

SVS Church House Investment Grade Fixed Interest Fund

Interim Report

for the six months ended 30 September 2021

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Report of the Manager

St Vincent St Fund Administration (trading name of Smith & Williamson Fund Administration Limited), as Manager, presents herewith the Interim Report for SVS Church House Investment Grade Fixed Interest Fund for the six months ended 30 September 2021.

SVS Church House Investment Grade Fixed Interest Fund ('the Trust' or 'the Fund') is an authorised unit trust scheme further to an authorisation order dated 1 December 2000 and is a UCITS scheme complying with the investment and borrowing powers rules in the Collective Investment Schemes sourcebook ('COLL'), as published by the Financial Conduct Authority ('FCA').

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 EU-UK Trade and Cooperation Agreement concluded between the EU and the UK sets out preferential arrangements in areas such as trade in goods and in services, digital trade, intellectual property, public procurement, aviation and road transport, energy, fisheries, social security coordination, law enforcement and judicial cooperation in criminal matters, thematic cooperation and participation in Union programmes. It is underpinned by provisions ensuring a level playing field and respect for fundamental rights.

The Trade and Cooperation Agreement was signed on 30 December 2020, was applied provisionally as of 1 January 2021 and entered into force on 1 May 2021. As at the date of this report, the economic impacts of Brexit and of the Trade and Cooperation Agreement remain uncertain.

The base currency of the Fund is UK sterling.

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 Fund is to secure a high level of income through investment principally in investment grade corporate bonds, United Kingdom Government Gilts and supra-national issues. The Fund may also invest in other higher income securities such as preference shares and infrastructure funds and other interest bearing securities such as Treasury bills. The Fund also seeks to hedge the interest rate or credit risk in the portfolio through the use of derivative instruments.

Changes affecting the Fund in the period

There were no fundamental or significant changes to the Fund in the period.

Changes affecting the Fund subsequent to the period end

On 5 October 2011, the objective and policy was updated to:

The aim of the Fund is to provide quarterly income, while maintaining capital over the long term (at least five years).

The Fund is actively managed. At least 90% of the Fund's portfolio is invested directly in sterling denominated investment grade corporate bonds (including floating rate notes), United Kingdom Government Gilts and fixed interest securities issued by supranational organisations. In the Manager's view, these investments are consistent with a low volatility level. The volatility level of the Fund is expected not to exceed 5% over rolling three year periods in normal market conditions.

Investment grade securities for the purposes of this Fund are those which are rated at least BBB- (or equivalent) by a single rating agency at the time of purchase. For bonds which are not rated by an independent ratings agency the Investment Manager will apply a comparable quality rating to determine whether a corporate bond should be classified as investment grade.

The Fund will aim to maintain a minimum asset allocation of 25% to AAA bonds in normal market conditions.

Up to 10% of the Fund may be invested in other assets including: higher income securities, such as preference shares and infrastructure funds; other interest bearing securities such as Treasury bills; and cash/money market instruments.

The Fund may also use derivatives for the purposes of Efficient Portfolio Management, including seeking to hedge the interest rate or credit risk in the portfolio.

Report of the Manager (continued)

Further information in relation to the Fund is illustrated on page 18.

In accordance with the requirements of the Financial Conduct Authority's Collective Investment Schemes sourcebook, we hereby certify the Interim Report on behalf of the Manager, Smith & Williamson Fund Administration Limited.

Brian McLean

Directors

Smith & Williamson Fund Administration Limited

25 November 2021

James Gordon

Accounting policies of SVS Church House Investment Grade Fixed Interest Fund (unaudited) *for the six months ended 30 September 2021*

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.

The accounting policies applied are consistent with those of the annual financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2021 and are described in those annual financial statements.

The Manager has considered the impact of the emergence and spread of Covid-19 and potential implications on future operations of the Fund of reasonably possible downside scenarios. 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.

Investment Manager's report

Investment performance

Capital performance*	6 months	3 Years	5 Years
SVS Church House Investment Grade Fixed Interest Fund	-0.2%	+2.9%	-0.2%

* Percentage change in bid price of Income units at 12pm to 30 September 2021.

Source: Bloomberg and Smith & Williamson Fund Administration Limited.

Investment activities

The SVS Church House Investment Grade Fixed Interest Fund portfolio has been busy, moving to an even shorter-dated portfolio in anticipation of a more difficult period in fixed interest markets. Bonds that mature in the short-term now accounting for 60% of the whole portfolio:

SVS Church House Investment Grade Fixed Interest Fund	September 2021	June 2021
Short-dated Securities (less than 7 years)	60%	58%
Medium-dated Securities (7 to 15 years)	33%	34%
Long-dated Securities (over 15 years)	7%	8%
Duration of Portfolio	4.0	4.5
Volatility* (past year)	3.20%	3.10%
Number of Holdings	98	107
Yield	2.40%	2.20%
Portfolio Value	£329m	£346m

*Volatility is annual standard deviation expressed as a percentage.

The top holding in the portfolio is still a FRN (floating rate note) from the European Investment Bank 1.0503% 18/01/2027, followed by several others in the top fifteen as below. Over the first quarter to the end of June we sold the last of the CPPIB Capital 1.125% 14/12/2029 stock, and re-invested in a five-year FRN (CPPIB Capital 1.300001% 15/06/2026) from the same issuer - we like switching from fixed to floating rates in current market conditions. As ever, we remained active in new issues, including new stock from Close Brothers Group 2% 11/09/2031, Credit Agricole 1.874% 09/12/2031 and Lloyds Banking Group 1.985% 15/12/2031. Over the quarter to the end of this period, we saw maturities from Goldman Sachs Group 2.1% 08/09/2021 and RBC FRNs. We rolled some of the proceeds from these into the inaugural sterling covered FRN from United Overseas Bank 1.04995% 21/09/2026, paying SONIA (Sterling Overnight Index Average) +100bp (basis points) and topped-up an existing FRN in Bank of Nova Scotia 1.050009% 14/03/2025. In other financials, the subordinated bank capital area saw several new issues, we took the new Nordea Bank 1.625% 09/12/2032 and Investec 2.625% 04/01/2032 issues, both with similar five-year call structures, switching out of existing holdings from Lloyds Banking Group 1.985% 15/12/2031 and Credit Agricole 1.874% 09/12/2031.

Top 15 Holdings - 30 September 2021	
European Investment Bank 1.0503% 18/01/2027	3.2%
Bank of America 7% 31/07/2028	2.6%
Royal Bank of Canada 0.52023% 30/01/2025	2.5%
Goldman Sachs Group 7.25% 10/04/2028	2.4%
M&G 5.625% 20/10/2051	2.1%
AP Moller - Maersk 4% 04/04/2025	2.1%
Barclays 2.375% 06/10/2023	1.9%
Bank of Nova Scotia 1.050009% 14/03/2025	1.9%
Yorkshire Building Society 0.6501% 19/11/2023	1.8%
GCP Infrastructure Investments	1.8%
SSE 3.74% Perpetual	1.7%
Citigroup 5.15% 21/05/2026	1.7%
Tesco Personal Finance Group 3.5% 25/07/2025	1.6%
BP Capital Markets 4.25% Perpetual	1.6%
HICL Infrastructure	1.6%

Source: Bloomberg.

Investment Manager's report (continued)

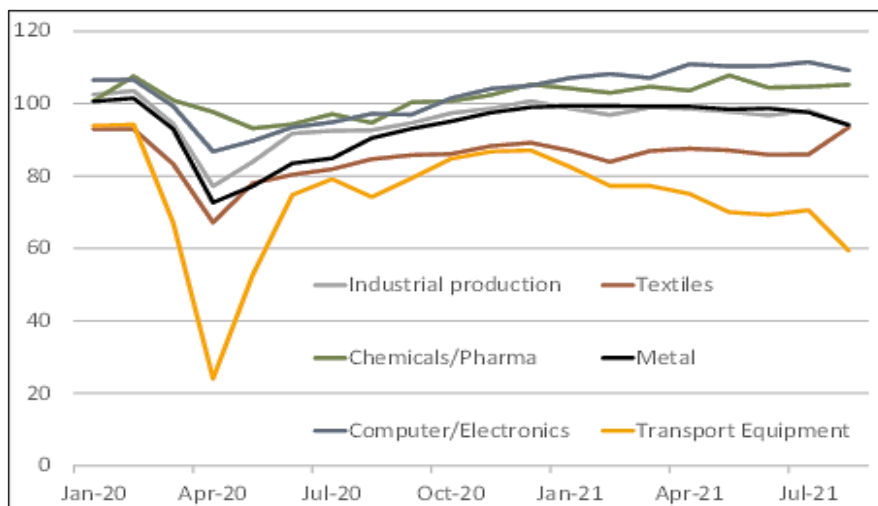
Investment strategy and outlook

The current bout of inflation and continuing economic recovery are beginning to be reflected in the (paltry) level of interest rates, which are moving up again after a summer lull. The ten-year rate has just moved back over 1%, hardly enticing with inflation where it is, but better than the one half of one per cent on offer in August. Rates for the short-term are all now back into positive territory. If this carries on, it could mark the end of a very long-term trend to lower interest rates. The MPC (Monetary Policy Committee) is still holding base rates at 0.1%, but this looks unlikely to last long into the New Year.

Despite a slower rate of job creation in America, the Federal Reserve continues to signal that it will start tapering asset purchases in November and begin to raise rates next year. So far there has been little evidence of a market tantrum at this prospect and risk assets remain far more concerned with a global inflation spike amidst some rampant moves in commodity prices. Energy prices have certainly given everyone something to think about as LNG (Liquefied Natural Gas) prices continue to spike (with some impressive intraday moves) and crude oil prices now joining in.

Post peak pandemic, activity has continued to strengthen, at what point input prices and supply chain bottlenecks/disruption begin to put the brakes on this is concerning, the recent 4% monthly drop in German manufacturing numbers is clear evidence of these effects:

German Industrial Production



Source: Berenberg

“German industrial production fell by 4% in August, much more than the 0.4% decrease expected by the Reuters consensus. Production in the car/car parts industry plunged particularly badly by 17.5%. The shortages of semiconductors also contributed to a 6.3% decline in output of machine tools.” Berenberg

The usual shenanigans surrounding the debt ceiling in the US caused some distraction, as did the domino effect of heavily indebted Chinese property companies being unable to meet their obligations, but yields on US Treasuries continue to rise inexorably. The ten-year yield exceeded 1.5% and the Long Bond comfortably over 2% again. Meanwhile, the ECB (European Central Bank) is considering yet another asset purchase program for when the PEPP (Pandemic Emergency Purchase Programme) expires, to avoid undue volatility, the German ten-year is still negative.

As the expiration of the end-2021 deadline for LIBOR (London Inter-Bank Offered Rate) approaches, most markets have successfully made the transition to SOFR (Secured Overnight Financing Rate) in the US, EONIA (Euro Overnight Index Average) in the eurozone and SONIA in the UK. But there is one market with its head in the sand, the leveraged loan market. Of the 12,000 leveraged loans issued this year just three reference these new rates (the rest still use LIBOR), a deal in the market now will be the first to reference Term SOFR, not a great performance by issuers or the regulators.

Source: Bloomberg.

Investment Manager's report (continued)

Investment strategy and outlook (continued)

Hawkish rhetoric by the BoE (Bank of England) has increased several notches and Gilt yields have responded accordingly, the Governor and some MPC members have warned that inflation might not be as transitory as anticipated. The yield spread between ten-year Gilts and German Bunds reached 125bp, a level not seen since 2016 in the pre referendum era, and this means the ten-year Gilt has moved nearly 100bp this year (near 9% in price). This shows the uncomfortable ride for holders of Gilts this year:

UK Treasury 0.625% Stock 2050



Credit spreads have held steady and the new issuance machine rolls on. Everyone is keen to issue ESG (Environmental, Social and Governance) credit, the majority of these bonds have the credentials but some will be better than others. The most reliable will be the Green Gilts, which the Debt Management Office is developing. September was a busy month in primary markets with record issuance seen in US dollars along with issuance in euro and sterling, even as Sovereign yields rose markedly over the month as inflation worries took hold. There was a (remarkably) brief hiatus in new issuance with some deals pulled when the Chinese property developer Evergrande began to be unable to honour its debt obligations. Most of their debt is onshore but there is offshore US dollar exposure and the usual suspects hold it, the biggest being high yield ETF related.

Source: Bloomberg.

Church House Investments Limited
10 November 2021

Summary of portfolio changes

for the six months ended 30 September 2021

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

	Cost
	£
Purchases:	
Bank of Nova Scotia 1.050009% 14/03/2025	6,160,920
CPPIB Capital 1.300001% 15/06/2026	5,261,050
JPMorgan Chase 0.991% 28/04/2026	5,000,000
United Overseas Bank 1.04995% 21/09/2026	4,140,800
JPMorgan Chase 1.895% 28/04/2033	4,000,000
Coventry Building Society 2% 20/12/2030	3,177,664
Lloyds Banking Group 1.985% 15/12/2031	3,000,000
Credit Agricole 1.874% 09/12/2031	3,000,000
Investec 2.625% 04/01/2032	2,992,380
Nordea Bank 1.625% 09/12/2032	2,991,690
Berkeley Group 2.5% 11/08/2031	2,484,675
Close Brothers Group 2% 11/09/2031	2,189,682
Royal Bank of Canada 0.52023% 30/01/2025	2,018,380
Gatwick Funding 2.5% 15/04/2030	1,983,700
Virgin Money 2.625% 19/08/2031	1,497,105
	Proceeds
	£
Sales:	
Australia & New Zealand Banking Group 0.72867% 24/01/2022	7,016,070
Southern Water Services Finance 2.375% 28/05/2028	6,199,824
JPMorgan Chase 0.991% 28/04/2026	4,996,500
CPPIB Capital 1.125% 14/12/2029	4,994,170
JPMorgan Chase 1.895% 28/04/2033	4,057,450
Motability Operations Group 1.5% 20/01/2041	3,493,800
Coventry Building Society 2% 20/12/2030	3,196,992
Lloyds Banking Group 1.985% 15/12/2031	3,014,000
Berkshire Hathaway Finance 2.375% 19/06/2039	2,659,250
Investec Bank 4.25% 24/07/2028	2,628,175
Wessex Water Services Finance 1.25% 12/01/2036	2,257,755
CK Hutchison Group Telecom Finance 2% 17/10/2027	2,031,500
Goldman Sachs Group 2.1% 08/09/2021	2,000,000
Legal & General Group 10% 23/07/2041	2,000,000
Landesbank Baden-Wuerttemberg 0.32913% 18/05/2021	2,000,000
Enel Finance International 1% 20/10/2027	1,975,600
Close Brothers Group 4.25% 24/01/2027	1,876,856
Aster Treasury 1.405% 27/01/2036	1,760,994
Aviva 6.625% 03/06/2041	1,500,000
Eastern Power Networks 4.75% 30/09/2021	1,500,000

Portfolio statement

as at 30 September 2021

Investment	Nominal value or holding	Market value £	% of total net assets
Debt Securities* 94.53% (93.47%)			
Aaa to Aa2 24.95% (23.80%)			
Bank of Nova Scotia 1.050009% 14/03/2025**	£6,000,000	6,158,340	1.87
Bank of Scotland 4.875% 20/12/2024	£1,500,000	1,695,398	0.52
Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce 0.5302% 28/10/2022**	£5,000,000	5,019,350	1.53
Clydesdale Bank 0.75% 22/03/2024**	£3,000,000	3,038,370	0.92
Clydesdale Bank 4.625% 08/06/2026	£1,250,000	1,459,770	0.44
CPPIB Capital 1.300001% 15/06/2026**	£5,000,000	5,250,500	1.60
Deutsche Pfandbriefbank 1.04995% 29/09/2023**	£1,500,000	1,522,365	0.46
European Investment Bank 1.05% 08/09/2025**	£2,000,000	2,067,940	0.63
European Investment Bank 1.0503% 18/01/2027**	£10,000,000	10,435,000	3.17
Lloyds Bank 5.125% 07/03/2025	£2,500,000	2,865,407	0.87
National Australia Bank 0.5502% 04/02/2025**	£2,000,000	2,019,080	0.61
National Westminster Bank 0.649957% 22/03/2023**	£4,000,000	4,028,000	1.23
Nationwide Building Society 0.80034% 10/01/2024**	£2,000,000	2,027,320	0.62
Royal Bank of Canada 0.52023% 30/01/2025**	£8,000,000	8,063,280	2.45
Royal Bank of Canada 0.629963% 03/10/2024**	£5,000,000	5,053,200	1.54
Santander UK 0.7801% 12/02/2024**	£4,000,000	4,052,120	1.23
Toronto-Dominion Bank 0.52% 24/06/2022**	£2,000,000	2,005,500	0.61
TSB Bank 0.9201% 15/02/2024**	£5,000,000	5,079,450	1.55
United Overseas Bank 1.04995% 21/09/2026**	£4,000,000	4,135,920	1.26
Yorkshire Building Society 0.6501% 19/11/2023**	£6,000,000	6,055,860	1.84
		<u>82,032,170</u>	<u>24.95</u>
Aa3 to A1 0.89% (1.75%)			
Close Brothers Finance 1.625% 03/12/2030	£3,000,000	2,934,270	0.89
Close Brothers Finance 2.75% 19/10/2026	£10,000	10,745	0.00
		<u>2,945,015</u>	<u>0.89</u>
A2 to A3 19.34% (19.29%)			
Aviva 4% 03/06/2055**	£2,000,000	2,171,200	0.66
Aviva 4.375% 12/09/2049**	£4,000,000	4,462,600	1.36
Aviva 5.125% 04/06/2050**	£2,000,000	2,336,542	0.71
Aviva 6.125% Perpetual**	£700,000	732,265	0.22
Bank of America 7% 31/07/2028	£6,400,000	8,611,885	2.62
Citigroup 5.15% 21/05/2026	£4,683,000	5,471,926	1.67
Close Brothers Group 2% 11/09/2031**	£2,200,000	2,195,600	0.67
Close Brothers Group 2.75% 26/04/2023	£2,382,000	2,453,698	0.75
Diageo Finance 2.875% 27/03/2029	£3,000,000	3,304,620	1.01
Goldman Sachs Group 3.125% 25/07/2029	£3,000,000	3,269,400	0.99
Goldman Sachs Group 7.25% 10/04/2028	£6,000,000	8,012,004	2.44
HSBC Holdings 3% 22/07/2028**	£2,500,000	2,636,575	0.80

* Grouped by credit rating - source: Interactive Data and Bloomberg.

** Variable interest security.

Portfolio statement (continued)

as at 30 September 2021

Investment	Nominal value or holding	Market value £	% of total net assets
Debt Securities (continued)			
A2 to A3 (continued)			
M&G 5.625% 20/10/2051**	£5,750,000	6,782,930	2.06
Prudential 6.125% 19/12/2031	£2,584,000	3,492,315	1.06
Rio Tinto Finance 4% 11/12/2029	£2,700,000	3,186,497	0.97
Volkswagen Financial Services 4.25% 09/10/2025	£4,000,000	4,445,186	1.35
		<u>63,565,243</u>	<u>19.34</u>
Baa1 to Baa2 23.54% (22.01%)			
3i Group 3.75% 05/06/2040	£3,000,000	3,363,090	1.02
AP Moller - Maersk 4% 04/04/2025	£6,126,000	6,722,648	2.05
BAE Systems 4.125% 08/06/2022	£3,000,000	3,074,790	0.94
Barclays 2.375% 06/10/2023**	£6,146,000	6,245,319	1.90
BP Capital Markets 4.25% Perpetual**	£5,000,000	5,312,500	1.62
Cadent Finance 2.125% 22/09/2028	£2,500,000	2,548,050	0.78
Credit Agricole 1.874% 09/12/2031**	£2,000,000	1,983,476	0.60
Direct Line Insurance Group 4% 05/06/2032	£1,500,000	1,648,395	0.50
Eversholt Funding 2.742% 30/06/2040	£4,000,000	4,022,353	1.22
Experian Finance 3.25% 07/04/2032	£2,000,000	2,227,160	0.68
Fidelity International 7.125% 13/02/2024	£2,995,000	3,399,813	1.03
Gatwick Funding 2.5% 15/04/2030	£2,000,000	1,968,740	0.60
Glencore Finance Europe 3.125% 26/03/2026	£3,500,000	3,692,465	1.12
HSBC Bank 6.5% 07/07/2023	£1,000,000	1,092,827	0.33
Investec 2.625% 04/01/2032**	£3,000,000	2,990,100	0.91
Leeds Building Society 3.75% 25/04/2029**	£2,000,000	2,132,480	0.65
London Power Networks 5.125% 31/03/2023	£500,000	532,503	0.16
Nordea Bank 1.625% 09/12/2032**	£3,000,000	2,936,250	0.89
Scotland Gas Networks 3.25% 08/03/2027	£1,350,000	1,469,934	0.45
Scottish Widows 5.5% 16/06/2023	£4,140,000	4,436,470	1.35
SSE 8.375% 20/11/2028	£250,000	356,245	0.11
Standard Chartered 5.125% 06/06/2034	£1,592,000	1,970,861	0.60
Tesco Personal Finance Group 3.5% 25/07/2025	£5,155,000	5,369,396	1.63
Thames Water Utilities Finance 4% 19/06/2025	£1,500,000	1,654,272	0.50
Virgin Money UK 4% 25/09/2026**	£3,000,000	3,260,700	0.99
Western Power Distribution West Midlands 6% 09/05/2025	£500,000	583,245	0.18
Yorkshire Building Society 3.375% 13/09/2028**	£2,250,000	2,388,465	0.73
		<u>77,382,547</u>	<u>23.54</u>

* Grouped by credit rating - source: Interactive Data and Bloomberg.

** Variable interest security.

Portfolio statement (continued)

as at 30 September 2021

Investment	Nominal value or holding	Market value £	% of total net assets
Debt Securities (continued)			
Baa3 to unrated 25.81% (26.62%)			
Berkeley Group 2.5% 11/08/2031	£2,500,000	2,424,721	0.74
BG Energy Capital 5.125% 01/12/2025	£750,000	871,762	0.27
British Land 2.375% 14/09/2029	£2,500,000	2,544,800	0.77
European Bank for Reconstruction & Development 1.0501% 20/11/2025**	£5,000,000	5,171,000	1.57
Heathrow Funding 2.625% 16/03/2028	£3,500,000	3,501,875	1.07
Heathrow Funding 2.75% 13/10/2029	£2,000,000	2,054,226	0.63
Heathrow Funding 5.225% 15/02/2023	£500,000	528,286	0.16
Heathrow Funding 6.75% 03/12/2026	£2,629,000	3,258,914	0.99
InterContinental Hotels Group 3.375% 08/10/2028	£2,500,000	2,654,400	0.81
Legal & General Group 5.625% Perpetual**	£4,500,000	5,028,750	1.53
Liverpool Victoria Friendly Society 6.5% 22/05/2043**	£1,500,000	1,601,008	0.49
Nationwide Building Society 0.4501% 24/02/2031**	£4,000,000	4,005,400	1.22
Northumbrian Water Finance 6.875% 06/02/2023	£4,000,000	4,321,156	1.31
Pearson Funding 3.75% 04/06/2030	£1,000,000	1,100,294	0.33
Pension Insurance 3.625% 21/10/2032	£2,000,000	2,068,656	0.63
Pension Insurance 4.625% 07/05/2031	£1,500,000	1,673,768	0.51
Phoenix Group Holdings 5.625% 28/04/2031	£3,000,000	3,587,160	1.09
Rothesay Life 5.5% 17/09/2029**	£3,400,000	3,756,116	1.14
Rothesay Life 6.875% Perpetual**	£4,000,000	4,634,400	1.41
Rothesay Life 8% 30/10/2025	£4,190,000	5,211,061	1.59
Segro 2.375% 11/10/2029	£4,000,000	4,241,120	1.29
Shaftesbury Chinatown 2.348% 30/09/2027	£2,900,000	2,921,460	0.89
SSE 3.74% Perpetual**	£5,500,000	5,667,970	1.72
Tesco Corporate Treasury Services 2.75% 27/04/2030	£2,200,000	2,300,166	0.70
Virgin Money UK 2.625% 19/08/2031**	£1,500,000	1,508,735	0.46
Whitbread Group 2.375% 31/05/2027	£3,000,000	2,998,180	0.91
Whitbread Group 3% 31/05/2031	£2,200,000	2,214,133	0.67
Workspace Group 2.25% 11/03/2028	£3,000,000	2,979,240	0.91
		<u>84,828,757</u>	<u>25.81</u>
Total debt securities		<u>310,753,732</u>	<u>94.53</u>
Closed-Ended Funds 4.57% (4.31%)			
Closed-Ended Funds - incorporated in the United Kingdom 1.61% (1.48%)			
HICL Infrastructure	3,175,000	5,289,550	1.61
Closed-Ended Funds - incorporated outwith the United Kingdom 2.96% (2.83%)			
GCP Infrastructure Investments	5,838,680	5,862,035	1.78
International Public Partnerships	2,387,500	3,867,750	1.18
Total closed-ended funds - incorporated outwith the United Kingdom		<u>9,729,785</u>	<u>2.96</u>
Total closed-ended funds		<u>15,019,335</u>	<u>4.57</u>

* Grouped by credit rating - source: Interactive Data and Bloomberg.

** Variable interest security.

Portfolio statement (continued)

as at 30 September 2021

	Nominal value or holding	Market value £	% of total net assets
Investment			
Offshore Collective Investment Schemes 0.56% (0.53%)			
WisdomTree Gilts 10Y 3x Daily Short	50,000	1,859,000	0.56
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Portfolio of investments		327,632,067	99.66
Other net assets		1,104,522	0.34
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Total net assets		328,736,589	100.00

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 31 March 2021.

Total purchases in the period: £49,898,046

Total sales in the period: £67,676,426

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.

← Typically lower rewards, lower risk			Typically higher rewards, higher risk →			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7

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.

The price of the Fund and any income from it can go down as well as up and is not guaranteed. Investors may not get back the amount invested. Past performance is not a guide to future performance.

Where the Fund invests in bonds, there is a risk the bond issuer may fail to meet its repayments. This is usually a greater risk for bonds that produce a higher level of income. Changes in interest rates, inflation and the creditworthiness of the bond issuer may also affect the bond's market value.

The Fund is entitled to use derivative instruments for Efficient Portfolio Management. Derivatives may not achieve their intended purpose. Their prices may move up or down significantly over relatively short periods of time which may result in losses greater than the amount paid. This could adversely impact the value of the Fund.

The organisation from which the Fund buys a derivative may fail to carry out its obligations, which could also cause losses to the Fund.

For further information please refer to the KIID.

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

There have been no changes to the risk and reward indicator in the period.

Performance information

Number of units in issue	30.09.21	31.03.21	31.03.20	31.03.19
Income	211,385,553	228,788,795	243,993,458	225,063,466
Accumulation	16,838,803	16,211,359	13,406,824	12,705,767
XL Institutional Income*	44,623,180	47,893,446	54,429,219	54,126,422
Net Asset Value ('NAV')	£	£	£	£
Total NAV of the Fund	328,736,589	352,414,332	351,430,239	339,130,200
NAV attributable to Income unitholders	245,832,711	266,914,843	268,794,605	255,912,996
NAV attributable to Accumulation unitholders	30,665,523	29,282,979	22,363,685	21,413,459
NAV attributable to XL Institutional Income unitholders*	52,238,355	56,216,510	60,271,949	61,803,745
NAV per unit (based on bid value)**	p	p	p	p
Income	116.3	116.7	110.2	113.7
Accumulation	182.1	180.6	166.8	168.5
XL Institutional Income*	117.1	117.4	110.7	114.2

*XL Institutional Income units launched on 1 November 2018 at 113.7p per unit.

**The net asset value per unit excludes the value of the income distributions payable.

Highest and lowest prices and distributions

		Distribution per unit	Highest offer price	Lowest bid price
Financial year to 31 March		p	p	p
2019	Income	2.446	120.7	111.9
2019	Accumulation	3.575	177.4	164.7
2019 [^]	XL Institutional Income	1.122	120.9	112.3
2020	Income	2.440	123.3	108.3
2020	Accumulation	3.643	185.7	163.1
2020	XL Institutional Income	2.560	124.0	108.9
2021	Income	2.612	127.3	110.3
2021	Accumulation	4.000	195.6	167.0
2021	XL Institutional Income	2.740	128.1	110.9
Financial period to 30 September 2021	Income	1.324	124.8	116.8
Financial period to 30 September 2021	Accumulation	2.060	194.3	180.8
Financial period to 30 September 2021	XL Institutional Income	1.392	125.6	117.5

[^] From 1 November 2018 to 31 March 2019.

Performance information (continued)

Summary of the distributions in the current financial period and prior financial year

Income			
Payment date	p	Payment date	p
31.08.21	0.662	31.08.20	0.613
30.11.21	0.662	30.11.20	0.702
		28.02.21	0.663
		31.05.21	0.634
Accumulation			
Allocation date	p	Allocation date	p
31.08.21	1.025	31.08.20	0.930
30.11.21	1.035	30.11.20	1.079
		28.02.21	1.014
		31.05.21	0.977
XL Institutional Income			
Payment date	p	Payment date	p
31.08.21	0.695	31.08.20	0.644
30.11.21	0.697	30.11.20	0.734
		28.02.21	0.696
		31.05.21	0.666
Ongoing charges figure ('OCF')			
	30.09.21	30.06.20	
Income	0.89%	0.83%	
Accumulation	0.89%	0.83%	
XL Institutional Income*	0.70%	0.64%	

^ Annualised based on the expenses incurred during the period 1 April 2021 to 30 September 2021.

The OCF consists principally of the Manager's periodic charge and the Investment Manager'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 the unit classes may occur in a year as it is calculated on historical data.

Previously, the OCF included expenses incurred by underlying holdings of collective investment schemes in relation to the Fund (the synthetic OCF). Following guidance issued by the Investment Association on 2 July 2020, the synthetic OCF calculation has been expanded to include closed ended vehicles such as investment trusts.

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

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Statement of total return (unaudited)

for the six months ended 30 September 2021

	1 April 2021 to 30 September 2021		1 April 2020 to 30 September 2020	
	£	£	£	£
Income:				
Net capital (losses) / gains		(231,758)		22,704,232
Revenue	4,618,246		4,890,793	
Expenses	<u>(1,397,371)</u>		<u>(1,453,987)</u>	
Net revenue before taxation	3,220,875		3,436,806	
Taxation	<u>-</u>		<u>-</u>	
Net revenue after taxation		<u>3,220,875</u>		<u>3,436,806</u>
Total return before distributions		2,989,117		26,141,038
Distributions		(3,918,901)		(4,161,433)
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities		<u><u>(929,784)</u></u>		<u><u>21,979,605</u></u>

Statement of change in net assets attributable to unitholders (unaudited)

for the six months ended 30 September 2021

	1 April 2021 to 30 September 2021		1 April 2020 to 30 September 2020	
	£	£	£	£
Opening net assets attributable to unitholders		352,414,332 *		351,430,239
Amounts receivable on issue of units	8,432,459		20,110,514	
Amounts payable on cancellation of units	<u>(31,521,188)</u>		<u>(28,463,642)</u>	
		(23,088,729)		(8,353,128)
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities		(929,784)		21,979,605
Retained distributions on accumulation units		340,770		297,300
Closing net assets attributable to unitholders		<u><u>328,736,589</u></u>		<u><u>365,354,016</u></u> *

* The opening net assets in the current period do not equal the closing net assets in the comparative period as they are not consecutive periods.

Balance sheet (unaudited)
as at 30 September 2021

	30 September 2021	31 March 2021
	£	£
Assets:		
Fixed assets:		
Investments	327,632,067	346,476,097
Current assets:		
Debtors	4,138,541	4,508,025
Cash and bank balances	4,769,800	3,255,875
Total assets	<u>336,540,408</u>	<u>354,239,997</u>
Liabilities:		
Creditors:		
Distribution payable	(1,710,396)	(1,769,491)
Other creditors	(6,093,423)	(56,174)
Total liabilities	<u>(7,803,819)</u>	<u>(1,825,665)</u>
Net assets attributable to unitholders	<u>328,736,589</u>	<u>352,414,332</u>

Further information

Distributions and reporting dates

Where net revenue is available it will be distributed/allocated quarterly on 31 May (final), 31 August (quarter 1), 30 November (interim) and the last day in February (quarter 3). In the event of a distribution, unitholders will receive a tax voucher.

XD dates:	1 April	final
	1 July	quarter 1
	1 October	interim
	1 January	quarter 3
Reporting dates:	31 March	annual
	30 September	interim

Buying and selling units

The property of the Fund is valued at 12 noon on each business day with the exception of Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve or a bank holiday in England and Wales, or the last business day prior to those days annually where the valuation may be carried out at a time agreed in advance between the Manager and the Trustee; and the prices of the Fund are calculated as 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.

Income units and Accumulation units

The minimum initial investment in these unit classes is £5,000. The minimum subsequent investment is £5,000. The Manager reserves the right to terminate holdings where the value is less than £3,000. The Manager may waive the minimum levels at its discretion.

The Manager may impose a charge on the sale of units to investors, which is based on the amount invested by the prospective investor. The preliminary charge is 5% of the value of each unit.

XL Institutional Income units and XL Institutional Accumulation units

The minimum initial investment in these unit classes is £50,000,000. The minimum subsequent investment is £5,000. The Manager reserves the right to terminate holdings where the value is less than £50,000,000. The Manager may waive the minimum levels at its discretion.

The Manager may impose a charge on the sale of units to investors, which is based on the amount invested by the prospective investor. The preliminary charge is 5% of the value of each unit.

Prices of units and the estimated yield of the unit classes are published on the following website: www.trustnet.com or may be obtained by calling 0141 222 1151.

Benchmark

Unitholders may compare the performance of the Fund against the ICE BofAML 7-10 Years AA Sterling Corporate & Collateralised Index and the IA £ Corporate Bond sector.

Comparison of the Fund's performance against IA £ Corporate Bond sector will give unitholders an indication of how the Fund is performing against other similar funds in this peer group sector. The Manager has selected ICE BofAML 7-10 Years AA Sterling Corporate & Collateralised Index as a comparator benchmark as the Manager believes it best reflects the asset allocation of the Fund.

The benchmarks are not targets for the Fund, nor is the Fund constrained by the benchmarks.

The benchmark produced the following performance[^] over the period from 1 April 2021 to 30 September 2021:

ICE BofAML 7-10 Years AA Sterling Corporate & Collateralised Index	0.22%
IA £ Corporate Bond sector	1.23%

The Fund produced the following performance[^] per unit class over the period from 1 April 2021 to 30 September 2021, based on cumulative returns:

Income	0.82%
Accumulation	0.83%
XL Institutional Income	0.93%

[^] Source: FE fundinfo

Appointments

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