan Value Equity, a growth-oriented US investment, was sold because of the negative impact of rising interest rates as investors de-rated highly valued companies in response to rising bond yields. Fundsmith Equity and BlackRock European Dynamic were sold for similar reasons. Polar Capital Global Insurance and the Xtrackers MSCI World Heath Care ETF were introduced because slowing economic growth and rising recession risk may warrant more defensive positions in companies that are typically less sensitive to changes in macroeconomic conditions. These companies also tend to be more resilient because of the low substitutability of their goods and services.

The UK stock market rose 6.85% thanks to its large sector weightings in energy and materials but smaller companies, which tend to be more sensitive to domestic conditions, fell 13.04%. The portfolio's exposure to UK smaller companies was reduced through the sales of Chelverton UK Equity Growth and Aberforth UK Small Companies.

Supply bottlenecks arising from China's zero-Covid-19 policy and concerns around its property market hindered performance for equities in emerging markets and Asia excluding Japan, down 8.33% and 8.20% respectively in sterling terms. China's central bank responded by easing monetary policy, in contrast to its western counterparts, and signs have emerged that Beijing's regulatory clampdown on a number of sectors including technology has started to ease. Dollar strength, however, may remain a headwind for Asia and emerging markets generally. Within the portfolio, Goldman Sachs Emerging Markets Equity was sold. In Japan, Lindsell Train Japanese Equity was added at the expense of T Rowe Price Japanese Equity. The former has big holdings in consumer stocks that appeared attractively valued and may perform well as Japan's economy continues to recover from the pandemic.

Alternative investments provide diversification and daily traded long/short equity holdings have the potential to do well in an environment where both bonds and equities are falling. The portfolio's year-end allocation included Blackrock European Absolute Alpha and Man GLG UK Absolute Value. Gold rose 10.45% in sterling terms over the year as investors sought out safe-haven investments and the iShares Physical Gold exchange-traded commodity holding was topped up.

Source of financial data: Lipper

**Investment Manager** Brompton Asset Management Limited 23 November 2022

# Performance record

As at 31 July 2022

	E	3 Accumulation		I	Accumulation	
	31/07/22	31/07/21	31/07/20	31/07/22	31/07/21	31/07/20
	(p)	(p)	(p)	(p)	(p)	(p)
Change in net assets per Share						
Opening net asset value per Share	160.81	139.73	137.94	157.60	137.28	135.86
Return before operating charges*	(7.33)	23.74	4.05	(7.17)	23.31	3.97
Operating charges	(2.43)	(2.66)	(2.26)	(2.77)	(2.99)	(2.55)
Return after operating charges*	(9.76)	21.08	1.79	(9.94)	20.32	1.42
Distributions	(1.21)	(1.29)	(0.97)	(0.82)	(0.88)	(0.65)
Retained distributions on accumulation shares	1.21	1.29	0.97	0.82	0.88	0.65
Closing net asset value per Share	151.05	160.81	139.73	147.66	157.60	137.28
* after direct transaction costs of:	0.02	0.01	0.03	0.02	0.01	0.03
Performance						
Return after operating charges	(6.07%)	15.09%	1.30%	(6.31%)	14.80%	1.05%
Other information						
Closing net asset value	9,334,588	10,725,322	10,827,283	465,074	456,055	386,748
Closing number of Shares	6,179,823	6,669,681	7,748,802	314,955	289,384	281,725
Operating charges	1.55%	1.75%	1.66%	1.80%	2,00%	1.91%
Direct transaction costs	0.01%	0.01%	0.02%	0.01%	0.01%	0.02%
Prices						
Highest Share price	165.96	161.39	143.04	162.52	158.19	140.71
Lowest Share price	145.28	140.13	115.66	142.06	137.67	113.74
Lowest Share price	173.20	140.13	115.00	172.00	107.07	113./4

#### **P** Accumulation

	31/07/22 (p)	31/07/21 (p)	31/07/20 (p)
Change in net assets per Share			
Opening net asset value per Share	162.30	140.67	138.53
Return before operating charges*	(7.41)	23.93	4.07
Operating charges	(2.06)	(2.30)	(1.93)
Return after operating charges*	(9.47)	21.63	2.14
Distributions	(1.60)	(1.70)	(1.30)
Retained distributions on accumulation shares	1.60	1.70	1.30
Closing net asset value per Share	152.83	162.30	140.67
* after direct transaction costs of:	0.02	0.01	0.03
Performance			
Return after operating charges	(5.83%)	15.38%	1.54%
Other information			
Closing net asset value	13,410,895	13,737,108	11,927,900
Closing number of Shares	8,775,119	8,464,241	8,479,284
Operating charges	1.30%	1.50%	1.41%
Direct transaction costs	0.01%	0.01%	0.02%
Prices			
Highest Share price	167.62	162.86	143.81
Lowest Share price	146.96	141.08	116.34

# Performance Information As at 31 July 2022

# **Operating Charges**

Date	Operating Charges (%)
31/07/22	
Share Class B	1.55
Share Class I	1.80
Share Class P	1.30
31/07/21	
Share Class B	1.75
Share Class I	2.00
Share Class P	1.50

The Operating Charge is the total expenses paid by the Fund in the year, annualised, against its average Net Asset Value. This will fluctuate as underlying costs change.

The Fund has invested in collective investment schemes during the year and where any such schemes were held at the Fund's accounting reference date, the expenses incurred by these schemes are included in the above Operating Charges figures.

# Risk and Reward Profile As at 31 July 2022

	Typically lo	wer reward	ls		Ту	pically high	er rewards
	Lower risk						Higher risk
Share Class B	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Share Class I	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Share Class P	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

- The indicator is based on historical data and may not be a reliable indication of the future risk profile of the Fund.
- The risk and reward category shown is not guaranteed to remain unchanged and may shift over time.
- The lowest category does not mean 'risk free'.
- The Fund appears as a "4" on the scale. This is because the Fund by its nature invests in a mixture of investments.

# **Risk Warning**

An investment in an Open-Ended Investment Company should be regarded as a medium to long term investment. Investors should be aware that the price of Shares and the income from them may fall as well as rise and investors may not receive back the full amount invested. Past performance is not a guide to future performance. Investments denominated in currencies other than the base currency of a fund are subject to fluctuation in exchange rates, which may be favourable or unfavourable.

#### Portfolio Statement As at 31 July 2022

Holdings or Nominal		Market value	% of Total
Value	Investments	£	Net Assets
	Collective Investment Schemes 56.70% [84.11%]		
115,558	Artemis UK Special Situations	847,664	3.65
282,417	BlackRock European Absolute Alpha	479,636	2.07
493,938	BlackRock Natural Resources Growth & Income	614,311	2.65
34,285	CT Real Estate Equity Market Neutral	480,681	2.07
300,579	FTF Martin Currie European Unconstrained	453,874	1.95
801,690	Legal & General Global Inflation Linked Bond Index	432,993	1.86
386,037	Lindsell Train Japanese Equity	913,596	3.94
216,005	Liontrust Special Situations	1,010,862	4.36
389,226	Man GLG UK Absolute Value	528,180	2.28
374,949	Man GLG UK Income	1,191,587	5.13
28,336	Matthews Asia ex Japan Dividend	384,517	1.66
123,222	PIMCO Global Low Duration Real Return	1,383,783	5.96
77,026	Polar Capital Global Insurance	697,818	3.01
11,211	Polar Capital Global Technology	643,039	2.77
680	Schroder International Selection Asian Total Return	273,961	1.18
7,730	Schroder International Selection Strategic Credit	955,083	4.11
124,832	Trojan	484,323	2.09
11,021	Vanguard Global Bond Index	1,384,487	5.96
		13,160,395	56.70

#### Investment Trusts 2.29% [2.43%]

158,943	3i Infrastructure	531,665	2.29
		531,665	2.29
	Furthering Traded Funds 20 460/ 540 050/ 1		
	Exchange Traded Funds 28.16% [10.85%]		
285,363	iShares \$ Treasury Bond 7-10yr	1,401,275	6.04
133,969	iShares Core FTSE 100	973,553	4.19
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6,313	iShares Core S&P 500	2,183,948	9.41
16,159	iShares Edge MSCI World Value Factor	446,301	1.92
28,593	iShares Physical Gold	807,343	3.48
18,600	Xtrackers MSCI World Health Care	723,329	3.12
		6,535,749	28.16

Portfolio of investments	20,227,809	87.15
Net other assets	2,982,748	12.85
Net assets	23,210,557	100.00

The investments have been valued in accordance with note 1(i) of the Accounting Policies and Financial Instruments.

All investments are collective investment schemes unless otherwise stated.

Comparative figures shown above in square brackets relate to 31 July 2021.

Gross purchases for the year: £16,600,981 [2021: £14,552,345] (See Note 15).

Total sales net of transaction costs for the year: £19,191,716 [2021: £15,344,743] (See Note 15).

# Statement of Total Return For the year ended 31 July 2022

		01/08/21 to	31/07/22	01/08/20 to	31/07/21
	Note	£	£	£	£
Income					
Net capital (losses)/gains	2		(1,691,496)		3,153,569
Revenue	3	442,608		457,569	
Expenses	4	(218,812)		(217,525)	
Interest payable and similar charges	5	(21)		-	
Net revenue before taxation		223,775		240,044	
Taxation	6	(6,769)		(2,811)	
Net revenue after taxation			217,006		237,233
Total return before distributions			(1,474,490)		3,390,802
Finance costs: Distributions	7		(217,004)		(237,230)
Change in net assets attributable to					
Shareholders from investment activ	ities		(1,691,494)		3,153,572

# Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Shareholders

# For the year ended 31 July 2022

	01/08/21 to 31/07/22	01/08/20 to 31/07/21
	££	££
Opening net assets attributable		
to Shareholders	24,918,485	23,141,931
Amounts received on issue of Shares	1,301,498	769,402
Less: Amounts paid on cancellation of Shares	(1,535,266)	(2,379,383)
	(233,768)	(1,609,981)
Change in net assets attributable to Shareholders		
from investment activities (see above)	(1,691,494)	3,153,572
Retained distribution on accumulation Shares	217,334	232,963
Closing net assets attributable		
to Shareholders	23,210,557	24,918,485

# Balance Sheet As at 31 July 2022

		31/07/	/22	31/07	/21
	Note	£	£	£	£
Assets Fixed assets: Investment			20,227,809		24,269,326
Current assets:					
Debtors	8	179,524		1,492,815	
Cash and bank balances	9	2,967,683		1,609,036	
Total current assets			3,147,207		3,101,851
Total assets			23,375,016		27,371,177
Liabilities					
Creditors:					
Other creditors	10	(164,459)		(2,452,692)	
Total creditors			(164,459)		(2,452,692)
Total liabilities			(164,459)		(2,452,692)
Net assets attributable					
to Shareholders			23,210,557		24,918,485

#### **1** Accounting Basis And Policies

The Fund's Financial Statements have been prepared on the basis detailed on pages 11, 12 and 13.

2 Net capital (losses)/gains	01/08/21 to	01/08/20 to
	31/07/22	31/07/21
<b>—</b>	£	£
The net capital (losses)/gains during the year		
Compensaton payment	293	2,835
Realised currency (losses)/gains	(1,165)	30
Realised gains on non-derivative securities	138,946	1,630,526
Transaction charges	(2,206)	(2,853)
Unrealised (losses)/gains on non-derivative securities	(1,827,364)	1,523,031
Net capital (losses)/gains	(1,691,496)	3,153,569
3 Revenue	01/08/21 to	01/08/20 to
	31/07/22	31/07/21
	£	£
Bank interest	756	-
Franked dividends from collective investment schemes	105,474	93,387
Offshore funds dividends	80,652	132,599
Offshore funds interest	143,351	98,509
Unfranked dividends from collective investment schemes	112,375	133,074
Total revenue	442,608	457,569
4 Expenses	01/08/21 to	01/08/20 to
	31/07/22	31/07/21
Payable to the ACD, associates of the ACD, and agents of	£	£
either of them		
	60,529	60,388
General administation charge*	60,529 148,546	60,388 149,637
General administation charge* Investment manager fees	60,529 148,546 74	60,388 149,637 12
General administation charge*	148,546 74	149,637 12
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\*FCA fees and Audit fees of £5,828 + VAT for the year ended 31 July 2022 (2021: £5,550 + VAT) have been borne by the GAC.

5	Interest payable and similar charges	01/08/21 to 31/07/22 £	01/08/20 to 31/07/21 f
	Bank Interest	21	-
	Total Interest payable and similar charges	21	-
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6	Taxation	01/08/21 to 31/07/22	01/08/20 to 31/07/21
		£	£
	(a) Analysis of the tax charge in the year		
	Corporation tax	6,769	2,811
	Total current tax charge (Note 6 (b))	6,769	2,811
	Deferred tax (Note 6 (c))	-	-
	Total taxation for the year	6,769	2,811

# (b) Factors affecting current tax charge for the year

The tax assessed for the year is different from that calculated when the standard rate of corporation tax for an open ended investment company of 20% (2021: 20%) is applied to the net revenue before taxation

The differences are explained below:

	01/08/21 to 31/07/22	01/08/20 to 31/07/21
	£	£
Net revenue before taxation	223,775	240,044
Net revenue for the year multiplied by the standard rate of corporation tax	44,755	48,009
Effects of: Revenue not subject to corporation tax	(37,986)	(45,198)
Total tax charge for the year	6,769	2,811

OEICs are exempt from tax on capital gains in the UK. Therefore, any capital return is not included within the reconciliation above.

# (c) Provision for deferred tax

There is no provision required for deferred taxation at the Balance Sheet date in the current or prior year.

# 7 Finance costs

# Distributions

The distributions take account of revenue received on the issue of Shares and revenue deducted on the cancellation of Shares and comprise:

	01/08/21 to	01/08/20 to
	31/07/22	31/07/21
	£	£
Final	217,334	232,963
Add: Revenue paid on cancellation of Shares	2,898	8,873
Deduct: Revenue received on issue of Shares	(3,228)	(4,606)
Net distribution for the year	217,004	237,230
Reconciliation of net revenue after taxation to distributions		
Net revenue after taxation	217,006	237,233
Net movement in revenue account	(2)	(3)
Net distribution for the year	217,004	237,230

Details of the distributions per Share are set out in the distribution table on page 32.

8	Debtors	31/07/22	31/07/21
		£	£
	Accrued bank interest	377	-
	Accrued revenue	46,979	35,133
	Amounts receivable for creation of Shares	132,168	-
	Sales awaiting settlement	-	1,457,682
	Total debtors	179,524	1,492,815
	Total debtors	179,524	1,492,815
9	Total debtors Cash and bank balances	179,524 31/07/22	1,492,815 31/07/21
9			
9		31/07/22	

Creditors	31/07/22	31/07/21
	£	£
Amounts payable for cancellation of Shares	-	500
Corporation tax payable	6,769	2,811
Purchases awaiting settlement	140,038	2,428,848
	146,807	2,432,159
Accrued expenses		
Manager and Agents		
General administration charge	4,807	5,343
Investment manager fees	11,752	13,173
	16,559	18,516
Depositary and Agents		
Safe custody fees	739	1,492
Transaction charges	204	968
Unit dealing assistance fees	800	193
	1,743	2,653
Other accrued expenses		
EPT (European PRIIPs Template) reporting fee	149	149
LEI licence fee	(32)	(32)
MIFID II reporting fee	(135)	(121)
Printing, postage, stationery and typesetting costs	(632)	(632)
	(650)	(636)
Total creditors	164,459	2,452,692

#### **11** Related party transactions

The monies received and paid by the ACD through the issue and cancellation of Shares are disclosed in the Statement of Change in Shareholders' Net Assets and amounts due at the year end are disclosed in notes 8 and 10.

The ACD and its associates (including other authorised investment funds managed by the ACD) have no Shareholdings in the Company at the year end.

#### Significant Shareholdings

WAY Fund Managers Limited, as the Fund's Authorised Corporate Director, wishes to disclose to the Fund's Shareholders that 29.15% and 22.28% of the Fund's shares in issue are under the control of two nominees and their related parties.

#### **12 Share Classes**

The Share Class and ACD's Annual Management Charges applicable to the Fund are as follows:

Share Class	%
B Accumulation	0.75
I Accumulation	1.00
P Accumulation	0.50
Each Share Class has equal rights in	n the event of the wind up of any fund.

#### 12 Share Classes (continued)

The reconciliation of the opening and closing numbers of Shares of each class is shown below:

	31/07/21	Issued	Cancelled	Converted	31/07/22
B Accumulation	6,669,681	101,004	(590,863)	-	6,179,823
I Accumulation	289,384	33,815	(8,244)	-	314,955
P Accumulation	8,464,241	680,682	(369,804)	-	8,775,119

#### 13 Capital commitments and contingent liabilities

There were no contingent liabilities or outstanding commitments at the balance sheet date (2021: nil).

#### 14 Derivatives and other financial instruments

The main risks from the Fund's holding of financial instruments, together with the ACD's policy for managing these risks, are disclosed in note 2 on pages 14, 15 and 16.

#### (a) Foreign currency risk

The table below shows the foreign currency risk profile at the balance sheet date:

	Net foreign currency assets		
	Monetary Non-		Total
	exposures	monetary	
Currency		exposures	
	£	£	£
31/07/22			
US Dollar	-	723,329	723,329
Total foreign currency exposure	-	723,329	723,329
Sterling	2,982,748	19,504,480	22,487,228
Total net assets	2,982,748	20,227,809	23,210,557
31/07/21			
Sterling	649,159	24,269,326	24,918,485
Total net assets	649,159	24,269,326	24,918,485

If GBP to foreign currency exchange rates had strengthened/increased by 10% as at the balance sheet date, the net asset value of the Fund would have decreased by  $\pounds$ 65,757 (2021:  $\pounds$ Nil). If GBP to foreign currency exchange rates had weakened/decreased by 10% as at the balance sheet date, the net asset value of the Fund would have increased by  $\pounds$ 80,370 (2021:  $\pounds$ Nil). These calculations assume all other variables remain constant.

#### 14 Derivatives and other financial instruments (continued)

#### (b) Interest rate risk profile of financial assets and liabilities

The table below shows the interest rate risk profile at the balance sheet date:

	Floating rate financial	Financial assets not carrying	
Currency	assets	interest	Total
Assets	£	£	£
31/07/22			
Sterling	2,967,683	19,699,424	22,667,107
US Dollar	-	723,329	723,329
Total	2,967,683	20,422,753	23,390,436
31/07/21			
Sterling	1,609,036	25,762,141	27,371,177
Total	1,609,036	25,762,141	27,371,177
	Floating rate financial	Financial liabilities not carrying	
Currency	-	liabilities	Total
Currency Liabilities	financial	liabilities not carrying	Total £
Liabilities 31/07/22	financial liabilities	liabilities not carrying interest £	£
Liabilities	financial liabilities	liabilities not carrying interest	
Liabilities 31/07/22	financial liabilities	liabilities not carrying interest £	£
Liabilities 31/07/22 Sterling	financial liabilities	liabilities not carrying interest £ 179,879	<b>£</b> 179,879
Liabilities 31/07/22 Sterling Total	financial liabilities	liabilities not carrying interest £ 179,879	<b>£</b> 179,879

Changes in interest rates would have no material impact to the valuation of floating rate financial assets or liabilities as at the balance sheet date. Consequently, no sensitivity analysis has been presented.

#### (c) Market Risk

If market prices had increased by 10% as at the balance sheet date, the net asset value of the Fund would have increased by the amounts set out in the table below.

If market prices had decreased by 10% as at the balance sheet date, the net asset value of the Fund would have decreased by the amounts set out in the table below.

These calculations have been applied to non-derivative securities only (see note 2 (h) for an explanation of the Fund's leverage during the period). These calculations assume all other variables remain constant.

	Increase	Decrease
	£	£
2022	2,022,781	2,022,781
2021	2,426,933	2,426,933

#### (d) Leverage

The Fund has not employed any significant leverage during the period covered by this report.

Portfolio transaction costs	01/08/21 to 31/07/22 £ £	01/08/20 to 31/07/21 £ £
Analysis of total purchase costs		
Purchases in year before transaction costs		
Collective Investment Schemes	16,598,679	14,551,488
	16,598,679	14,551,488
Commissions - Collective Investment Schemes	2,302	857
Total purchase costs	2,302	857
Gross purchase total	16,600,981	14,552,345
Analysis of total sale costs		
Gross sales in year before		

Total sales net of transaction costs	. 19,19	1,716	15,344,743
Total sale costs		(777)	(1,326)
Fees - Collective Investment Schemes	(1)	-	
Commissions - Collective Investment Schemes	(776)	(1,326)	
	19,1	92,493	15,346,069
Collective Investment Schemes	19,1	92,493	15,346,069
transaction costs			

The portfolio transaction costs table above includes direct transaction costs suffered by the Fund during the year.

For the Fund's investment in collective investment scheme holdings there will potentially be dealing spread costs applicable to purchases and sales. However additionally there are indirect transaction costs suffered in those underlying funds, throughout the holding period for the instruments, which are not separately identifiable and do not form part of the analysis above.

# **15** Portfolio transaction costs (continued)

01/08/21 to	01/08/20 to
31/07/22	31/07/21
%	%
0.0139%	0.0059%
0.0040%	0.0086%
01/08/21 to	01/08/20 to
31/07/22	31/07/21
%	%
0.0127%	0.0090%
	31/07/22 % 0.0139% 0.0040% 01/08/21 to 31/07/22 %

#### **16 Post balance sheet events**

There are no post balance sheet events which require adjustments at the year end.

# **17 Fair value disclosure**

	31/07	7/22	31/07/21		
Valuation technique	Assets £	Liabilities £	Assets £	Liabilities £	
Level 1: The unadjusted quoted price in an active market for identical assets or liabilities	20,227,809	-	24,269,326	-	
Level 2: Inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly	-		-		
Level 3: Inputs are unobservable (i.e. for which market data is unavailable) for the asset or liability*	-	-	-	-	
	20,227,809	-	24,269,326	-	

\* The valuation techniques and the ACD's policy is disclosed in note 1(i) on page 12.

# Distribution Table As at 31 July 2022

#### **Final Distribution in pence per Share**

Group 1 Shares purchased prior to 1 August 2021

Group 2 Shares purchased on or after 1 August 2021 to 31 July 2022

	Net revenue (p)	Equalisation (p)	Distribution payable 30/09/22 (p)	Distribution paid 30/09/21 (p)
Share Class B Accumulation				
Group 1	1.2070	-	1.2070	1.2939
Group 2	0.8969	0.3101	1.2070	1.2939
Share Class I Accumulation				
Group 1	0.8214	-	0.8214	0.8787
Group 2	0.7623	0.0591	0.8214	0.8787
Share Class P Accumulation				
Group 1	1.5972	-	1.5972	1.7027
Group 2	1.1653	0.4319	1.5972	1.7027

# Investment Manager's Report For the year ended 31 July 2022

#### **Investment Objective and Policy**

To achieve modest growth.

#### **Investment Policy**

The Fund will typically invest a minimum of 80% of its net asset value in collective investment schemes, exchange traded funds, unregulated collective investment schemes, and may also include transferable securities (including investment trusts and similar instruments), money-market instruments, fixed income instruments, deposits and foreign exchange contracts.

It is expected that no more than 35% of the total Fund will have exposure to equity markets, with the remainder of the portfolio providing exposure to assets such as alternatives, commodities, property, cash, cash equivalents and fixed income investments, in order to maintain its conservative risk profile. However, investments will not be confined by industrial, economic or geographical sector.

The Fund may also hold, on a temporary basis, all or part of its assets in cash or other ancillary liquid assets.

The Fund may utilise derivatives for the purposes of efficient portfolio management (typically hedging, including investing in hedged share classes, which attempts to mitigate against falls in the value of the Fund's assets and the effects of changes in currency exchange rates against the Fund's base currency, which is pounds sterling).

#### **Investment Review**

The EF Brompton Global Conservative Fund fell 5.50% over the year to 31 July 2022 while the IA Mixed Investment 0-35% Shares Index fell 7.06%.

Global equities and global bonds gained 2.75% and fell 2.41% respectively in sterling terms over the year under review, with significant falls in overseas markets masked by the pound's weakness against the dollar. The main factors behind the weakness were rising inflation fuelled in part by higher energy prices, the Russia-Ukraine war and China's zero-Covid19 policy. US inflation reached 9.1% over the year to June, the highest level since 1982, while UK and eurozone prices rose by 9.4% and 8.6% respectively. Central banks responded by raising interest rates. In their latest meetings, the Federal Reserve increased its Fed Funds Rate by three-quarters of a percentage point to 2.25-2.5%, the Bank of England raised Bank Rate by a quarter point to 1.25% and the European Central Bank raised its policy rate by half a point, ending negative rates.

The US labour market, a lagging indicator, remained relatively strong, with unemployment at 3.5% in July, but consumer sentiment was weak as real incomes fell and investors feared rising inflation and interest rates might lead to a prolonged recession. The International Monetary Fund downgraded its global economic growth forecast for 2022 to 3.2%.

Following its invasion of Ukraine, sanctions were imposed on Russia, the largest supplier of natural gas and oil to the European Union, targeting banks, businesses, and trade. This contributed to the 78.67% oil price rise in sterling terms over the year under review while a broader basket of commodities rose 53.84%. Within the portfolio, an investment was made in BlackRock Natural Resources Growth & Income, whose portfolio of mining, energy and agriculture equities may benefit from demand and supply imbalances and offer some protection against inflation.

The portfolio benefitted from its exposure to short-dated inflation-linked bonds and some profits were taken from the allocation after a period of solid performance because inflation expectations rose. The proceeds were reinvested in a new holding in the sterling-hedged iShares \$ Treasury Bond 7-10 Years exchange-traded fund (ETF) and an addition to Vanguard Global Bond. Longer-dated government bonds appeared attractive, with US 10-year treasury bond yields close to 3%. Holdings in high-yield bond and strategic bond investments were reduced as credit spreads widened.

# Investment Manager's Report (continued) For the year ended 31 July 2022

#### **Investment Review (continued)**

Global growth stocks fell 4.85% in sterling terms while value stocks, which tend to benefit from higher inflation, rose 10.00%. Vulcan Value Equity, a growth-oriented US investment, was sold because of the negative impact of rising interest rates as investors de-rated highly-valued companies in response to rising bond yields. Fundsmith Equity and BlackRock European Dynamic were sold for similar reasons. Polar Capital Global Insurance and the Xtrackers MSCI World Heath Care ETF were introduced because slowing economic growth and rising recession risk may warrant more defensive positions in companies that are typically less sensitive to changes in macroeconomic conditions. These companies also tend to be more resilient because of the low substitutability of their goods and services.

The UK stockmarket rose 6.85% thanks to its large sector weightings in energy and materials but smaller companies, which tend to be more sensitive to domestic conditions, fell 13.04%. The portfolio's exposure to UK smaller companies was reduced through the sale of Chelverton UK Equity Growth.

Supply bottlenecks arising from China's zero-Covid-19 policy and concerns around its property market hindered performance for equities in emerging markets and Asia excluding Japan, down 8.33% and 8.20% respectively in sterling terms. China's central bank responded by easing monetary policy, in contrast to its western counterparts, and signs have emerged that Beijing's regulatory clampdown on a number of sectors including technology has started to ease. Dollar strength, however, may remain a headwind for Asia and emerging markets generally. Within the portfolio, the position in Matthews Asia ex Japan Dividend was broadly maintained. In Japan, Lindsell Train Japanese Equity was added at the expense of T Rowe Price Japanese Equity. The former has big holdings in consumer stocks that appeared attractively valued may perform well as Japan's economy continues to recover from the pandemic.

Alternative investments provide diversification and daily traded long/short equity holdings have the potential to do well in an environment where both bonds and equities are falling.

The portfolio's year-end allocation included Blackrock European Absolute Alpha and Man GLG UK Absolute Value. Gold rose 10.45% in sterling terms over the year as investors sought out safe-haven investments and the iShares Physical Gold exchange-traded commodity holding was topped up.

**Investment Manager** Brompton Asset Management Limited 23 November 2022

# Performance record

As at 31 July 2022

	B Accumulation			I		
	31/07/22	31/07/21	31/07/20	31/07/22	31/07/21	31/07/20
Change in net assets per Share	(p)	(p)	(p)	(p)	(p)	(p)
Opening net asset value per Share	144.07	131.35	128.81	141.56	129.38	127.21
Return before operating charges*	(5.26)	15.11	4.67	(5.19)	14.87	4.58
Operating charges	(2.22)	(2.39)	(2.13)	(2.52)	(2.69)	(2.41)
Return after operating charges*	(7.48)	12.72	2.54	(7.71)	12.18	2.17
Distributions	(1.68)	(0.89)	(1.33)	(1.34)	(0.54)	(1.00)
Retained distributions on accumulation shares	1.68	0.89	1.33	1.34	0.54	1.00
Closing net asset value per Share	136.59	144.07	131.35	133.85	141.56	129.38
* after direct transaction costs of:	0.01	0.01	0.03	0.01	0.01	0.03
Performance						
Return after operating charges	(5.19%)	9.68%	1.97%	(5.45%)	9.41%	1.71%
Other information						
Closing net asset value	7,902,471	9,447,792	9,819,625	58,631	62,012	56,675
Closing number of Shares	5,785,711	6,557,574	7,476,138	43,805	43,805	43,805
Operating charges	1.57%	1.73%	1.66%	1.82%	1.98%	1.91%
Direct transaction costs	0.01%	0.01%	0.02%	0.01%	0.01%	0.02%
Prices						
Highest Share price	146.89	144.24	132.92	144.22	141.73	131.07
Lowest Share price	132.51	131.57	114.36	129.88	129.60	112.75
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#### **P** Accumulation

	31/07/22	31/07/21	31/07/20
	(p)	(p)	(p)
Change in net assets per Share			
Opening net asset value per Share	145.17	132.01	129.15
Return before operating charges*	(5.35)	15.22	4.67
Operating charges	(1.88)	(2.06)	(1.81)
Return after operating charges*	(7.23)	13.16	2.86
Distributions	(2.02)	(1.24)	(1.65)
Retained distributions on accumulation shares	2.02	1.24	1.65
Closing net asset value per Share	137.94	145.17	132.01
* after direct transaction costs of:	0.01	0.01	0.03
Performance			
Return after operating charges	(4.98%)	9.97%	2.21%
Other information			
Closing net asset value	3,255,766	3,159,752	2,480,178
Closing number of Shares	2,360,312	2,176,631	1,878,719
Operating charges	1.32%	1.48%	1.41%
Direct transaction costs	0.01%	0.01%	0.02%
Prices			
Highest Share price	148.11	145.33	133.59
Lowest Share price	133.78	132.24	114.84

# Performance Information As at 31 July 2022

# **Operating Charges**

Date	Operating Charges (%)
31/07/22	
Share Class B	1.57
Share Class I	1.82
Share Class P	1.32
31/07/21	
Share Class B	1.73
Share Class I	1.98
Share Class P	1.48

The Operating Charge is the total expenses paid by the Fund in the year, annualised, against its average Net Asset Value. This will fluctuate as underlying costs change.

The Fund has invested in collective investment schemes during the year and where any such schemes were held at the Fund's accounting reference date, the expenses incurred by these schemes are included in the above Operating Charges figures.

# Risk and Reward Profile As at 31 July 2022

	Typically lower rewards				Typically higher rewards		
	Lower risk						Higher risk
Share Class B	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Share Class I	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Share Class P	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

- The indicator is based on historical data and may not be a reliable indication of the future risk profile of the Fund.
- The risk and reward category shown is not guaranteed to remain unchanged and may shift over time.
- The lowest category does not mean 'risk free'.
- The Fund appears as a "4" on the scale. This is because the Fund by its nature invests in a mixture of investments.

# **Risk Warning**

An investment in an Open-Ended Investment Company should be regarded as a medium to long term investment. Investors should be aware that the price of Shares and the income from them may fall as well as rise and investors may not receive back the full amount invested. Past performance is not a guide to future performance. Investments denominated in currencies other than the base currency of a fund are subject to fluctuation in exchange rates, which may be favourable or unfavourable.

#### **Portfolio Statement** As at 31 July 2022

Holdings		Mariliation	0/ -6 T-4-1
or Nominal Value	Investments	Market value £	% of Total Net Assets
value	Collective Investment Schemes 66.27% [88.91%]	E	NEL ASSELS
425	Aberforth UK Small Companies	116,815	1.04
	Artemis UK Special Situations	257,540	2.30
163,070		276,947	2.30
118,611		147,517	1.31
19,817		277,841	2.48
365,884		501,993	4.47
1,075,139		581,220	5.18
485,694	-	262,323	2.34
'	-	,	2.34
131,282	,	310,691	
	Liontrust Special Situations	326,116	2.91
	Man GLG UK Absolute Value	258,468	2.30
'	Man GLG UK Income	351,962	3.14
	Matthews Asia ex Japan Dividend	179,446	1.60
	MI TwentyFour Dynamic Bond	213,393	1.90
45,510		511,077	4.56
35,159		459,886	4.10
24,672	Polar Capital Global Insurance	223,514	1.99
3,616	Polar Capital Global Technology	207,389	1.85
5,621	Schroder International Selection Strategic Credit	694,480	6.19
57,180	Trojan	221,847	1.98
8,383	Vanguard Global Bond Index	1,053,127	9.39
		7,433,592	66.27

#### Investment Trusts 2.28% [2.80%]

76,351	3i Infrastructure	255,394	2.28
		255,394	2.28
	Exchange Traded Funds 18.38% [3.68%]		
146,314	iShares \$ Treasury Bond 7-10yr	718,475	6.41
32,931	iShares Core FTSE 100	239,309	2.13
1,269	iShares Core S&P 500	439,004	3.91
13,612	iShares Physical Gold	384,344	3.43
7,212	Xtrackers MSCI World Health Care	280,465	2.50
		2,061,597	18.38
	Portfolio of investments	9,750,583	86.93
	Net other assets	1,466,285	13.07
	Net assets	11,216,868	100.00

The investments have been valued in accordance with note 1(i) of the Accounting Policies and Financial Instruments.

All investments are Collective Investment Schemes unless otherwise stated.

Comparative figures shown above in square brackets relate to 31 July 2021.

Gross purchases for the year: £8,313,946 [2021: £5,848,995] (See Note 14).

Total sales net of transaction costs for the year: £10,029,045 [2021: £5,774,271] (See Note 14).

## Statement of Total Return For the year ended 31 July 2022

		01/08/21 to 31/07/22		01/08/20 to	31/07/21
	Note	£	£	£	£
Income					
Net capital (losses)/gains	2		(791,105)		1,064,699
Revenue	3	295,865		220,699	
Expenses	4	(125,610)		(126,279)	
Interest payable and similar charges		-		-	
Net revenue before taxation		170,255		94,420	
Taxation	5	(21,808)		(7,899)	
Net revenue after taxation			148,447		86,521
Total return before distributions			(642,658)		1,151,220
Finance costs: Distributions	6		(148,448)		(86,521)
Change in net assets attributable to					
Shareholders from investment activities			(791,106)		1,064,699

# Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Shareholders

# For the year ended 31 July 2022

	01/08/21 to 31/07/22	01/08/20 to 31/07/21	
	££	££	
Opening net assets attributable			
to Shareholders	12,669,556	12,356,478	
Amounts received on issue of Shares	2,125,249	866,872	
Less: Amounts paid on cancellation of Shares	(2,932,362)	(1,704,445)	
	(807,113)	(837,573)	
Change in net assets attributable to Shareholders			
from investment activities (see above)	(791,106)	1,064,699	
Retained distribution on accumulation Shares	145,531	85,952	
Closing net assets attributable			
to Shareholders	11,216,868	12,669,556	

### Balance Sheet As at 31 July 2022

		31/07	/22	31/07	/21
	Note	£	£	£	£
<b>Assets</b> Fixed assets: Investment			9,750,583		12,085,975
Current assets:					
Debtors	7	44,765		140,583	
Cash and bank balances	8	1,511,768		1,013,220	
Total current assets			1,556,533		1,153,803
Total assets			11,307,116		13,239,778
Liabilities					
Creditors:					
Other creditors	9	(90,248)		(570,222)	
Total creditors			(90,248)		(570,222)
Total liabilities			(90,248)		(570,222)
Net assets attributable					
to Shareholders			11,216,868		12,669,556

#### **1** Accounting Basis And Policies

The Fund's Financial Statements have been prepared on the basis detailed on pages 11, 12 and 13.

2	Net capital (losses)/gains	01/08/21 to	01/08/20 to
		31/07/22 £	31/07/21
	The net capital (losses)/gains during the year	2	2
	Compensaton payment	223	3,073
	Realised currency losses	(668)	(3,438)
	Realised gains on non-derivative securities	138,252	575,877
	Transaction charges	(3,059)	(1,805)
	Unrealised (losses)/gains on non-derivative securities	(925,853)	490,992
	Net capital (losses)/gains	(791,105)	1,064,699
3	Revenue	01/08/21 to	01/08/20 to
		31/07/22	31/07/21
		£	£
	Bank interest	343	-
	Franked dividends from collective investment schemes	37,540	33,678
	Offshore funds dividends	22,455	21,248
	Offshore funds interest	127,641	63,708
	Unfranked dividends from collective investment schemes	107,886	102,065
	Total revenue	295,865	220,699
4	Expenses	01/08/21 to	01/08/20 to
		31/07/22 £	31/07/21 £
	Payable to the ACD, associates of the ACD, and agents of either of them	31/07/22	31/07/21
	Payable to the ACD, associates of the ACD, and agents of	31/07/22	31/07/21
	Payable to the ACD, associates of the ACD, and agents of either of them	31/07/22 £	31/07/21 £
	Payable to the ACD, associates of the ACD, and agents of either of them General administration charge*	<b>31/07/22</b> £ 30,793	<b>31/07/21</b> £ 31,320
	Payable to the ACD, associates of the ACD, and agents of either of them General administration charge* Investment manager fees	<b>31/07/22</b> £ 30,793 84,203	<b>31/07/21</b> £ 31,320
	Payable to the ACD, associates of the ACD, and agents of either of them General administration charge* Investment manager fees	<b>31/07/22</b> £ 30,793 84,203 53	<b>31/07/21</b> £ 31,320 87,067 9
	Payable to the ACD, associates of the ACD, and agents of either of them General administration charge* Investment manager fees Printing, postage, stationery and typesetting costs	<b>31/07/22</b> £ 30,793 84,203 53	<b>31/07/21</b> £ 31,320 87,067 9
	Payable to the ACD, associates of the ACD, and agents of either of them         General administration charge*         Investment manager fees         Printing, postage, stationery and typesetting costs         Payable to the Depositary, associates of the Depositary, and agents of either of them         Safe custody fees	<b>31/07/22</b> £ 30,793 84,203 53 115,049 4,942	<b>31/07/21</b> £ 31,320 87,067 9
	Payable to the ACD, associates of the ACD, and agents of either of them         General administration charge*         Investment manager fees         Printing, postage, stationery and typesetting costs         Payable to the Depositary, associates of the Depositary, and agents of either of them	<b>31/07/22</b> £ 30,793 84,203 53 115,049	<b>31/07/21</b> £ 31,320 87,067 9 118,396
	Payable to the ACD, associates of the ACD, and agents of either of them         General administration charge*         Investment manager fees         Printing, postage, stationery and typesetting costs         Payable to the Depositary, associates of the Depositary, and agents of either of them         Safe custody fees         Unit dealing assistance fees	<b>31/07/22</b> £ 30,793 84,203 53 115,049 4,942	<b>31/07/21</b> £ 31,320 87,067 9 118,396 5,002
	Payable to the ACD, associates of the ACD, and agents of either of them         General administration charge*         Investment manager fees         Printing, postage, stationery and typesetting costs         Payable to the Depositary, associates of the Depositary, and agents of either of them         Safe custody fees         Unit dealing assistance fees         Other expenses	<b>31/07/22</b> <b>£</b> 30,793 84,203 53 115,049 4,942 4,356 9,298	<b>31/07/21</b> <i>£</i> 31,320 87,067 9 118,396 5,002 1,332 6,334
	Payable to the ACD, associates of the ACD, and agents of either of them         General administration charge*         Investment manager fees         Printing, postage, stationery and typesetting costs         Payable to the Depositary, associates of the Depositary, and agents of either of them         Safe custody fees         Unit dealing assistance fees         Other expenses         EPT (European PRIIPs Template) reporting fee	<b>31/07/22</b> <b>f</b> 30,793 84,203 53 115,049 4,942 4,356 9,298 255	<b>31/07/21</b> <i>£</i> 31,320 87,067 9 118,396 5,002 1,332 6,334 403
	Payable to the ACD, associates of the ACD, and agents of either of them         General administration charge*         Investment manager fees         Printing, postage, stationery and typesetting costs         Payable to the Depositary, associates of the Depositary, and agents of either of them         Safe custody fees         Unit dealing assistance fees         EPT (European PRIIPs Template) reporting fee         LEI Licence fee	<b>31/07/22</b> <b>f</b> 30,793 84,203 53 115,049 4,942 4,356 9,298 255 78	<b>31/07/21</b> <i>£</i> 31,320 87,067 9 118,396 5,002 1,332 6,334 403 46
	Payable to the ACD, associates of the ACD, and agents of either of them         General administration charge*         Investment manager fees         Printing, postage, stationery and typesetting costs         Payable to the Depositary, associates of the Depositary, and agents of either of them         Safe custody fees         Unit dealing assistance fees         EPT (European PRIIPs Template) reporting fee         LEI Licence fee         MIFID II reporting fee	<b>31/07/22</b> <b>£</b> 30,793 84,203 53 115,049 4,942 4,356 9,298 255 78 206	<b>31/07/21</b> <i>£</i> 31,320 87,067 9 118,396 5,002 1,332 6,334 403 46 450
	Payable to the ACD, associates of the ACD, and agents of either of them         General administration charge*         Investment manager fees         Printing, postage, stationery and typesetting costs         Payable to the Depositary, associates of the Depositary, and agents of either of them         Safe custody fees         Unit dealing assistance fees         EPT (European PRIIPs Template) reporting fee         LEI Licence fee	<b>31/07/22</b> <b>f</b> 30,793 84,203 53 115,049 4,942 4,356 9,298 255 78 206 724	<b>31/07/21</b> <i>£</i> 31,320 87,067 9 118,396 5,002 1,332 6,334 403 46 450 650
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\*Audit fees of  $\pounds$ 5,828 + VAT for the year ended 31 July 2022 (2021:  $\pounds$ 5,550 + VAT) have been borne by the ACD out of its periodic charge.

5	Taxation	01/08/21 to 31/07/22 £	01/08/20 to 31/07/21 £
	(a) Analysis of the tax charge in the year		
	Corporation tax	21,808	7,899
	Total current tax charge (Note 5 (b))	21,808	7,899
	Deferred tax (Note 5 (c))	-	-
	Total taxation for the year	21,808	7,899

### (b) Factors affecting current tax charge for the year

The tax assessed for the year is different from that calculated when the standard rate of corporation tax for an open ended investment company of 20% (2021: 20%) is applied to the net revenue before taxation

The differences are explained below:

	01/08/21 to 31/07/22 £	01/08/20 to 31/07/21 £
Net revenue before taxation	170,255	94,420
Net revenue for the year multiplied by the standard rate of corporation tax	34,051	18,884
Effects of:		
Revenue not subject to corporation tax	(12,243)	(10,985)
Total tax charge for the year	21,808	7,899

OEICs are exempt from tax on capital gains in the UK. Therefore, any capital return is not included within the reconciliation above.

### (c) Provision for deferred tax

There is no provision required for deferred taxation at the Balance Sheet date in the current or prior year.

## 6 Finance costs

### Distributions

The distributions take account of revenue received on the issue of Shares and revenue deducted on the cancellation of Shares and comprise:

	01/08/21 to 31/07/22	01/08/20 to 31/07/21
	£	£
Final	145,531	85,952
Add: Revenue paid on cancellation of Shares	6,538	3,790
Deduct: Revenue received on issue of Shares	(3,621)	(3,221)
Net distribution for the year	148,448	86,521
Reconciliation of net revenue after taxation to distributions		
Net revenue after taxation	148,447	86,521
Net movement in revenue account	1	-
Net distribution for the year	148,448	86,521

Details of the distributions per Share are set out in the distribution table on page 48.

7	Debtors	31/07/22	31/07/21
		£	£
	Accrued bank interest	189	-
	Accrued revenue	44,576	24,380
	Sales awaiting settlement	-	116,203
	Total debtors	44,765	140,583
8	Cash and bank balances	31/07/22	31/07/21
Ŭ		£	£
	Cash and bank balances	1,511,768	1,013,220
	Total cash and bank balances	1,511,768	1,013,220

9 Creditors	31/07/22	31/07/21
	£	£
Corporation tax payable	21,808	7,899
Purchases awaiting settlement	56,587	550,200
	78,395	558,099
Accrued expenses		
Manager and Agents		
General administration charge	2,343	2,685
Investment manager fees	6,362	7,400
	8,705	10,085
Depositary and Agents		
Safe custody fees	597	1,696
Transaction charges	543	801
Unit dealing assistance fees	2,613	137
	3,753	2,634
Other accrued expenses		
EPT (European PRIIPs Template) reporting fee	149	149
LEI licence fee	(32)	(32)
MIFID II reporting fee	(90)	(81)
Price publication fee	(632)	(632)
	(605)	(596)
Total creditors	90,248	570,222

### **10** Related party transactions

The monies received and paid by the ACD through the issue and cancellation of Shares are disclosed in the Statement of Change in Shareholders' Net Assets and amounts due at the year end are disclosed in notes 7 and 9.

The ACD and its associates (including other authorised investment funds managed by the ACD) have no Shareholdings in the Company at the year end.

### Significant Shareholdings

WAY Fund Managers Limited, as the Fund's Authorised Corporate Director, wishes to disclose to the Fund's Shareholders that 40.70% of the Fund's shares in issue are under the control of a single nominee and its related parties.

#### **11 Share Classes**

The Share Class and ACD's Annual Management Charges applicable to the Fund are as follows:

Share Class	%
B Accumulation	0.75
I Accumulation	1.00
P Accumulation	0.50

Each Share Class has equal rights in the event of the wind up of any fund.

#### 11 Share Classes (continued)

The reconciliation of the opening and closing numbers of Shares of each class is shown below:

	31/07/21	Issued	Cancelled	Converted	31/07/22
B Accumulation	6,557,574	1,295,352	(2,067,215)	-	5,785,711
I Accumulation	43,805	-	-	-	43,805
P Accumulation	2,176,631	208,398	(24,718)	-	2,360,312

#### 12 Capital commitments and contingent liabilities

There were no contingent liabilities or outstanding commitments at the balance sheet date (2021: nil).

#### **13** Derivatives and other financial instruments

The main risks from the Fund's holding of financial instruments, together with the ACD's policy for managing these risks, are disclosed in note 2 on pages 14, 15 and 16.

#### (a) Foreign currency risk

The table below shows the foreign currency risk profile at the balance sheet date:

	Net foreign currency assets			
Currency	Monetary exposures	Total		
	£	£	£	
31/07/22				
US Dollar	-	280,465	280,465	
Total foreign currency exposure	-	280,465	280,465	
Sterling	1,466,285	9,470,118	10,936,403	
Total net assets	1,466,285	9,750,583	11,216,868	
<b>31/07/21</b> Sterling	583,581	12,085,975	12,669,556	
Total net assets	583,581	12,085,975	12,669,556	

If GBP to foreign currency exchange rates had strengthened/increased by 10% as at the balance sheet date, the net asset value of the Fund would have decreased by £25,497 (2021:  $\pounds$ Nil). If GBP to foreign currency exchange rates had weakened/decreased by 10% as at the balance sheet date, the net asset value of the Fund would have increased by £31,163 (2021:  $\pounds$ Nil). These calculations assume all other variables remain constant.

### 13 Derivatives and other financial instruments (continued)

#### (b) Interest rate risk profile of financial assets and liabilities

The table below shows the interest rate risk profile at the balance sheet date:

	Floating rate financial	Financial assets not carrying	
Currency	assets	interest	Total
Assets	£	£	£
31/07/22			
Sterling	1,511,768	9,520,709	11,032,477
US Dollar	-	280,465	280,465
Total	1,511,768	9,801,174	11,312,942
31/07/21			
Sterling	1,013,220	12,226,558	13,239,778
Total	1,013,220	12,226,558	13,239,778

Currency Liabilities 31/07/22	Floating rate financial liabilities £	Financial liabilities not carrying interest £	Total £
Sterling	-	96,074	96,074
Total	-	96,074	96,074
<b>31/07/21</b> Sterling	-	570,222	570,222
Total	-	570,222	570,222

Changes in interest rates would have no material impact to the valuation of floating rate financial assets or liabilities as at the balance sheet date. Consequently, no sensitivity analysis has been presented.

### (c) Market Risk

If market prices had increased by 10% as at the balance sheet date, the net asset value of the Fund would have increased by the amounts set out in the table below.

If market prices had decreased by 10% as at the balance sheet date, the net asset value of the Fund would have decreased by the amounts set out in the table below.

These calculations have been applied to non-derivative securities only (see note 2 (h) for an explanation of the Fund's leverage during the period). These calculations assume all other variables remain constant.

	Increase	Decrease
	£	£
2022	975,058	975,058
2021	1,208,598	1,208,598

#### (d) Leverage

The Fund has not employed any significant leverage during the period covered by this report.

Portfolio transaction costs	01/08/21 to 31/07/22 £	£	01/08/20 to 31/07/21 £	£
Analysis of total purchase costs				
Purchases in year before transaction costs:				
Collective Investment Schemes	8,313,	066	l	5,848,676
	8,313,	066	!	5,848,676
Commissions - Collective Investment Schemes	879		319	
Fees - Collective Investment Schemes	1		-	
Total purchase costs		880		319
Gross purchase total	8,313,9	946	5,	848,995
Analysis of total sale costs Gross sales in year before transaction costs				
Collective Investment Schemes	10,029,	325	!	5,774,885
	10,029,	325	!	5,774,885
Commissions - Collective Investment	(278)		(614)	
Schemes				
	(2)		-	
Schemes	(2)	280)	-	(614)

The portfolio transaction costs table above includes direct transaction costs suffered by the Fund during the year.

For the Fund's investment in collective investment scheme holdings there will potentially be dealing spread costs applicable to purchases and sales. However additionally there are indirect transaction costs suffered in those underlying funds, throughout the holding period for the instruments, which are not separately identifiable and do not form part of the analysis above.

### 14 Portfolio transaction costs (continued)

	01/08/21 to	01/08/20 to
	31/07/22	31/07/21
Transaction costs as percentage	%	%
of principal amounts		
Purchases - Commissions		
Collective Investment Schemes	0.0106%	0.0055%
Sales - Commissions		
Collective Investment Schemes	0.0028%	0.0106%
	01/08/21 to	<b>01/08/20</b> to
	31/07/22	31/07/21
Transaction costs as percentage	%	%
of average net asset value		
Commissions	0.0094%	0.0074%
	01000 170	01007 170

#### **15** Post balance sheet events

There are no post balance sheet events which require adjustments at the year end.

### **16 Fair value disclosure**

	31/07/22		31/07/21	
Valuation technique	Assets £	Liabilities £	Assets £	Liabilities £
Level 1: The unadjusted quoted price in an active market for identical assets or liabilities	9,750,583	-	12,085,975	-
Level 2: Inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly	-	-	-	
Level 3: Inputs are unobservable (i.e. for which market data is unavailable) for the asset or liability*	-	-	-	-
	9,750,583	-	12,085,975	-

\* The valuation techniques and the ACD's policy is disclosed in note 1(i) on page 12.

### Distribution Table As at 31 July 2022

#### **Final Distribution in pence per Share**

Group 1 Shares purchased prior to 1 August 2021

Group 2 Shares purchased on or after 1 August 2021 to 31 July 2022

	Net revenue (p)	Equalisation (p)	Distribution payable 30/09/22 (p)	Distribution paid 30/09/21 (p)
Share Class B Accumulation				
Group 1	1.6828	-	1.6828	0.8945
Group 2	1.4063	0.2765	1.6828	0.8945
Share Class I Accumulation				
Group 1	1.3403	-	1.3403	0.5445
Group 2	1.3403	0.0000	1.3403	0.5445
Share Class P Accumulation				
Group 1	2.0159	-	2.0159	1.2430
Group 2	2.0024	0.0135	2.0159	1.2430

#### **Investment Manager's Report** For the year ended 31 July 2022

#### **Investment Objective**

To achieve longer term capital growth by investing in markets in both the UK and overseas.

#### **Investment Policy**

The Fund will typically invest a minimum of 80% of its net asset value in collective investment schemes, exchange traded funds and unregulated collective investment schemes. The Fund may also invest in investment trusts (and similar instruments), other transferable securities, money-market instruments, fixed income instruments, deposits and foreign exchange contracts. Investments will not be confined by industrial, economic or geographical sector.

The Fund may hold, on a temporary basis, all or part of its assets in cash or other ancillary liquid assets.

The Fund may utilise derivatives for the purposes of efficient portfolio management (typically hedging, including investing in hedged share classes, which attempts to mitigate against falls in the value of the Fund's assets and the effects of changes in currency exchange rates against the Fund's base currency, which is pounds sterling).

#### **Investment Review**

The EF Brompton Global Equity Fund fell 6.81% over the year to 31 July 2022 while the IA Global Index fell 3.08%.

Global equities and global bonds gained 2.75% and fell 2.41% respectively in sterling terms over the year under review, with significant falls in overseas markets masked by the pound's weakness against the dollar. The main factors behind the weakness were rising inflation fuelled in part by higher energy prices, the Russia-Ukraine war and China's zero-Covid19 policy. US inflation reached 9.1% over the year to June, the highest level since 1982, while UK and eurozone prices rose by 9.4% and 8.6% respectively. Central banks responded by raising interest rates. In their latest meetings, the Federal Reserve increased its Fed Funds Rate by three-quarters of a percentage point to 2.25-2.5%, the Bank of England raised Bank Rate by a quarter point to 1.25% and the European Central Bank raised its policy rate by half a point, ending negative rates.

The US labour market, a lagging indicator, remained relatively strong, with unemployment at 3.5% in July, but consumer sentiment was weak as real incomes fell and investors feared rising inflation and interest rates might lead to a prolonged recession. The International Monetary Fund downgraded its global economic growth forecast for 2022 to 3.2%.

Following its invasion of Ukraine, sanctions were imposed on Russia, the largest supplier of natural gas and oil to the European Union, targeting banks, businesses and trade. This contributed to the 78.67% oil price rise in sterling terms over the year under review while a broader basket of commodities rose 53.84%. Within the portfolio, an investment was made in BlackRock Natural Resources Growth & Income, whose portfolio of mining, energy and agriculture equities may benefit from demand and supply imbalances and offer some protection against inflation.

Global growth stocks fell 4.85% in sterling terms while value stocks, which tend to benefit from higher inflation, rose 10.00%. Vulcan Value Equity, a growth-oriented US investment, was sold because of the negative impact of rising interest rates as investors de-rated highly-valued companies in response to rising bond yields. Fundsmith Equity and BlackRock European Dynamic were sold for similar reasons. The iShares S&P 500 Financials exchange-traded fund (ETF) was added because rising interest rate expectations should improve margins for financial companies. This holding was later sold in favour of more defensive holdings. Polar Capital Global Insurance and the Xtrackers MSCI World Heath Care ETF were introduced because slowing economic growth and rising recession risk may warrant more defensive positions in companies that are typically less sensitive to changes in macroeconomic conditions. These companies also tend to be more resilient because of the low substitutability of their goods and services.

## Investment Manager's Report (continued) For the year ended 31 July 2022

### **Investment Review (continued)**

The UK stockmarket rose 6.85% thanks to its large sector weightings in energy and materials but smaller companies, which tend to be more sensitive to domestic conditions, fell 13.04%. The portfolio's exposure to UK smaller companies was reduced through the sales of Chelverton UK Equity Growth and Aberforth UK Small Companies.

Supply bottlenecks arising from China's zero-Covid-19 policy and concerns around its property market hindered performance for equities in emerging markets and Asia excluding Japan, down 8.33% and 8.20% respectively in sterling terms. China's central bank responded by easing monetary policy, in contrast to its western counterparts, and signs have emerged that Beijing's regulatory clampdown on a number of sectors including technology has started to ease. Dollar strength, however, may remain a headwind for Asia and emerging markets generally. Within the portfolio, Goldman Sachs India Equity was sold due to concerns around rising prices and the country's heavy reliance on imported energy. In Japan, Lindsell Train Japanese Equity was added at the expense of T Rowe Price Japanese Equity. The former has big holdings in consumer stocks that appeared attractively valued and may perform well as Japan's economy continues to recover from the pandemic. Baillie Gifford Japanese Smaller Companies was also added.

Profits were taken from the portfolio's TR Property holding following a period of solid performance. Gold rose 10.45% in sterling terms over the year as investors sought out safe-haven investments and the iShares Gold Producers ETF was modestly topped up.

Source of financial data: Lipper

**Investment Manager** Brompton Asset Management Limited 23 November 2022

#### Performance record As at 31 July 2022

	<b>B</b> Accumulation			I	Accumulation	
	31/07/22 (p)	31/07/21 (p)	31/07/20 (p)	31/07/22 (p)	31/07/21 (p)	31/07/20 (p)
Change in net assets per Share						
Opening net asset value per Share	224.32	178.41	179.25	222.78	177.63	178.98
Return before operating charges*	(10.71)	49.34	1.91	(10.69)	49.07	1.82
Operating charges	(3.25)	(3.43)	(2.75)	(3.77)	(3.92)	(3.17)
Return after operating charges*	(13.96)	45.91	(0.84)	(14.46)	45.15	(1.35)
Distributions	(0.14)	(0.02)	(0.22)	0.00	0.00	0.00
Retained distributions on accumulation shares	0.14	0.02	0.22	0.00	0.00	0.00
Closing net asset value per Share	210.36	224.32	178.41	208.32	222.78	177.63
* after direct transaction costs of:	0.05	0.04	0.04	0.05	0.04	0.04
Performance						
Return after operating charges	(6.22%)	25.73%	(0.47%)	(6.49%)	25.42%	(0.75%)
Other information						
Closing net asset value	12,459,998	17,549,578	12,046,746	1,577	1,687	1,345
Closing number of Shares	5,923,261	7,823,427	6,752,345	757	757	757
Operating charges	1.47%	1.67%	1.59%	1.72%	1.92%	1.84%
Direct transaction costs	0.02%	0.02%	0.02%	0.02%	0.02%	0.02%
Prices						
Highest Share price	240.89	226.41	185.27	239.04	224.87	184.67
Lowest Share price	196.80	179.23	141.92	194.97	178.45	141.44
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#### **P** Accumulation

	31/07/22	31/07/21	31/07/20
	(p)	(p)	(p)
Change in net assets per Share			
Opening net asset value per Share	219.59	174.22	174.61
Return before operating charges*	(10.56)	48.22	1.87
Operating charges	(2.64)	(2.85)	(2.26)
Return after operating charges*	(13.20)	45.37	(0.39)
Distributions	(0.69)	(0.56)	(0.53)
Retained distributions on accumulation shares	0.69	0.56	0.53
Closing net asset value per Share	206.39	219.59	174.22
* after direct transaction costs of:	0.05	0.03	0.04
Performance			
Return after operating charges	(6.01%)	26.04%	(0.22%)
Other information			
Closing net asset value	2,168,630	2,226,882	1,483,194
Closing number of Shares	1,050,733	1,014,101	851,311
Operating charges	1.22%	1.42%	1.34%
Direct transaction costs	0.02%	0.02%	0.02%
Prices			
Highest Share price	235.98	221.63	180.72
Lowest Share price	193.04	175.03	138.47

## Performance Information As at 31 July 2022

### **Operating Charges**

Date	Operating Charges (%)
31/07/22	
Share Class B	1.47
Share Class I	1.72
Share Class P	1.22
31/07/21	
Share Class B	1.67
Share Class I	1.92
Share Class P	1.42

The Operating Charge is the total expenses paid by the Fund in the year, annualised, against its average Net Asset Value. This will fluctuate as underlying costs change.

The Fund has invested in collective investment schemes during the year and where any such schemes were held at the Fund's accounting reference date, the expenses incurred by these schemes are included in the above Operating Charges figures.

## Risk and Reward Profile As at 31 July 2022

	Typically lower rewards			Ту	pically high	er rewards	
	Lower risk						Higher risk
Share Class B	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Share Class I	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Share Class P	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

- The indicator is based on historical data and may not be a reliable indication of the future risk profile of the Fund.
- The risk and reward category shown is not guaranteed to remain unchanged and may shift over time.
- The lowest category does not mean 'risk free'.
- The Fund appears as a "5" on the scale. This is partly because the Fund invests in the shares of companies, whose values tend to vary more widely.

### **Risk Warning**

An investment in an Open-Ended Investment Company should be regarded as a medium to long term investment. Investors should be aware that the price of Shares and the income from them may fall as well as rise and investors may not receive back the full amount invested. Past performance is not a guide to future performance. Investments denominated in currencies other than the base currency of a fund are subject to fluctuation in exchange rates, which may be favourable or unfavourable.

#### Portfolio Statement As at 31 July 2022

Holdings or Nominal		Market value	% of Total
Value	Investments	Market value	Net Assets
Vulue	Collective Investment Schemes 42.23% [60.69%]		nethootto
6,689	Baillie Gifford Japanese Smaller Companies	260,456	1.78
	Baillie Gifford Pacific	333,418	2.28
,	BlackRock Natural Resources Growth & Income	708,562	4.84
444,177	FTF Martin Currie European Unconstrained	670,707	4.58
	Goldman Sachs Emerging Markets Equity	170,128	1.16
	Janus Henderson European Smaller Companies	261,306	1.79
415,014	LF Lightman European	523,623	3.58
324,906	Lindsell Train Japanese Equity	768,922	5.26
242,324	Man GLG UK Income	770,106	5.26
34,888	Matthews Asia ex Japan Dividend	473,429	3.24
65,930	Polar Capital Global Insurance	597,297	4.08
8,351	Polar Capital Global Technology	478,987	3.28
399	Schroder International Selection Asian Total Return	160,910	1.10
		6,177,851	42.23
	Investment Trusts 1.21% [2.60%]		
26,902	Vietnam Enterprise Investments	176,746	1.21
		176,746	1.21
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10 175	Exchange Traded Funds 54.08% [35.68%] iShares Core S&P 500	2 510 007	24.06
	iShares FTSE 100	3,519,987 442,052	3.02
,		,	2.22
	iShares Gold Producers SPDR S&P 500	325,444	2.22
,	Xtrackers MSCI World Health Care	2,999,874 624,708	4.27
10,004		7,912,065	54.08
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	Portfolio of investments	14,266,662	97.52
	Net other assets	363,543	2.48
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The investments have been valued in accordance with note 1(i) of the Accounting Policies and Financial Instruments.

14,630,205

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All investments are collective investment schemes unless otherwise stated.

Net assets

Comparative figures shown above in square brackets relate to 31 July 2021.

Gross purchases for the year: £11,775,055 [2021: £13,990,799] (See Note 15).

Total sales net of transaction costs for the year: £16,175,231 [2021: £11,375,527] (See Note 15).

## Statement of Total Return For the year ended 31 July 2022

		01/08/21 to 3	31/07/22	01/08/20 to	31/07/21
	Note	£	£	£	£
Income					
Net capital (losses)/gains	2		(1,023,420)		3,639,184
Revenue	3	203,114		173,520	
Expenses	4	(185,289)		(169,379)	
Interest payable and similar charges	5	(568)		(257)	
Net revenue before taxation		17,257		3,884	
Taxation	6	-		-	
Net revenue after taxation			17,257		3,884
Total return before distributions			(1,006,163)		3,643,068
Finance costs: Distributions	7		(17,265)		(3,881)
Change in net assets attributable to					
Shareholders from investment activ	ities		(1,023,428)		3,639,187

# Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Shareholders

# For the year ended 31 July 2022

	01/08/21 to 31/07/22	01/08/20 to 31/07/21
	££	££
Opening net assets attributable		
to Shareholders	19,778,147	13,531,285
Amounts received on issue of Shares	811,512	2,700,269
Less: Amounts paid on cancellation of Shares	(4,951,817)	(100,148)
	(4,140,305)	2,600,121
Change in net assets attributable to Shareholders		
from investment activities (see above)	(1,023,428)	3,639,187
Retained distribution on accumulation Shares	15,791	7,554
Closing net assets attributable		
to Shareholders	14,630,205	19,778,147

# Balance Sheet As at 31 July 2022

		31/07/22		31/07	//21
	Note	£	£	£	£
Assets Fixed assets: Investments			14,266,662		19,575,003
Current assets:					
Debtors	8	13,272		592,395	
Cash and bank balances	9	579,627		1,011,037	
Total current assets			592,899		1,603,432
Total assets			14,859,561		21,178,435
Liabilities					
Creditors:					
Other creditors	10	(229,356)		(1,400,288)	
Total creditors			(229,356)		(1,400,288)
Total liabilities			(229,356)		(1,400,288)
Net assets attributable					
to Shareholders			14,630,205		19,778,147

#### **1** Accounting Basis And Policies

The Fund's Financial Statements have been prepared on the basis detailed on pages 11, 12 and 13.

2	Net capital (losses)/gains	01/08/21 to 31/07/22	01/08/20 to 31/07/21
		£	£
	The net capital gains during the year		
	Realised currency losses	(1,255)	(1,842)
	Realised gains on non-derivative securities	885,270	1,624,172
	Transaction charges	(1,536)	(1,843)
	Unrealised (losses)/gains on non-derivative securities	(1,905,899)	2,018,697
	Net capital (losses)/gains	(1,023,420)	3,639,184

3 Revenue	01/08/21 to 31/07/22 £	01/08/20 to 31/07/21 £
Bank interest	208	-
Franked dividends from collective investment schemes Offshore funds dividends	66,584	43,569
Real Estate Investment Trust revenue	136,322	124,143 5,808
	202.114	
Total revenue	203,114	173,520
4 Expenses	01/08/21 to 31/07/22	01/08/20 to 31/07/21
Payable to the ACD, associates of the ACD, and agents of	£	£
either of them		
General administration charge*	45,317	41,098
Investment manager fees	130,375	118,898
Printing, postage, stationery and typesetting costs	34	6
	175,726	160,002
Payable to the Depositary, associates of the Depositary, and agents of either of them		
Safe custody fees	5,973	5,698
Unit dealing assistance fees	2,327	2,133
	8,300	7,831
Other expenses		
EPT (European PRIIPs Template) reporting fee	255	403
LEI licence fee	78	46
MIFID II reporting fee	206	448
Price publication fee	724	649
	1,263	1,546
Total expenses	185,289	169,379

\* Audit fees of £5,828 + VAT have been charged in the current year (2021: £5,550 + VAT).

5	Interest payable and similar charges	01/08/21 to 31/07/22 £	01/08/20 to 31/07/21 £
	Bank Interest	568	257
	Total Interest payable and similar charges	568	257
6	Taxation	01/08/21 to	01/08/20 to
		31/07/22	31/07/21
		£	£
	(a) Analysis of the tax charge in the year		
	Corporation tax	-	-
	Total current tax charge (Note 6 (b))	-	-
	Deferred tax (Note 6 (c))	-	-
	Total taxation for the year	-	-

### 6 Taxation (continued)

### (b) Factors affecting current tax charge for the year

The tax assessed for the year is different from that calculated when the standard rate of corporation tax for an open ended investment company of 20% (2021: 20%) is applied to the net revenue before taxation

The differences are explained below:

	01/08/21 to 31/07/22 £	01/08/20 to 31/07/21 £
Net revenue before taxation	17,257	3,884
Net revenue for the year multiplied by the standard rate of corporation tax	3,451	777
<b>Effects of:</b> Movement in excess management expenses Revenue not subject to corporation tax	37,130 (40,581)	32,766 (33,543)
Total tax charge for the year	-	-

OEICs are exempt from tax on capital gains in the UK. Therefore, any capital return is not included within the reconciliation above.

### (c) Provision for deferred tax

There is no provision required for deferred taxation at the Balance Sheet date in the current or prior year.

#### (d) Factors that may affect future tax charges

At the year end, after offset against revenue taxable on receipt, there is a potential deferred tax asset of  $\pounds$ 193,832 (2021:  $\pounds$ 156,702) in relation to surplus management expenses. It is unlikely that the Fund will generate sufficient taxable profits in the future to utilise this amount and therefore no deferred tax asset has been recognised in the year.

### 7 Finance costs

### Distributions

The distributions take account of revenue received on the issue of Shares and revenue deducted on the cancellation of Shares and comprise:

	01/08/21 to 31/07/22	01/08/20 to 31/07/21
	£	£
Final	15,791	7,554
Add: Revenue paid on cancellation of Shares	1,602	2
Deduct: Revenue received on issue of Shares	(128)	(3,675)
Net distribution for the year	17,265	3,881
Reconciliation of net revenue after taxation to distributions		
Net revenue after taxation	17,257	3,884
Net movement in revenue account	4	(7)
Revenue deficit	4	4
Net distribution for the year	17,265	3,881

Details of the distributions per Share are set out in the distribution table on page 64.

8	Debtors	31/07/2022	31/07/21
		£	£
	Accrued bank interest	73	-
	Accrued revenue	13,199	3,681
	Sales awaiting settlement	-	588,714
	Total debtors	13,272	592,395
9	Cash and bank balances	31/07/2022	31/07/21
		£	£
	Cash and bank balances	579,627	1,011,037
	Total cash and bank balances	579,627	1,011,037
	Total cash and bank balances	579,627	1,011,03

Creditors	31/07/2022	31/07/21
	£	£
Purchases awaiting settlement	216,109	1,381,829
	216,109	1,381,829
Accrued expenses		
Manager and Agents		
General administration charge	3,022	4,209
Investment manager fees	8,617	12,154
	11,639	16,363
Depositary and Agents		
Safe custody fees	1,019	1,691
Transaction charges	234	807
Unit dealing assistance fees	960	193
	2,213	2,691
Other accrued expenses		
EPT (European PRIIPs Template) reporting fee	149	149
LEI licence fee	(32)	(32)
MIFIF II reporting fee	(90)	(80)
Price publication fee	(632)	(632)
	(605)	(595)
Total creditors	229,356	1,400,288

### **11** Related party transactions

The monies received and paid by the ACD through the issue and cancellation of Shares are disclosed in the Statement of Change in Shareholders' Net Assets and amounts due at the year end are disclosed in notes 8 and 10.

The ACD and its associates (including other authorised investment funds managed by the ACD) have no Shareholdings in the Company at the year end.

### Significant Shareholdings

WAY Fund Managers Limited, as the Fund's Authorised Corporate Director, wishes to disclose to the Fund's Shareholders that 47.21% and 23.89% of the Fund's shares in issue are under the control of two nominees and their related parties.

#### **12 Share Classes**

The Share Class and ACD's Annual Management Charges applicable to the Fund are as follows:

Share Class	%
B Accumulation	0.75
I Accumulation	1.00
P Accumulation	0.50

Each Share Class has equal rights in the event of the wind up of any fund.

#### 12 Share Classes (continued)

The reconciliation of the opening and closing numbers of Shares of each class is shown below:

	31/07/21	Issued	Cancelled	Converted	31/07/22
B Accumulation	7,823,427	336,196	(2,236,362)	-	5,923,261
I Accumulation	757	-	-	-	757
P Accumulation	1,014,101	36,632	-	-	1,050,733

#### 13 Capital commitments and contingent liabilities

There were no contingent liabilities or outstanding commitments at the balance sheet date (2021: nil).

#### **14** Derivatives and other financial instruments

The main risks from the Fund's holding of financial instruments, together with the ACD's policy for managing these risks, are disclosed in note 2 on pages 14, 15 and 16.

#### (a) Foreign currency risk

The table below shows the foreign currency risk profile at the balance sheet date:

	Net foreign currency assets			
Currency	Monetary Non- exposures monetary	exposures monetary	-	
	£	£	£	
31/07/22				
US Dollar	-	624,707	624,707	
Total foreign currency exposure	-	624,707	624,707	
Sterling	363,544	13,641,954	14,005,498	
Total net assets	363,544	14,266,661	14,630,205	
31/07/21				
Sterling	203,144	19,575,003	19,778,147	
Total net assets	203,144	19,575,003	19,778,147	

If GBP to foreign currency exchange rates had strengthened/increased by 10% as at the balance sheet date, the net asset value of the Fund would have decreased by  $\pounds 56,792$  (2021:  $\pounds Nil$ ). If GBP to foreign currency exchange rates had weakened/decreased by 10% as at the balance sheet date, the net asset value of the Fund would have increased by  $\pounds 69,412$  (2021:  $\pounds Nil$ ). These calculations assume all other variables remain constant.

#### **14** Derivatives and other financial instruments (continued)

#### (b) Interest rate risk profile of financial assets and liabilities

The table below shows the interest rate risk profile at the balance sheet date:

	Floating rate financial	Financial assets not carrying	
Currency	assets	interest	Total
Assets	£	£	£
31/07/22			
Sterling	579,627	13,668,834	14,248,461
US Dollar	-	624,707	624,707
Total	579,627	14,293,541	14,873,168
31/07/21			
Sterling	1,011,037	20,167,398	21,178,435
Total	1,011,037	20,167,398	21,178,435

Currency	Floating rate financial liabilities	Financial liabilities not carrying interest	Total
Liabilities 31/07/22	£	£	£
Sterling	-	242,963	242,963
Total	-	242,963	242,963
31/07/21			
Sterling	-	1,400,288	1,400,288
Total	-	1,400,288	1,400,288

Changes in interest rates would have no material impact to the valuation of floating rate financial assets or liabilities as at the balance sheet date. Consequently, no sensitivity analysis has been presented.

### (c) Market Risk

If market prices had increased by 10% as at the balance sheet date, the net asset value of the Fund would have increased by the amounts set out in the table below.

If market prices had decreased by 10% as at the balance sheet date, the net asset value of the Fund would have decreased by the amounts set out in the table below.

These calculations have been applied to non-derivative securities only (see note 2 (h) for an explanation of the Fund's leverage during the period). These calculations assume all other variables remain constant.

	Increase	Decrease
	£	£
2022	1,426,666	1,426,666
2021	1,957,500	1,957,500

#### (d) Leverage

The Fund has not employed any significant leverage during the period covered by this report.

Portfolio transaction costs	01/08/21 to 31/07/22 £ £	01/08/20 to 31/07/21 £	£
Analysis of total purchase costs			
Purchases in year before transaction costs:			
Collective Investment Schemes	11,772,847	13,98	9,547
	11,772,847	13,98	9,547
Commissions - Collective Investment Schemes	2,208	1,252	
Total purchase costs	2,208		1,252
Gross purchase total	11,775,055	13,990	,799
Analysis of total sale costs			
Gross sales in year before transaction costs			
Collective Investment Schemes	16,177,270	11,37	7,133
	16,177,270	11,37	
Commissions - Collective Investment Schemes	(2,036)	(1,606)	
Fees - Collective Investment Schemes	(3)	-	
Total sale costs	(2,039)	(	1,606)
Total sales net of transaction costs	16,175,231	11,375	,527

The portfolio transaction costs table above includes direct transaction costs suffered by the Fund during the year.

For the Fund's investment in collective investment scheme holdings there will potentially be dealing spread costs applicable to purchases and sales. However additionally there are indirect transaction costs suffered in those underlying funds, throughout the holding period for the instruments, which are not separately identifiable and do not form part of the analysis above.

#### 15 Portfolio transaction costs (continued)

	01/08/21 to	<b>01/08/20</b> to
	31/07/22	31/07/21
Transaction costs as percentage of principal amounts	%	%
Purchases - Commissions Collective Investment Schemes	0.0188%	0.0089%
Sales - Commissions		
Collective Investment Schemes	0.0126%	0.0141%
	01/08/21 to	01/08/20 to
	31/07/22	31/07/21
Transaction costs as percentage of average net asset value	%	%
Commissions	0.0234%	0.0174%

#### **16 Post balance sheet events**

There are no post balance sheet events which require adjustments at the year end.

#### **17** Fair value disclosure

	31/07/22 3		31/07	//21
Valuation technique	Assets £	Liabilities £	Assets £	Liabilities £
Level 1: The unadjusted quoted price in an active market for identical assets or liabilities	14,266,662	-	19,575,003	-
Level 2: Inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly	-	-	-	-
Level 3: Inputs are unobservable (i.e. for which market data is unavailable) for the asset or liability*	-	-	-	-
	14,266,662	-	19,575,003	-

\* The valuation techniques and the ACD's policy is disclosed in note 1(i) on page 12.

### Distribution Table As at 31 July 2022

#### **Final Distribution in pence per Share**

Group 1 Shares purchased prior to 1 August 2021

Group 2 Shares purchased on or after 1 August 2021 to 31 July 2022

	Net revenue (p)	Equalisation (p)	Distribution payable 30/09/22 (p)	Distribution paid 30/09/21 (p)
Share Class B Accumulation				
Group 1	0.1444	-	0.1444	0.0244
Group 2	0.1316	0.0128	0.1444	0.0244
Share Class I Accumulation				
Group 1	0.0000	-	0.0000	0.0000
Group 2	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
Share Class P Accumulation				
Group 1	0.6888	-	0.6888	0.5567
Group 2	0.4552	0.2336	0.6888	0.5567

### Investment Manager's Report For the year ended 31 July 2022

#### **Investment Objective**

To achieve long term capital growth.

#### **Investment Policy**

The Fund will typically invest a minimum of 80% of its net asset value in collective investment schemes, exchange traded funds, unregulated collective investment schemes, and may also include transferable securities (including investment trusts and similar instruments), money-market instruments, fixed income instruments, deposits and foreign exchange contracts.

It is expected that exposure to equity markets will typically range from a minimum of 40% to a maximum of 85% of the total Fund, with the aim of achieving the Fund's objective. However, investments will not be confined by industrial, economic or geographical sector.

The Fund may also hold, on a temporary basis, all or part of its assets in cash or other ancillary liquid assets.

The Fund may utilise derivatives for the purposes of efficient portfolio management (typically hedging, including investing in hedged share classes, which attempts to mitigate against falls in the value of the Fund's assets and the effects of changes in currency exchange rates against the Fund's base currency, which is pounds sterling).

#### **Investment Review**

The EF Brompton Global Growth Fund fell 6.79% over the year to 31 July 2022 while the IA Mixed Investment 40-85% Shares Index fell 4.34%.

Global equities and global bonds gained 2.75% and fell 2.41% respectively in sterling terms over the year under review, with significant falls in overseas markets masked by the pound's weakness against the dollar. The main factors behind the weakness were rising inflation fuelled in part by higher energy prices, the Russia-Ukraine war and China's zero-Covid-19 policy. US inflation reached 9.1% over the year to June, the highest level since 1982, while UK and eurozone prices rose by 9.4% and 8.6% respectively. Central banks responded by raising interest rates. In their latest meetings, the Federal Reserve increased its Fed Funds Rate by three-quarters of a percentage point to 2.25-2.5%, the Bank of England raised Bank Rate by a quarter point to 1.25% and the European Central Bank raised its policy rate by half a point, ending negative rates.

The US labour market, a lagging indicator, remained relatively strong, with unemployment at 3.5% in July, but consumer sentiment was weak as real incomes fell and investors feared rising inflation and interest rates might lead to a prolonged recession. The International Monetary Fund downgraded its global economic growth forecast for 2022 to 3.2%.

Following its invasion of Ukraine, sanctions were imposed on Russia, the largest supplier of natural gas and oil to the European Union, targeting banks, businesses and trade. This contributed to the 78.67% oil price rise in sterling terms over the year under review while a broader basket of commodities rose 53.84%. Within the portfolio, an investment was made in BlackRock Natural Resources Growth & Income, whose portfolio of mining, energy and agriculture equities may benefit from demand and supply imbalances and offer some protection against inflation.

Some profits were taken from the portfolio's exposure to short-dated inflation-linked bonds after a period of solid performance because inflation expectations rose. The proceeds were reinvested into a new holding, Vanguard Global Bond. Longer-dated government bonds appeared attractive, with US 10-year treasury bond yields close to 3%. The high-yield bond holding, Henderson Fixed Interest Monthly Income, was sold as credit spreads widened.

### Investment Manager's Report (continued) For the year ended 31 July 2022

#### **Investment Review (continued)**

Global growth stocks fell 4.85% in sterling terms while value stocks, which tend to benefit from higher inflation, rose 10.00%. Vulcan Value Equity, a growth-oriented US investment, was sold because of the negative impact of rising interest rates as investors de-rated highly-valued companies in response to rising bond yields. Fundsmith Equity and BlackRock European Dynamic were sold for similar reasons. Polar Capital Global Insurance and the Xtrackers MSCI World Heath Care ETF were introduced because slowing economic growth and rising recession risk may warrant more defensive positions in companies that are typically less sensitive to changes in macroeconomic conditions. These companies also tend to be more resilient because of the low substitutability of their goods and services.

The UK stockmarket rose 6.85% thanks to its large sector weightings in energy and materials but smaller companies, which tend to be more sensitive to domestic conditions, fell 13.04%. The portfolio's exposure to UK smaller companies was reduced through the sale of Chelverton UK Equity Growth.

Supply bottlenecks arising from China's zero-Covid-19 policy and concerns around its property market hindered performance for equities in emerging markets and Asia excluding Japan, down 8.33% and 8.20% respectively in sterling terms. China's central bank responded by easing monetary policy, in contrast to its western counterparts, and signs have emerged that Beijing's regulatory clampdown on a number of sectors including technology has started to ease. Dollar strength, however, may remain a headwind for Asia and emerging markets generally. Within the portfolio, Goldman Sachs Emerging Markets Equity was sold. Goldman Sachs India Equity was also sold due to concerns around rising prices and India's heavy reliance on imported energy. In Japan, Lindsell Train Japanese Equity was added at the expense of T Rowe Price Japanese Equity. The former has big holdings in consumer stocks that appeared attractively valued and may perform well as Japan's economy continues to recover from the pandemic.

Alternative investments provide diversification and daily traded long/short equity holdings have the potential to do well in an environment where both bonds and equities are falling. The portfolio's year-end allocation included Blackrock European Absolute Alpha and Man GLG UK Absolute Value. Gold rose 10.45% in sterling terms over the year as investors sought out safe-haven investments and the iShares Physical Gold exchange-traded commodity holding was topped up.

Source of financial data: Lipper

**Investment Manager** Brompton Asset Management Limited 23 November 2022

#### Performance record As at 31 July 2022

31/07/22 31/07/21 31/07/20 31/07/22 31/07/21 3	31/07/20 (p)
	(p)
(p) (p) (p) (p) (p)	
Change in net assets per Share	1 4 1
Opening net asset value per Share         171.99         142.96         143.39         168.66         140.55	141.32
Return before operating charges*         (7.61)         32.00         2.04         (7.44)         31.42	2.01
Operating charges         (2.85)         (2.97)         (2.47)         (3.21)         (3.31)	(2.78)
Return after operating charges*         (10.46)         29.03         (0.43)         (10.65)         28.11	(0.77)
Distributions (0.76) (0.46) (0.67) (0.33) (0.09)	(0.37)
Retained distributions on accumulation shares 0.76 0.46 0.67 0.33 0.09	0.37
Closing net asset value per Share         161.53         171.99         142.96         158.01         168.66	140.55
* after direct transaction costs of: 0.03 0.02 0.03 0.03 0.02	0.03
Performance	
Return after operating charges         (6.08%)         20.31%         (0.30%)         (6.31%)         20.00%	(0.54%)
Other information	
Closing net asset value 8,599,672 9,342,024 8,570,750 715,623 736,834	560,697
	398,942
Operating charges 1.69% 1.86% 1.77% 1.94% 2.11%	2.02%
Direct transaction costs 0.02% 0.02% 0.02% 0.02% 0.02%	0.02%
	0.0270
Prices	
Highest Share price         180.20         172.86         149.40         176.58         169.54	147.07
Lowest Share price         155.29         143.54         114.49         151.94         141.11	112.66

#### **P** Accumulation

	31/07/22	31/07/21	31/07/20
	(p)	(p)	(p)
Change in net assets per Share			
Opening net asset value per Share	171.71	142.37	142.44
Return before operating charges*	(7.61)	31.90	2.04
Operating charges	(2.43)	(2.56)	(2.11)
Return after operating charges*	(10.04)	29.34	(0.07)
Distributions	(1.20)	(0.83)	(1.00)
Retained distributions on accumulation shares	1.20	0.83	1.00
Closing net asset value per Share	161.67	171.71	142.37
* after direct transaction costs of:	0.03	0.02	0.03
Performance			
Return after operating charges	(5.85%)	20.61%	(0.05%)
Other information			
Closing net asset value	4,008,490	4,071,220	3,274,848
Closing number of Shares	2,479,503	2,371,039	2,300,209
Operating charges	1.44%	1.61%	1.52%
Direct transaction costs	0.02%	0.02%	0.02%
Prices			
Highest Share price	180.04	172.55	148.59
Lowest Share price	155.38	142.95	113.91
	100.00	112195	110.01

## Performance Information As at 31 July 2022

### **Operating Charges**

Date	Operating Charges (%)
31/07/22	
Share Class B	1.69
Share Class I	1.94
Share Class P	1.44
31/07/21	
Share Class B	1.86
Share Class I	2.11
Share Class P	1.61

The Operating Charge is the total expenses paid by the Fund in the year, annualised, against its average Net Asset Value. This will fluctuate as underlying costs change.

The Fund has invested in collective investment schemes during the year and where any such schemes were held at the Fund's accounting reference date, the expenses incurred by these schemes are included in the above Operating Charges figures.

## Risk and Reward Profile As at 31 July 2022

	Typically lo	wer rewarc	s		Ту	pically highe	er rewards
	Lower risk						Higher risk
Share Class B	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Share Class I	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Share Class P	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

• The indicator is based on historical data and may not be a reliable indication of the future risk profile of the Fund.

- The risk and reward category shown is not guaranteed to remain unchanged and may shift over time.
- The lowest category does not mean 'risk free'.
- The Fund appears as a "5" on the scale. This is because the Fund by its nature can have a higher exposure to equity markets which can experience high rises and falls in value.

### **Risk Warning**

An investment in an Open-Ended Investment Company should be regarded as a medium to long term investment. Investors should be aware that the price of Shares and the income from them may fall as well as rise and investors may not receive back the full amount invested. Past performance is not a guide to future performance. Investments denominated in currencies other than the base currency of a fund are subject to fluctuation in exchange rates, which may be favourable or unfavourable.

#### Portfolio Statement As at 31 July 2022

Holdings			
or Nominal		Market value	% of Total
Value	Investments	£	Net Assets
	Collective Investment Schemes 59.53% [76.89%]		
	Aberforth UK Small Companies	135,732	1.02
	Artemis UK Special Situations	680,755	5.11
	Baillie Gifford Japanese Smaller Companies	61,979	0.46
,	Baillie Gifford Pacific	218,238	1.64
	BlackRock European Absolute Alpha	259,151	1.94
,	BlackRock Natural Resources Growth & Income	416,186	3.12
	FTF Martin Currie European Unconstrained	278,109	2.09
14,440	Guinness Global Equity Income	267,302	2.01
190,879	LF Lightman European	240,832	1.81
167,424	Lindsell Train Japanese Equity	396,225	2.97
148,096	Liontrust Special Situations	693,058	5.20
171,995	Man GLG Japan CoreAlpha Equity	352,075	2.64
258,763	Man GLG UK Absolute Value	351,142	2.63
262,672	Man GLG UK Income	834,772	6.27
81,831	Man GLG Undervalued Assets	137,968	1.04
20,901	Matthews Asia ex Japan Dividend	283,626	2.13
	PIMCO Global Low Duration Real Return	316,888	2.38
59,659	Polar Capital Global Insurance	540,478	4.06
	Polar Capital Global Technology	456,466	3.43
571	Schroder International Selection Asian Total Return	229,965	1.73
2,130	Schroder International Selection Strategic Credit	263,184	1.98
	Trojan	271,990	2.04
	Vanguard Global Bond Index	243,770	1.83
	<u> </u>	7,929,891	59.53
		, ,	
	Investment Trusts 4.29% [6.61%]		
89,352	3i Infrastructure	298,882	2.24
228,085	Balanced Commercial Property	273,246	2.05
	· ·	572,128	4.29
		· · ·	
	Exchange Traded Funds 27.79% [12.10%]		
68,383	iShares Core FTSE 100	496,939	3.73
	iShares Core S&P 500	1,726,956	12.96
	iShares Edge MSCI World Value Factor	259,401	1.95
	iShares Gold Producers	172,006	1.29
,	iShares Physical Gold	521,400	3.91
	Xtrackers MSCI World Health Care	526,747	3.95
		3,703,449	27.79
		-,, -	
	Portfolio of investments	12,205,468	91.61
		1 110 217	

The investments have been valued in accordance with note 1(i) of the Accounting Policies and Financial Instruments.

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1,118,317

13,323,785

All investments are collective investment schemes unless otherwise stated.

Net other assets

Net assets

Comparative figures shown above in square brackets relate to 31 July 2021.

Gross purchases for the year: £8,828,781 [2021: £8,954,010] (See Note 15).

Total sales net of transaction costs for the year: £9,370,559 [2021: £10,016,684] (See Note 15).

### Statement of Total Return For the year ended 31 July 2022

		01/08/21 to 31/07/22		01/08/20 to 31/07/21	
	Note	£	£	£	£
Income					
Net capital (losses)/gains	2		(913,319)		2,401,677
Revenue	3	210,332		180,777	
Expenses	4	(138,960)		(135,287)	
Interest payable and similar charges	5	(9)		(17)	
Net revenue before taxation		71,363		45,473	
Taxation	6	-		-	
Net revenue after taxation			71,363		45,473
Total return before distributions			(841,956)		2,447,150
Finance costs: Distributions	7		(71,362)		(45,477)
Change in net assets attributable to					
Shareholders from investment activities			(913,318)		2,401,673

# Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Shareholders

# For the year ended 31 July 2022

	01/08/21 to 31/07/22	01/08/20 to 31/07/21
	££	£££
Opening net assets attributable		
to Shareholders	14,150,078	12,406,295
Amounts received on issue of Shares	282,384	334,488
Less: Amounts paid on cancellation of Shares	(267,116)	(1,037,437)
	15,268	(702,949)
Change in net assets attributable to Shareholders		
from investment activities (see above)	(913,318)	2,401,673
Retained distribution on accumulation Shares	71,757	45,059
Closing net assets attributable		
to Shareholders	13,323,785	14,150,078

### Balance Sheet As at 31 July 2022

		31/07/22		31/07/21	
	Note	£	£	£	£
Assets Fixed assets: Investments			12,205,468		13,527,173
Current assets:					
Debtors	8	20,628		687,723	
Cash and bank balances	9	1,294,510		893,931	
Total current assets			1,315,138		1,581,654
Total assets			13,520,606		15,108,827
Liabilities					
Creditors:					
Other creditors	10	(196,821)		(958,749)	
Total creditors			(196,821)		(958,749)
Total liabilities			(196,821)		(958,749)
Net assets attributable					
to Shareholders			13,323,785		14,150,078

#### **1** Accounting Basis And Policies

The Fund's Financial Statements have been prepared on the basis detailed on pages 11, 12 and 13.

2	Net capital (losses)/gains	01/08/21 to 31/07/22 £	01/08/20 to 31/07/21 £
	The net capital (losses)/gains during the year		
	Compensation payment	304	-
	Realised currency losses	(848)	(1,976)
	Realised gains on non-derivative securities	382,277	1,217,249
	Transaction charges	(1,531)	(2,430)
	Unrealised (losses)/gains on non-derivative securities	(1,293,521)	1,188,834
	Net capital (losses)/gains	(913,319)	2,401,677
3	Revenue	01/08/21 to	01/08/20 to
		31/07/22	31/07/21
		£	£
	Bank interest	354	-
	Franked dividends from collective investment schemes	84,849	74,235
	Offshore funds dividends	62,815	73,405
	Offshore funds interest	53,393	1,129
	Real Estate Investment Trust revenue	-	2,770
	UK dividends	2,826	-
	Unfranked dividends from collective investment schemes	6,095	29,238
	Total revenue	210,332	180,777
4	Expenses	01/08/21 to	01/08/20 to
		31/07/22	31/07/21
	Payable to the ACD, associates of the ACD, and agents of	£	£
	either of them		
	General administration charge*	34,498	33,321
	Investment manager fees	95,202	92,339
	Printing, postage, stationery and typesetting costs	35	7
		129,735	125,667
	Payable to the Depositary, associates of the Depositary,		
	and agents of either of them		
	Safe custody fees	5,978	4,997
	Unit dealing assistance fees	1,984	3,074
		7,962	8,071
	Other expenses	0.55	400
	EPT (European PRIIPs Template) reporting fee	255	403
	EPT (European PRIIPs Template) reporting fee LEI licence fee	78	46
	EPT (European PRIIPs Template) reporting fee LEI licence fee MIFID II reporting fee	78 206	46 450
	EPT (European PRIIPs Template) reporting fee LEI licence fee	78 206 724	46 450 650
	EPT (European PRIIPs Template) reporting fee LEI licence fee MIFID II reporting fee	78 206	46 450

\* Audit fees of £5,828 + VAT have been charged in the current year (2021: £5,550 + VAT).

5	Interest payable and similar charges	01/08/21 to 31/07/22 £	01/08/20 to 31/07/21 £
	Bank Interest	9	17
	Total Interest payable and similar charges	9	17
6	Taxation	01/08/21 to	01/08/20 to
		31/07/22	31/07/21
		£	£
	(a) Analysis of the tax charge in the year		
	Corporation tax	-	-
	Total current tax charge (Note 6 (b))	-	-
	Deferred tax (Note 6 (c))	-	-
	Total taxation for the year	-	-

### (b) Factors affecting current tax charge for the year

The tax assessed for the year is different from that calculated when the standard rate of corporation tax for an open ended investment company of 20% (2021: 20%) is applied to the net revenue before taxation

The differences are explained below:

	01/08/21 to 31/07/22 £	01/08/20 to 31/07/21 £
Net revenue before taxation	71,363	45,473
Net revenue for the year multiplied by the standard rate of corporation tax	14,273	9,095
<b>Effects of:</b> Movement in excess management expenses Overseas tax	16,415 (30,688)	20,433 (29,528)
Total tax charge for the year	-	-

OEICs are exempt from tax on capital gains in the UK. Therefore, any capital return is not included within the reconciliation above.

### (c) Provision for deferred tax

There is no provision required for deferred taxation at the Balance Sheet date in the current or prior year.

### (d) Factors that may affect future tax charges

At the year end, after offset against revenue taxable on receipt, there is a potential deferred tax asset of  $\pounds 126,712$  (2021:  $\pounds 110,297$ ) in relation to surplus management expenses. It is unlikely that the Fund will generate sufficient taxable profits in the future to utilise this amount and therefore no deferred tax asset has been recognised in the year.

### 7 Finance costs

### Distributions

The distributions take account of revenue received on the issue of Shares and revenue deducted on the cancellation of Shares and comprise:

	01/08/21 to 31/07/22	01/08/20 to 31/07/21
	£	£
Final	71,757	45,059
Add: Revenue paid on cancellation of Shares	23	1,091
Deduct: Revenue received on issue of Shares	(418)	(673)
Net distribution for the year	71,362	45,477
Reconciliation of net revenue after taxation to distributions	71 262	4E 472
Net revenue after taxation	71,363	45,473
Net movement in revenue account	(1)	4
Net distribution for the year	71,362	45,477

Details of the distributions per Share are set out in the distribution table on page 80.

8	Debtors	31/07/22	31/07/21
		£	£
	Accrued bank interest	161	-
	Accrued revenue	20,467	8,438
	Sales awaiting settlement	-	679,285
	Total debtors	20,628	687,723
9	Cash and bank balances	31/07/22	31/07/21
		£	£
	Cash and bank balances	1,294,510	893,931
	Total cash and bank balances	1,294,510	893,931

Creditors	31/07/22	31/07/21
	£	£
Amounts payable for cancellation of Shares	-	500
Purchases awaiting settlement	185,293	944,745
	185,293	945,245
Accrued expenses		
Manager and Agents		
General administration charge*	2,762	3,017
Investment manager fees	7,601	8,342
	10,363	11,359
Depositary and Agents		
Safe custody fees	915	1,673
Transaction charges	268	825
Unit dealing assistance fees	587	243
	1,770	2,741
Other accrued expenses		
EPT (European PRIIPs Template) reporting fee	149	149
LEI licence fee	(32)	(32)
MIFID II reporting fee	(90)	(81)
Price publication fee	(632)	(632)
	(605)	(596)
Total creditors	196,821	958,749

### **11** Related party transactions

The monies received and paid by the ACD through the issue and cancellation of Shares are disclosed in the Statement of Change in Shareholders' Net Assets and amounts due at the year end are disclosed in notes 8 and 10.

The ACD and its associates (including other authorised investment funds managed by the ACD) have no Shareholdings in the Company at the year end.

### **Significant Shareholdings**

WAY Fund Managers Limited, as the Fund's Authorised Corporate Director, wishes to disclose to the Fund's Shareholders that 23.41% and 36.91% of the Fund's shares in issue are under the control of two nominees and their related parties.

#### **12 Share Classes**

The Share Class and ACD's Annual Management Charges applicable to the Fund are as follows:

Share Class	%
B Accumulation	0.75
I Accumulation	1.00
P Accumulation	0.50

Each Share Class has equal rights in the event of the wind up of any fund.

#### 12 Share Classes (continued)

The reconciliation of the opening and closing numbers of Shares of each class is shown below:

	31/07/21	Issued	Cancelled	Converted	31/07/22
B Accumulation	5,431,739	39,889	(147,703)	-	5,323,925
I Accumulation	436,870	16,030	-	-	452,900
P Accumulation	2,371,039	115,296	(6,832)	-	2,479,503

#### 13 Capital commitments and contingent liabilities

There were no contingent liabilities or outstanding commitments at the balance sheet date (2021: nil).

#### **14** Derivatives and other financial instruments

The main risks from the Fund's holding of financial instruments, together with the ACD's policy for managing these risks, are disclosed in note 2 on pages 14, 15 and 16.

#### (a) Foreign currency risk

The table below shows the foreign currency risk profile at the balance sheet date:

	Net foreign currency assets		
Currency	Monetary exposures	Non- monetary exposures	Total
-	£	£	£
31/07/22			
US Dollar	-	526,747	526,747
Total foreign currency exposure	-	526,747	526,747
Sterling	1,118,317	11,678,721	12,797,038
Total net assets	1,118,317	12,205,468	13,323,785
31/07/21			
Sterling	622,905	13,527,173	14,150,078
Total net assets	622,905	13,527,173	14,150,078

If GBP to foreign currency exchange rates had strengthened/increased by 10% as at the balance sheet date, the net asset value of the Fund would have decreased by £47,886 (2021: £Nil). If GBP to foreign currency exchange rates had weakened/decreased by 10% as at the balance sheet date, the net asset value of the Fund would have increased by £58,527 (2021: £Nil). These calculations assume all other variables remain constant.

### 14 Derivatives and other financial instruments (continued)

#### (b) Interest rate risk profile of financial assets and liabilities

The table below shows the interest rate risk profile at the balance sheet date:

	Floating rate financial	Financial assets not carrying	
Currency	assets	interest	Total
Assets	£	£	£
31/07/22			
Sterling	1,294,510	11,711,227	13,005,737
US Dollar	-	526,747	526,747
Total	1,294,510	12,237,974	13,532,484
31/07/21			
Sterling	893,931	14,214,896	15,108,827
Total	893,931	14,214,896	15,108,827

	Floating rate financial	Financial liabilities not carrying	
Currency	liabilities	interest	Total
Liabilities 31/07/22	£	£	£
Sterling	-	208,699	208,699
Total	-	208,699	208,699
31/07/21			
Sterling	-	958,749	958,749
Total	-	958,749	958,749

Changes in interest rates would have no material impact to the valuation of floating rate financial assets or liabilities as at the balance sheet date. Consequently, no sensitivity analysis has been presented.

### (c) Market Risk

If market prices had increased by 10% as at the balance sheet date, the net asset value of the Fund would have increased by the amounts set out in the table below.

If market prices had decreased by 10% as at the balance sheet date, the net asset value of the Fund would have decreased by the amounts set out in the table below.

These calculations have been applied to non-derivative securities only (see note 2 (h) for an explanation of the Fund's leverage during the period). These calculations assume all other variables remain constant.

	Increase	Decrease
	£	£
2022	1,220,547	1,220,547
2021	1,352,717	1,352,717

### (d) Leverage

The Fund has not employed any significant leverage during the period covered by this report.

Portfolio transaction costs	01/08/21 to	01/08/20 to
	31/07/22 £ £	31/07/21 £ £
Analysis of total purchase costs	2 2	L L
Purchases in year before transaction costs:		
Collective Investment Schemes	8,827,318	8,952,778
	8,827,318	8,952,778
Commissions - Collective Investment Schemes	1,462	561
Fees - Collective Investment Schemes	1	671
Total purchase costs	1,463	1,232
Gross purchase total	8,828,781	8,954,010
Gross sales in year before transaction costs Equities Collective Investment Schemes Bonds	- 9,371,341 -	- 10,017,533 -
	9,371,341	10,017,533
Commissions - Equities Commissions - Collective Investment Schemes Commissions - Bonds Fees - Equities Fees - Collective Investment Schemes Fees - Bonds	- (778) - - (4) -	- (848) - - (1) -
Total sale costs	(782)	(849)
Total sales net of transaction costs	9,370,559	10,016,684

The portfolio transaction costs table above includes direct transaction costs suffered by the Fund during the year.

For the Fund's investment in collective investment scheme holdings there will potentially be dealing spread costs applicable to purchases and sales. However additionally there are indirect transaction costs suffered in those underlying funds, throughout the holding period for the instruments, which are not separately identifiable and do not form part of the analysis above.

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Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 July 2022

#### **15** Portfolio transaction costs (continued)

Fortiono transaction costs (continued)		
	01/08/21 to 31/07/22	01/08/20 to 31/07/21
Transaction costs as percentage of principal amounts	%	%
Purchases - Commissions		
Collective Investment Schemes Purchases - Fees	0.0166%	0.0063%
Collective Investment Schemes Sales - Commissions	0.0000%	0.0075%
Collective Investment Schemes	0.0083%	0.0085%
Sales - Fees		
Collective Investment Schemes	0.0000%	0.0001%
	01/08/21 to	01/08/20 to
	31/07/22	31/07/21
Transaction costs as percentage of average net asset value	%	%
Commissions	0.0162%	0.0106%
Fees	0.0000%	0.0050%

#### 16 Post balance sheet events

There are no post balance sheet events which require adjustments at the year end.

#### **17 Fair value disclosure**

	31/07	7/22	31/07/21		
	Assets	Liabilities	Assets	Liabilities	
Valuation technique	£	£	£	£	
Level 1: The unadjusted quoted price in an active market for identical assets or liabilities	12,205,468	-	13,527,173	-	
Level 2: Inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly	-	-	-		
Level 3: Inputs are unobservable (i.e. for which market data is unavailable) for the asset or liability*	-	-	-	-	
	12,205,468	-	13,527,173	-	

\* The valuation techniques and the ACD's policy is disclosed in note 1(i) on page 12.

### Distribution Table As at 31 July 2022

#### **Final Distribution in pence per Share**

Group 1 Shares purchased prior to 1 August 2021

Group 2 Shares purchased on or after 1 August 2021 to 31 July 2022

	Net revenue (p)	Equalisation (p)	Distribution payable 30/09/22 (p)	Distribution paid 30/09/21 (p)
Share Class B Accumulation				
Group 1	0.7604	-	0.7604	0.4601
Group 2	0.6487	0.1117	0.7604	0.4601
Share Class I Accumulation				
Group 1	0.3273	-	0.3273	0.0856
Group 2	0.3273	0.0000	0.3273	0.0856
Share Class P Accumulation				
Group 1	1.2015	-	1.2015	0.8306
Group 2	0.8774	0.3241	1.2015	0.8306

#### **Investment Manager's Report** For the year ended 31 July 2022

#### **Investment Objective**

To achieve an income with potential for some capital growth by investing in markets in both the UK and overseas.

#### **Investment Policy**

The Fund will typically invest a minimum of 80% of its net asset value in collective investment schemes, exchange traded funds and unregulated collective investment schemes.

The Fund may also invest in investment trusts (and similar instruments), other transferable securities, moneymarket instruments, fixed income instruments, deposits and foreign exchange contracts.

It is expected that exposure to equity markets will typically range from a minimum of 20% to a maximum of 60% of the total Fund, with the aim of achieving the Fund's objective. However, investments will not be confined by industrial, economic or geographical sector.

The Fund may also hold, on a temporary basis, all or part of its assets in cash or other ancillary liquid assets.

The Fund may utilise derivatives for the purposes of efficient portfolio management (typically hedging, including investing in hedged share classes, which attempts to mitigate against falls in the value of the Fund's assets and the effects of changes in currency exchange rates against the Fund's base currency, which is pounds sterling).

#### **Investment Review**

The EF Brompton Global Income Fund fell 4.79% over the year to 31 July 2022 while the IA Mixed Investment 20-60% Shares Index fell 5.42 %. At the year end, the income declared for the B income shares was 2.1450 per share, equating to a 3.17% yield on an annualised basis.

Global equities and global bonds gained 2.75% and fell 2.41% respectively in sterling terms over the year under review, with significant falls in overseas markets masked by the pound's weakness against the dollar. The main factors behind the weakness were rising inflation fuelled in part by higher energy prices, the Russia-Ukraine war and China's zero-Covid19 policy. US inflation reached 9.1% over the year to June, the highest level since 1982, while UK and eurozone prices rose by 9.4% and 8.6% respectively. Central banks responded by raising interest rates. In their latest meetings, the Federal Reserve increased its Fed Funds Rate by three-quarters of a percentage point to 2.25-2.5%, the Bank of England raised Bank Rate by a quarter point to 1.25% and the European Central Bank raised its policy rate by half a point, ending negative rates.

The US labour market, a lagging indicator, remained relatively strong, with unemployment at 3.5% in July, but consumer sentiment was weak as real incomes fell and investors feared rising inflation and interest rates might lead to a prolonged recession. The International Monetary Fund downgraded its global economic growth forecast for 2022 to 3.2%.

Following its invasion of Ukraine, sanctions were imposed on Russia, the largest supplier of natural gas and oil to the European Union, targeting banks, businesses and trade. This contributed to the 78.67% oil price rise in sterling over the year under review while a broader basket of commodities rose 53.84%. Within the portfolio, an investment was made in BlackRock Natural Resources Growth & Income, whose portfolio of mining, energy and agriculture equities may benefit from demand and supply imbalances and offer some protection against inflation.

The portfolio benefitted from its exposure to inflation-linked bonds through its investments in the sterling-hedged Fidelity Global Inflation-linked Bond holding and Legal & General Global Inflation Linked Bond. A sterling-hedged holding in the iShares \$ Treasury Bond 7-10 Years exchange-traded fund (ETF) and Vanguard Global Bond were introduced because longer-dated government bonds appeared attractive, with US 10-year treasury bond yields close to 3%. The high-yield bond allocation was reduced as credit spreads widened. New Capital Wealthy Nations Bond was sold due to its high exposure to Asian and other emerging markets, which faced headwinds.

### Investment Manager's Report (continued) For the year ended 31 July 2022

### **Investment Review (continued)**

Global growth stocks fell 4.85% in sterling as investors sold highly-valued companies in response to rising bond yields while value stocks, which tend to benefit from higher inflation, rose 10.00%. Within the global equity allocation, Polar Capital Global Insurance and the Xtrackers MSCI World Heath Care ETF were introduced because slowing economic growth and rising recession risk may warrant more defensive positions in companies that are typically less sensitive to changes in macroeconomic conditions. These companies also tend to be more resilient because of the low substitutability of their goods and services.

The UK stockmarket rose 6.85% thanks to its large sector weightings in energy and materials but smaller companies, which tend to be more sensitive to domestic conditions, fell 13.04%. The portfolio's exposure to UK smaller companies was reduced through the sale of Chelverton UK Equity Income.

The allocation to Europe excluding the UK was diversified through the addition of Montanaro European Income, which invests in small and mid-cap quality growth stocks. This addition was funded by the reduction in Blackrock Continental European Income.

Supply bottlenecks arising from China's zero-Covid-19 policy and concerns around its property market hindered performance for equities in emerging markets and Asia excluding Japan, down 8.33% and 8.20% respectively in sterling. China's central bank responded by easing monetary policy, in contrast to its western counterparts, and signs have emerged that Beijing's regulatory clampdown on a number of sectors including technology has started to ease. Dollar strength, however, may remain a headwind for Asia and emerging markets generally. Within the portfolio, Matthews Asia ex Japan Dividend was reduced. In Japan, Lindsell Train Japanese Equity was added at the expense of T Rowe Price Japanese Equity. The former has big holdings in consumer stocks that appeared attractively valued and may perform well as Japan's economy continues to recover from the pandemic.

Investments in Balanced Commercial Property and 3i Infrastructure provide diversification while offering some protection against inflation. Gold rose 10.45% in sterling over the year as investors sought out safe-haven investments and the iShares Gold Producers ETF was added.

Source of financial data: Lipper

#### **Investment Manager**

Brompton Asset Management Limited 23 November 2022

#### Performance record As at 31 July 2022

As at 31 July 2022					
		B Income			I Income
	31/07/22 (p)	31/07/21 (p)	31/07/20 (p)	31/07/22 (p)	31/07/21
Change in net assets per Share	(P)	(P)	(P)	(P)	(p)
Opening net asset value per Share	136.37	119.64	126.86	136.03	119.64
Return before operating charges*	(3.12)	23.14	(1.48)	(3.10)	23.12
Operating charges	(2.35)	(2.56)	(2.09)	(2.67)	(2.88)
Return after operating charges*	(5.47)	20.58	(3.57)	(5.77)	20.24
Distributions	(4.00)	(3.85)	(3.65)	(3.99)	(3.85)
Retained distributions on accumulation shares	-	-	-	-	-
Closing net asset value per Share	126.90	136.37	119.64	126.27	136.03
* after direct transaction costs of:	0.02	0.02	0.05	0.02	0.02
Performance					
Return after operating charges	(4.01%)	17.20%	(2.81%)	(4.24%)	16.92%
Other information					
Closing net asset value	7,191,817	7,729,497	6,720,038	146,134	157,433
Closing number of Shares	5,667,185	5,667,930	5,617,044	115,730	115,730
Operating charges	1.75%	1.96%	1.70%	2.00%	2.21%
Direct transaction costs	0.02%	0.01%	0.04%	0.02%	0.01%

Closing net asset value	7,191,817	7,729,497	6,720,038	146,134	157,433	138,460
Closing number of Shares	5,667,185	5,667,930	5,617,044	115,730	115,730	115,730
Operating charges	1.75%	1.96%	1.70%	2.00%	2.21%	1.95%
Direct transaction costs	0.02%	0.01%	0.04%	0.02%	0.01%	0.04%
Prices						
Highest Share price	140.71	138.59	131.78	140.21	138.26	131.96
Lowest Share price	124.22	120.07	101.96	123.63	120.07	102.05

31/07/20 (p)

127.18 (1.49) (2.40)

(3.89)

(3.65)

119.64

(3.06%)

0.05

	P Income			
	31/07/22	31/07/21	31/07/20	
	(p)	(p)	(p)	
Change in net assets per Share				
Opening net asset value per Share	115.12	100.74	106.55	
Return before operating charges*	(2.65)	19.51	(1.24)	
Operating charges	(1.70)	(1.88)	(1.50)	
Return after operating charges*	(4.35)	17.63	(2.74)	
Distributions	(3.38)	(3.25)	(3.07)	
Retained distributions on accumulation shares	-	-	-	
Closing net asset value per Share	107.39	115.12	100.74	
* after direct transaction costs of:	0.02	0.01	0.05	
Performance				
Return after operating charges	(3.78%)	17.50%	(2.57%)	
Other information				
Closing net asset value	2,158,383	2,321,845	2,031,804	
Closing number of Shares	2,009,833	2,016,971	2,016,971	
Operating charges	1.50%	1.71%	1.45%	
Direct transaction costs	0.02%	0.01%	0.04%	
Prices				
Highest Share price	118.91	116.97	110.82	
Lowest Share price	105.09	101.10	85.78	
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### Performance Information As at 31 July 2022

### **Operating Charges**

Date	Operating Charges (%)
31/07/22	
Share Class B	1.75
Share Class I	2.00
Share Class P	1.50
31/07/21	
Share Class B	1.96
Share Class I	2.21
Share Class P	1.71

The Operating Charge is the total expenses paid by the Fund in the year, annualised, against its average Net Asset Value. This will fluctuate as underlying costs change.

The Fund has invested in collective investment schemes during the year and where any such schemes were held at the Fund's accounting reference date, the expenses incurred by these schemes are included in the above Operating Charges figures.

### Risk and Reward Profile As at 31 July 2022

	Typically lower rewards				Typically higher rewards			
	Lower risk						Higher risk	
Share Class B	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Share Class I	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
Share Class P	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	

• The indicator is based on historical data and may not be a reliable indication of the future risk profile of the Fund.

- The risk and reward category shown is not guaranteed to remain unchanged and may shift over time.
- The lowest category does not mean 'risk free'.
- The Fund appears as a "4" on the scale. This is because the Fund by its nature invests in a mixture of investments.

### **Risk Warning**

An investment in an Open-Ended Investment Company should be regarded as a medium to long term investment. Investors should be aware that the price of Shares and the income from them may fall as well as rise and investors may not receive back the full amount invested. Past performance is not a guide to future performance. Investments denominated in currencies other than the base currency of a fund are subject to fluctuation in exchange rates, which may be favourable or unfavourable.

#### Portfolio Statement As at 31 July 2022

Holdings			
or Nominal		Market value	% of Total
Value	Investments	£	Net Assets
	Collective Investment Schemes 75.34% [79.89%]		
208,687	Artemis Income	518,546	5.46
992,162	Artemis Strategic Bond	523,861	5.52
38,551	Baillie Gifford Global Income Growth	373,521	3.93
149,795	BlackRock Continental European Income	253,333	2.67
136,688	BlackRock Natural Resources Growth & Income	169,999	1.79
143,356	Fidelity Global Inflation-Linked Bond	196,685	2.07
30,442	Guiness Global Equity Income	563,515	5.93
251,390	Henderson Diversified Income	178,990	1.89
500,890	Janus Henderson Fixed Interest Monthly Income	488,417	5.14
110,948	JPMorgan Emerging Markets	73,048	0.77
1,323,405	Legal & General Global Inflation Linked Bond Index	714,771	7.53
328,432	LF Montanaro European Income	344,755	3.63
134,474	Lindsell Train Japanese Equity	318,246	3.35
442,163	Man GLG UK Income	519,541	5.47
16,733	Matthews Asia ex Japan Dividend	227,061	2.39
5,475	MI TwentyFour Dynamic Bond	532,879	5.61
35,808	Polar Capital Global Insurance	241,148	2.54
3,169	Polar Capital Global Technology	181,774	1.91
6,477	Schroder International Selection Strategic Credit	550,425	5.80
1,468	Vanguard Global Bond Index	184,401	1.94
		7,154,916	75.34
	Investment Trusts 7.76% [13.59%]		
81,966	3i Infrastructure	274,176	2.89
413,895	Aberforth Split Level Income	260,754	2.75
87,982	Balanced Commercial Property	105,402	1.11
36,870	Schroder Oriental Income	95,862	1.01
		736,194	7.76
	Exchange Traded Funds 12.06% [4.18%]		
37,947	iShares \$ Treasury Bond 7-10yr	186,339	1.96
37,268	iShares Core FTSE 100	270,827	2.85
1,182	iShares Core S&P 500	408,907	4.31
8,713	iShares Gold Producers	80,092	0.84
5,123	Xtrackers MSCI World Health Care	199,227	2.10
		1,145,392	12.06
	Portfolio of investments	9,036,502	95.16
	Net other assets	459,832	4.84

The investments have been valued in accordance with note 1(i) of the Accounting Policies and Financial Instruments.

9,496,334

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All investments are collective investment schemes unless otherwise stated.

Net assets

Comparative figures shown above in square brackets relate to 31 July 2021.

Gross purchases for the year: £2,985,514 [2021: £3,971,530] (See Note 14).

Total sales net of transaction costs for the year: £3,298,737 [2021: £4,069,766] (See Note 14).

### Statement of Total Return For the year ended 31 July 2022

		01/08/21 to 31/07/22		01/08/20 to 31/07/21	
	Note	£	£	£	£
Income					
Net capital (losses)/gains	2		(620,214)		1,291,778
Revenue	3	332,132		300,187	
Expenses	4	(103,845)		(98,242)	
Interest payable and similar charges		-		-	
Net revenue before taxation		228,287		201,945	
Taxation	5	(11,999)		(1,937)	
Net revenue after taxation			216,288		200,008
Total return before distributions			(403,926)		1,491,786
Finance costs: Distributions	6		(299,362)		(278,603)
Change in net assets attributable to					
Shareholders from investment activ	ities		(703,288)		1,213,183

## Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Shareholders

# For the year ended 31 July 2022

	01/08/21 to 31/07/22	01/08/20 to 31/07/21
	£££	££
Opening net assets attributable		
to Shareholders	10,208,775	8,890,301
Amounts received on issue of Shares	421	396,090
Less: Amounts paid on cancellation of Shares	(9,574)	(290,799)
	(9,153)	105,291
Change in net assets attributable to Shareholders		
from investment activities (see above)	(703,288)	1,213,183
Closing net assets attributable		
to Shareholders	9,496,334	10,208,775

## Balance Sheet As at 31 July 2022

		31/07/22		31/07/21	
	Note	£	£	£	£
Assets					
Fixed assets:					
Investments			9,036,502		9,969,587
Current assets:					
Debtors	7	73,126		340,670	
Cash and bank balances	8	567,617		651,146	
Total current assets			640,743		991,816
Total assets			9,677,245		10,961,403
Liabilities					
Creditors:					
Distribution payable on income Shares		(160,497)		(147,972)	
Other creditors	9	(20,414)		(604,656)	
Total creditors			(180,911)		(752,628)
Total liabilities			(180,911)		(752,628)
Net assets attributable					
to Shareholders			9,496,334		10,208,775

#### **1** Accounting Basis And Policies

The Fund's Financial Statements have been prepared on the basis detailed on pages 11, 12 and 13.

2	Net capital (losses)/gains	01/08/21 to	01/08/20 to
		31/07/22	31/07/21
	The net capital (losses)/gains during the year	£	£
	The net capital (losses)/gains during the year Realised currency losses	(321)	(626)
	Realised gains on non-derivative securities	176,562	300,923
	Transaction charges	(1,417)	(1,561)
	Unrealised (losses)/gains on non-derivative securities	(795,038)	993,042
	Net capital (losses)/gains	(620,214)	1,291,778
3	Revenue	01/08/21 to	01/08/20 to
-		31/07/22	31/07/21
		£	£
	Bank interest	146	-
	Franked dividends from collective investment schemes	89,971	109,824
	Offshore funds dividends	45,985	82,436
	Offshore funds interest	55,605	40,207
	Real Estate Investment Trust revenue	-	5,464
	UK dividends	32,334	-
	Unfranked dividends from collective investment schemes	108,091	62,256
	Total revenue	332,132	300,187
4	Expenses	01/08/21 to	01/08/20 to
	Develop to the ACD second state of the ACD and seconds of	31/07/22	31/07/21
	Payable to the ACD, associates of the ACD, and agents of either of them	£	£
			23,694
	General administration charge*	25,069 69,898	65,909
	Investment manager fees Printing, postage, stationery and typesetting costs	36	6 6
	Frinding, postage, stationery and typesetting costs	95,003	89,609
	Payable to the Depositary, associates of the Depositary,	95,005	09,009
	and agents of either of them		
	Safe custody fees	6,092	5,797
	Unit dealing assistance fees	1,487	1,287
		7,579	7,084
	Other expenses		
	EPT (European PRIIPs Template) reporting fee	255	403
	LEI licence fee	78	46
	MIFID II reporting fee	206	450
	Price publication fee	724	650
		1,263	1,549

\* Audit fees of £5,828 + VAT have been charged in the current year (2021: £5,550 + VAT).

5	Taxation	01/08/21 to 31/07/22 £	01/08/20 to 31/07/21 £
	(a) Analysis of the tax charge in the year		
	Corporation tax	11,999	1,937
	Total current tax charge (Note 6 (b))	11,999	1,937
	Deferred tax (Note 6 (c))	-	-
	Total taxation for the year	11,999	1,937

### (b) Factors affecting current tax charge for the year

The tax assessed for the year is different from that calculated when the standard rate of corporation tax for an open ended investment company of 20% (2021: 20%) is applied to the net revenue before taxation

The differences are explained below:

	01/08/21 to 31/07/22 £	01/08/20 to 31/07/21 £
Net revenue before taxation	228,287	201,945
Net revenue for the year multiplied by the standard rate of corporation tax	45,657	40,389
Effects of: Revenue not subject to corporation tax	(33,658)	(38,452)
Total tax charge for the year	11,999	1,937

OEICs are exempt from tax on capital gains in the UK. Therefore, any capital return is not included within the reconciliation above.

### (c) Provision for deferred tax

There is no provision required for deferred taxation at the Balance Sheet date in the current or prior year.

#### 6 Finance costs

### Distributions

The distributions take account of revenue received on the issue of Shares and revenue deducted on the cancellation of Shares and comprise:

	01/08/21 to 31/07/22	01/08/20 to 31/07/21
	£	£
Interim	138,798	135,005
Final	160,497	147,972
Add: Revenue paid on cancellation of Shares	71	1,391
Deduct: Revenue received on issue of Shares	(4)	(5,765)
Net distribution for the year	299,362	278,603
Reconciliation of net revenue after taxation to distributions		
Net revenue after taxation	216,288	200,008
Expenses charged to capital	103,845	98,242
Net movement in revenue account	(2)	1
Tax relief from capital*	(20,769)	(19,648)
Net distribution for the year	299,362	278,603

\* Included in the tax relief amounts is relief to income from capital expenses.

Details of the distributions per Share are set out in the distribution table on page 96.

7	Debtors	31/07/22	31/07/21
		£	£
	Accrued bank interest	71	-
	Accrued revenue	72,955	49,823
	Amounts receivable for creation of Shares	100	-
	Sales awaiting settlement	-	290,847
	Total debtors	73,126	340,670
	Total debtors	73,126	340,670
8	Total debtors Cash and bank balances	73,126	340,670 31/07/21
8			·
8		31/07/22	·

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#### Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 July 2022

Creditors	31/07/22	31/07/21
	£	£
Corporation tax payable	11,999	1,937
Purchases awaiting settlement	-	592,455
	11,999	594,392
Accrued expenses		
Manager and Agents		
General administration charge	2,004	2,178
Investment manager fees	5,586	6,070
	7,590	8,248
Depositary and Agents		
Safe custody fees	1,124	1,961
Transaction charges	146	537
Unit dealing assistance fees	160	113
	1,430	2,611
Other accrued expenses		
EPT (European PRIIPs Template) reporting fee	149	149
LEI licence fee	(32)	(32)
MIFID II reporting fee	(90)	(80)
Price publication fee	(632)	(632)
	(605)	(595)
Total creditors	20,414	604,656

### **10** Related party transactions

The monies received and paid by the ACD through the issue and cancellation of Shares are disclosed in the Statement of Change in Shareholders' Net Assets and amounts due at the year end are disclosed in notes 7 and 9.

The ACD and its associates (including other authorised investment funds managed by the ACD) have no Shareholdings in the Company at the year end.

### **Significant Shareholdings**

WAY Fund Managers Limited, as the Fund's Authorised Corporate Director, wishes to disclose to the Fund's Shareholders that 21.93% and 30.88% and 43.22% of the Fund's shares in issue are under the control of three nominees and their related parties.

#### **11 Share Classes**

The Share Class and ACD's Annual Management Charges applicable to the Fund are as follows:

Share Class	%
B Income	0.75
I Income	1.00
P Income	0.50

Each Share Class has equal rights in the event of the wind up of any fund.

### **11** Share Classes (continued)

The reconciliation of the opening and closing numbers of Shares of each class is shown below:

	31/07/21	Issued	Cancelled	Converted	31/07/22
B Income	5,667,930	315	(1,060)	-	5,667,185
I Income	115,730	-	-	-	115,730
P Income	2,016,971	-	(7,138)	-	2,009,833

#### 12 Capital commitments and contingent liabilities

There were no contingent liabilities or outstanding commitments at the balance sheet date (2021: nil).

#### **13** Derivatives and other financial instruments

The main risks from the Fund's holding of financial instruments, together with the ACD's policy for managing these risks, are disclosed in note 2 on pages 14, 15 and 16.

#### (a) Foreign currency risk

The table below shows the foreign currency risk profile at the balance sheet date:

	Net foreign currency assets		
	Monetary exposures	Non- monetary	Total
Currency		exposures	
	£	£	£
31/07/22			
US Dollar	-	199,227	199,227
Total foreign currency exposure	-	199,227	199,227
Sterling	459,832	8,837,276	9,297,108
Total net assets	459,832	9,036,503	9,496,335
31/07/21			
Sterling	239,188	9,969,587	10,208,775
Total net assets	239,188	9,969,587	10,208,775

### (a) Foreign currency risk (continued)

If GBP to foreign currency exchange rates had strengthened/increased by 10% as at the balance sheet date, the net asset value of the Fund would have decreased by £18,112 (2021: £Nil). If GBP to foreign currency exchange rates had weakened/decreased by 10% as at the balance sheet date, the net asset value of the Fund would have increased by £22,136 (2021: £Nil). These calculations assume all other variables remain constant.

### 13 Derivatives and other financial instruments (continued)

#### (b) Interest rate risk profile of financial assets and liabilities

The table below shows the interest rate risk profile at the balance sheet date:

	Floating rate financial	Financial assets not carrying	
Currency	assets	interest	Total
Assets	£	£	£
31/07/22			
Sterling	567,617	8,910,401	9,478,018
US Dollar	-	199,227	199,227
Total	567,617	9,109,628	9,677,245
31/07/21			
Sterling	651,146	10,310,257	10,961,403
Total	651,146	10,310,257	10,961,403

Currency Liabilities 31/07/22 Sterling	Floating rate financial liabilities £	Financial liabilities not carrying interest £ 180,911	<b>Total</b> £ 180,911
Total	-	180,911	180,911
<b>31/07/21</b> Sterling	-	752,628	752,628
Total	-	752,628	752,628

Changes in interest rates would have no material impact to the valuation of floating rate financial assets or liabilities as at the balance sheet date. Consequently, no sensitivity analysis has been presented.

### (c) Market Risk

If market prices had increased by 10% as at the balance sheet date, the net asset value of the Fund would have increased by the amounts set out in the table below.

If market prices had decreased by 10% as at the balance sheet date, the net asset value of the Fund would have decreased by the amounts set out in the table below.

These calculations have been applied to non-derivative securities only (see note 2 (h) for an explanation of the Fund's leverage during the period). These calculations assume all other variables remain constant.

	Increase	Decrease
	£	£
2022	903,650	903,650
2021	996,959	996,959

### (d) Leverage

The Fund has not employed any significant leverage during the period covered by this report.

Portfolio transaction costs	01/08/21 to 31/07/22 £ £	01/08/20 to 31/07/21 £ £
Analysis of total purchase costs		
Purchases in year before transaction costs:		
Collective Investment Schemes	2,984,140	3,970,785
	2,984,140	3,970,785
Commissions - Collective Investment Schemes	402	261
Fees - Collective Investment Schemes	972	484
Total purchase costs	1,374	745
Gross purchase total	2,985,514	3,971,530
Analysis of total sale costs Gross sales in year before transaction costs		
Collective Investment Schemes	3,299,022	4,070,261
	3,299,022	4,070,261
Commissions - Collective Investment Schemes	(276)	(489)
Fees - Collective Investment Schemes	(9)	(6)
Total sale costs	(285)	(495)
Total sales net of transaction costs	3,298,737	4,069,766

The portfolio transaction costs table above includes direct transaction costs suffered by the Fund during the year.

For the Fund's investment in collective investment scheme holdings there will potentially be dealing spread costs applicable to purchases and sales. However additionally there are indirect transaction costs suffered in those underlying funds, throughout the holding period for the instruments, which are not separately identifiable and do not form part of the analysis above.

### 14 Portfolio transaction costs (continued)

	01/08/21 to	01/08/20 to
	31/07/22	31/07/21
Transaction costs as percentage	%	%
of principal amounts		
Purchases - Commissions		
Collective Investment Schemes	0.0135%	0.0066%
Purchases - Fees		
Collective Investment Schemes	0.0326%	0.0122%
Sales - Commissions		
Collective Investment Schemes	0.0084%	0.0120%
Sales - Fees		
Collective Investment Schemes	0.0003%	0.0002%
	01/08/21 to	01/08/20 to
	31/07/22	31/07/21
Transaction costs as percentage	%	%
of average net asset value		
Commissions	0.00690/	0.0079%
	0.0068%	
Fees	0.0098%	0.0052%

#### **15** Post balance sheet events

There are no post balance sheet events which require adjustments at the year end.

#### **16 Fair value disclosure**

	31/07/22		31/07	7/21
Valuation technique	Assets £	Liabilities £	Assets £	Liabilities £
Level 1: The unadjusted quoted price in an active market for identical assets or liabilities	9,036,502	-	9,969,587	-
Level 2: Inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly	-	-	-	
Level 3: Inputs are unobservable (i.e. for which market data is unavailable) for the asset or liability*	-	-	-	-
	9,036,502	-	9,969,587	-

\* The valuation techniques and the ACD's policy is disclosed in note 1(i) on page 12.

### Distribution Table As at 31 July 2022

#### Interim Distribution in pence per Share

Group 1 Shares purchased prior to 1 August 2021

Group 2 Shares purchased on or after 1 August 2021 to 30 January 2021

	Net revenue (p)	Equalisation (p)	Distribution paid 31/03/22 (p)	Distribution paid 30/03/21 (p)
Share Class B Income				
Group 1	1.8553	-	1.8553	1.8769
Group 2	0.8659	0.9894	1.8553	1.8769
Share Class I Income				
Group 1	1.8498	-	1.8498	1.8758
Group 2	1.8498	0.0000	1.8498	1.8758
Share Class P Income				
Group 1	1.5671	-	1.5671	1.5815
Group 2	1.5671	0.0000	1.5671	1.5815

### Final Distribution in pence per Share

Group 1 Shares purchased prior to 31 January 2021

Group 2 Shares purchased on or after 31 January 2021 to 31 July 2022

	Net revenue (p)	Equalisation (p)	Distribution payable 30/09/22 (p)	Distribution paid 30/09/21 (p)
Share Class B Income				
Group 1	2.1450	-	2.1450	1.9769
Group 2	0.3571	1.7879	2.1450	1.9769
Share Class I Income				
Group 1	2.1354	-	2.1354	1.9732
Group 2	2.1354	0.0000	2.1354	1.9732
Share Class P Income				
Group 1	1.8143	-	1.8143	1.6678
Group 2	1.8143	0.0000	1.8143	1.6678

#### **Investment Manager's Report** For the year ended 31 July 2022

#### **Investment Objective**

To achieve long-term capital growth with the flexibility to invest in all major asset classes.

#### **Investment Policy**

The Fund will typically invest a minimum of 80% of its net asset value in collective investment schemes, exchange traded funds and unregulated collective investment schemes.

The Fund may also invest in investment trusts (and similar instruments), other transferable securities, moneymarket instruments, fixed income instruments, deposits and foreign exchange contracts. Investments will not be confined by industrial, economic or geographical sector.

Although the Fund will usually be invested across a range of asset classes, in certain market conditions, the Investment Manager may decide to hold up to 100% in equity markets. This would be for a limited period and only in exceptional circumstances.

The Fund may also hold, on a temporary basis, all or part of its assets in cash or other ancillary liquid assets.

The Fund may utilise derivatives for the purposes of efficient portfolio management (typically hedging, including investing in hedged share classes, which attempts to mitigate against falls in the value of the Fund's assets and the effects of changes in currency exchange rates against the Fund's base currency, which is pounds sterling).

#### **Investment Review**

The EF Brompton Global Opportunities Fund fell 8.57% over the year to 31 July 2022 while the IA Flexible Investment Index fell 4.55%.

Global equities and global bonds gained 2.75% and fell 2.41% respectively in sterling terms over the year under review, with significant falls in overseas markets masked by the pound's weakness against the dollar. The main factors behind the weakness were rising inflation fuelled in part by higher energy prices, the Russia-Ukraine war and China's Zero-Covid-19 policy. US inflation reached 9.1% over the year to June, the highest level since 1982, while UK and eurozone prices rose by 9.4% and 8.6% respectively. Central banks responded by raising interest rates. In their latest meetings, the Federal Reserve increased its Fed Funds Rate by three-quarters of a percentage point to 2.25-2.5%, the Bank of England raised Bank Rate by a quarter point to 1.25% and the European Central Bank raised its policy rate by half a point, ending negative rates.

The US labour market, a lagging indicator, remained relatively strong, with unemployment at 3.5% in July, but consumer sentiment was weak as real incomes fell and investors feared rising inflation and interest rates might lead to a prolonged recession. The International Monetary Fund downgraded its global economic growth forecast for 2022 to 3.2%.

Following its invasion of Ukraine, sanctions were imposed on Russia, the largest supplier of natural gas and oil to the European Union, targeting banks, businesses, and trade. This contributed to the 78.67% oil price rise in sterling terms over the year under review while a broader basket of commodities rose 53.84%. Within the portfolio, an investment was made in BlackRock Natural Resources Growth & Income, whose portfolio of mining, energy and agriculture equities may benefit from demand and supply imbalances and offer some protection against inflation.

Profits were taken from the portfolio's exposure to short-dated inflation-linked bonds through the sale of the sterling-hedged PIMCO Global Low Duration Real Return holding after a period of solid performance because inflation expectations rose. The strategic bond allocation was reduced through the sale of Artemis Strategic Bond as credit spreads widened.

### Investment Manager's Report (continued) For the year ended 31 July 2022

#### **Investment Review (continued)**

Global growth stocks fell 4.85% in sterling terms while value stocks, which tend to benefit from higher inflation, rose 10.00%. Vulcan Value Equity, a growth-oriented US investment, was sold because of the negative impact of rising interest rates as investors de-rated highly-valued companies in response to rising bond yields. Fundsmith Equity and BlackRock European Dynamic were sold for similar reasons. Polar Capital Global Insurance and the Xtrackers MSCI World Heath Care ETF were introduced because slowing economic growth and rising recession risk may warrant more defensive positions in companies that are typically less sensitive to changes in macroeconomic conditions. These companies also tend to be more resilient because of the low substitutability of their goods and services.

The UK stock market rose 6.85% thanks to its large sector weightings in energy and materials but smaller companies, which tend to be more sensitive to domestic conditions, fell 13.04%. The portfolio's exposure to UK smaller companies was reduced through the sale of Chelverton UK Equity Growth.

Supply bottlenecks arising from China's Zero-Covid-19 policy and concerns around its property market hindered performance for equities in emerging markets and Asia excluding Japan, down 8.33% and 8.20% respectively in sterling terms. China's central bank responded by easing monetary policy, in contrast to its western counterparts, and signs have emerged that Beijing's regulatory clampdown on a number of sectors including technology has started to ease. Dollar strength, however, may remain a headwind for Asia and emerging markets generally. Within the portfolio, Goldman Sachs Emerging Markets Equity was sold. Goldman Sachs India Equity was also sold due to concerns around rising prices and India's heavy reliance on imported energy. In Japan, Lindsell Train Japanese Equity was added at the expense of T Rowe Price Japanese Equity. The former has big holdings in consumer stocks that appeared attractively valued and may perform well as Japan's economy continues to recover from the pandemic.

Alternative investments provide diversification and daily traded long/short equity holdings have the potential to do well in an environment where both bonds and equities are falling. The portfolio's year-end allocation included Blackrock European Absolute Alpha and Man GLG UK Absolute Value. Gold rose 10.45% in sterling terms over the year as investors sought out safe-haven investments and the iShares Physical Gold exchange-traded commodity holding was topped up.

Source of all financial data: Lipper

**Investment Manager** Brompton Asset Management Limited 23 November 2022

## Performance record

As at 31 July 2022

	A Accumulation			I	B Accumulation	
	31/07/22 (p)	31/07/21 (p)	31/07/20 (p)	31/07/22 (p)	31/07/21 (p)	31/07/20 (p)
Change in net assets per Share						
Opening net asset value per Share	130.29	108.11	108.74	213.55	175.88	175.57
Return before operating charges*	(8.23)	25.16	1.93	(13.57)	41.05	3.18
Operating charges	(3.03)	(2.98)	(2.56)	(3.42)	(3.38)	(2.87)
Return after operating charges*	(11.26)	22.18	(0.63)	(16.99)	37.67	0.31
Distributions	0.00	0.00	0.00	(0.81)	(0.56)	(0.52)
Retained distributions on accumulation shares	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.81	0.56	0.52
Closing net asset value per Share	119.03	130.29	108.11	196.56	213.55	175.88
* after direct transaction costs of:	0.02	0.01	0.03	0.04	0.02	0.05
Performance						
Return after operating charges	(8.64%)	20.52%	(0.58%)	(7.96%)	21.42%	0.18%
Other information						
Closing net asset value	4,523	4,951	4,108	13,705,928	14,579,030	11,587,309
Closing number of Shares	3,800	3,800	3,800	6,972,816	6,827,120	6,588,076
Operating charges	2.39%	2.46%	2.43%	1.64%	1.71%	1.68%
Direct transaction costs	0.02%	0.01%	0.03%	0.02%	0.01%	0.03%
Prices						
Highest Share price	136.95	131.19	112.29	224.97	214.92	181.97
Lowest Share price	114.56	108.62	87.47	189.02	176.71	141.91

	I Accumulation			Р	Accumulation	
	31/07/22 (p)	31/07/21 (p)	31/07/20 (p)	31/07/22 (p)	31/07/21 (p)	31/07/20 (p)
Change in net assets per Share						
Opening net asset value per Share	208.84	172.44	172.57	137.09	112.63	112.15
Return before operating charges*	(13.23)	40.20	3.11	(8.73)	26.31	2.04
Operating charges	(3.85)	(3.80)	(3.24)	(1.86)	(1.85)	(1.56)
Return after operating charges*	(17.08)	36.40	(0.13)	(10.59)	24.46	0.48
Distributions	(0.32)	(0.06)	(0.18)	(0.82)	(0.67)	(0.60)
Retained distributions on accumulation shares	0.32	0.06	0.18	0.82	0.67	0.60
Closing net asset value per Share	191.76	208.84	172.44	126.50	137.09	112.63
* after direct transaction costs of:	0.04	0.02	0.04	0.03	0.01	0.03
Performance						
Return after operating charges	(8.18%)	21.11%	(0.08%)	(7.72%)	21.72%	0.43%
Other information						
Closing net asset value	1,505,314	1,395,729	1,173,446	609,671	919,654	777,157
Closing number of Shares	785,018	668,316	680,503	481,938	670,835	690,000
Operating charges	1.89%	1.96%	1.93%	1.39%	1.46%	1.43%
Direct transaction costs	0.02%	0.01%	0.03%	0.02%	0.01%	0.03%
Prices						
Highest Share price	219.85	210.22	178.64	144.53	137.95	116.37
Lowest Share price	184.45	173.25	139.25	121.62	113.16	90.79

### **Performance Information** As at 31 July 2022

### **Operating Charges**

Date	Operating Charges (%)
31/07/22	
Share Class A	2.39
Share Class B	1.64
Share Class I	1.89
Share Class P	1.39
31/07/21	
Share Class A	2.46
Share Class B	1.71
Share Class I	1.96
Share Class P	1.46

The Operating Charge is the total expenses paid by the Fund in the year, annualised, against its average Net Asset Value. This will fluctuate as underlying costs change.

The Fund has invested in collective investment schemes during the year and where any such schemes were held at the Fund's accounting reference date, the expenses incurred by these schemes are included in the above Operating Charges figures.

### **Risk and Reward Profile** As at 31 July 2022

	Typically lo	wer reward	ls		Ту	pically high	er rewards
	Lower risk						Higher risk
Share Class A	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Share Class B	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Share Class I	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Share Class P	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

• The indicator is based on historical data and may not be a reliable indication of the future risk profile of the Fund.

• The risk and reward category shown is not guaranteed to remain unchanged and may shift over time.

• The lowest category does not mean 'risk free'.

• The Fund appears as a "5" on the scale. This is because the Fund by its nature invests in funds with a certain level of exposure to equity securities which can experience high rises and falls.

### **Risk Warning**

An investment in an Open-Ended Investment Company should be regarded as a medium to long term investment. Investors should be aware that the price of Shares and the income from them may fall as well as rise and investors may not receive back the full amount invested. Past performance is not a guide to future performance. Investments denominated in currencies other than the base currency of a fund are subject to fluctuation in exchange rates, which may be favourable or unfavourable.

### Portfolio Statement As at 31 July 2022

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Holdings or Nominal		Market value	% of Total
Value	Investments	£	Net Assets
	Collective Investment Schemes 53.70% [66.13%]		
1,014	Aberforth UK Small Companies	278,749	1.76
74,911	Artemis UK Special Situations	549,502	3.47
6,154	Baillie Gifford Japanese Smaller Companies	239,642	1.52
30,900	Baillie Gifford Pacific	277,295	1.75
189,455	BlackRock European Absolute Alpha	321,756	2.03
514,719	BlackRock Natural Resources Growth & Income	640,156	4.05
115,790	FTF Martin Currie European Unconstrained	174,843	1.11
8,106	Janus Henderson European Smaller Companies	282,104	1.78
341,195	LF Lightman European	430,486	2.72
252,284	Lindsell Train Japanese Equity	597,054	3.77
138,136	Liontrust Special Situations	646,448	4.09
190,229	Man GLG Japan CoreAlpha Equity	389,399	2.46
296,580	Man GLG UK Absolute Value	402,459	2.54
263,604	Man GLG UK Income	837,735	5.30
31,976	Matthews Asia ex Japan Dividend	433,915	2.74
72,027	Polar Capital Global Insurance	652,527	4.12
8,921	Polar Capital Global Technology	511,725	3.23
1,122	Schroder International Selection Asian Total Return	451,935	2.86
3,076	Schroder International Selection Strategic Credit	380,037	2.40
		8,497,767	53.70
	Investment Trusts 3.94% [5.52%]		
135,602	3i Infrastructure	453,589	2.87
	Vietnam Enterprise Investments	169,900	1.07
	•	623,489	3.94
	Exchange traded Eurods 33 19% [23 77%]		

		5,252,229	33.19
16,832	Xtrackers MSCI World Health Care	654,574	4.14
22,005	iShares Physical Gold	621,326	3.93
27,334	iShares Gold Producers	251,262	1.59
11,192	iShares Edge MSCI World Value Factor	309,116	1.95
8,080	iShares Core S&P 500	2,795,233	17.66
85,416	iShares Core FTSE 100	620,718	3.92
	Exchange traded Funds 33.19% [23.77%]		

Portfolio of investments	14,373,485	90.83
Net other assets	1,451,951	9.17
Net assets	15,825,436	100.00

The investments have been valued in accordance with note 1(i) of the Accounting Policies and Financial Instruments.

All investments are collective investment schemes unless otherwise stated.

Comparative figures shown above in square brackets relate to 31 July 2021.

Gross purchases for the year: £12,029,799 [2021: £9,535,475] (See Note 15).

Total sales net of transaction costs for the year: £12,507,741 [2021: £9,327,260] (See Note 15).

### Statement of Total Return For the year ended 31 July 2022

		01/08/21 to 31/07/22		01/08/20 to 31/07/21	
	Note	£	£	£	£
Income					
Net capital (losses)/gains	2		(1,435,310)		2,857,624
Revenue	3	242,969		205,509	
Expenses	4	(180,165)		(163,255)	
Interest payable and similar charges	5	(56)		-	
Net revenue before taxation		62,748		42,254	
Taxation	6	-		-	
Net revenue after taxation			62,748		42,254
Total return before distributions			(1,372,562)		2,899,878
Finance costs: Distributions	7		(62,768)		(42,269)
Change in net assets attributable to					
Shareholders from investment activ	ities		(1,435,330)		2,857,609

## Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Shareholders

# For the year ended 31 July 2022

	01/08/21 to 31/07/22	01/08/20 to 31/07/21
	££	£££
Opening net assets attributable		
to Shareholders	16,899,364	13,542,020
Amounts received on issue of Shares	677,254	580,926
Less: Amounts paid on cancellation of Shares	(378,621)	(124,386)
	298,633	456,540
Change in net assets attributable to Shareholders		
from investment activities (see above)	(1,435,330)	2,857,609
Retained distribution on accumulation Shares	62,769	43,195
Closing net assets attributable		
to Shareholders	15,825,436	16,899,364

### Balance Sheet As at 31 July 2022

		31/07/22		31/07/21	
	Note	£	£	£	£
Assets Fixed assets: Investments			14,373,485		16,124,724
Current assets:					
Debtors	8	19,692		662,115	
Cash and bank balances	9	1,684,190		1,110,023	
Total current assets			1,703,882		1,772,138
Total assets			16,077,367		17,896,862
Liabilities					
Creditors:					
Other creditors	10	(251,931)		(997,498)	
Total creditors			(251,931)		(997,498)
Total liabilities			(251,931)		(997,498)
Net assets attributable					
to Shareholders		1	5,825,436		16,899,364

#### **1** Accounting Basis And Policies

The Fund's Financial Statements have been prepared on the basis detailed on pages 11, 12 and 13.

2	Net capital (losses)/gains	01/08/21 to 31/07/22 £	01/08/20 to 31/07/21 £
	The net capital (losses)/gains during the year		
	Realised currency losses	(1,080)	(678)
	Realised gains on non-derivative securities	489,517	1,086,420
	Transaction charges	(1,396)	(2,087)
	Unrealised (losses)/gains on non-derivative securities	(1,922,351)	1,773,969
	Net capital (losses)/gains	(1,435,310)	2,857,624
2	Percenter	01/09/01 to	01/09/20 to
3	Revenue	01/08/21 to 31/07/22	01/08/20 to 31/07/21
		£	51/07/21 £
	Bank interest	416	-
	Franked dividends from collective investment schemes	90,181	60,830
	Offshore funds dividends	103,391	104,304
	Offshore funds interest	46,247	21,108
	Real Estate Investment Trust revenue	-	5,680
	Unfranked dividends from collective investment schemes	2,734	13,587
	Total revenue	242,969	205,509
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4	Expenses	01/08/21 to	01/08/20 to
	Develop to the ACD acceptor of the ACD and accepto of	31/07/22 £	31/07/21 £
	Payable to the ACD, associates of the ACD, and agents of either of them	£	£
		42.064	20 162
	General administration charge* Investment manager fees	42,064 128,241	38,162 115,579
	-	44	
	Printing, postage, stationery and typesetting costs	170,349	153,749
	Payable to the Depositary, associates of the Depositary,	170,549	133,749
	and agents of either of them		
	Safe custody fees	6,114	5,127
		0/11	0/10/
	Unit dealing assistance fees	2.113	2,507
	Unit dealing assistance fees	2,113 8,227	2,507 7,634
	Unit dealing assistance fees Other expenses	2,113 8,227	2,507 7,634
	Other expenses	8,227	7,634
	Other expenses EPT (European PRIIPs Template) reporting fee	8,227	7,634 538
	Other expenses EPT (European PRIIPs Template) reporting fee LEI licence fee	8,227 340 78	7,634 538 46
	Other expenses EPT (European PRIIPs Template) reporting fee LEI licence fee MIFID II reporting fee	8,227 340 78 206	7,634 538 46 423

\* Audit fees of £5,828 + VAT have been charged in the current year (2021: £5,550 + VAT).

5	Interest payable and similar charges	01/08/21 to 31/07/22 £	01/08/20 to 31/07/21
	Bank Interest	56	-
	Total Interest payable and similar charges	56	-
6	Taxation	01/08/21 to	01/08/20 to
		31/07/22	31/07/21
		£	£
	(a) Analysis of the tax charge in the year		
	Corporation tax	-	-
	Total current tax charge (Note 6 (b))	-	-
	Deferred tax (Note 6 (c))	-	-
	Total taxation for the year	-	-

### (b) Factors affecting current tax charge for the year

The tax assessed for the year is different from that calculated when the standard rate of corporation tax for an open ended investment company of 20% (2021: 20%) is applied to the net revenue before taxation

The differences are explained below:

	01/08/21 to 31/07/22 £	01/08/20 to 31/07/21 £
Net revenue before taxation	62,748	42,254
Net revenue for the year multiplied by the standard rate of corporation tax	12,550	8,451
<b>Effects of:</b> Movement in excess management expenses Revenue not subject to corporation tax	26,165 (38,715)	24,576 (33,027)
Total tax charge for the year	-	-

OEICs are exempt from tax on capital gains in the UK. Therefore, any capital return is not included within the reconciliation above.

### (c) Provision for deferred tax

There is no provision required for deferred taxation at the Balance Sheet date in the current or prior year.

### (d) Factors that may affect future tax charges

At the year end, after offset against revenue taxable on receipt, there is a potential deferred tax asset of  $\pounds 178,282$  (2021:  $\pounds 152,117$ ) in relation to surplus management expenses. It is unlikely that the Fund will generate sufficient taxable profits in the future to utilise this amount and therefore no deferred tax asset has been recognised in the year.

### 7 Finance costs

### Distributions

The distributions take account of revenue received on the issue of Shares and revenue deducted on the cancellation of Shares and comprise:

	01/08/21 to 31/07/22	01/08/20 to 31/07/21
	£	£
Final	62,769	43,195
Add: Revenue paid on cancellation of Shares	1	62
Deduct: Revenue received on issue of Shares	(2)	(988)
Net distribution for the year	62,768	42,269
Reconciliation of net revenue after taxation to distributions		
Net revenue after taxation	62,748	42,254
Net movement in revenue account	1	(6)
Revenue deficit	19	21
Net distribution for the year	62,768	42,269

Details of the distributions per Share are set out in the distribution table on page 112.

8	Debtors	31/07/22	31/07/21
		£	£
	Accrued bank interest	214	-
	Accrued revenue	19,478	7,490
	Sales awaiting settlement	-	654,625
	Total debtors	19,692	662,115
9	Cash and bank balances	31/07/22	31/07/21
		£	£
	Cash and bank balances	1,684,190	1,110,023
	Total cash and bank balances	1,684,190	1,110,023

Creditors	31/07/22	31/07/21
	£	£
Purchases awaiting settlement	237,600	981,209
	237,600	981,209
Accrued expenses		
Manager and Agents		
General administration charge	3,291	3,559
Investment manager fees	10,061	10,782
	13,352	14,341
Depositary and Agents		
Safe custody fees	888	1,614
Transaction charges	217	883
Unit dealing assistance fees	640	207
	1,745	2,704
Other accrued expenses		
EPT (European PRIIPs Template) reporting fee	198	198
LEI licence fee	(32)	(32)
MIFID II reporting fee	(90)	(80)
Price publication fee	(842)	(842)
	(766)	(756)
Total creditors	251,931	997,498

### **11** Related party transactions

The monies received and paid by the ACD through the issue and cancellation of Shares are disclosed in the Statement of Change in Shareholders' Net Assets and amounts due at the year end are disclosed in notes 8 and 10.

The ACD and its associates (including other authorised investment funds managed by the ACD) have no Shareholdings in the Company at the year end.

#### **Significant Shareholdings**

WAY Fund Managers Limited, as the Fund's Authorised Corporate Director, wishes to disclose to the Fund's Shareholders that 20.21% and 27.63% and 40.18% of the Fund's shares in issue are under the control of three nominees and their related parties.

#### **12 Share Classes**

The Share Class and ACD's Annual Management Charges applicable to the Fund are as follows:

Share Class	%
A Accumulation	1.50
B Accumulation	0.75
I Accumulation	1.00
P Accumulation	0.50

Each Share Class has equal rights in the event of the wind up of any fund.

### 12 Share Classes (continued)

The reconciliation of the opening and closing numbers of Shares of each class is shown below:

	31/07/21	Issued	Cancelled	Converted	31/07/22
A Accumulation	3,800	-	-	-	3,800
B Accumulation	6,827,120	190,124	(44,428)	-	6,972,816
I Accumulation	668,316	127,140	(10,438)	-	785,018
P Accumulation	670,835	-	(188,897)	-	481,938

#### 13 Capital commitments and contingent liabilities

There were no contingent liabilities or outstanding commitments at the balance sheet date (2021: nil).

#### **14** Derivatives and other financial instruments

The main risks from the Fund's holding of financial instruments, together with the ACD's policy for managing these risks, are disclosed in note 2 on pages 14, 15 and 16.

#### (a) Foreign currency risk

The table below shows the foreign currency risk profile at the balance sheet date:

	Net foreign currency assets		
Currency	Monetary exposures	Non- monetary exposures	Total
21/07/22	£	£	£
31/07/22			
US Dollar	-	654,574	654,574
Total foreign currency exposure	-	654,574	654,574
Sterling	1,451,951	13,718,911	15,170,862
Total net assets	1,451,951	14,373,485	15,825,436
31/07/21			
Sterling	774,640	16,124,724	16,899,364
Total net assets	774,640	16,124,724	16,899,364

### (a) Foreign currency risk (continued)

If GBP to foreign currency exchange rates had strengthened/increased by 10% as at the balance sheet date, the net asset value of the Fund would have decreased by  $\pounds$ 59,507 (2021:  $\pounds$ Nil). If GBP to foreign currency exchange rates had weakened/decreased by 10% as at the balance sheet date, the net asset value of the Fund would have increased by  $\pounds$ 72,730 (2021:  $\pounds$ Nil). These calculations assume all other variables remain constant.

#### 14 Derivatives and other financial instruments (continued)

#### (b) Interest rate risk profile of financial assets and liabilities

The table below shows the interest rate risk profile at the balance sheet date:

	Floating rate financial	Financial assets not carrying	
Currency	assets	interest	Total
Assets	£	£	£
31/07/22			
Sterling	1,684,190	13,759,136	15,443,326
US Dollar	-	654,574	654,574
Total	1,684,190	14,413,710	16,097,900
31/07/21			
Sterling	1,110,023	16,786,839	17,896,862
Total	1,110,023	16,786,839	17,896,862

Currency Liabilities 31/07/22 Sterling	Floating rate financial liabilities £	Financial liabilities not carrying interest £ 272,464	<b>Total</b> £ 272,464
Total	-	272,464	272,464
<b>31/07/21</b> Sterling	_	997,498	997,498
Total	-	997,498	997,498

Changes in interest rates would have no material impact to the valuation of floating rate financial assets or liabilities as at the balance sheet date. Consequently, no sensitivity analysis has been presented.

### (c) Market Risk

If market prices had increased by 10% as at the balance sheet date, the net asset value of the Fund would have increased by the amounts set out in the table below.

If market prices had decreased by 10% as at the balance sheet date, the net asset value of the Fund would have decreased by the amounts set out in the table below.

These calculations have been applied to non-derivative securities only (see note 2 (h) for an explanation of the Fund's leverage during the period). These calculations assume all other variables remain constant.

	Increase	Decrease
	£	£
2022	1,437,349	1,437,349
2021	1,612,472	1,612,472

#### (d) Leverage

The Fund has not employed any significant leverage during the period covered by this report.

### 14 Derivatives and other financial instruments (continued)

5 Portfolio transaction costs	01/08/21 31/07/2 £		01/08/20 t 31/07/21 £	
Analysis of total purchase costs				
Purchases in year before transaction costs:				
Collective Investment Schemes		12,027,991		9,534,802
		12,027,991		9,534,802
Commissions - Collective Investment Schemes	1,808		673	
Total purchase costs		1,808		673
Gross purchase total	12	2,029,799		9,535,475
Analysis of total sale costs				
Gross sales in year before				
transaction costs				
Collective Investment Schemes		12,509,127		9,328,027
		12,509,127		9,328,027
Commissions - Collective Investment Schemes	(1,382)		(766)	
Fees - Collective Investment Schemes	(4)		(1)	
Total sale costs		(1,386)		(767)
Total sales net of transaction costs	12	2,507,741		9,327,260

The portfolio transaction costs table above includes direct transaction costs suffered by the Fund during the year.

For the Fund's investment in collective investment scheme holdings there will potentially be dealing spread costs applicable to purchases and sales. However additionally there are indirect transaction costs suffered in those underlying funds, throughout the holding period for the instruments, which are not separately identifiable and do not form part of the analysis above.

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Notes to the Financial Statements (continued) For the year ended 31 July 2022

#### **15** Portfolio transaction costs (continued)

	01/08/21 to	01/08/20 to
	31/07/22	31/07/21
Transaction costs as percentage	%	%
of principal amounts		
Purchases - Commissions		
Collective Investment Schemes	0.0150%	0.0071%
Sales - Commissions		
Collective Investment Schemes	0.0110%	0.0082%
Sales - Fees		
Collective Investment Schemes	0.0000%	0.0001%
	01/08/21 to	01/08/20 to
	31/07/22	31/07/21
Transaction costs as percentage	%	%
of average net asset value		
Commissions	0.0190%	0.0094%

#### **16 Post balance sheet events**

There are no post balance sheet events which require adjustments at the year end.

### **17 Fair value disclosure**

	31/07/22		31/07/21	
Valuation technique	Assets £	Liabilities £	Assets £	Liabilities £
Level 1: The unadjusted quoted price in an active market for identical assets or liabilities	_ 14,373,485	-	_ 16,124,724	-
Level 2: Inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly	-	-	-	-
Level 3: Inputs are unobservable (i.e. for which market data is unavailable) for the asset or liability*	-	-	-	-
	14,373,485	-	16,124,724	-

\* The valuation techniques and the ACD's policy is disclosed in note 1(i) on page 12.

### Distribution Table As at 31 July 2022

#### **Final Distribution in pence per Share**

Group 1 Shares purchased prior to 1 August 2021

Group 2 Shares purchased on or after 1 August 2021 to 31 July 2022

	Net revenue (p)	Equalisation (p)	Distribution payable 30/09/22 (p)	Distribution paid 30/09/21 (p)
Share Class A Accumulation				
Group 1	0.0000	-	0.0000	0.0000
Group 2	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000
Share Class B Accumulation				
Group 1	0.8076	-	0.8076	0.5605
Group 2	0.8064	0.0012	0.8076	0.5605
Share Class I Accumulation				
Group 1	0.3190	-	0.3190	0.0602
Group 2	0.3190	0.0000	0.3190	0.0602
Share Class P Accumulation				
Group 1	0.8200	-	0.8200	0.6747
Group 2	0.8200	0.0000	0.8200	0.6747

#### **General Information**

#### **Classes of Shares**

The Company can issue different classes of Shares in respect of the Fund. Holders of Income Shares are entitled to be paid the revenue attributable to such Shares, in respect of each annual accounting period. Holders of Accumulation Shares are not entitled to be paid the revenue attributable to such Shares, but that revenue is retained and accumulated for the benefit of Shareholders and is reflected in the price of Shares.

#### **Buying and Selling Shares**

The ACD will accept orders to deal in the Shares on normal business days between 9.00 am and 5.00 pm. Instructions to buy or sell Shares should be in writing to: WAY Fund Managers Limited - Cedar House, 3 Cedar Park, Cobham Road, Wimborne, Dorset BH21 7SB. A contract note will be issued by close of business on the next business day after the dealing date to confirm the transaction.

#### **Valuation Point**

The valuation point for the Fund is 12 noon on each dealing day (being each day which is a business day in London). Valuations may be made at other times under the terms contained within the Prospectus.

#### **Prices**

The prices of Shares for each class in the Fund will be posted on https://www.wayfunds.com/Sponsors/BromptonAssetManagementLLP#prices.

#### Report

The annual report of the Company will normally be published within four months of each annual accounting period end.

Interim Financial Statements period ended:	30 January
Annual Financial Statements year ended:	31 July

#### **Distribution Payment Dates**

Interim (Global Income Fund only)	31 March
Annual	30 September

#### **General Information (continued)**

#### Significant Information

Under the Alternative Investment Fund Managers Directive ("AIFMD"), acting as the Alternative Investment Fund Manager ("AIFM"), WAY Fund Managers Limited is required to disclose how those whose actions have a material impact on the Funds are remunerated.

The remuneration strategy across WAY Fund Managers Limited is governed by the WAY Fund Managers Limited Board and WAY Fund Managers Limited has chosen not to establish a Remuneration Committee. The WAY Fund Managers Limited Board has established a Remuneration Policy designed to ensure the AIFM Remuneration Code in the UK Financial Conduct Authority's handbook is met proportionately for all AIFM Remuneration Code Staff.

WAY Fund Managers Limited considers its activities as non complex due to the fact that regulation limits the AIF strategies conducted and the scope of investment in such a way that investor risk is mitigated. The discretion of WAY Fund Managers Limited and the portfolio manager is strictly controlled within certain pre-defined parameters as determined in the prospectus of each Alternative Investment Fund.

In its role as an AIFM, WAY Fund Managers Limited deems itself as lower risk due to the nature of the activities it conducts. WAY Fund Managers Limited does not pay any form of variable remuneration currently. Therefore WAY Fund Managers Limited has provided a basic overview of how staff whose actions have a material impact on the Funds are remunerated.

The only material change to the adopted remuneration policy, since the previous year end, is the identification of new risk takers and inclusion of delegates required by the AIFMD.

July 22	Number of Beneficiaries	Total remuneration paid (GBP)	Fixed remuneration (GBP)	Variable remuneration paid (GBP)	Carried interest paid by the AIF (GBP)
Total remuneration paid by WFM during the financial year	19	737,189	737,189	0	0
Remuneration paid to employees of the AIFM who have a material impact on the risk profile of the AIF	4	277,255	277,255	0	0

The table above is unaudited.

Due to the size and structure of WAY Fund Managers Limited, it is determined that employees of the AIFM who have a material impact on the risk profile of the AIF include the Board, Head of Finance and Head of Risk and Compliance.

The delegated investment manager is subject to regulatory requirements on remuneration that WAY Fund Managers Limited deem to be equally as effective as those detailed in the AIFMD, which would include the Capital Requirements Directive or Markets in Financial Instruments Directive.

#### **General Information (continued)**

#### **Other Information**

Under normal circumstances the Instrument of Incorporation, Prospectus, the NURS Kii and the most recent interim and annual reports may be inspected at the office of the ACD which is also the Head Office of the Company. However, at this time these documents, except for the Instrument of Incorporation, can only be viewed on our website, at www. wayfunds.com, or on request, can be received by email or through the post.

Shareholders who have any complaints about the operation of the Company should contact the ACD or the Depositary in the first instance. In the event that a Shareholder finds the response unsatisfactory they may make their complaint direct to the Financial Ombudsman Service at Exchange Tower, Harbour Exchange Square, London E14 9SR.

#### **Data Protection**

By completing and submitting an application to invest in any of the Funds that WAY Fund Managers Limited operates, you will be giving your consent to the processing of your personal data (including any anti-money laundering verification check), by us for the administration of services in connection with your investment on a contractual basis. Additionally we may be requested to share your personal data with our regulator, the Financial Conduct Authority, or for wider compliance with any legal or regulatory obligation to which we might be subject.

If you have used an intermediary to submit the application we may also share information about your investment with them, to help them to continue to provide their services to you, unless you request us not to.

We may share your personal data with contracted third parties for the purposes mentioned above (however this does not entitle such third parties to send you marketing or promotional messages) and we do not envisage that this will involve your personal data being transferred outside of the European Economic Area.

We make every effort to maintain the registration of your holdings accurately. However, if you feel that we have incorrectly recorded any of your personal data, you may request its correction. You have the right to request copies of your personal data stored by us and can do so by using our contact details below.

Your data will be stored and processed securely for the period of your contract with us and for a minimum of seven years after our relationship ceases, for regulatory and legislation purposes only.

We are registered with the Information Commissioner's Office as a Data Controller and Data Processor for this purpose. Further information on how we manage your personal data can be found within our Privacy Notice which can be found on our website www.wayfunds.com.

Should you wish to make a complaint or request further information on how we collect and process your personal data please contact us at: Data Protection Office, WAY Fund Managers Limited, Cedar House, 3 Cedar Park, Cobham Road, Wimborne, Dorset, BH21 7SB. Email: DPO@wayfunds.com Tel: 01202 855856.

Alternatively, if you have any concerns or complaints as to how we have handled your personal data, you may lodge a complaint to the Information Commissioner's Office through their website which can be found at https://ico.org.uk/for-the-public/raising-concerns.

#### **Effects of Personal Taxation**

Investors should be aware that unless their Shares are held within an ISA, selling Shares is treated as a disposal for the purpose of Capital Gains tax.

#### **Risk Warning**

An investment in an Open Ended Investment Company should be regarded as a medium to long term investment. Investors should be aware that the price of Shares and the income from them may fall as well as rise and investors may not receive back the full amount invested. Past performance is not a guide to future performance. Investments denominated in currencies other than the base currency of a fund are subject to fluctuation in exchange rates, which may be favourable or unfavourable.

### **Contact Information**

#### The Company and its Head Office

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#### **Directors of the ACD**

- V. Hoare
- A. Ogunnowo (resigned 28 January 2022)
- C. Oliver (appointed 27 June 2022)
- D. Kane (Independent Non-Executive Director)
- P. Woodman (Independent Non-Executive Director)

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