

Investment Fund Services

IFSL Church House UK Equity Growth Fund

Annual Report and Audited
Financial Statements

for the year ended 31 March 2025

IFSL CHURCH HOUSE UK EQUITY GROWTH FUND

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Performance to 31 March 2025

	<u>Six months</u>	<u>1 year</u>	<u>3 years</u>	<u>5 years</u>
IFSL Church House UK Equity Growth Fund	(9.58)%	(5.53)%	0.99%	38.43%
IA UK All Companies sector	(1.14)%	5.02%	10.78%	60.70%

External Source of Economic Data: Morningstar (B Income - quoted price to quoted price, net income reinvested).

The performance figures above are based on quoted prices and will, therefore, differ from the performance in the Comparative Table.

Capital at risk. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance; the value of your investment and any income from it can go down as well as up. Performance returns are based on the net asset value with distributable income reinvested and take account of all ongoing charges, but not entry charges (if applicable). The past performance of this unit class is calculated in sterling.

Investment commentary

Performance statement

Over the twelve months to 31 March 2025 units in the Fund fell 5.53% ('B' Income shares).

Over this period the IA UK All Companies sector gained 5.02%. Whilst the Fund does not have a specific benchmark, you may want to consider its performance against this IA sector.

Market review

The twelve-month period to the end of March saw UK equities higher, the FTSE All-Share Index gained 10.46%, while the FTSE 350 Higher Yield Index gained 15.05%. Banks, Oils and Tobacco make up a significant portion of these market capitalisation weighted indices and were the main drivers of performance. The Fund does not own Oils or Tobaccos. London stocks reversed the trend of underperforming American stocks, as the Trump post-election euphoria wore off in the final quarter of the period. London stocks also outperformed the Euro Stoxx 50 (index of the leading 50 blue-chip European stocks (excl UK), which rose 6.68%.

The UK Bank Rate was cut by 0.75% over the period. August's cut was the first reduction in over four years. The yield* on the ten-year Gilt* rose sharply over the period from 3.9% to 4.7%, mainly as a result of the inaugural Labour budget and wider Trump induced volatility.

Fund performance review

Top performance over the year came from our largest holding, RELX, who continue to harness the strength of their intellectual property (legal and scientific) with the monetary benefits that AI will bring the company.

Amongst the financials, Berkshire Hathaway, who started the calendar year with over \$330bn in cash, began to boost its investments in big Japanese conglomerates (Mitsubishi, Sumitomo, Mitsui etc). London-listed insurer, Beazley, moved to an all-time high in March after increasing profits by over 10% to £1.2bn. This company is benefitting from its diversified lines of underwriting and is now leading the way in cyber risk, which makes up close to 20% of the business.

The UK Equity Growth portfolio focuses on quality companies, which are structural winners, with compounding returns. We like businesses that have strong fundamentals and are price makers (rather than price takers), so when sectors like Oil & Gas and the Banks outperform, we feel the negative effects in relative performance. Since the start of the calendar year, there has been a substantial reversal in this move, and we have seen more opportunities to sharpen up the portfolio.

Running into this period of volatility, we made a start in exiting positions in two consumer discretionary names: JD Sports Fashion and Greggs. Greggs had been hit hard on the back of the Autumn Statement where the increase in National Insurance and minimum wage were going to have adverse effects on the company's balance sheet and ability to maintain margins (an estimated extra £100m a year). To mitigate the effects, the company announced a 5p rise in the price of their sausage rolls (now £1.40) but issued a pessimistic outlook for 2025. We also started exiting JD Sports after a gloomy statement in January where the company warned of a tough future on the back of heavy discounting from their rivals along with the spectre of Trump's tariffs and the effects these will have on their supplies from Adidas, Nike, etc.

In summary, and to be frank, the first quarter of 2025 was a rather torrid period for the UK markets and our UK Equity Growth portfolio, with almost all the losses coming in the month of March. The disparity between the indices was so stark thanks to the outperformance of the big banks and oil giant, Shell, which make up a significant proportion of the headline indices.

Despite the difficulties of the quarter, we remain confident with the underlying strength of the companies in the portfolio. We will use any opportunity of excess market volatility to add to quality businesses on attractive valuations.

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Investment commentary (continued)

Top 15 holdings

RELX	8.82%
Diploma	7.22%
Halma	6.14%
London Stock Exchange Group	4.15%
Beazley	4.08%
Unilever	4.07%
AstraZeneca	3.70%
Investor 'B'	3.67%
Microsoft	3.54%
Auto Trader Group	3.49%
Experian	3.47%
Judges Scientific	3.27%
Spirax-Sarco Engineering	3.10%
Diageo	3.09%
Compass Group	3.02%

Portfolio activity

As mentioned above, we made a start in exiting our holdings in Greggs and JD Sports Fashion, we will use the proceeds to initiate in new UK PLC holdings and top-up existing investments.

We also invested in a new company over the reporting period, Sage. Sage is a Newcastle-upon-Tyne based, multinational enterprise software company, and one of the largest technology companies in the UK. After Oracle and SAP, it is the world's third largest supplier of enterprise resource planning software (think payroll, finance and accounting etc.) and the largest supplier to small businesses worldwide. With attractive fundamentals, it has delivered strong sales growth and increased profit margins despite its competitive sector. Once a customer (company) is fully embedded with Sage's software it is a long, complicated, and tedious process to switch to a competitor, hence recurring revenues are so strong (at 97%). We initiated in the business just below £10 a share in late October and early November, and they have since gained back their year-to-date losses after a strong results statement at the end of November, where they maintained revenue growth and forward guidance, but delivered strong beats in operating margin. We will continue to add to this holding as and when opportunities arise.

Investment outlook

With inflation figures steady, the Bank of England starting to reduce base rates and a stable UK government presiding over affairs, there is plenty of reason for UK optimism. Given an alarming number of geopolitical concerns, not least, the erratic rhetoric of the US president, one would hope that UK equities may reverse the recent trend of outflows. An argument furthered by the continued valuation discount of the UK stock market vs its international peers and evidenced by the high number of bids for UK companies.

As ever, there are potential risks to domestic and global markets. An escalating trade war threatens global growth and could reinvigorate inflation. The continued focus of the Fund will be picking high quality businesses, both domestic and multinational, with strong balance sheets and globally diverse supply chains.

Church House Investments Limited

23 April 2025

Explanation of terms*

Gilts - UK government bonds.

Yield - the income from an investment, usually stated as a percentage of the value of the investment.

Distributions

	<u>Year 2025</u>	<u>Year 2024</u>	<u>Year 2023</u>	<u>Year 2022</u>
<u>A Income (pence per unit)</u>				
Net income paid 31 May	-	-	0.2726	0.1690
Net income paid 30 November		0.6807	0.4292	0.2320
<u>A Accumulation (pence per unit)</u>				
Net accumulation paid 31 May	-	-	0.3296	0.1760
Net accumulation paid 30 November		0.8336	0.5399	0.2790

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Distributions (continued)

	<u>Year 2025</u>	<u>Year 2024</u>	<u>Year 2023</u>	<u>Year 2022</u>
<u>B Income (pence per unit)</u>				
Net income paid 31 May	0.5873	0.5730	0.8410	0.8510
Net income paid 30 November		1.3391	1.0326	0.8250
<u>B Accumulation (pence per unit)</u>				
Net accumulation paid 31 May	0.7636	0.7356	1.0764	1.0490
Net accumulation paid 30 November		1.7292	1.3216	1.0510
<u>Z Income (pence per unit)</u>				
Net income paid 31 May	0.8828	0.8359	1.1002	1.1300
Net income paid 30 November		1.6382	1.3029	1.0920
<u>Z Accumulation (pence per unit)</u>				
Net accumulation paid 31 May	1.1462	0.9830	1.3886	1.4210
Net accumulation paid 30 November		2.1131	1.6415	1.3870

Portfolio changes

<u>Largest purchases</u>	<u>Cost (£)</u>
ARM Holdings ADR	1,329,235
IFSL Church House UK Smaller Companies 'B'	769,506
Sage Group	763,294
Croda International	360,526
Ashtead Group	249,829
Judges Scientific	183,477
Young & Co's Brewery 'A'	94,580
Greggs	91,171
Experian	84,478
Diageo	26,055
Total purchases for the year	3,952,151
<u>Largest sales</u>	<u>Proceeds (£)</u>
Fevertree Drinks	1,141,825
Young & Co's Brewery 'A'	988,913
Greggs	735,495
JD Sports Fashion	607,562
Unilever	475,432
Schroders	422,473
Investor 'B'	332,391
Diploma	223,700
Compass Group	123,343
RELX	91,227
Other sales	80,666
Total sales for the year	5,223,027

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AUTHORISED STATUS

IFSL Church House UK Equity Growth Fund (the Fund) is an authorised unit trust scheme within the meaning of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 and is a UCITS scheme operating under the Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook (COLL) as issued by the Financial Conduct Authority.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Investment objective

The investment objective of the Fund is to provide capital growth, which is profit on an investment, over the long term (at least five years).

Investment policy

The Fund is actively managed, which means the Investment Manager decides which investments to buy or sell and when.

At least 80% of the Fund will be invested in shares, also known as equities, of UK companies (those listed, incorporated or domiciled in the UK).

At least 80% of the Fund will be invested in the shares of large companies, either in the UK or overseas. The Investment Manager defines large companies as those with a minimum market capitalisation (the market value of a company's shares) of at least £1bn at the time of initial purchase.

Up to 20% of the Fund may be invested in other assets, including the shares of companies with a smaller capitalisation, the shares of overseas companies, bonds (which are loans typically issued by companies and governments), other funds and money market instruments (which are short-term loans).

Up to 10% of the Fund may be invested in units/shares in other funds (which could include other funds managed by the Authorised Corporate Director, the Investment Manager or one of their associates).

The Fund may hold up to 20% in cash to enable the ready settlement of liabilities, for the efficient management of the portfolio or in pursuit of the Fund's investment objective.

The Fund does not invest in derivatives.

Assessing performance

The Investment Association (IA), the trade body for UK investment managers, has created a number of 'sectors', as a way of dividing funds into broad groups with similar characteristics.

The Fund's investment policy puts it in the IA UK All Companies sector. The Fund is not managed to a benchmark, however you may want to assess the Fund's performance compared to the performance of this sector.

Rights and terms attaching to each unit class

A unit of each class represents a proportional entitlement to the assets of the Fund. The allocation of income and taxation and the rights of each unit in the event the Fund is wound up are on the same proportional basis.

Assessment of value

The AFM is required to carry out an assessment of value at least annually and publish its findings in a report to investors. The Fund is assessed and reported on, in a composite report, which the AFM publishes on the website www.ifslfunds.com. The next report is expected to be published by 31 December 2025.

Task force on climate-related financial disclosures

A statement of the climate-related financial disclosures is published on the website <https://www.ifslfunds.com/tcf-reporting>.

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Changes in prospectus

On 9 April 2024, the Fund's investment objective and policy was updated to make it clearer to investors how the Fund is managed. This update does not change the way the Fund is managed in any way and is for clarification purposes only.

On 1 June 2024, SS&C Financial Services International Limited became the administrator and registrar of the Fund. Prior to this date the administrator and registrar was IFSL.

On 1 July 2024, the calculation method of the Annual Management Charge (AMC) and Trustee fees was changed from monthly to daily. This change will slightly vary the fees, resulting in either a small increase or decrease dependent upon how the Fund's value changes throughout a calendar month. Our aim is to ensure that the fees paid accurately reflect the amount due and any difference between the two calculation methods is expected to be minimal.

Up to date Key Investor Information Documents, Prospectus and Long Reports and Financial Statements for any fund within the AFM's range, can be requested by the investor at any time.

Remuneration policy

In line with the requirements of UCITS V, Investment Fund Services Limited, the Authorised Fund Manager (AFM), is subject to a remuneration policy which is consistent with the principles outlined in the European Securities and Markets Authority guidelines on sound remuneration policies under UCITS V. The remuneration policies are designed to ensure that any relevant conflicts of interest can be managed appropriately at all times and that the remuneration of its senior staff is in line with the risk policies and objectives of the UCITS funds it manages.

The quantitative remuneration disclosures as at 30 September 2024 (the AFM's year end) are set out below:

	Number of identified staff	Total remuneration paid	Fixed remuneration paid	Variable remuneration paid
		£	£	£
Remuneration paid to staff of the AFM who have a material impact on the risk profile of the Fund				
Senior management	9	1,081,108	962,506	118,602
Risk takers and other identified staff	4	462,168	394,482	67,686
Allocation of total remuneration of the employees of the AFM to the Fund				
Senior management	0.05	6,171	5,494	677
Risk takers and other identified staff	0.02	2,638	2,252	386

The total number of staff employed by the AFM's group was 160 as at 30 September 2024. The total remuneration paid to those staff was £12,940,045, of which £4,003,974 is attributable to the AFM.

The allocation of remuneration to the Fund is based on Assets Under Management (AUM) and the figures disclosed only include remuneration paid to individuals directly employed by the AFM's group. The way these disclosures are calculated may change in the future.

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DIRECTORS' STATEMENT

This report has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook as issued and amended by the Financial Conduct Authority.



Allan Hamer
Director



Helen Redmond
Director

Investment Fund Services Limited
3 July 2025

STATEMENT OF AUTHORISED FUND MANAGER'S RESPONSIBILITIES

The Financial Conduct Authority's Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook (COLL) requires the Authorised Fund Manager (AFM) to prepare financial statements for each accounting year which give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Fund and of the net revenue and net capital losses on the scheme property of the Fund for the year.

In preparing those financial statements the AFM is required to:

- comply with the disclosure requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice relating to UK Authorised Funds issued in May 2014 and amended in June 2017;
- follow United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice and applicable accounting standards;
- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Fund will continue in operation.

The AFM is required to keep proper accounting records and to manage the Fund in accordance with the COLL rules, the Trust Deed and the Prospectus. The AFM is responsible for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The AFM is responsible for ensuring that, to the best of its knowledge and belief, there is no relevant audit information of which the auditor is unaware. It is the responsibility of the AFM to take all necessary steps to familiarise itself with any relevant audit information and to establish that the auditor is aware of that information.

STATEMENT OF THE TRUSTEE'S RESPONSIBILITIES AND REPORT OF THE TRUSTEE

Statement of the Trustee's Responsibilities and Report of the Trustee to the Unitholders of IFSL Church House UK Equity Growth Fund ("the Scheme") for the Period Ended 31 March 2025.

The Trustee must ensure that the Scheme is managed in accordance with the Financial Conduct Authority's Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook, the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000, as amended, (together "the Regulations"), the Trust Deed and Prospectus (together "the Scheme documents") as detailed below.

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

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

The Trustee must ensure that:

- the Scheme's cash flows are properly monitored and that cash of the Scheme is booked into the cash accounts in accordance with the Regulations;
- the sale, issue, redemption and cancellation of units are carried out in accordance with the Regulations;
- the value of units in the Scheme is calculated in accordance with the Regulations;
- any consideration relating to transactions in the Scheme's assets is remitted to the Scheme within the usual time limits;
- the Scheme's income is applied in accordance with the Regulations; and
- the instructions of the Authorised Fund Manager ("the AFM") are carried out (unless they conflict with the Regulations).

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

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

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

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

NatWest Trustee & Depositary Services Limited
3 July 2025

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE UNITHOLDERS OF IFSL CHURCH HOUSE UK EQUITY GROWTH FUND

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of IFSL Church House UK Equity Fund ("the Fund") for the year ended 31 March 2025, which comprise the Statement of Total Return, the Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Unitholders, the Balance Sheet, the related notes and the Distribution Tables, and the accounting policies of the Fund, which include a summary of significant accounting policies. 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 to the UK and Republic of Ireland' (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Fund as at 31 March 2025 and of the net revenue and the net capital losses on the scheme property of the Fund for the year then ended; and
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

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 below. 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 Financial Reporting Council's (the "FRC") 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 Manager'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 12 months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the Manager with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report. However, because not all future events or conditions can be predicted, this statement is not a guarantee as to the Fund's ability to continue as a going concern.

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 Manager 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 this 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 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 the other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE UNITHOLDERS OF IFSL CHURCH HOUSE UK EQUITY GROWTH FUND

Opinions on other matters prescribed by the rules of the Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook of the Financial Conduct Authority ("the FCA")

In our opinion:

- the financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice relating to Authorised Funds, the rules of the Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook of the FCA and the Trust Deed; and
- there is nothing to indicate that adequate accounting records have not been kept or that the financial statements are not in agreement with those records; and
- the information given in the AFM's report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matter in relation to which the Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook of the FCA requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- we have not received all the information and explanations which, to the best of our knowledge and belief, are necessary for the purposes of our audit.

Responsibilities of the AFM

As explained more fully in the Manager's responsibilities statement set out on page 6, the Manager 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 control as the Manager 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 Manager 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 Manager either intends to wind up or terminate the Fund or to cease operations, or has 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.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE UNITHOLDERS OF IFSL CHURCH HOUSE UK EQUITY GROWTH FUND

Explanation as to what extent the audit was considered capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect irregularities, including fraud. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement due to fraud is higher than the risk of not detecting one resulting from error, as fraud may involve deliberate concealment by, for example, forgery or intentional misrepresentations, or through collusion. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below. However, the primary responsibility for the prevention and detection of fraud rests with both those charged with governance of the entity and management.

Our approach was as follows:

- We obtained an understanding of the legal and regulatory frameworks that are applicable to the Fund and determined that the most significant are United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (UK GAAP), Investment Management Association's Statement of Recommended Practice (IMA SORP), the FCA Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook, the Fund's Trust Deed and the Prospectus.
- We understood how the Fund is complying with those frameworks through discussions with the Manager and the Fund's administrator and a review of the Fund's documented policies and procedures.
- We assessed the susceptibility of the Fund's financial statements to material misstatement, including how fraud might occur by considering the risk of management override, specifically management's propensity to influence revenue and amounts available for distribution. We identified a fraud risk in relation to incomplete or inaccurate revenue recognition through incorrect classification of special dividends and the resulting impact to amounts available for distribution. In response to our fraud risk, we tested the appropriateness of management's classification of a sample of special dividends as either a capital or revenue return.
- Based on this understanding we designed our audit procedures to identify non-compliance with such laws and regulations. Our procedures involved review of the reporting to the Manager with respect to the application of the documented policies and procedures and review of the financial statements to test compliance with the reporting requirements of the Fund.
- Due to the regulated nature of the Fund, the Statutory Auditor considered the experience and expertise of the engagement team to ensure that the team had the appropriate competence and capabilities to identify non-compliance with the applicable laws and regulations.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the FRC's website at <https://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 unitholders, as a body, pursuant to Paragraph 4.5.12 of the rules of the Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook of the FCA. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Fund's unitholders those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's 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 unitholders as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Ernst & Young LLP
Statutory Auditor
Edinburgh

3 July 2025

Notes:

1. The maintenance and integrity of the Investment Fund Services Limited website is the responsibility of the AFM; the work carried out by the auditors does not involve consideration of these matters and, accordingly, the auditors accept no responsibility for any changes that may have occurred to the financial statements since they were initially presented on the website.
2. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

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COMPARATIVE TABLE

A Income units

Change in net assets per unit

	Year to 31.03.2025 pence	Year to 31.03.2024 pence	Year to 31.03.2023 pence
Opening net asset value per unit	204.41	188.99	193.56
Return before operating charges*	(9.05)	18.79	(1.27)
Operating charges	(3.20)	(2.94)	(2.80)
Return after operating charges*	(12.25)	15.85	(4.07)
Distributions on income units	(0.68)	(0.43)	(0.50)
Closing net asset value per unit	191.48	204.41	188.99

* after direct transaction costs of:

0.03 0.04 0.11

Performance

Return after charges^A

(5.99)% 8.39% (2.10)%

Other information

Closing net asset value	49,252,757	52,879,236	50,873,688
Closing number of units	25,721,863	25,869,035	26,918,116
Operating charges	1.55% ^B	1.55% ^B	1.56%
Direct transaction costs	0.01%	0.02%	0.06%

Prices (pence per unit)

Highest unit price	215.00	204.60	197.80
Lowest unit price	191.50	172.80	165.80

A Accumulation units

Change in net assets per unit

	Year to 31.03.2025 pence	Year to 31.03.2024 pence	Year to 31.03.2023 pence
Opening net asset value per unit	250.30	230.86	235.78
Return before operating charges*	(11.16)	23.04	(1.50)
Operating charges	(3.92)	(3.60)	(3.42)
Return after operating charges*	(15.08)	19.44	(4.92)
Distributions on accumulation units	(0.83)	(0.54)	(0.61)
Retained distributions on accumulation units	0.83	0.54	0.61
Closing net asset value per unit	235.22	250.30	230.86

* after direct transaction costs of:

0.03 0.04 0.13

Performance

Return after charges^A

(6.02)% 8.42% (2.09)%

Other information

Closing net asset value	4,400,037	4,973,646	4,748,013
Closing number of units	1,870,626	1,987,107	2,056,677
Operating charges	1.55% ^B	1.55% ^B	1.56%
Direct transaction costs	0.01%	0.02%	0.06%

Prices (pence per unit)

Highest unit price	263.30	250.50	240.90
Lowest unit price	235.30	211.60	202.20

^A The return after charges is calculated using the underlying investments bid prices.

^B On 30 November 2023, The Investment Association amended the disclosure of fund charges and costs originally issued on the 2 July 2020. Consequently, we have excluded, where relevant, charges incurred by closed-ended vehicles such as investment trusts.

IFSL CHURCH HOUSE UK EQUITY GROWTH FUND

COMPARATIVE TABLE

B Income units

Change in net assets per unit

	Year to 31.03.2025 pence	Year to 31.03.2024 pence	Year to 31.03.2023 pence
Opening net asset value per unit	206.42	190.82	195.47
Return before operating charges*	(9.17)	18.99	(1.28)
Operating charges	(1.93)	(1.78)	(1.70)
Return after operating charges*	(11.10)	17.21	(2.98)
Distributions on income units	(1.93)	(1.61)	(1.67)
Closing net asset value per unit	193.39	206.42	190.82

* after direct transaction costs of:

0.03 0.04 0.11

Performance

Return after charges^A (5.38)% 9.02% (1.52)%

Other information

Closing net asset value	14,331,231	16,462,565	14,331,784
Closing number of units	7,410,406	7,975,422	7,510,801
Operating charges	0.92% ^B	0.92% ^B	0.93%
Direct transaction costs	0.01%	0.02%	0.06%

Prices (pence per unit)

Highest unit price	217.70	207.20	199.80
Lowest unit price	194.00	174.50	167.40

B Accumulation units

Change in net assets per unit

	Year to 31.03.2025 pence	Year to 31.03.2024 pence	Year to 31.03.2023 pence
Opening net asset value per unit	266.36	244.17	247.80
Return before operating charges*	(11.99)	24.47	(1.47)
Operating charges	(2.49)	(2.28)	(2.16)
Return after operating charges*	(14.48)	22.19	(3.63)
Distributions on accumulation units	(2.49)	(2.06)	(2.13)
Retained distributions on accumulation units	2.49	2.06	2.13
Closing net asset value per unit	251.88	266.36	244.17

* after direct transaction costs of:

0.04 0.05 0.14

Performance

Return after charges^A (5.44)% 9.09% (1.46)%

Other information

Closing net asset value	12,321,458	12,572,100	11,164,522
Closing number of units	4,891,782	4,719,905	4,572,431
Operating charges	0.92% ^B	0.92% ^B	0.93%
Direct transaction costs	0.01%	0.02%	0.06%

Prices (pence per unit)

Highest unit price	281.00	266.60	253.20
Lowest unit price	252.00	224.60	213.30

^A The return after charges is calculated using the underlying investments bid prices.

^B On 30 November 2023, The Investment Association amended the disclosure of fund charges and costs originally issued on the 2 July 2020. Consequently, we have excluded, where relevant, charges incurred by closed-ended vehicles such as investment trusts.

IFSL CHURCH HOUSE UK EQUITY GROWTH FUND

COMPARATIVE TABLE

Z Income units

Change in net assets per unit

	Year to 31.03.2025 pence	Year to 31.03.2024 pence	Year to 31.03.2023 pence
Opening net asset value per unit	208.45	192.70	197.41
Return before operating charges*	(9.27)	19.15	(1.31)
Operating charges	(1.37)	(1.26)	(1.21)
Return after operating charges*	(10.64)	17.89	(2.52)
Distributions on income units	(2.52)	(2.14)	(2.19)
Closing net asset value per unit	195.29	208.45	192.70

* after direct transaction costs of:

0.03 0.04 0.11

Performance

Return after charges^A (5.10)% 9.28% (1.28)%

Other information

Closing net asset value	3,028,596	3,506,066	3,752,256
Closing number of units	1,550,809	1,681,931	1,947,244
Operating charges	0.65% ^B	0.65% ^B	0.66%
Direct transaction costs	0.01%	0.02%	0.06%

Prices (pence per unit)

Highest unit price	220.20	209.50	201.80
Lowest unit price	196.20	176.30	169.10

Z Accumulation units

Change in net assets per unit

	Year to 31.03.2025 pence	Year to 31.03.2024 pence	Year to 31.03.2023 pence
Opening net asset value per unit	268.89	245.96	248.94
Return before operating charges*	(12.16)	24.53	(1.45)
Operating charges	(1.77)	(1.60)	(1.53)
Return after operating charges*	(13.93)	22.93	(2.98)
Distributions on accumulation units	(3.26)	(2.62)	(2.78)
Retained distributions on accumulation units	3.26	2.62	2.78
Closing net asset value per unit	254.96	268.89	245.96

* after direct transaction costs of:

0.04 0.05 0.14

Performance

Return after charges^A (5.18)% 9.32% (1.20)%

Other information

Closing net asset value	1,496,051	2,105,918	6,177,197
Closing number of units	586,780	783,186	2,511,473
Operating charges	0.65% ^B	0.65% ^B	0.66%
Direct transaction costs	0.01%	0.02%	0.06%

Prices (pence per unit)

Highest unit price	284.00	269.10	254.40
Lowest unit price	255.00	226.60	214.60

^A The return after charges is calculated using the underlying investments bid prices.

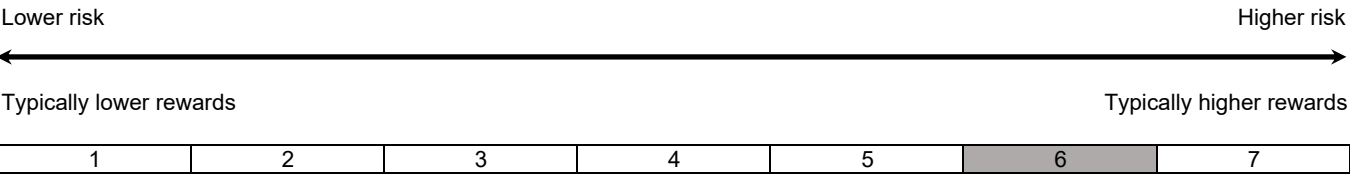
^B On 30 November 2023, The Investment Association amended the disclosure of fund charges and costs originally issued on the 2 July 2020. Consequently, we have excluded, where relevant, charges incurred by closed-ended vehicles such as investment trusts.

Operating charges are normally the same as the Ongoing Charges Figures (OCFs) and are the total expenses paid by each unit class in the year. Where it is considered unsuitable to use the total expenses paid by each unit class in the year to calculate the OCF because of material changes to the Fund's charges an estimate will be calculated instead. The OCFs disclosed in the Key Investor Information Document (KIID) (available on IFSL's website, www.ifslfunds.com) give an estimate of future costs.

Direct transaction costs are the total charges for the year, included in the purchase and sale of investments in the portfolio of the Fund. These amounts are expressed as a percentage of the average net asset value over the year and the average units in issue for the pence per unit figures.

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SYNTHETIC RISK AND REWARD INDICATOR (all unit classes)



This indicator aims to give you a measure of the price movement of the Fund based on past data. It uses historic returns over the last five years. If five years' data is not available, simulated data based on a representative portfolio are used.

The Fund has been measured as 6 because its investments have experienced high volatility in the past. During the year the synthetic risk and reward indicator has remained unchanged.

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PORTFOLIO STATEMENT

as at 31 March 2025

Holding or nominal value	Bid value £	Percentage of total net assets %
UNITED KINGDOM EQUITIES (31 March 2024 - 80.20%)		
Communication Services (31 March 2024 - 3.01%)		
400,000 Auto Trader Group	2,959,200	3.49
Total Communication Services	2,959,200	3.49
Consumer Discretionary (31 March 2024 - 16.94%)		
100,000 Compass Group	2,559,000	3.02
90,000 Greggs	1,566,000	1.85
30,000 InterContinental Hotels Group	2,469,000	2.91
973,547 JD Sports Fashion	675,058	0.79
33,771 The Berkeley Group Holdings	1,206,300	1.42
600,000 Trainline	1,634,400	1.93
Total Consumer Discretionary	10,109,758	11.92
Consumer Staples (31 March 2024 - 9.70%)		
131,107 Diageo	2,624,107	3.09
75,000 Unilever	3,452,250	4.07
Total Consumer Staples	6,076,357	7.16
Financials (31 March 2024 - 8.03%)		
378,000 Beazley	3,458,700	4.08
30,500 London Stock Exchange Group	3,521,225	4.15
418,386 Schroders	1,445,942	1.70
Total Financials	8,425,867	9.93
Health Care (31 March 2024 - 3.24%)		
28,000 AstraZeneca	3,141,600	3.70
Total Health Care	3,141,600	3.70
Industrials (31 March 2024 - 30.71%)		
55,000 Ashtead Group	2,272,050	2.68
160,000 Diploma	6,121,600	7.22
82,500 Experian	2,945,250	3.47
270,000 Howden Joinery Group	1,942,650	2.29
35,000 Judges Scientific	2,772,000	3.27
192,500 RELX	7,480,550	8.82
42,500 Spirax-Sarco Engineering	2,635,000	3.10
Total Industrials	26,169,100	30.85
Information Technology (31 March 2024 - 5.12%)		
202,500 Halma	5,212,350	6.14
75,000 Sage Group	903,750	1.07
Total Information Technology	6,116,100	7.21
Materials (31 March 2024 - 3.45%)		
75,000 Croda International	2,163,000	2.55
Total Materials	2,163,000	2.55
Total United Kingdom Equities	65,160,982	76.81
EUROPEAN EQUITIES (31 March 2024 - 7.42%)		
135,000 Investor 'B'	3,109,864	3.67
5,000 L'Oréal	1,424,582	1.68
10,000 Roche Holding	2,555,661	3.01
Total European Equities	7,090,107	8.36

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PORTFOLIO STATEMENT

as at 31 March 2025

Holding or nominal value		Bid value £	Percentage of total net assets %
UNITED STATES EQUITIES (31 March 2024 - 8.35%)			
20,000	Alphabet 'A'	2,385,531	2.81
15,000	ARM Holdings ADR	1,249,227	1.47
5,500	Berkshire Hathaway 'B'	2,236,091	2.64
10,250	Microsoft	3,000,292	3.54
	Total United States Equities	8,871,141	10.46
COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES (31 March 2024 - 1.63%)			
1,533,198	IFSL Church House UK Smaller Companies 'B' ^A	2,178,674	2.57
	Total Collective Investment Schemes	2,178,674	2.57
	Portfolio of investments	83,300,904	98.20
	Net other assets	1,529,226	1.80
	Total net assets	84,830,130	100.00

^A A related party of the Authorised Fund Manager, Investment Fund Services Limited.

All investments are listed on recognised stock exchanges and are approved securities or regulated collective investment schemes within the meaning of the FCA rules unless otherwise stated.

IFSL CHURCH HOUSE UK EQUITY GROWTH FUND

STATEMENT OF TOTAL RETURN

for the year ended 31 March 2025

	Notes	31 March 2025		31 March 2024	
		£	£	£	£
Income:					
Net capital (losses)/gains	4		(5,664,604)		6,902,051
Revenue	6	1,728,015		1,578,282	
Expenses	7	<u>(1,196,704)</u>		<u>(1,129,615)</u>	
Net revenue before taxation		531,311		448,667	
Taxation	8	<u>(21,005)</u>		<u>(24,092)</u>	
Net revenue after taxation			<u>510,306</u>		<u>424,575</u>
Total return before distributions			(5,154,298)		7,326,626
Distributions	9		(527,633)		(430,984)
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities			<u>(5,681,931)</u>		<u>6,895,642</u>

STATEMENT OF CHANGE IN NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTABLE TO UNITHOLDERS

for the year ended 31 March 2025

	31 March 2025		31 March 2024	
	£	£	£	£
Opening net assets attributable to unitholders		92,499,531		91,047,460
Amounts receivable on issue of units	5,522,524		5,038,317	
Amounts payable on cancellation of units	<u>(7,666,096)</u>		<u>(10,629,703)</u>	
Amounts payable on unit class conversions				
			<u>(12)</u>	
		(2,143,899)		(5,591,398)
Dilution adjustment		-		2,003
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities		(5,681,931)		6,895,642
Retained distribution on accumulation units		156,429		145,824
Closing net assets attributable to unitholders		<u>84,830,130</u>		<u>92,499,531</u>

IFSL CHURCH HOUSE UK EQUITY GROWTH FUND

BALANCE SHEET

as at 31 March 2025

	Notes	31 March 2025 £	31 March 2024 £
Assets:			
Fixed Assets:			
Investments	17	83,300,904	90,275,904
Current Assets:			
Debtors	10	365,573	299,699
Cash and cash equivalents	12	1,514,490	2,378,367
Total assets		<u>85,180,967</u>	<u>92,953,970</u>
Liabilities:			
Creditors:			
Bank overdrafts		125,650	24,808
Distribution payable on income units		57,214	59,766
Other creditors	11	167,973	369,865
Total liabilities		<u>350,837</u>	<u>454,439</u>
Net assets attributable to unitholders		<u>84,830,130</u>	<u>92,499,531</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the year ended 31 March 2025

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in compliance with UK Financial Reporting Standard 102 ("FRS 102") and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice ("SORP") for UK Authorised Funds issued by the Investment Association in May 2014 and amended in June 2017.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the Fund. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest pound.

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost convention, modified to include the revaluation of investments and certain financial instruments at fair value.

There are no material events that have been identified that may cast significant doubt about the Fund's ability to continue as a going concern for at least the next twelve months from the date these financial statements are authorised for issue. The Authorised Fund Manager (AFM) believes that the Fund has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future and they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

Revenue

Dividends from quoted ordinary securities are recognised when the security is quoted ex-dividend.

Dividends from non-quoted securities are recognised when the right to receive payment is established.

Bank interest is accounted for on an accruals basis.

Allocation of revenue

Revenue, attributable after expenses to multiple unit classes, with the exception of the AFM's periodic charge, which is directly attributable to individual unit classes, is allocated to unit classes pro-rata to the value of the net assets of the relevant unit class on the day that the revenue is incurred.

Expenses

All expenses, other than those relating to purchase and sale of investments, are charged against revenue on an accruals basis.

Distributions from Collective Investment Schemes

Distributions received from investments in collective investment schemes may include an element of equalisation which represents the average amount of revenue included in the price paid for the shares. Equalisation is treated as a return of capital for taxation purposes and does not carry a tax credit.

Valuation

The valuation point was 12:00 on 31 March 2025 being the last valuation point of the accounting year.

Listed investments are valued at fair value which is the bid price.

Investments in collective investment schemes have been valued at cancellation price for dual-priced funds or the single price for single priced funds, using the latest available published prices at the period end.

Taxation

Corporation tax has been provided for at 20% on taxable income less expenses. Deferred taxation is provided on a full provision basis on timing differences arising from the different treatment of items for accounting and tax purposes. Potential future liabilities and assets are recognised where the transactions, or events giving rise to them, occurred before the balance sheet date.

Exchange rates

Assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the exchange rates prevailing at 12:00 on 31 March 2025 being the last valuation point of the accounting year. Revenue and expenditure transactions are translated at the rates of exchange ruling on the dates of the transactions. Exchange differences on such transactions follow the same treatment as the principal amounts.

2 DISTRIBUTION POLICIES

The distribution policy of the Fund is to distribute or accumulate all available revenue, after deduction of expenses properly chargeable against revenue. Gains and losses on non-derivative instruments and currencies, whether realised or unrealised, are taken to capital and are not available for distribution. Revenue recognised from holdings in accumulation shares in collective investment schemes is included in the amount available for distribution.

During the year, the Fund was less than 60% invested in qualifying investments (as defined by SI 2006/964, Reg. 20) and therefore qualified as an equity fund. The Fund paid dividend distributions.

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DISTRIBUTION POLICIES (continued)

Equalisation

Equalisation applies only to units purchased during the distribution period. It is the average amount of income included in the purchase price of all group 2 units and is refunded to holders of these units as a return of capital. Being capital it is not liable to UK income tax but must be deducted from the cost of the units for UK capital gains tax purposes.

Stock and special dividends

The ordinary element of stock 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 of the Fund. In the case of an enhanced stock dividend, the value of the enhancement is treated as capital and does not form part of any distribution.

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 of the Fund. Amounts recognised as capital are deducted from the cost of the investment. The tax accounting treatment follows the treatment of the principal amount.

3 RISK MANAGEMENT POLICIES

In pursuing its investment objective, the Fund holds a number of financial instruments. The Fund's financial instruments comprise securities held in accordance with the investment objectives and policies together with cash balances, debtors and creditors that arise directly from its operations, for example, in respect of sales and purchases awaiting settlement, amounts receivable for issues and payable for redemptions and debtors for accrued income.

The main risks arising from the Fund's financial instruments and the AFM's policies for managing these risks are summarised below. These policies have been applied throughout the year.

The Fund is managed according to COLL 5, 'Investment and Borrowing Powers' which helps achieve the statutory objective of protecting consumers by laying down the minimum standards for the investments that may be held by an authorised fund. In particular: (a) the proportion of transferable securities and derivatives that may be held by the authorised fund is restricted if those transferable securities and derivatives are not listed on an eligible market. The intention of this is to restrict the transferable securities and derivatives that cannot be accurately valued and readily disposed of; and (b) the authorised funds are required to comply with a number of investment rules that require the spreading of risk.

Market price risk

Market price risk is the risk that the value of the Fund's investment holdings will fluctuate as a result of changes in market prices caused by factors other than interest rate or foreign currency movement. Market price risk arises mainly from uncertainty about future prices of financial instruments the Fund holds. It represents the potential loss the Fund might suffer through holding market positions in the face of price movements. The Fund's investment portfolio is exposed to market price fluctuations which are monitored by the AFM in pursuance of the investment objective and policy as set out in the Prospectus.

Investment limits set out in the Trust Deed, Prospectus and in the rules contained in the Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook mitigate the risk of excessive exposure to any particular security or issuer.

Foreign currency risk

The income and capital value of the Fund's investments can be affected by foreign currency translation movements as some of the Fund's assets and income may be denominated in currencies other than sterling which is the Fund's functional currency.

The AFM has identified three principal areas where foreign currency risk could impact the Fund. These are, movements in exchange rates affecting the value of investments, short-term timing differences such as exposure to exchange rate movements during the period between when an investment purchase or sale is entered into and the date when settlement of the investment occurs, and finally movements in exchange rates affecting income received by the Fund. The Fund converts all receipts of income received in currency into sterling on the day of receipt.

Credit and counterparty risk

Certain transactions in securities that the Fund enters into expose it to the risk that the counterparty will not deliver the investment for a purchase, or cash for a sale after the Fund has fulfilled its responsibilities. The Fund only buys and sells investments through brokers which have been approved by the AFM as an acceptable counterparty.

Interest rate risk

Interest receivable on bank deposits or payable on bank overdraft positions will be affected by fluctuations in interest rates. The Fund's cash holdings are held in deposit accounts, whose rates are determined by the banks concerned on a daily basis.

Liquidity risk

The Fund's assets comprise mainly of readily realisable securities. The main liability of the Fund is the redemption of any units that investors wish to sell. Assets of the Fund may need to be sold if insufficient cash is available to finance such redemptions. The liquidity of the Fund's assets is regularly reviewed by the AFM.

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4 NET CAPITAL (LOSSES)/GAINS

31 March 2025

31 March 2024

£

£

The net (losses)/gains on investments during the year comprise:

Non-derivative securities (losses)/gains

(5,668,578)

6,905,624

Currency gains/(losses)

4,436

(3,162)

Transaction charges

(462)

(411)

Net capital (losses)/gains

(5,664,604)

6,902,051

5 PURCHASES, SALES AND TRANSACTION COSTS

31 March 2025

31 March 2024

£

£

Purchases excluding transaction costs:

Equities

3,173,548

3,734,821

Collective investment schemes

769,506

104,175

3,943,054

3,838,996

Equities:

Commissions

1,664

2,313

Taxes and other charges

7,433

8,845

Total purchases transaction costs

9,097

11,158

Purchases including transaction costs

3,952,151

3,850,154

Purchases transaction costs expressed as a percentage of the principal amount:

Equities:

Commissions

0.05%

0.06%

Taxes and other charges

0.23%

0.24%

Sales excluding transaction costs:

Equities

5,226,126

11,300,317

5,226,126

11,300,317

Equities:

Commissions

(3,079)

(5,590)

Taxes and other charges

(20)

(17)

Total sales transaction costs

(3,099)

(5,607)

Sales net of transaction costs

5,223,027

11,294,710

Sales transaction costs expressed as a percentage of the principal amount:

Equities:

Commissions

0.06%

0.05%

Taxes and other charges

0.00%

0.00%

Total purchases and sales transaction costs expressed as a percentage of the average net asset value over the year:

Commissions

0.00%

0.01%

Taxes and other charges

0.01%

0.01%

0.01%

0.02%

Transaction costs are commissions paid to agents, levies by regulatory agencies and securities exchanges, and transfer taxes and duties associated with investment transactions on the Fund. These exclude any differences between quoted bid and offer prices or internal administrative on holding costs.

Transaction handling charges

These are charges payable to the trustee in respect of each transaction:

462

411

Average portfolio dealing spread

This spread represents the difference between the values determined respectively by reference to the bid and offer prices of investments expressed as a percentage of the value determined by reference to the offer price.

Average portfolio dealing spread at the balance sheet date

0.07%

0.19%

6 REVENUE

31 March 2025

31 March 2024

£

£

UK dividends

1,460,779

1,263,129

Overseas dividends

202,955

249,199

Renewal commission

13,859

-

Bank interest

50,422

65,954

Total revenue

1,728,015

1,578,282

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the year ended 31 March 2025

7 EXPENSES

	31 March 2025 £	31 March 2024 £
Payable to the AFM or associate:		
AFM's periodic charge	1,152,648	1,086,616
Registration fees	560	608
KIID fee	1,778	1,804
	<u>1,154,986</u>	<u>1,089,028</u>
Other expenses:		
Trustee's fees	24,428	23,568
Safe custody fees	1,993	3,010
Financial Conduct Authority fee	150	150
Audit fee	8,713	7,128
EMX/Calastone fee	4,661	5,885
Bank interest	1,773	846
	<u>41,718</u>	<u>40,587</u>
Total expenses	<u><u>1,196,704</u></u>	<u><u>1,129,615</u></u>

8 TAXATION

	31 March 2025 £	31 March 2024 £
a Analysis of the tax charge for the year		
Overseas tax	21,005	24,092
Total tax charge for the year (see note 8(b))	<u><u>21,005</u></u>	<u><u>24,092</u></u>
b Factors affecting the tax charge for the year		
The taxation assessed for the year is lower than the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK for a unit trust (20%). The differences are explained below.		
Net revenue before taxation	531,311	448,667
UK corporation tax at 20% (2024: 20%)	<u>106,262</u>	<u>89,733</u>
Tax effects of:		
Revenue not subject to taxation	(332,747)	(302,465)
Unrelieved excess management expenses	226,485	212,732
Overseas tax	21,005	24,092
Total tax charge for the year (see note 8(a))	<u><u>21,005</u></u>	<u><u>24,092</u></u>
c Provision for deferred taxation		
At 31 March 2025 the Fund has deferred tax assets of £3,322,257 (2024: £3,095,772) arising from surplus management expenses, which have not been recognised due to uncertainty over the availability of future taxable profits.		

9 DISTRIBUTIONS

	31 March 2025 £	31 March 2024 £
The distributions take account of revenue received on the issue of units and revenue deducted on the cancellation of units, and comprise:		
Interim	417,610	321,475
Final	101,294	102,187
Deduct: Amounts received on issue of units	12,714	(5,221)
Add: Amounts deducted on cancellation of units	(3,648)	12,572
Equalisation on conversions	(327)	(11)
Revenue brought forward	(10)	(18)
Distributions	<u><u>527,633</u></u>	<u><u>430,984</u></u>
Net revenue after taxation	510,306	424,575
Shortfall in the period	<u>17,327</u>	<u>6,409</u>
	<u><u>527,633</u></u>	<u><u>430,984</u></u>

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10 DEBTORS

	31 March 2025 £	31 March 2024 £
Amounts receivable for issue of units	38,518	72,338
Sales awaiting settlement	19,217	-
Accrued income	256,958	185,207
Recoverable overseas withholding tax	50,880	42,154
Total debtors	365,573	299,699

11 OTHER CREDITORS

	31 March 2025 £	31 March 2024 £
Amounts payable for cancellation of units	61,916	262,431
AFM's periodic charge and other fees	93,919	95,095
Accrued expenses	12,138	12,339
Total other creditors	167,973	369,865

12 CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

	31 March 2025 £	31 March 2024 £
Cash and bank balances	1,514,490	2,378,367
Total cash and cash equivalents	1,514,490	2,378,367

13 RELATED PARTIES

The AFM is involved in all transactions in the units of the Fund, the aggregate values of which are set out in the statement of change in net assets attributable to unitholders and note 9. Amounts due from/to the AFM in respect of unit transactions at the year end are disclosed in notes 10 and 11, respectively. Amounts paid to the AFM in respect of the AFM's periodic charge and other fees are disclosed in note 7. Amounts due to the AFM at the year end are £117,317 (2024: £285,188).

As at 31 March 2025 the Fund held IFSL Church House UK Smaller Companies 'B', which is a related party of the AFM, Investment Fund Services Limited. The holdings and the associated transactions in the current and previous accounting years were as follows:

- a) The value of purchases transactions was £769,506 (2024: £104,175) and sales transactions was nil (2024: nil).
- b) Revenue receivable for the year was £25,401 (2024: £22,152) and the outstanding amount was nil (2024: nil).
- c) The aggregate value of investments held at the year-end was £2,178,674 (2024: £1,505,725).

14 UNIT CLASSES

The unit classes in issue for the Fund and the annual management charge for each unit class is as follows:

A Income / Accumulation	1.50%
B Income / Accumulation	0.875%
Z Income / Accumulation	0.60%

15 UNITHOLDERS' FUNDS RECONCILIATION

During the year the AFM has issued, cancelled, and converted units from one unit class to another, as set out below:

	A Income	A Accumulation	B Income
Opening units in issue at 1 April 2024	25,869,035	1,987,107	7,975,422
Units issued	1,717,567	98,536	75,457
Units cancelled	(1,739,824)	(199,708)	(766,547)
Units converted	(124,915)	(15,309)	126,074
Closing units in issue at 31 March 2025	25,721,863	1,870,626	7,410,406

	B Accumulation	Z Income	Z Accumulation
Opening units in issue at 1 April 2024	4,719,905	1,681,931	783,186
Units issued	553,268	-	26,395
Units cancelled	(400,557)	(131,122)	(216,109)
Units converted	19,166	-	(6,692)
Closing units in issue at 31 March 2025	4,891,782	1,550,809	586,780

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16 RISK DISCLOSURES

Market price risk sensitivity

A five per cent increase in the market prices of the Fund's portfolio would have the effect of increasing the return and net assets by £4,165,045 (2024: £4,513,795). A five per cent decrease would have an equal and opposite effect.

Foreign currency risk

At the year end date a portion of the net assets of the Fund were denominated in currencies other than sterling with the effect that the balance sheet and total return can be affected by exchange rate movements.

Foreign currency exposure at 31 March 2025

	Investments	Net other assets	Total
	£	£	£
Euro	1,424,582	24,727	1,449,309
Swedish krona	3,109,864	24	3,109,888
Swiss franc	2,555,661	33,842	2,589,503
US dollar	8,871,141	-	8,871,141
	<u>15,961,248</u>	<u>58,593</u>	<u>16,019,841</u>

Foreign currency exposure at 31 March 2024

	Investments	Net other assets	Total
	£	£	£
Euro	1,874,511	17,374	1,891,885
Swedish krona	2,984,260	-	2,984,260
Swiss franc	1,999,098	16,809	2,015,907
US dollar	7,721,154	84,167	7,805,321
	<u>14,579,023</u>	<u>118,350</u>	<u>14,697,373</u>

Foreign currency risk sensitivity

A five per cent decrease in the value of sterling relative to the foreign currencies above would have the effect of increasing the return and net assets by £800,992 (2024: £734,869). A five per cent increase would have an equal and opposite effect.

Interest rate risk

31 March 2025

31 March 2024

£

£

The interest rate risk profile of financial assets and liabilities consists of the following:

Financial assets floating rate ^A	1,514,490	2,378,367
Financial assets non-interest bearing instruments	83,666,477	90,575,603
Financial liabilities floating rate ^A	(125,650)	(24,808)
Financial liabilities non-interest bearing instruments	(225,187)	(429,631)
	<u>84,830,130</u>	<u>92,499,531</u>

^A Floating rate assets and liabilities comprise bank balances and overdrafts, whose rates are determined by reference to SONIA or an international equivalent borrowing rate. Interest on investments is variable based on the distribution received from underlying investments.

As most of the Fund's financial assets are non-interest bearing, an interest rate risk sensitivity analysis has not been included.

Liquidity risk

31 March 2025

31 March 2024

£

£

The following table provides a maturity analysis of the Fund's financial liabilities:

On demand:	Bank overdrafts	125,650	24,808
Within one year:	Distribution payable on income units	57,214	59,766
	Other creditors	167,973	369,865
		<u>350,837</u>	<u>454,439</u>

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17 FAIR VALUE HIERARCHY FOR INVESTMENTS

	31 March 2025		31 March 2024	
Basis of valuation	Assets (£)	Liabilities (£)	Assets (£)	Liabilities (£)
Level 1 - Quoted prices	81,122,230	-	88,770,179	-
Level 2 - Observable market data	2,178,674	-	1,505,725	-
Level 3 - Unobservable data	-	-	-	-
	<u>83,300,904</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>90,275,904</u>	<u>-</u>

The intention of a fair value measurement is to estimate the price at which an asset or liability could be exchanged in the market conditions prevailing at the measurement date. The measurement assumes the exchange is an orderly transaction (that is, it is not a forced transaction, involuntary liquidation or distress sale) between knowledgeable, willing participants on an independent basis.

The purpose of the fair value hierarchy is to prioritise the inputs that should be used to measure the fair value of assets and liabilities. The highest priority is given to quoted prices at which a transaction can be entered into and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs.

In accordance with FRS102 the Fund classifies fair value measurement under the following levels:

Level 1 - Unadjusted quoted price in an active market for an identical instrument;

Level 2 - Valuation techniques using observable inputs other than quoted prices within level 1; and

Level 3 - Valuation techniques using unobservable inputs.

18 POST BALANCE SHEET EVENTS

Since 31 March 2025, the Net Asset Value per unit has changed as follows:

	Net Asset Value (pence per unit)		
	31 March 2025 ^A	30 June 2025	Movement (%)
A Income	191.50	205.10	7.10%
A Accumulation	235.30	252.00	7.10%
B Income	194.00	207.50	6.96%
B Accumulation	252.00	270.30	7.26%
Z Income	196.20	209.70	6.88%
Z Accumulation	255.00	273.70	7.33%

^A These Net Asset Values differ from those in the Comparative Table as they are the quoted Net Asset Values.

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DISTRIBUTION TABLE

Interim distribution for the period from 1 April 2024 to 30 September 2024

Group 1: units purchased prior to 1 April 2024

Group 2: units purchased on or after 1 April 2024

		Net revenue 30 September 2024 pence per unit	Equalisation 30 September 2024 pence per unit	Distribution paid 30 November 2024 pence per unit	Distribution paid 30 November 2023 pence per unit
A Income	Group 1	0.6807	-	0.6807	0.4292
	Group 2	0.1449	0.5358	0.6807	0.4292
A Accumulation	Group 1	0.8336	-	0.8336	0.5399
	Group 2	0.1719	0.6617	0.8336	0.5399
B Income	Group 1	1.3391	-	1.3391	1.0326
	Group 2	0.6093	0.7298	1.3391	1.0326
B Accumulation	Group 1	1.7292	-	1.7292	1.3216
	Group 2	0.8399	0.8893	1.7292	1.3216
Z Income	Group 1	1.6382	-	1.6382	1.3029
	Group 2	1.6382	-	1.6382	1.3029
Z Accumulation	Group 1	2.1131	-	2.1131	1.6415
	Group 2	0.8177	1.2954	2.1131	1.6415

Final distribution for the period from 1 October 2024 to 31 March 2025

Group 1: units purchased prior to 1 October 2024

Group 2: units purchased on or after 1 October 2024

		Net revenue 31 March 2025 pence per unit	Equalisation 31 March 2025 pence per unit	Distribution paid 31 May 2025 pence per unit	Distribution paid 31 May 2024 pence per unit
A Income	Group 1	-	-	-	-
	Group 2	-	-	-	-
A Accumulation	Group 1	-	-	-	-
	Group 2	-	-	-	-
B Income	Group 1	0.5873	-	0.5873	0.5730
	Group 2	0.5176	0.0697	0.5873	0.5730
B Accumulation	Group 1	0.7636	-	0.7636	0.7356
	Group 2	0.7636	-	0.7636	0.7356
Z Income	Group 1	0.8828	-	0.8828	0.8359
	Group 2	0.8828	-	0.8828	0.8359
Z Accumulation	Group 1	1.1462	-	1.1462	0.9830
	Group 2	0.9977	0.1485	1.1462	0.9830

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