

An equity fund for charities looking to earn good long term returns whilst tackling the climate emergency.

The fund invests using Epworth's Christian ethical framework.

Investment objective

The Fund seeks income and capital investment growth over a minimum period of 5 years through investing mainly in UK companies, excluding those with significant exposure to greenhouse gas emissions.

Tackling the climate emergency

The Fund will tackle the climate emergency and look to have a carbon footprint substantially below (at least 15%) that of the FTSE All Share Index by:

- seeking to invest in companies that will help the transition to a lower carbon economy
- engaging with portfolio companies to encourage more action to reduce the risk of climate change
- excluding companies that extract or refine fossil fuels and those which have a material involvement (e.g. 20% of turnover) with supplying the fossil fuel extractives and refining industries.

Christian ethical investment

We aim to ensure that our portfolios are consistent with the Christian faith. As a result, the Fund will also avoid investment in companies whose business is wholly or mainly involved in alcohol, armaments, gambling, pornography, tar sands, thermal coal and tobacco.

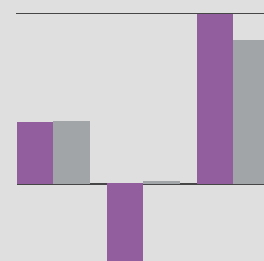
We are stewards of our investors' capital and seek to use our influence to improve ethical standards by engaging with the management of the businesses we invest in on a wide range of issues, including climate change.

Performance*

To 31 December 2023	1 year %	3 years % p.a.	Since 28.05.20 % p.a.
● Fund	7.8	5.6	6.6
● Benchmark †	7.9	8.6	9.6



Year to 31 December	2023 %	2022 %	2021 %
● Fund	7.8	-10.3	21.7
● Benchmark †	7.9	0.3	18.3



Fund launched 28 May 2020. Performance data has been calculated using Income B Units, which were available at launch only. These Units have a 0.10% per annum lower management charge than the Income and Accumulation Units that are now the only options available for new investment. Fund performance is net of fees. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance. †FTSE All Share Index.

Historic yield per annum

	Net* %
31 December 2023 (estimated)	3.75

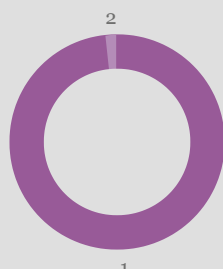
*After fees which are paid from capital

Unit value

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31 December 2023 (Income units)	111.88
31 December 2023 (Income B units)	111.58
31 December 2023 (Accumulation units)	125.00

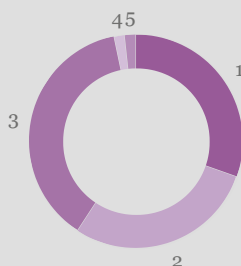
Spread of investments

31 December 2023	Fund
	%
1 UK	98.3
2 Cash	1.7



Spread of investments by sector

31 December 2023	Fund
	%
1 Cyclical	30.4
2 Defensives	28.8
3 Financials	37.5
4 Exchange traded funds	1.6
5 Cash	1.7



Carbon footprint analysis Fund vs FTSE All-Share

31 December 2023

64% lower

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Fund details

Fund type	Charity Authorised Investment Fund
ISIN	GBooBMD3GL27 (Income) GBooBMD3GM34 (Accumulation)
Launch date	28 May 2020
Valuation dates	Daily
Dealing dates	Daily
Ex-distribution dates	31 Oct, 31 Jan, 30 Apr, 31 Jul
Income allocation dates	By 31 Dec, 31 Mar, 30 Jun, 30 Sep
Initial charge	None
Dilution levy	0.20%
Management fee	0.65% p.a.
Ongoing Charges Figure (full year 2023)	0.96% p.a.
Minimum investment	£1,000
Fund size at 31 December 2023	£64.4m
Performance comparator	FTSE All Share Index

Top 10 company holdings

31 December 2023	Fund
	%
HSBC Holdings	5.8
AstraZeneca	5.3
Unilever	5.1
GSK PLC	3.1
Relx PLC	3.0
Renewables Infrastructure Group Limited	2.9
Greencoat UK Wind Plc Fund	2.5
Barclays	2.5
Segro REIT	2.5
Tesco	2.2

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