

The Global Opportunities Fund

Annual Report

for the year ended 15 February 2026

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## The Global Opportunities Fund Report of the Manager

Tutman Fund Solutions Limited ('TFSL') (previously Evelyn Partners Fund Solutions Limited), as Manager, presents herewith the Annual Report for The Global Opportunities Fund for the year ended 15 February 2026.

The Global Opportunities Fund ('the Trust' or 'the Fund') is an authorised unit trust scheme further to an authorisation order dated 5 July 2010 and is a non-UCITS retail scheme ('NURS') complying with the investment and borrowing powers rules in the Collective Investment Schemes sourcebook ('COLL') and the Investment Funds sourcebook ('FUND'), as published by the Financial Conduct Authority ('FCA'). As the Fund is a NURS, the Manager also acts as Alternative Investment Fund Manager ('AIFM') in order to comply with the Alternative Investment Fund Manager's Directive ('AIFMD').

The Manager is of the opinion that it is appropriate to continue to adopt the going concern basis in the preparation of the accounts as the assets of the Fund consist predominantly of securities which are readily realisable and, accordingly, the Fund has adequate financial resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Further, appropriate accounting policies, consistently applied and supported by reasonable and prudent judgements and estimates, have been used in the preparation of these accounts and applicable accounting standards have been followed.

The Financial Stability Board ('FSB') created the Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures ('TCFD') to improve and increase reporting of climate-related financial information. TFSL have produced TCFD reports in compliance with the FCA's rules on climate-related financial disclosures. The TCFD Product report is designed to help you understand the impact the Fund has on the climate and equally how climate change could influence the performance of the Fund. The report will also give you the ability to compare a range of climate metrics with other funds. To understand the governance, strategy, and risk management that TFSL has in place to manage the risks and opportunities related to climate change, please refer to the TCFD Entity report. These reports are available on our website <https://www.tutman.co.uk>.

On account of a cybercrime issue with our third party vendor Linedata, TFSL lost connectivity to the core accounting platform ICON (used for the production of daily net asset values) on 11 August 2025. A period of investor dealing suspension was agreed at this point to facilitate the robust testing of a contingency Net Asset Value production model which was subsequently implemented on 21 August 2025. This was used to support daily pricing and associated investor dealing until full connectivity to ICON was restored on 25 September 2025.

The Trust Deed can be inspected at the offices of the Manager.

Copies of the Prospectus and Key Investor Information Document ('KIID') are available on request free of charge from the Manager.

### Investment objective and policy

The objective of the Trust is to seek total return over the long-term. Whilst income is of secondary importance, dividends and interest will normally be reinvested in the Trust and will therefore form part of the investment strategy.

To achieve the objective the Trust will invest in a portfolio of UK and international equities, bonds and cash as appropriate. The Trust may also invest in regulated and unregulated collective investment schemes. Undervalued asset classes and companies will be specifically targeted. The Trust does not currently intend to invest in immovables.

The Trust may enter into derivative transactions but only for the purposes of efficient portfolio management. The use of derivatives for efficient portfolio management is not expected to have a material effect on the risk profile of the Trust. It is not intended that derivatives will form a major component of the Trust's property.

## Report of the Manager (continued)

### Changes affecting the Fund in the year

On 30 June 2025, Thesis Holdings Limited bought Evelyn Partners Fund Solutions Limited. Following the completion of the acquisition of Evelyn Partners Fund Solutions Limited, the company has been renamed to Tutman Fund Solutions Limited.

On 10 April 2025, Close Asset Management Limited changed its name to TrinityBridge Limited.

Further information in relation to the Fund is illustrated on page 33.

In accordance with the requirements of the Financial Conduct Authority's Collective Investment Schemes sourcebook and the Investment Funds sourcebook, we hereby certify the Annual Report on behalf of the Manager, Tutman Fund Solutions Limited.

Jenny Shanley  
Directors  
Tutman Fund Solutions Limited  
27 May 2026

Stephen Mugford

## Statement of the Manager's responsibilities

The Collective Investment Schemes sourcebook ('COLL') and the Investment Funds sourcebook ('FUND') published by the FCA, require the Manager to prepare financial statements for each annual accounting period which give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Trust and of the net revenue and net capital gains on the scheme property of the Trust for the year.

In preparing the financial statements the Manager is responsible for:

- selecting suitable accounting policies and then applying them consistently;
- making judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- following UK accounting standards, including FRS 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland;
- complying with the disclosure requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice for the Financial Statements of UK Authorised Funds ('the SORP') issued by The Investment Association in May 2014 and amended in June 2017;
- keeping proper accounting records which enable it to demonstrate that the financial statements as prepared comply with the above requirements;
- assessing the Trust's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern;
- using the going concern basis of accounting unless they either intend to liquidate the Trust or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so;
- such internal control as they determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error;
- taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and irregularities; and
- the maintenance and integrity of the Trust's information on the Manager's website. Legislation in the UK governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

COLL also requires the Manager to carry out an Assessment of Value on the Trust previously published within the Annual Report, this assessment can now be found on the Manager's website at:

<https://www.tutman.co.uk/literature/>

The Manager is responsible for the management of the Trust in accordance with the Trust Deed, the Prospectus, COLL and FUND.

## Report of the Trustee to the unitholders of The Global Opportunities Fund

### Trustee's responsibilities

The Trustee must ensure that the Fund is managed in accordance with the Financial Conduct Authority's Collective Investment Schemes sourcebook, the Investment Funds 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 Fund and its investors.

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

The Trustee must ensure that:

- the Fund's cash flows are properly monitored and that cash of the Fund 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 of the Fund are calculated in accordance with the Regulations;
- any consideration relating to transactions in the Fund's assets is remitted to the Fund within the usual time limits;
- the Fund's revenue is applied in accordance with the Regulations; and
- the instructions of the Alternative Investment Fund Manager ('AIFM') are carried out (unless they conflict with the Regulations).

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

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

- (i) has carried out the issue, sale, redemption and cancellation, and calculation of the price of the Fund's units and the application of the Fund's revenue in accordance with the Regulations and the Scheme documents of the Fund; The Manager suspended dealing in units of The Global Opportunities Fund with immediate effect on 14 August 2025. This decision was made after discussion with us as Trustee and was required as a result of a global cybersecurity incident at the Manager external software provider. Suspension of dealing was lifted on 29 August 2025; and
- (ii) has observed the investment and borrowing powers and restrictions applicable to the Fund.

NatWest Trustee and Depositary Services Limited  
27 May 2026

## Independent Auditor's report to the unitholders' of The Global Opportunities Fund

### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of The Global Opportunities Fund (the 'Trust') for the year ended 15 February 2026, which comprise the Statement of total return, Statement of change in unitholders' funds, Balance sheet, the related Notes to the financial statements, including 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 Financial Reporting Standard 102 *The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in 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 Trust as at 15 February 2026 and of the net revenue and the net capital gains on the scheme property of the Trust for the year then ended;
- Have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- Have been prepared in accordance with the Investment Association Statement of Recommended Practice for Authorised Funds, the rules of the Collective Investment Schemes sourcebook (COLL Rules) of the Financial Conduct Authority and the Trust Deed.

### 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 responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the Trust 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 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 Trust'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 Manager 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 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 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.

### Opinions on Other Matters Prescribed by the COLL Rules

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

- Proper accounting records for the Trust have been kept and the accounts are in agreement with those records;
- We have received all the information and explanations which, to the best of our knowledge and belief, are necessary for the purposes of our audit; and
- The information given in the Report of the Manager for the year is consistent with the financial statements.

## Independent Auditor's report to the unitholders' of The Global Opportunities Fund (continued)

### Responsibilities of the Manager

As explained more fully in the Statement of the Manager's responsibilities set out on page 4, 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 Trust'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 the Trust or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

### Auditor 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.

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

### *Extent to which 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 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 assessed whether the engagement team collectively had the appropriate competence and capabilities to identify or recognise non-compliance with laws and regulations by considering their experience, past performance and support available.

All engagement team members were briefed on relevant identified laws and regulations and potential fraud risks at the planning stage of the audit. Engagement team members were reminded to remain alert to any indications of fraud or non-compliance with laws and regulations throughout the audit.

We obtained an understanding of the legal and regulatory frameworks that are applicable to the Trust and the sector in which it operates, focusing on those provisions that had a direct effect on the determination of material amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The most relevant frameworks we identified include:

- UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice including Financial Reporting Standard 102 and the IA Statement of Recommended Practice for Authorised Funds;
- The Financial Conduct Authority's COLL Rules;
- The Financial Conduct Authority's Investment Funds sourcebook; and
- The Trust's Prospectus.

We gained an understanding of how the Trust is complying with these laws and regulations by making enquiries of the Manager. We corroborated these enquiries through our review of submitted returns, external inspections, relevant correspondence with regulatory bodies and the Trust's breaches register.

We assessed the susceptibility of the financial statements to material misstatement, including how fraud might occur, by meeting with management and those charged with governance to understand where it was considered there was susceptibility to fraud. This evaluation also considered how the Manager was remunerated and whether this provided an incentive for fraudulent activity. We considered the overall control environment and how the Manager oversees the implementation and operation of controls. In areas of the financial statements where the risks were considered to be higher, we performed procedures to address each identified risk. We identified a heightened fraud risk in relation to:

- Management override of controls; and
- The completeness and classification of special dividends between revenue and capital.

## Independent Auditor's report to the unitholders' of The Global Opportunities Fund (continued)

### Auditor Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements (continued)

#### *Extent to which the audit was considered capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud (continued)*

In addition to the above, the following procedures were performed to provide reasonable assurance that the financial statements were free of material fraud or error:

- Reviewing the level of and reasoning behind the Trust's procurement of legal and professional services;
- Performing audit procedures over the risk of management override of controls, including testing of journal entries and other adjustments for appropriateness, evaluating the business rationale of significant transactions outside the normal course of business, review of a pre sign-off Net Asset Valuation (NAV) statement for any unexpected activity and assessing judgements made by the Manager in its calculation of accounting estimates for potential management bias;
- Using a third-party independent data source to assess the completeness of the special dividend population and determining whether special dividends recognised were revenue or capital in nature with reference to the underlying circumstances of the investee companies' dividend payments;
- Assessing the Trust's compliance with the key requirements of the Collective Investment Schemes sourcebook, Investment Funds sourcebook and its Prospectus;
- Completion of appropriate checklists and use of our experience to assess the Trust's compliance with the IA Statement of Recommended Practice for Authorised Funds; and
- Agreement of the financial statement disclosures to supporting documentation.

Our audit procedures were designed to respond to the risk of material misstatements in the financial statements, recognising that 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 intentional concealment, forgery, collusion, omission or misrepresentation. There are inherent limitations in the audit procedures performed and the further removed non-compliance with laws and regulations is from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, the less likely we would become aware of it.

#### Use of Our Report

This report is made solely to the Trust's unitholders, as a body, in accordance with Rule 4.5.12 of the COLL Rules published by the Financial Conduct Authority under section 247 of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Trust'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 Trust and the Trust's unitholders as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Johnston Carmichael LLP  
Chartered Accountants  
Statutory Auditor  
Bishop's Court  
29 Albyn Place  
Aberdeen AB10 1YL  
27 May 2026

## Accounting policies of The Global Opportunities Fund

for the year ended 15 February 2026

### a *Basis of accounting*

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified by the revaluation of investments. They have been prepared in accordance with FRS 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland ('FRS 102') and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice for UK Authorised Funds ('the SORP') published by The Investment Association in May 2014 and amended in June 2017, and the requirements of the Collective Investment Schemes sourcebook ('COLL') and the Investment Funds sourcebook ('FUND').

The Manager has considered a detailed assessment of the Fund's ability to meet its liabilities as they fall due, including liquidity, declines in global capital markets and investor redemption levels. Based on this assessment, the Fund continues to be open for trading and the Manager is satisfied the Fund has adequate financial resources to continue in operation for at least the next 12 months and accordingly it is appropriate to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

### b *Valuation of investments*

The purchases and sales of investments are included up to close of business on the last business day of the accounting year.

Purchases and sales of investments are recognised when a legally binding and unconditional right to obtain, or an obligation to deliver an asset arises.

The quoted investments of the Fund have been valued at the global closing bid-market prices, excluding any accrued interest in the case of debt securities, ruling on the principal markets on which the stocks are quoted on the last business day of the accounting year.

Collective investment schemes are valued at the bid price for dual priced funds and at the single price for single priced funds and are valued at their most recent published price prior to the close of business valuation on 15 February 2026.

### c *Foreign exchange*

The base currency of the Fund is UK sterling which is taken to be the Fund's functional currency.

All transactions in foreign currencies are converted into sterling at the rates of exchange ruling at the dates of such transactions. The resulting exchange differences are disclosed in note 2 of the Notes to the financial statements.

Any foreign currency assets and liabilities at the end of the accounting period are translated at the exchange rate prevailing at the balance sheet date.

### d *Revenue*

Revenue is recognised in the Statement of total return on the following basis:

Dividends from quoted equity instruments and non equity shares are recognised as revenue, net of attributable tax credits on the date when the securities are quoted ex-dividend.

Overseas dividends are recognised as revenue gross of any withholding tax and the tax consequences are recognised within the tax expense.

Distributions from collective investment schemes are recognised as revenue on the date the securities are quoted ex-dividend. Equalisation on distributions from collective investment schemes is deducted from the cost of the investment and does not form part of the Fund's distribution.

Distributions from collective investment schemes which are re-invested on behalf of the Fund are recognised as revenue on the date the securities are quoted ex-dividend and form part of the Fund's distribution.

Special dividends are treated as either revenue or a repayment of capital depending on the facts of each particular case.

## Accounting policies of The Global Opportunities Fund (continued)

for the year ended 15 February 2026

### d Revenue (continued)

Interest on bank deposits and short term deposits is recognised on an accruals basis.

Interest on debt securities is recognised on an accruals basis, taking into account the effective yield on the investment. Accrued interest purchased and sold on interest bearing securities is excluded from the capital cost of these securities and dealt with as part of the revenue of the Fund. The effective yield is a calculation that amortises any discount or premium on the purchase of an investment over its remaining life based on estimated cash flows. The amortised amounts form part of the distributable revenue and are calculated weekly and at each month end.

### e Expenses

All expenses, other than those relating to the purchase and sale of investments, are charged to revenue. KIID production and Non-executive directors' fees are charged on a receipts basis. All other fees are charged on an accrual basis.

Bank interest paid is charged to revenue.

### f Taxation

Tax payable on profits is recognised as an expense in the period in which profits arise. The tax effects of tax losses available to carry forward are recognised as an asset when it is probable that future taxable profits will be available, against which these losses can be utilised.

UK corporation tax is provided as amounts to be paid/recovered using the tax rates and laws that have been enacted at the balance sheet date.

Deferred taxation is provided in full on timing differences that result in an obligation at 15 February 2026 to pay more or less tax, at a future date, at rates expected to apply when they crystallise based on current rates and tax laws. Timing differences arise from the inclusion of items of income and expenditure in taxation computations in periods different from those in which they are included in the financial statements. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are not discounted.

Provision for deferred tax assets are only made to the extent the timing differences are expected to be of future benefit.

All foreign dividend revenue is recognised as a gross amount which includes any withholding tax deducted at source. Where foreign tax is withheld in excess of the applicable treaty rate a tax debtor is recognised to the extent that the overpayment is considered recoverable.

When a disposal of a holding in a non-reporting offshore fund is made, any gain is an offshore income gain and tax will be charged to capital. There may be instances where tax relief is due to revenue for the utilisation of excess management expenses.

### g Efficient Portfolio Management

Where appropriate, certain permitted instruments such as derivatives or forward currency contracts may be used for Efficient Portfolio Management purposes. Where such instruments are used to protect or enhance revenue, the revenue or expenses derived therefrom are included in the Statement of total return as revenue related items and form part of the distribution. Where such instruments are used to protect or enhance capital, the gains and losses derived therefrom are included in the Statement of total return as capital related items.

### h Distribution policies

#### i Basis of distribution

The distribution policy is to distribute all available revenue after deduction of expenses payable from revenue. Distributions attributable to accumulation units are re-invested in the Fund on behalf of the unitholders.

#### ii Revenue

All revenue is included in the final distribution with reference to policy d.

#### iii Expenses

Expenses incurred against the revenue of the Fund are included in the final distribution, subject to any expense which may be transferred to capital for the purpose of calculating the distribution, with reference to policy e.

## Investment Adviser's report

### Investment performance\*

In the twelve months under review the unit price of The Global Opportunities Fund (Bid to Bid) increased by 8.1% to 227p. There is no fixed benchmark for the Fund (however there is a comparator benchmark) with a stated objective to seek total return over the long-term. The Investment Adviser's policy is to achieve this objective through a portfolio of UK and international equities, bonds and cash as appropriate. The ARC Balanced Asset PCI total return index rose by 8.27%.

### Investment activities\*\*

The twelve-month period under review was marked by early volatility followed by a more stable and supportive backdrop as the year progressed. Market sentiment was initially weighed down by trade tensions and persistent inflation, but conditions improved as economic resilience became clearer and expectations for monetary policy began to shift.

Equity markets came under pressure early in the period, particularly following U.S. tariff announcements, which raised concerns around global growth and supply chains. While economic data remained mixed, especially in the U.S., recession risks gradually eased. Inflation proved slower to fall than expected, keeping central banks cautious through the earlier stages.

Into the second half of the year, the environment became more constructive. Inflation stabilised and markets increasingly looked ahead to a more balanced policy outlook, supporting a recovery in equities. Returns broadened beyond a narrow group of technology stocks, and global equities delivered strong performance overall, continuing to outperform bonds.

Within the portfolio, performance reflected this shift. Technology holdings delivered mixed but generally positive outcomes, with Alphabet 'C' (52.4%) and ASML Holding (71.4%) benefiting from continued demand linked to Artificial Intelligence ('AI') and digital infrastructure. However, returns were less consistent than in previous periods, with some consolidation as investors assessed the sustainability of valuations.

Regionally, the UK was a notable outperformer, reversing the trend seen in recent years. This was driven less by domestic growth and more by the composition of the market, with exposure to energy, financials and defensive sectors proving beneficial. European equities also delivered solid returns, supported by earlier policy easing and a more stable inflation backdrop, while U.S. equities lagged somewhat following a period of strong prior performance.

More defensive and value-oriented holdings were key contributors. Companies such as Shell (10.7%), BAE Systems (63.4%) and British American Tobacco (50.6%) performed well, supported by strong cash flows and resilience in a more uncertain environment. Financials benefited from higher interest rates earlier in the year, while consumer staples such as Coca-Cola (9.0%), Unilever (19.3%) and Tesco (27.7%) provided steady returns.

There were areas of weaker performance, particularly among holdings more exposed to global trade and cyclical demand. Stocks such as Apple (-2.7%) experienced periods of weakness during the earlier volatility, although many recovered as sentiment improved later in the period.

Bond markets were more unsettled, particularly early on, as inflation remained persistent and central banks maintained a cautious stance. Yields rose before stabilising as the outlook for interest rates became clearer, with investors continuing to favour shorter-duration exposure. Overall, the global economy has proven resilient, albeit with moderating growth. Inflation has trended lower, though unevenly across regions, leading to a more mixed but broadly supportive environment for markets.

Alternative assets continued to provide diversification benefits. Gold (58.5%) performed strongly over much of the period, supported by geopolitical uncertainty, central bank demand and its role as a hedge against inflation and currency risk, and remains a valuable stabilising component within portfolios.

\*Source: Morningstar

\*\*Source: Alpha Terminal

## Investment Adviser's report (continued)

### Investment strategy and outlook

At the time of writing the Middle East conflict is still not resolved and the Strait of Hormuz remains effectively closed. The Brent Oil price is close to \$100, and this will obviously have implications for inflation causing Central Banks to pause monetary easing. It is difficult to comment on our current strategy until we see clarity, but we are maintaining our weighting in oil and gas companies within the Fund and may look to add on weakness as the conflict will cause supply issues for at least six months even if the war ended tomorrow.

Technology should be relatively unaffected by the current market conditions, and we are comfortable with current valuations of the companies that we hold within the Fund. We have also some exposure to defence companies that will benefit from government spending in this area.

Historically, geopolitical shocks tend to produce short-term volatility rather than lasting bear markets, unless they lead to a sustained economic slowdown. So far, we have avoided this scenario. Casting our minds back to the start of this decade, it's remarkable just how well corporates have tackled a bombardment of challenges: Covid-19, run-away inflation, Russia's invasion of Ukraine, higher energy costs and AI disruption to name but a few. It may be reassuring to look in the rearview mirror to remember just how resilient economies and companies have been when facing seemingly insurmountable challenges.

It's important to balance near-term risks with long-term opportunities. Right now, markets are coping with uncertainty rather than pricing a downturn.

In volatile markets some compelling opportunities will arise, and as ever the Fund is invested in liquid assets to take advantage of the current situation.

TrinityBridge Limited (previously Close Asset Management Limited)

21 May 2026

## Portfolio changes

for the year ended 15 February 2026

The following represents the total purchases and sales in the year to reflect a clearer picture of the investment activities.

	Cost £
Purchases:	
Fidelity Emerging Markets	347,025
BlackRock World Mining Trust	338,881
CRH	260,098
Ameriprise Financial	256,796
Mastercard	248,537
Intuit	244,398
Uber Technologies	240,805
Performance Food Group	238,716
Tesco	230,958
BH Macro	80,041
Roche Holding	70,384
Invesco Asia Dragon Trust	5
	Proceeds £
Sales:	
Nasdaq	331,453
Invesco Asia Dragon Trust	248,529
Ameriprise Financial	239,062
Valero Energy	238,914
Adobe	236,921
Travis Perkins 3.75% 17/02/2026	220,736
Marsh & McLennan	213,162
Arthur J Gallagher	209,556
Glencore	200,750
Legal & General Group 5.375% 27/10/2045	200,000
Alphabet 'C'	191,468
Uber Technologies	187,553
Greggs	186,150
Eli Lilly	173,484
Microsoft	168,003
BAE Systems	162,468
JPMorgan Chase	119,053
Apple	101,745
The Magnum Ice Cream Company	13,792

Portfolio statement  
as at 15 February 2026

	Nominal value or holding	Market value £	% of total net assets
Investment			
Debt Securities 0.00% (3.12%)		-	-
Equities 63.32% (73.06%)			
Equities - United Kingdom 22.47% (22.59%)			
Equities - incorporated in the United Kingdom 21.10% (18.98%)			
Energy 4.39% (4.45%)			
BP	70,000	322,700	2.32
Shell	10,000	287,250	2.07
		<u>609,950</u>	<u>4.39</u>
Materials 1.97% (1.44%)			
Rio Tinto	3,800	273,106	1.97
Industrials 3.54% (3.22%)			
BAE Systems	25,000	491,750	3.54
Consumer Discretionary 6.75% (1.54%)			
British American Tobacco	7,500	326,550	2.35
Tesco	70,000	341,880	2.46
Unilever	4,977	270,301	1.94
		<u>938,731</u>	<u>6.75</u>
Consumer Staples 0.00% (3.59%)		-	-
Health Care 3.26% (2.63%)			
AstraZeneca	3,000	453,540	3.26
Communication Services 1.19% (2.11%)			
Auto Trader Group	36,000	165,240	1.19
Total equities - incorporated in the United Kingdom		<u>2,932,317</u>	<u>21.10</u>
Equities - incorporated outwith the United Kingdom 1.37% (3.61%)			
Materials 0.00% (1.40%)		-	-
Industrials 1.37% (2.21%)			
Experian	7,500	190,050	1.37
Total equities - incorporated outwith the United Kingdom		<u>190,050</u>	<u>1.37</u>
Total equities - United Kingdom		<u>3,122,367</u>	<u>22.47</u>

Portfolio statement (continued)  
as at 15 February 2026

	Nominal value or holding	Market value £	% of total net assets
Investment			
Equities (continued)			
Equities - Europe 12.32% (8.38%)			
Equities - France 2.80% (2.61%)			
Schneider Electric	1,700	<u>388,597</u>	<u>2.80</u>
Equities - Ireland 1.78% (0.00%)			
CRH	2,700	<u>247,536</u>	<u>1.78</u>
Equities - Netherlands 3.35% (2.06%)			
ASML Holding	450	<u>466,217</u>	<u>3.35</u>
Equities - Switzerland 4.39% (3.71%)			
Alcon	4,000	232,736	1.67
Roche Holding	1,100	<u>377,718</u>	<u>2.72</u>
Total equities - Switzerland		<u>610,454</u>	<u>4.39</u>
Total equities - Europe		<u>1,712,804</u>	<u>12.32</u>
Equities - United States 28.53% (42.09%)			
Alphabet 'C'	1,400	314,709	2.26
Amazon.com	2,500	364,945	2.63
Apple	2,000	375,670	2.70
Battalion Oil	1	2	0.00
Booking Holdings	100	303,956	2.19
Coca-Cola	6,400	369,764	2.66
Eli Lilly	275	210,128	1.51
Intuit	500	146,643	1.06
JPMorgan Chase	2,000	444,428	3.20
Mastercard	600	228,382	1.64
McDonald's	1,720	413,859	2.98
Microsoft	800	235,728	1.70
Palo Alto Networks	2,500	306,582	2.21
Performance Food Group	3,450	<u>248,289</u>	<u>1.79</u>
Total equities - United States		<u>3,963,085</u>	<u>28.53</u>
Total equities		<u>8,798,256</u>	<u>63.32</u>
Closed-Ended Funds - United Kingdom 17.63% (11.71%)			
Closed-Ended Funds - incorporated in the United Kingdom 9.20% (7.12%)			
Augmentum Fintech	200,000	174,800	1.26
BlackRock World Mining Trust	42,500	405,874	2.92
Schroder Asian Total Return Investment	116,000	<u>698,320</u>	<u>5.02</u>
Total closed-ended funds - incorporated in the United Kingdom		<u>1,278,994</u>	<u>9.20</u>

## Portfolio statement (continued)

as at 15 February 2026

Investment	Nominal value or holding	Market value £	% of total net assets
Closed-Ended Funds - United Kingdom (continued)			
Closed-Ended Funds - incorporated outwith the United Kingdom 8.43% (4.59%)			
3i Infrastructure	117,500	403,613	2.90
BH Macro	80,000	338,800	2.44
Fidelity Emerging Markets	35,000	429,800	3.09
Total closed-ended funds - incorporated outwith the United Kingdom		<u>1,172,213</u>	<u>8.43</u>
Total closed-ended funds - United Kingdom		<u>2,451,207</u>	<u>17.63</u>
Collective Investment Schemes 5.22% (5.20%)			
UK Authorised Collective Investment Schemes 2.82% (2.85%)			
BlackRock Investment Funds			
- BlackRock Sustainable Sterling Strategic Bond Fund	350,000	<u>392,569</u>	<u>2.82</u>
Offshore Collective Investment Schemes 2.40% (2.35%)			
Latitude Horizon Fund	215,000	<u>334,024</u>	<u>2.40</u>
Total collective investment schemes		<u>726,593</u>	<u>5.22</u>
Exchange Traded Commodities 6.15% (4.01%)			
WisdomTree Physical Gold	2,500	<u>854,625</u>	<u>6.15</u>
Portfolio of investments		12,830,681	92.32
Other net assets		1,067,093	7.68
Total net assets		<u>13,897,774</u>	<u>100.00</u>

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.

The comparative figures in brackets are as at 15 February 2025.

United Kingdom equities are grouped in accordance with Global Industry Classification Standard ('GICS').

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## Risk and reward profile\*

The risk and reward indicator table demonstrates where the Fund ranks in terms of its potential risk and reward. The higher the rank the greater the potential reward but the greater the risk of losing money. It is based on past data, may change over time and may not be a reliable indication of the future risk profile of the Fund. The shaded area in the table below shows the Fund's ranking on the risk and reward indicator.



The Fund is in a medium category because the price of its investments have risen or fallen to some extent. The category shown is not guaranteed to remain unchanged and may shift over time. Even the lowest category does not mean a risk-free investment.

For full details on risk factors for the Fund, please refer to the Prospectus.

During the year, the risk and reward indicator changed from 5 to 4.

\* As per the KIID published on 5 February 2026.

## Comparative table

The following disclosures give a unitholder an indication of the performance of a unit in the Fund. It also discloses the operating charges and direct transaction costs applied to each unit. Operating charges are those charges incurred in operating the Fund and direct transaction costs are costs incurred when purchasing or selling securities in the portfolio of investments.

	2026	2025	2024
	p	p	p
<b>Accumulation</b>			
Change in net assets per unit			
Opening net asset value per unit	210.22	191.58	184.54
Return before operating charges	19.37	20.59	8.90
Operating charges	(2.20)	(1.95)	(1.86)
Return after operating charges *	17.17	18.64	7.04
Distributions <sup>^</sup>	(1.76)	(2.51)	(3.29)
Retained distributions on accumulation units <sup>^</sup>	1.76	2.51	3.29
Closing net asset value per unit	227.39	210.22	191.58
* after direct transaction costs of:	0.13	0.07	0.15
<b>Performance</b>			
Return after charges	8.17%	9.73%	3.81%
<b>Other information</b>			
Closing net asset value (£)	13,897,774	13,347,872	13,160,545
Closing number of units	6,111,883	6,349,512	6,869,331
Operating charges <sup>^^</sup>	1.04%	0.97%	1.01%
Direct transaction costs	0.06%	0.04%	0.08%
<b>Published prices</b>			
Highest offer unit price	254.5	231.8	212.0
Lowest bid unit price	191.9	191.4	177.9

Investments carry risk. Past performance is not a guide to future performance. Investors may not get back the amount invested.

<sup>^</sup> Rounded to 2 decimal places.

<sup>^^</sup> The operating charges are represented by the Ongoing Charges Figure ('OCF'). The OCF consists principally of the Manager's periodic charge and the Investment Adviser's fee which are included in the annual management charge, but also includes the costs for other services paid. It is indicative of the charges which may occur in a year as it is calculated on historical data.

The OCF includes expenses incurred by underlying holdings of collective investment schemes and closed ended vehicles such as investment trusts in relation to the Fund (the synthetic 'OCF'). Following guidance issued by the Investment Association on 30 November 2023, the synthetic OCF calculation no longer includes closed ended vehicles.

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### Statement of total return

for the year ended 15 February 2026

	Notes	2026		2025	
		£	£	£	£
Income:					
Net capital gains	2		939,585		1,065,265
Revenue	3	252,002		308,861	
Expenses	4	<u>(130,255)</u>		<u>(124,978)</u>	
Net revenue before taxation		121,747		183,883	
Taxation	5	<u>(11,431)</u>		<u>(14,821)</u>	
Net revenue after taxation			<u>110,316</u>		<u>169,062</u>
Total return before distributions			1,049,901		1,234,327
Distributions	6		(110,269)		(169,080)
Change in unitholders' funds from investment activities			<u>939,632</u>		<u>1,065,247</u>

### Statement of change in unitholders' funds

for the year ended 15 February 2026

	2026	2025
	£	£
Opening net assets	13,347,872	13,160,545
Amounts payable on cancellation of units	(498,467)	(1,042,927)
Change in unitholders' funds from investment activities	939,632	1,065,247
Retained distributions on accumulation units	108,737	165,007
Closing net assets	<u>13,897,774</u>	<u>13,347,872</u>

Balance sheet  
as at 15 February 2026

	Notes	2026 £	2025 £
Assets:			
Fixed assets:			
Investments		12,830,681	12,960,828
Current assets:			
Debtors	7	21,148	127,150
Cash and cash equivalents	8	1,092,003	274,027
Total assets		<u>13,943,832</u>	<u>13,362,005</u>
Liabilities:			
Creditors:			
Other creditors	9	(46,058)	(14,133)
Total liabilities		<u>(46,058)</u>	<u>(14,133)</u>
Net assets		<u>13,897,774</u>	<u>13,347,872</u>
Unitholders' funds		<u>13,897,774</u>	<u>13,347,872</u>

## Notes to the financial statements

for the year ended 15 February 2026

### 1. Accounting policies

The accounting policies are disclosed on pages 9 and 10.

### 2. Net capital gains

	2026	2025
	£	£
Non-derivative securities - realised gains	586,141	126,178
Non-derivative securities - movement in unrealised gains	365,878	951,573
Currency losses	(10,365)	(10,187)
Transaction charges	(2,069)	(2,299)
Total net capital gains	<u>939,585</u>	<u>1,065,265</u>

### 3. Revenue

	2026	2025
	£	£
UK revenue	120,837	129,151
Unfranked revenue	31,974	39,774
Overseas revenue	83,445	95,191
Interest on debt securities	15,344	43,381
Bank and deposit interest	402	1,364
Total revenue	<u>252,002</u>	<u>308,861</u>

### 4. Expenses

	2026	2025
	£	£
Payable to the Manager and associates		
Manager's periodic charge*	42,500	37,670
Investment Adviser's fee*	67,139	65,530
	<u>109,639</u>	<u>103,200</u>
Payable to the Trustee		
Trustee fees	9,000	9,003
Other expenses:		
Audit fee	9,483	8,700
Non-executive directors' fees	727	1,374
Safe custody fees	688	696
Bank interest	-	1,412
FCA fee	218	155
KIID production fee	500	438
	<u>11,616</u>	<u>12,775</u>
Total expenses	<u>130,255</u>	<u>124,978</u>

\* The annual management charge is 0.83% (2025: 0.77%) and includes the Manager's periodic charge and the Investment Adviser's fees.

## Notes to the financial statements (continued)

for the year ended 15 February 2026

5. Taxation	2026	2025
	£	£
<i>a. Analysis of the tax charge for the year</i>		
Overseas tax withheld	11,431	14,821
Total taxation (note 5b)	<u>11,431</u>	<u>14,821</u>

### *b. Factors affecting the tax charge for the year*

The tax assessed for the year is lower (2025: lower) than the standard rate of UK corporation tax for an authorised collective investment scheme of 20% (2025: 20%). The differences are explained below:

	2026	2025
	£	£
Net revenue before taxation	<u>121,747</u>	<u>183,883</u>
Corporation tax @ 20%	24,349	36,777
Effects of:		
UK revenue	(24,167)	(25,830)
Overseas revenue	(16,689)	(19,039)
Overseas tax withheld	11,431	14,821
Excess management expenses	16,507	8,092
Total taxation (note 5a)	<u>11,431</u>	<u>14,821</u>

### *c. Provision for deferred taxation*

At the year end, a deferred tax asset has not been recognised in respect of timing differences relating to excess management expenses as there is insufficient evidence that the asset will be recovered. The amount of the asset not recognised is £140,888 (2025: £124,381).

## 6. Distributions

The distributions take account of revenue added on the issue of units and revenue deducted on the cancellation of units, and comprise:

	2026	2025
	£	£
Interim accumulation distribution	93,152	120,687
Final accumulation distribution	15,585	44,320
	<u>108,737</u>	<u>165,007</u>
Equalisation:		
Amounts deducted on cancellation of units	1,532	4,073
Total net distributions	<u>110,269</u>	<u>169,080</u>
Reconciliation between net revenue and distributions:		
Net revenue after taxation per Statement of total return	110,316	169,062
Undistributed revenue brought forward	10	28
Undistributed revenue carried forward	(57)	(10)
Distributions	<u>110,269</u>	<u>169,080</u>

Details of the distribution per unit are disclosed in the Distribution table.

## Notes to the financial statements (continued)

for the year ended 15 February 2026

7. Debtors	2026	2025
	£	£
Sales awaiting settlement	13,792	103,294
Accrued revenue	799	16,804
Recoverable overseas withholding tax	6,557	7,030
Prepaid expenses	-	22
Total debtors	<u>21,148</u>	<u>127,150</u>
8. Cash and cash equivalents	2026	2025
	£	£
Total cash and cash equivalents	<u>1,092,003</u>	<u>274,027</u>
9. Other creditors	2026	2025
	£	£
Amounts payable on cancellation of units	31,000	-
Accrued expenses:		
Payable to the Manager and associates		
Manager's periodic charge	1,863	1,747
Investment Adviser's fee	3,067	1,483
	<u>4,930</u>	<u>3,230</u>
Other expenses:		
Trustee fees	395	370
Safe custody fees	165	107
Audit fee	9,484	8,700
Non-executive directors' fees	-	1,710
Transaction charges	84	16
	<u>10,128</u>	<u>10,903</u>
Total accrued expenses	<u>15,058</u>	<u>14,133</u>
Total other creditors	<u>46,058</u>	<u>14,133</u>

### 10. Commitments and contingent liabilities

At the balance sheet date there are no commitments or contingent liabilities.

### 11. Unit classes

The following reflects the change in units in issue in the year:

	Accumulation
Opening units in issue	6,349,512
Total units cancelled in the year	<u>(237,629)</u>
Closing units in issue	<u>6,111,883</u>

Further information in respect of the return per unit is disclosed in the Comparative table.

## Notes to the financial statements (continued)

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### 12. Related party transactions

Tutman Fund Solutions Limited (previously Evelyn Partners Fund Solutions Limited), as Manager is a related party due to its ability to act in respect of the operations of the Fund.

The Manager acts as principal in respect of all transactions of units in the Fund. The aggregate monies received and paid through the creation and cancellation of units are disclosed in the Statement of change in unitholders' funds of the Fund.

Amounts payable to the Manager and its associates are disclosed in note 4. The amount due to the Manager and its associates at the balance sheet date is disclosed in note 9.

### 13. Events after the balance sheet date

Subsequent to the year end, the net asset value per accumulation unit has increased from 227.4p to 239.6p as at 26 May 2026. This movement takes into account routine transactions but also reflects the market movements of recent months.

### 14. Transaction costs

#### a Direct transaction costs

Direct transaction costs include fees and commissions paid to agents, advisers, brokers and dealers; levies by regulatory agencies and security exchanges; and transfer taxes and duties.

Commission is a charge which is deducted from the proceeds of the sale of securities and added to the cost of the purchase of securities. This charge is a payment to agents, advisers, brokers and dealers in respect of their services in executing the trades.

Tax is payable on the purchase of securities in the United Kingdom. It may be the case that 'other taxes' will be charged on the purchase of securities in countries other than the United Kingdom.

The total purchases and sales and the related direct transaction costs incurred in these transactions are as follows:

	Purchases before transaction costs		Commission		Taxes		Purchases after transaction costs
	£		£	%	£	%	£
2026							
Equities	1,786,151		816	0.05%	3,725	0.21%	1,790,692
Closed-Ended Funds	763,880		382	0.05%	1,690	0.22%	765,952
Total	2,550,031		1,198	0.10%	5,415	0.43%	2,556,644

	Purchases before transaction costs		Commission		Taxes		Purchases after transaction costs
	£		£	%	£	%	£
2025							
Equities	2,189,840		926	0.04%	2,646	0.12%	2,193,412
Closed-Ended Funds	428,825		86	0.02%	-	-	428,911
Total	2,618,665		1,012	0.06%	2,646	0.12%	2,622,323

## Notes to the financial statements (continued)

for the year ended 15 February 2026

### 14. Transaction costs (continued)

#### a Direct transaction costs (continued)

	Sales before transaction costs		Commission		Taxes		Sales after transaction costs
	£	£	%	£	%	£	
2026							
Equities	2,974,838	(1,302)	0.04%	(2)	0.00%	2,973,534	
Closed-Ended Funds	248,655	(124)	0.05%	(2)	0.00%	248,529	
Bonds*	420,736	-	-	-	-	420,736	
Total	<u>3,644,229</u>	<u>(1,426)</u>	<u>0.09%</u>	<u>(4)</u>	<u>0.00%</u>	<u>3,642,799</u>	

	Sales before transaction costs		Commission		Taxes		Sales after transaction costs
	£	£	%	£	%	£	
2025							
Equities	2,082,550	(913)	0.04%	(3)	0.00%	2,081,634	
Closed-Ended Funds	438,708	(219)	0.05%	(5)	0.00%	438,484	
Bonds*	545,055	-	-	-	-	545,055	
Collective Investment Schemes	335,766	(1)	0.00%	-	-	335,765	
Total	<u>3,402,079</u>	<u>(1,133)</u>	<u>0.09%</u>	<u>(8)</u>	<u>0.00%</u>	<u>3,400,938</u>	

Capital events amount of nil (2025: £103,294) is excluded from the total sales as there were no direct transaction costs charged in these transactions.

#### Summary of direct transaction costs

The following represents the total of each type of transaction cost, expressed as a percentage of the Fund's average net asset value in the year:

2026	£	% of average net asset value
Commission	2,624	0.02%
Taxes	5,419	0.04%

2025	£	% of average net asset value
Commission	2,145	0.02%
Taxes	2,654	0.02%

#### b Average portfolio dealing spread

The average portfolio dealing spread is calculated as the difference between the bid and offer value of the portfolio as a percentage of the offer value.

The average portfolio dealing spread of the investments at the balance sheet date was 0.13% (2025: 0.08%).

\* No direct transaction costs were incurred in these transactions.

## Notes to the financial statements (continued)

for the year ended 15 February 2026

### 15. Risk management policies

In pursuing the Fund's investment objective, as set out in the Prospectus, the following are accepted by the Manager as being the main risks from the Fund's holding of financial instruments, either directly or indirectly through its underlying holdings. These are presented with the Manager's policy for managing these risks. To ensure these risks are consistently and effectively managed these are continually reviewed by the risk committee, a body appointed by the Manager, which sets the risk appetite and ensures continued compliance with the management of all known risks.

#### a Market risk

Market risk is the risk that the value of the Fund's financial instruments will fluctuate as a result of changes in market prices and comprise three elements: other price risk, currency risk, and interest rate risk.

#### (i) Other price risk

The Fund's exposure to price risk comprises mainly of movements in the value of investment positions in the face of price movements.

The main elements of the portfolio of investments exposed to this risk are equities, collective investment schemes, closed-ended funds and exchange traded commodities.

This risk is generally regarded as consisting of two elements: stock specific risk and market risk. Through these two factors, the Fund is exposed to price fluctuations, which are monitored by the Manager in pursuance of the investment objective and policy.

Adhering to investment guidelines and avoiding excessive exposure to one particular issuer can limit stock specific risk. Subject to compliance with the investment objective of the Fund, spreading exposure in the portfolio of investments both globally and across sectors or geography can mitigate market risk.

At 15 February 2026, if the price of the investments held by the Fund increased or decreased by 5%, with all other variables remaining constant, then the closing net assets would increase or decrease by approximately £641,534 (2025: £627,203).

#### (ii) Currency risk

Currency risk is the risk that the value of investments or future cash flows will fluctuate as a result of exchange rate movements. Investment in overseas securities or holdings of foreign currency cash will provide direct exposure to currency risk as a consequence of the movement in foreign exchange rates against sterling. Investments in UK securities investing in overseas securities will give rise to indirect exposure to currency risk. These fluctuations can also affect the profitability of some UK companies, and thus their market prices, as sterling's relative strength or weakness can affect export prospects, the value of overseas earnings in sterling terms, and the prices of imports sold in the UK.

Forward currency contracts may be used to manage the portfolio exposure to currency movements.

The foreign currency risk profile of the Fund's financial instruments and cash holdings at the balance sheet date is as follows:

	Financial instruments and cash holdings	Net debtors and creditors	Total net foreign currency exposure
	£	£	£
2026			
Euro	854,818	7,060	861,878
Swedish krona	2,819	-	2,819
Swiss franc	610,454	-	610,454
US dollar	3,963,089	296	3,963,385
Total foreign currency exposure	5,431,180	7,356	5,438,536

## Notes to the financial statements (continued)

for the year ended 15 February 2026

### 15. Risk management policies (continued)

#### a Market risk (continued)

#### (ii) Currency risk (continued)

	Financial instruments and cash holdings	Net debtors and creditors	Total net foreign currency exposure
2025	£	£	£
Euro	623,405	7,150	630,555
Swedish krona	2,545	-	2,545
Swiss franc	494,567	-	494,567
US dollar	5,619,754	5,126	5,624,880
Total foreign currency exposure	<u>6,740,271</u>	<u>12,276</u>	<u>6,752,547</u>

At 15 February 2026, if the value of sterling increased or decreased by 5% against all other currencies, with all other variables remaining constant, then the closing net assets would increase or decrease by approximately £271,927 (2025: £337,627).

#### (iii) Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that the value of the Fund's investments will fluctuate as a result of interest rate changes.

During the year the Fund's direct exposure to interest rates consisted of cash and bank balances and interest bearing securities. The Fund also has indirect exposure to interest rate risk as it invests in bond funds. The amount of revenue receivable from bank balances or payable on bank overdrafts will be affected by fluctuations in interest rates. In the event of a change in interest rates, there would be no material impact upon the net assets of the Fund.

The Fund would not in normal market conditions hold significant cash balances and would have limited borrowing capabilities as stipulated in the COLL rules.

Derivative contracts are not used to hedge against the exposure to interest rate risk.

There is no exposure to interest bearing securities at the balance sheet date.

The interest rate risk profile of financial assets and liabilities at the 2025 balance sheet date is as follows:

	Variable rate financial assets	Fixed rate financial assets	Non-interest bearing financial assets	Non-interest bearing financial liabilities	Total
2025	£	£	£	£	£
Euro	4	-	630,551	-	630,555
Swedish krona	2,545	-	-	-	2,545
Swiss franc	-	-	494,567	-	494,567
UK sterling	471,723	216,512	5,921,223	(14,133)	6,595,325
US dollar	5	-	5,624,875	-	5,624,880
	<u>474,277</u>	<u>216,512</u>	<u>12,671,216</u>	<u>(14,133)</u>	<u>13,347,872</u>

#### b Credit risk

This is the risk that one party to a financial instrument will cause a financial loss for the other party by failing to discharge an obligation. This includes counterparty risk.

## Notes to the financial statements (continued)

for the year ended 15 February 2026

### 15. Risk management policies (continued)

#### b Credit risk (continued)

The Trustee has appointed the custodian to provide custody services for the assets of the Fund. There is a counterparty risk that the custodian could cease to be in a position to provide custody services to the Fund. The Fund's investments (excluding cash) are ring fenced hence the risk is considered to be negligible.

The Fund holds cash and cash deposits with financial institutions which potentially exposes the Fund to counterparty risk. The credit rating of the financial institution is taken into account so as to minimise the risk to the Fund of default.

Holdings in collective investment schemes are subject to direct credit risk. The exposure to pooled investment vehicles is unrated.

#### c Liquidity risk

A significant risk is the cancellation of units which investors may wish to sell and that securities may have to be sold in order to fund such cancellations if insufficient cash is held at the bank to meet this obligation. If there were significant requests for the redemption of units at a time when a large proportion of the portfolio of investments were not easily tradable due to market volumes or market conditions, the ability to fund those redemptions would be impaired and it might be necessary to suspend dealings in units in the Fund.

Investments in smaller companies at times may prove illiquid, as by their nature they tend to have relatively modest traded share capital. Shifts in investor sentiment, or the announcement of new price sensitive information, can provoke significant movement in share prices, and make dealing in any quantity difficult.

The Fund may also invest in securities that are not listed or traded on any stock exchange. In such situations the Fund may not be able to immediately sell such securities.

To reduce liquidity risk the Manager will ensure, in line with the limits stipulated within the COLL rules, a substantial portion of the Fund's assets consist of readily realisable securities. This is monitored on a monthly basis and reported to the Risk Committee together with historical outflows of the Fund.

In addition liquidity is subject to stress testing on an annual basis to assess the ability of the Fund to meet large redemptions, while still being able to adhere to its objective guidelines and the FCA investment borrowing regulations.

All of the financial liabilities are payable on demand.

#### d 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.

To ensure this, the fair value pricing committee is a body appointed by the Manager to analyse, review and vote on price adjustments/maintenance where no current secondary market exists and/or where there are potential liquidity issues that would affect the disposal of an asset. In addition, the committee may also consider adjustments to the Fund's price should the constituent investments be exposed to closed markets during general market volatility or instability.

Basis of valuation	Investment assets	Investment liabilities
	2026	2026
	£	£
Quoted prices	12,104,088	-
Observable market data	726,593	-
Unobservable data	-	-
	<u>12,830,681</u>	<u>-</u>

No securities in the portfolio of investments are valued using valuation techniques.

## Notes to the financial statements (continued)

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### 15. Risk management policies (continued)

#### d Fair value of financial assets and financial liabilities (continued)

Basis of valuation	Investment assets	Investment liabilities
	2025	2025
	£	£
Quoted prices	11,850,201	-
Observable market data	1,110,627	-
Unobservable data	-	-
	<u>12,960,828</u>	<u>-</u>

No securities in the portfolio of investments are valued using valuation techniques.

#### e Assets subject to special arrangements arising from their illiquid nature

There are no assets held in the portfolio of investments which are subject to special arrangements arising from their illiquid nature.

#### f Derivatives

The Fund may employ derivatives with the aim of reducing the Fund's risk profile, reducing costs or generating additional capital or revenue, in accordance with Efficient Portfolio Management.

The Manager monitors that any exposure is covered globally to ensure adequate cover is available to meet the Fund's total exposure, taking into account the value of the underlying investments, any reasonably foreseeable market movement, counterparty risk, and the time available to liquidate any positions.

For certain derivative transactions cash margins may be required to be paid to the brokers with whom the trades were executed and settled. These balances are subject to daily reconciliations and are held by the broker in segregated cash accounts that are afforded client money protection.

During the year there were no derivative transactions.

#### (i) Counterparties

Transactions in securities 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. This risk is mitigated by the Fund using a range of brokers for security transactions, thereby diversifying the risk of exposure to any one broker. In addition the Fund will only transact with brokers who are subject to frequent reviews with whom transaction limits are set.

The Fund may transact in derivative contracts which potentially exposes the Fund to counterparty risk from the counterparty not settling their side of the contract. Transactions involving derivatives are entered into only with investment banks and brokers with appropriate and approved credit rating, which are regularly monitored. Forward currency transactions are only undertaken with the custodians appointed by the Trustee.

At the balance sheet date, there are no securities in the portfolio of investments subject to a repurchase agreement.

#### (ii) Leverage

The leverage is calculated as the exposure generated through the use of derivatives (calculated in accordance with the commitment approach) divided by the net asset value.

There have been no leveraging arrangements in the year.

#### (iii) Global exposure

Global exposure is a measure designed to limit the leverage generated by a fund through the use of financial derivative instruments, including derivatives with embedded assets.

At the balance sheet date there is no global exposure to derivatives.

There have been no collateral arrangements in the year.

## Distribution table

for the year ended 15 February 2026

Interim distribution in pence per unit

Group 1 - Units purchased before 16 February 2025

Group 2 - Units purchased 16 February 2025 to 15 August 2025

	Net revenue	Equalisation	Total distribution 15 October 2025	Total distribution 15 October 2024
Accumulation				
Group 1	1.501	-	1.501	1.816
Group 2	1.501	-	1.501	1.816

Final distribution in pence per unit

Group 1 - Units purchased before 16 August 2025

Group 2 - Units purchased 16 August 2025 to 15 February 2026

	Net revenue	Equalisation	Total distribution 15 June 2026	Total distribution 15 June 2025
Accumulation				
Group 1	0.255	-	0.255	0.698
Group 2	0.255	-	0.255	0.698

Accumulation distribution

Holders of accumulation units should add the distributions received thereon to the cost of the units for capital gains tax purposes.

## Remuneration

### Remuneration code disclosure

The remuneration committee is responsible for setting the remuneration policy for all partners, directors and employees within Evelyn Partners Group Limited ('the Group'), including individuals designated as Material Risk Takers (MRTs) under the Remuneration Code. The remuneration policy is designed to be compliant with the Code and provides a framework to attract, retain, motivate and reward partners, directors and employees. The overall policy is designed to promote the long-term success of the group and to support prudent risk management, with particular attention to conduct risk.

### Remuneration committee

The remuneration committee report contained in the Group Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2024 includes details on the remuneration policy. The remuneration committee comprises three independent non-executive directors<sup>1</sup> and is governed by formal terms of reference, which are reviewed and agreed by the board. The committee met seven times during 2024.

### Remuneration policy

The main principles of the remuneration policy are:

- aligns the interests of employees with those of our clients/customers and investors;
- is compliant with relevant regulation and considers market best practice;
- is pragmatic, flexible, economic, and considers the commercial objectives of the business;
- is competitive and helps the Group attract and retain talented people;
- encourages behaviours consistent with the Group's values, ambitions, strategy, and risk appetite (including environmental, social and governance risk factors);
- supports the delivery of fair outcomes for our clients; and
- is clear, fair, free from bias and based on objective criteria that avoids discrimination (including gender).

### Remuneration systems

Fixed pay is determined by considering an employee's role and responsibilities, external market information, and internal budgets/affordability. The remuneration committee considers all of these factors when determining appropriate salary/fixed profit share budgets as part of the annual pay review, and by exception any increases outside of the annual pay review.

Evelyn Partners operates Discretionary Incentive Plans (DIP) – these are discretionary bonus schemes that enable employees to be recognised for their hard work and commitment, through linking reward to the performance and outcomes, including client outcomes, of both the business and the individual employee.

Bonus awards under a DIP are made in cash and/or equity awards and are driven by the following factors:

- The financial performance (primarily EBITDA performance) of the business;
- An employee's individual performance in relation to the Group's key performance indicators and financial outcomes;
- An employee's individual performance in relation to behaviours which are in line with the Group's values, which includes client outcomes and regulatory compliance; and
- A risk and control review, which includes client outcomes.

<sup>1</sup> Please note that the data provided for the independent non-executive directors is as at 31 December 2024. The data provided is for independent non-executive directors only.

## Remuneration (continued)

### Aggregate quantitative information

The total amount of remuneration paid by Evelyn Partners Fund Solutions Limited ('EPFL') is nil as EPFL has no employees. However, a number of employees have remuneration costs recharged to EPFL and the annualised remuneration for these 70 employees is £3.58 million of which £3.19 million is fixed remuneration. This is based on the salary and benefits for those identified as working in EPFL as at 31 December 2024. Any variable remuneration is awarded for the year ended 31 December 2024. This information excludes any senior management or other Material Risk Takers (MRTs) whose remuneration information is detailed below.

Evelyn Partners Group Limited reviews its MRTs at least annually. These individuals are employed by and provide services to other companies in the Group. It is difficult to apportion remuneration for these individuals in respect of their duties to EPFL. For this reason, the aggregate total remuneration awarded for the year 31 December 2024 for senior management and other MRTs detailed below has not been apportioned.

Table to show the aggregate remuneration split by Senior Management and other MRTs for EPFL<sup>^</sup>

	For the period 1 January 2024 to 31 December 2024				
	Fixed £'000	Variable		Total £'000	No. MRTs
		Cash £'000	Equity £'000		
Senior Management	3,448	2,470	-	5,918	15
Other MRTs	477	338	-	815	5
Total	3,925	2,808	-	6,733	20

### Investment Adviser

The Manager has appointed TrinityBridge Limited (previously Close Asset Management Limited) to provide investment management and related advisory services to the Manager. TrinityBridge Limited is paid a monthly fee out of the scheme property of The Global Opportunities Fund which is calculated on the total value of the portfolio of investments at the month end. The Investment Adviser is compliant with the Capital Requirements Directive regarding remuneration and therefore their staff are covered by remuneration regulatory requirements.

<sup>^</sup> On 30 June 2025, Thesis Holdings Limited bought Evelyn Partners Fund Solutions Limited. Following the completion of the acquisition of Evelyn Partners Fund Solutions Limited, the company has been renamed to Tutman Fund Solutions Limited. The current financial year end of Tutman Fund Solutions Limited has been extended from 31 December 2025 to 30 April 2026. The disclosures will be updated following this financial year end.

## Further information

### Distributions and reporting dates

Where net revenue is available it will be allocated semi-annually on 15 June (final) and 15 October (interim). In the event of a distribution, unitholders will receive a tax voucher.

XD dates:	16 February	final
	16 August	interim
Reporting dates:	15 February	annual
	15 August	interim

### Buying and selling units

The property of the Fund is valued at 12.00pm on the 10th and 24th day of the month, with the exception of any bank holiday in England and Wales or the last business day to those days annually, where the valuation may be carried out at a time agreed in advance between the Trustee and the Manager. The price of units are calculated at that time. Unit dealing is on a forward basis i.e. investors can buy and sell units at the next valuation point following receipt of the order.

Prices of units and the estimated yield of the Fund are published on the following website: [www.trustnet.com](http://www.trustnet.com) or may be obtained by calling 0141 483 9701.

### Benchmark

Unitholders may compare the performance of the Trust against the ARC Balanced Asset PCI. Comparison of the Trust's performance against this benchmark will give unitholders an indication of how the Trust is performing against an index based on the real performance numbers delivered to discretionary private clients by participating investment managers.

The benchmark is not a target for the Trust, nor is the Trust constrained by the benchmark.

## Appointments

### Manager and Registered office

Tutman Fund Solutions Limited (previously Evelyn Partners Fund Solutions Limited)  
Exchange Building  
St John's Street  
Chichester  
West Sussex PO19 1UP  
Authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority

### Administrator and Registrar

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Glasgow G2 7ER  
Telephone 0141 483 9700 (Dealing)  
0141 483 9701 (Enquiries)  
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### Directors of the Manager

Stephen Mugford - appointed 1 July 2025  
Nicola Palios - appointed 1 July 2025  
Jenny Shanley - appointed 13 October 2025  
David Tyerman - appointed 4 March 2026  
Andrew Baddeley - resigned 31 March 2025  
Mayank Prakash - resigned 30 April 2025  
Brian McLean - resigned 30 June 2025  
Neil Coxhead - resigned 4 March 2026

### Independent Non-Executive Directors of the Manager

Linda Robinson  
Sally Macdonald  
Carol Lawson - appointed 30 June 2025  
Caroline Willson - appointed 30 June 2025  
Dean Buckley - resigned 30 June 2025  
Victoria Muir - resigned 30 June 2025

### Non-Executive Directors of the Manager

Guy Swarbreck - resigned 31 March 2025

### Investment Adviser

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