



Net Assets £7.5m

Net Assets excluding unaudited current period revenues £7.5m

ORDINARY SHARES

Share Price 366.00p

NAV per Share 409.13p*

Premium / (Discount to NAV) -10.54%

Share Capital 1,837,205**

* includes unaudited revenue reserve to 31/08/2024

** excludes shares held in Treasury

INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE AND POLICY

The Company invests in cash-generative quoted UK Small and Mid-Cap Companies that are expected to grow faster than the UK stock market as a whole over the long term and which can finance their own organic growth.

The Company's objective is to outperform the UK equity market by investing in companies with higher -than-average earnings growth that are listed outside the top 100 stocks on either of the Main Market, AQSE or traded on AIM, to capture the smaller companies' outperformance effect. The Investment Manager believes the investment trust structure of the Company lends itself to investing in smaller, more illiquid growth stocks, as the closed-end structure removes the potential scenario where the Company needs to sell holdings at the wrong time to meet redemptions.

The Company principally invests (approximately 75 per cent of its funds) in shares of companies which are listed on the Main Market or AQSE or traded on AIM, with market capitalisations of less than £250 million. The Company also invests (approximately 25 per cent of its funds) in some UK listed companies with larger market capitalisations, for liquidity purposes.

MONTHLY MANAGER COMMENTARY

In a seasonally quiet month for company results, August saw UK mid-caps give up some of their recent strong performance. The month endured a volatile start, triggered by the Bank of Japan's decision to raise interest rates for the first time since 2007. In the US, jobs data helped allay concerns that the US labour market was rapidly deteriorating, alongside improving business and consumer confidence. Closer to home, the newly elected Chancellor's depiction of economic misery would appear to be out of step with the current data, with the UK reporting Q2 GDP growth of 0.6% alongside strong PMI data, positioning the UK as one of the fastest growing G7 economies in 2024.

The Trust's top performer by contribution was Restore, which has been driving group wide cost efficiencies and was strong on the back of in-line results. Also strong was Windward, which released interim results showing 37% revenue growth and reiterated its expectation that it would achieve breakeven adjusted EBITDA run rate during the current financial year. The Trust's weakest performer was Ebiquity, following a trading update in which it outlined a weaker than expected H1 performance and a material H2 weighting, whilst Auction Technology shares fell on poor competitor data read across.

From a trading perspective, we reduced positions in Tate & Lyle, post a recent acquisition by the company, and Alpha Financial Markets, given it was trading near the agreed bid price. We added to Big Technologies, which was weak during the month, as was Tracsis, the transportation technology business, in which we started a new holding. We also added to Concurrent Technologies.

FUND MANAGERS



JAMES BAKER

James joined Chelverton Asset Management in June 2014 to manage MI Chelverton UK Equity Growth Fund.

A history graduate from Cambridge University, he has over 30 years of equity market experience on both buy and sell sides, specialising for all of his career in UK small and mid-capitalisation stock selection. He has worked for several organisations over the years, but most notably spent from 1999 to 2011 as part of the ABN Amro, small mid cap sales team which was consistently top ranked by Extel. Prior to joining Chelverton he worked as the assistant fund manager on the Rathbone UK Recovery Fund.



EDWARD BOOTH

Edward joined Chelverton Asset Management in 2016 as an Assistant Fund Manager, becoming a Fund Manager in November 2017. Having graduated from the London School of Economics with a degree in Economics with Economic History, Edward qualified as a Chartered Accountant at Deloitte, where he focused on the insurance sector. Prior to joining Chelverton, he worked as a Business Analyst for Barclays, focusing on a number of areas including Investment Bank Revenue and Group Capital performance.



HENRY BOTTING

Henry joined Chelverton Asset Management in 2021 and was appointed co-manager in August 2022. Prior to joining, Henry worked on the Equity Sales team at FinnCap, where he specialised in UK small and micro-cap companies. He has a degree in Economic and Social History from the University of Edinburgh and prior investment management experience at Rathbones and OLIM. Henry is a CFA Charterholder.

RETURNS

31/08/2024

Since change of investment policy (26 July 2023)*					
	CURRENT MONTH	3 MONTHS	6 MONTHS	1 YEAR	FROM INCEPTION
Share Price Ordinary Shares	1.39%	3.10%	20.00%	9.25%	10.91%
NAV Ordinary Shares	-2.22%	-0.46%	13.85%	21.18%	21.12%
Deutsche Numis Smaller Companies Index ex Investment Trusts plus AIM	-1.22%	1.31%	13.25%	14.63%	11.63%

Source: Chelverton Asset Management Limited and Morningstar and Deutsche Numis

Past performance is not a guide to future results

* The Investment Company PLC changed its investment policy on 26 July 2023. The NAV as of that date has been taken as the tender price, which was equal to the estimated Post-Transaction NAV per Ordinary Share. For reasons of clarity, previous track record has been excluded from the performance table. For details of previous performance please see annual reports on The Investment Company plc website: <https://theinvestmentcompanyplc.co.uk>





DIRECTORS

IAN DIGHÉ
Non-Executive Chairman

TIM METCALFE
Senior Independent Non-Executive Director

MARTIN PERRIN
Non-Executive Director

DAVID HORNER
Non-Independent Non-Executive Director

CALENDAR

Year End 30 June

AGM November

Management Fee Up to 0.75%*

Ongoing Fee 2%*

* The Investment Manager has waived the management fee of 0.75% and shall instead make a contribution to the company costs to ensure that the annualised ongoing charge does not exceed 2% of NAV.

PRICE INFORMATION

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Risk Factors

The value of investments and the income from them may go down as well as up and you may not get back your original investment. "Investment trusts can borrow money to make additional investments on top of shareholders funds (gearing), however, this is investment trust does not currently use any gearing. An investor could lose all of their capital. Smaller companies are riskier and less liquid than larger companies which means their share price may be more volatile. Some of the annual management fee is currently charged to the capital of the Fund. Whilst this increases the yield, it will restrict the potential for capital growth. The level of yield may be subject to fluctuation and is not guaranteed. Net Asset Value ("NAV") performance is not the same as share price performance and investors may not realise returns the same as NAV performance.

Risk Rating of Shares Ordinary shares - High

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TOP TWENTY HOLDINGS

Holding	Sector*	% of Net Assets
Restore	Support Services	2.4%
JTC	Financials	2.3%
Sigmaroc	Construction	2.2%
Alpha Group International	Financials	2.1%
Gamma Communications	Technology	2.0%
Global Data	Media	2.0%
Eurocell	Construction	2.0%
Celebrus Technologies	Technology	1.9%
On the Beach Group	Consumer	1.9%
Big Technologies	Technology	1.8%
Premier Foods	Consumer	1.8%
Bodycote	Industrials	1.8%
Oxford Metrics	Technology	1.7%
Inchcape	Support Services	1.7%
dotdigital	Technology	1.7%
Auction Technology Group	Technology	1.6%
Hostelworld	Consumer	1.5%
Severfield	Construction	1.5%
Advanced Medical Solutions Group	Healthcare	1.5%
Spectris	Industrials	1.5%
Total		36.9%

* Source Chelverton Asset Management Limited

SECTOR BREAKDOWN %

Sector %	% of Net Assets
Technology	25.1%
Industrials	12.7%
Consumer	12.1%
Media	10.8%
Financials	10.6%
Construction	10.3%
Support Services	9.4%
Healthcare	4.0%
Resources	0.8%
Cash & Income	4.2%
Total	100.0%

Source: Chelverton Asset Management Limited

MARKET CAP BREAKDOWN

% of Net Assets	No of stocks
Above £1bn	16
£500m - £1bn	12
£250m - £500m	15
£100m - £250m	24
Below £100m	21
Cash & Income	4.2%
Total	100.00% 88

Source: Chelverton Asset Management Limited

