

Market commentary

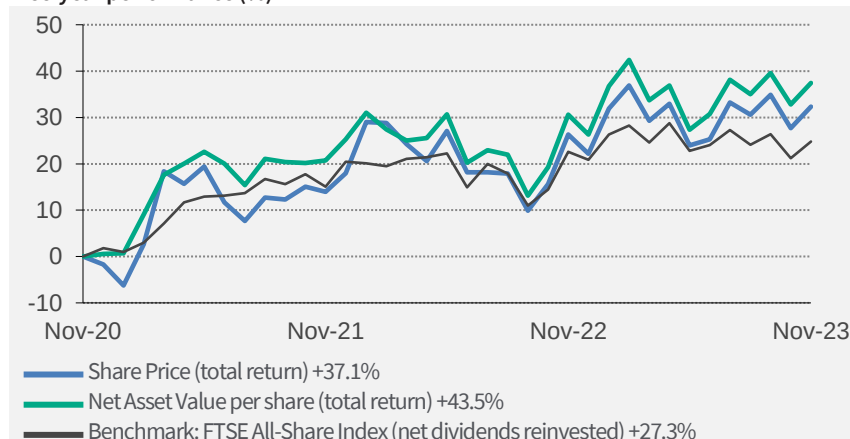
November saw a rally in equity markets due to increased hopes that central banks have finished their rate tightening cycles and will be able to achieve a soft landing. In the UK, both headline and core inflation slowed more than expected, and the November Services PMI moved above 50. The portfolio performed well in November. **Marks & Spencer**, **NatWest** and **NN Group** were the largest contributors to performance, while **Centrica**, **ITV** and the oil majors were detractors from performance.

Marks & Spencer was the largest contributor in the month as the company posted a strong set of results with first-half pre-tax profits beating estimates and the company reinstating a dividend for the first time since 2019. **NatWest** saw its share price rebound in November following a weak set of results in the prior month; during the Autumn Statement it was announced that the government would be exploring options for a NatWest retail share offer in the next 12 months. Dutch insurer **NN Group** saw its share price jump at the end of the month following a positive read-across from news that ASR had reached a settlement with claims organisations on unit-linked litigation.

Centrica was a detractor from performance, as the share price pulled back following a run of positive performance; having simplified and de-risked the business, management intend to invest in the energy transition and thereby create further value for shareholders. **ITV's** share price fell following results in which the company said they expect total advertising revenue for 2023 to drop about 8% year on year. The oil majors moved lower with oil prices; Brent crude was down over 5% due to an increase in US oil supply and OPEC+ members not adhering to production quotas.

UK equities continue to be valued at a significant discount to global equities generally. Accordingly, we believe that, notwithstanding the shorter-term uncertainties, UK equities are priced to offer relatively attractive returns into the future.

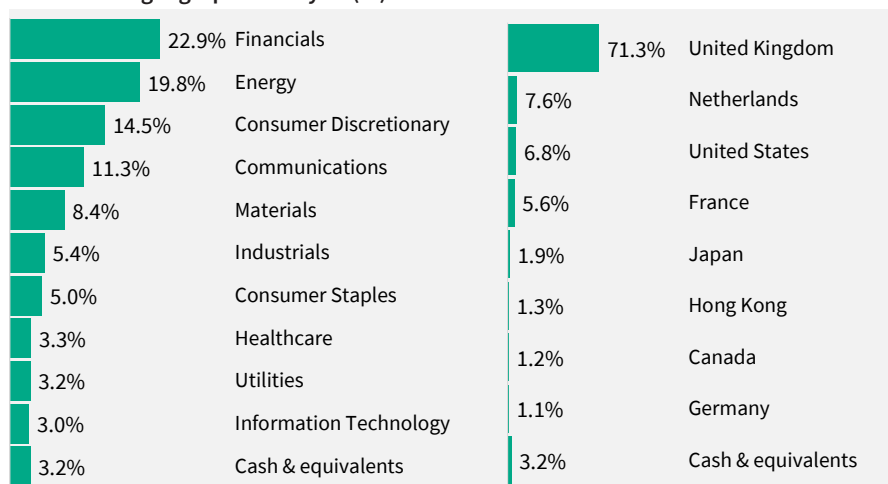
Three-year performance (%)



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Source: Morningstar

Sector and geographic analysis (%)



* Exposures expressed as a % of the gross assets (investments plus cash) of the Company.

Trust objective

To provide growth in income and capital to achieve a long-term total return greater than the benchmark FTSE All-Share Index, through investment primarily in UK securities. The Company's policy is to invest in a broad spread of securities with typically the majority of the portfolio selected from the constituents of the FTSE 350 Index.

Top 10 equity holdings

	(%)
Shell	7.4
BP	6.7
TotalEnergies	5.6
Marks & Spencer	5.0
NatWest	5.0
Aviva	4.3
ITV	4.2
Anglo American	4.2
Stellantis	3.9
Barclays	3.8
Total	50.1

Financial data

Gross Assets	£769.8m
Share price (p)	229.00
NAV (p) (cum income)*	244.03
Premium/(Discount), Cum income*	-6.2%
Historic net yield	4.2%
Net gearing*	6.9%

*Calculated with debt at fair value

Dividend history

Type	Amount (p)	XD date	Pay date
3rd interim – 2023	2.50	30.11.23	29.12.23
2nd interim – 2023	2.30	24.08.23	29.09.23
1st interim – 2023	2.30	01.06.23	30.06.23
4th interim – 2022	2.50	02.03.23	31.03.23

Performance (total return)

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Cumulative returns (%)

	Share Price	NAV	FTSE All-Share
1 month	3.6	3.5	3.0
3 months	1.3	1.8	0.6
3 year	37.1	43.5	27.3
5 year	19.8	19.9	26.8
10 year	37.9	46.2	63.8
Since 30/10/2020	85.2	80.7	43.5

	Share Price	NAV	FTSE All-Share
30.11.22 - 30.11.23	4.7	5.0	1.8
30.11.21 - 30.11.22	10.8	8.4	6.5
30.11.20 - 30.11.21	18.1	26.1	17.4
30.11.19 - 30.11.20	-26.9	-28.1	-10.3
30.11.18 - 30.11.19	19.6	16.1	11.0

Performance, price and yield information is sourced from Morningstar as at 30.11.23.

Trust facts

Launch date

1926

ISIN

GB00BMV92D64

Sedol

BMV92D6

Ticker

TMPL

Year end

31 December

Dividends paid

Quarterly in March, June, September and December

Benchmark

FTSE All-Share

Association of Investment Companies (AIC) sector

UK Equity Income

ISA status

May be held in an ISA and Junior ISA

Capital structure

Ordinary shares in issue:

290,934,111 in circulation

43,429,714 in treasury

Debt

4.05% private placement loan 2028 £50m

2.99% private placement loan 2047 £25m

Ongoing charge:

0.54%, effective 31 December 2022

Includes a management fee of 0.325%.

Excludes borrowing and portfolio transaction costs.

AIFM, Administrator & Company Secretary

Frostrow Capital LLP with effect from 1 July 2023

Portfolio Manager

RWC Asset Management LLP with effect from 30 October 2023

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Shares in the Company are bought and sold on the London Stock Exchange. The price you pay or receive, like other listed shares, is determined by supply and demand and may be at a discount or premium to the underlying net asset value of the Company. Usually, at any given time, the price you pay for a share will be higher than the price you could sell it.

Borrowing/leverage risk

The Company has increased its exposure to investments via borrowings and this could potentially magnify any losses or gains made by the Company.

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Interest rate

The value of fixed income assets & liabilities (e.g. bonds) tends to decrease when interest rates and/or inflation rises, and increase when interest rates and/or inflation falls.

Concentration risk

The Company's portfolio may be concentrated in a limited number of geographical regions, industry sectors, markets and/or individual positions. This may result in large changes in the value of the portfolio, both up or down, which may adversely impact the Company's performance.

Target market

The Company is suitable for investors seeking an investment that aims to deliver total returns over the longer term (at least five years), is compatible with the needs for retail clients, professional clients and eligible counterparties, and is eligible for all distribution channels.

The Company may not be suitable for investors who are concerned about short-term volatility and performance, have low or no risk tolerance or are looking for capital protection, who are seeking a guaranteed or regular income, or a predictable return profile. The Company does not offer capital protection.

Value assessment

Frostrow Capital LLP has conducted an annual value assessment on the Company in line with Financial Conduct Authority (FCA) rules set out in the Consumer Duty regulation. The assessment focuses on the nature of the product, including benefits received and its quality, limitations that are part of the product, expected total costs to clients and target market considerations.

Within this, the assessment considers quality of services, performance of the Company (against both benchmark and peers), total fees (including management fees and entry and exit fees as applicable to the Company), and also considers whether vulnerable consumers are able to receive fair value from the product.

Frostrow Capital LLP concluded that the Company is providing value based on the above assessment.

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