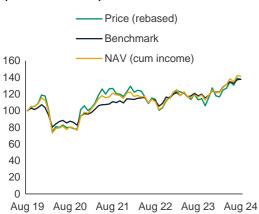
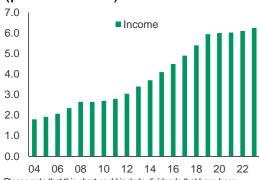
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# Share price performance (total return)



# Dividend history (pence/share)



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Performance over (%)	6m	1y	Зу	5у	10y
Share price (Total return)	18.0	21.7	8.4	37.6	46.7
NAV (Total return)	16.0	21.4	16.7	41.3	59.4
Benchmark (Total return)	12.6	17.0	24.4	37.9	80.9
Relative NAV (Total return)	3.4	4.4	-7.6	3.4	-21.5

Discrete year performance (%)	Share price (total return)	NAV (total return)
30/6/2023 to 30/6/2024	15.2	16.7
30/6/2022 to 30/6/2023	4.5	5.5
30/6/2021 to 30/6/2022	-9.4	-5.4
30/6/2020 to 30/6/2021	44.6	41.9
30/6/2019 to 30/6/2020	-24.2	-23.1

All performance, cumulative growth and annual growth data is sourced from Morningstar.

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# Commentary at a glance

#### Performance

In the month under review the Company's NAV total return was -0.8% and the FTSE All-Share Index total return was 0.5%

#### Contributors/detractors

The perception that the US economy was slowing made investors more risk averse in August. This meant smaller companies underperformed, which proved a headwind to the Company's performance.

#### Outlook

We believe UK equities remain attractively valued relative to overseas peers and we continue to see this as an opportunity.

### See full commentary on page 3.

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# Company overview

## Objective

The Company aims to give shareholders a higher than average return with growth of both capital and income over the medium to long-term, by investing in a broad spread of predominantly UK companies. The Company measures its performance against the FTSE All-Share Index Total Return.

### **Highlights**

A growth and income company with a diversified portfolio of mainly UK equities and a strong dividend track record

# Company information

NAV (cum income)	149.2p
NAV (ex income)	146.8p
Share price	130.5p
Discount(-)/premium(+)	-12.6%
Yield	4.9%
Net gearing	12%
Net cash	-
Total assets Net assets	£449m £403m
Market capitalisation	£353m
Total voting rights	270,185,650
Total number of holdings	119
Ongoing charges	0.000/

(year end 30 Sep 2023) FTSE All-Share Index Benchmark

Source: BNP Paribas for holdings information and Morningstar for all other data. Differences in calculation may occur due to the methodology used

Please note that the total voting rights in the Company do not include shares held in Treasury.

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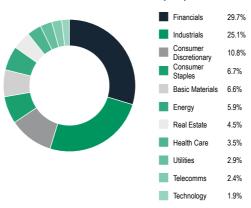
Top 10 holdings	(%)
HSBC	2.5
BP	2.4
Standard Chartered	2.3
Shell	2.3
Aviva	2.2
GSK	2.2
Barclays	2.1
Irish Continental Group Plc	1.9
M&G	1.9
FBD	1.9
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# Geographical focus (%)

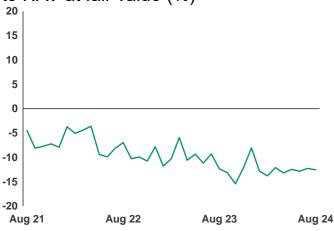




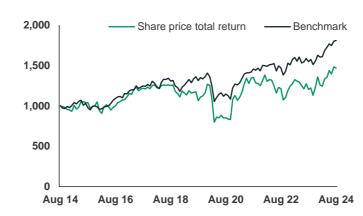


The above sector breakdown may not add up to 100% due to rounding.

# Premium/(discount) of share price to NAV at fair value (%)



# 10 year total return of £1,000



All performance, cumulative growth and annual growth data is sourced from Morningstar. Share price total return is calculated using mid-market share price with dividends reinvested.

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# Key information

Stock code	LWI			
AIC sector	AIC UK Equity Income			
Benchmark	FTSE All-Share Index			
Company type	Conventional (Ords)			
Launch date	1963			
Financial year	30-Sep			
Dividend payment	January, April, July, October			
Management fee	0.5% of average net chargeable assets up to £325m and 0.4% in excess thereof.			
Performance fee	No			
(See Annual Report & Key Information Document for more information)				
Regional focus	UK			



Fund manager

appointment

James Henderson Portfolio Manager

James Henderson 1990

Laura Foll 2016



Laura Foll, CFA Portfolio Manager

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# Fund Manager commentary Investment environment

August was a volatile month for UK (and global) equities. They saw a sharp fall at the beginning of the month, driven by some disappointing US economic figures (such as manufacturing data), but then recovered. As a consequence, UK equities ended August modestly up.

While in our view this volatility was largely driven by US economic data, UK economic data continued to show gradual signs of improvement. For example, UK GDP data showed a further 0.6% growth in the second quarter (following 0.7% growth in the first quarter) and clearly exited the shallow recession experienced in the second half of 2023.

There was also further (albeit slow) improvement in 'stickier' service sector inflation, which rose 5.2% in July, down from 5.7% in June. With further signs of improvement, this could allow further interest rate reductions from the Bank of England (BoE) in the autumn.

At a time when the UK consumer is already back in real wage growth, we think further interest rate reductions could give consumers greater confidence to go out and spend.

### Portfolio review

The best-performing holdings in August were largely those companies perceived to be 'defensive' (in other

words, companies less exposed to the economic cycle), given that the US economy showed signs of slowing. These 'defensive' holdings included corporate services firm FRP Advisory, supermarkets Tesco and Sainsbury, and insurer Beazley.

In contrast, small- and medium-sized companies broadly underperformed given the risk averse market backdrop. This proved a headwind to the Company's overall performance.

During the month we made some changes to the industrial sector weights in the portfolio. We took profits in building products supplier Marshalls following some good performance in its share price, and we added to existing positions in autos components supplier Dowlais and aerospace components supplier Senior. In the case of Dowlais, while the end markets in autos remain challenging - as battery electric vehicle demand has not been as high as hoped - there is the potential for strategic change in the portfolio, with the company putting a division under review (and potentially up for sale). Dowlais also continued to make progress with its cost-cutting programme, providing a partial 'buffer' for the company's earnings in difficult end markets. Senior has some similarities to Dowlais in that the company's structures division (which makes components such as wings for aircraft) is also under review and may be sold. This would leave a more specialist, potentially highermargin industrial goods supplier.

## Manager outlook

UK equities have long traded at a valuation discount to overseas peers, with this valuation discount beginning with the Brexit vote in 2016. The logic for this was a higher 'risk premium' being allocated to UK equities as a result of political uncertainty and an uncertain trading backdrop with the EU. Arguably, these issues have now been resolved and therefore the question becomes whether we have reached a point where the additional 'risk premium' that has been an overhang on UK equities for so long can be steadily removed.

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# Glossary

### Discount/Premium

The amount by which the price per share of an investment company is either lower (at a discount) or higher (at a premium) than the net asset value per share (cum income), expressed as a percentage of the net asset value per share.

#### Gearing

The effect of borrowing money for investment purposes (financial gearing). The amount a company can "gear" is the amount it can borrow in order to invest. Gearing is used in the expectation that the returns on the investments bought will exceed the costs of the borrowings that funded the purchase. This Company can also use synthetic gearing through derivatives and foreign exchange hedging and/or other non-fully funded instruments or techniques.

### Leverage

The Company's leverage is the sum of financial gearing and synthetic gearing. Details of the Company's leverage limits can be found in both the Key Information Document and Annual Report. Where a company utilises leverage, the profits and losses incurred by the company can be greater than those of a company that does not use leverage.

#### Market capitalisation

Share price multiplied by the number of shares in issue, excluding treasury shares, at month end. Shares typically priced mid-market at month-end closing.

### Net Asset Value (NAV)

The total value of a Company's assets less its liabilities.

#### NAV (Cum Income)

The value of investments and cash, including current year revenue, less liabilities (prior charges such as loans, debenture stock and preference shares at fair value).

#### NAV (Ex Income)

The value of investments and cash, excluding current year revenue, less liabilities (prior charges such as loans, debenture stock and preference shares at fair value).

#### NAV total return

The theoretical total return on shareholders' funds per share reflecting the change in Net Asset Value (NAV) assuming that dividends paid to shareholders were reinvested at NAV at the time the shares were quoted ex-dividend. A way of measuring investment management performance of investment trusts which is not affected by movements in discounts/premiums.

#### Net assets

Total assets minus any liabilities such as bank loans or creditors.

#### Net cash

A company's net exposure to cash/cash equivalents expressed as a percentage of shareholders' funds, after any offset against its gearing. This is only shown for companies that have gearing in place.

### Net gearing

A company's total assets (less cash/cash equivalents) divided by shareholders' funds expressed as a percentage.

### **Ongoing charges**

The total expenses for the financial year (excluding performance fee), divided by the average daily net assets, multiplied by 100.

### Share price

Closing mid-market share price at month end.

#### Share price total return

The theoretical total return to the investor assuming that all dividends received were reinvested in the shares of the company at the time the shares were quoted ex-dividend. Transaction costs are not taken into account.

#### Total assets

Cum Income NAV multiplied by the number of shares, plus prior charges at fair value.

#### Yield

Calculated by dividing the current financial year's dividends per share (this will include prospective dividends) by the current price per share, then multiplying by 100 to arrive at a percentage figure.

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## Source for fund ratings/awards

Overall Morningstar Rating™ is shown for an investment company achieving a rating of 4 or 5.

### Company specific risks

- This Company is suitable to be used as one component of several within a diversified investment portfolio. Investors should consider carefully the proportion of their portfolio invested in this Company.
- Active management techniques that have worked well in normal market conditions could prove ineffective or negative for performance at other times.
- The Company could lose money if a counterparty with which it trades becomes unwilling or unable to meet its obligations to the Company.
- Shares can lose value rapidly, and typically involve higher risks than bonds or money market instruments. The value of your investment may fall as a result.
- The return on your investment is directly related to the prevailing market price of the Company's shares, which will trade at a varying discount (or premium) relative to the value of the underlying assets of the Company. As a result, losses (or gains) may be higher or lower than those of the Company's assets.
- If a Company's portfolio is concentrated towards a particular country or geographical region, the investment carries greater risk than a portfolio that is diversified across more countries.
- Some of the investments in this portfolio are in smaller company shares. They may be more difficult to buy and sell, and their share prices may fluctuate more than those of larger companies.
- The Company may use gearing (borrowing to invest) as part of its investment strategy. If the Company utilises its ability to gear, the profits and losses incurred by the Company can be greater than those of a Company that does not use gearing.

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