# CFP Castlefield Sustainable UK Smaller Companies Fund

FACTSHEET - 30 JUNE 2023



#### THE THOUGHTFUL INVESTOR

#### **INVESTMENT AIM:**

To achieve capital growth over a period in excess of five years, from a portfolio of typically 30 to 50 listed or AIM-quoted UK smaller company shares, using the B.E.S.T proprietary responsible investment approach. To embed proper consideration of environmental, social and governance (ESG) factors as part of the investment selection process, to ensure that each investment is sustainable.

For more information about the fund's detailed investment objective and policy, contained in Appendix 1 of the Prospectus, click <u>here</u>.

#### **FUND INFORMATION**

Fund Manager	David Elton
Investment Association Sector	UK Smaller Companies
Fund Size	£31.77m
Number of Holdings	30 - 50
Investment Advisor	Castlefield Investment Partners LLP
Launch Date	1st June 2007
Share Class	G Income
Ongoing Charge <sup>1</sup>	1.00%
Active Share <sup>2</sup>	99.7%
ISIN	GB00B1XQNH95
SEDOL	B1XQNH9
Valuation Point	12 noon (Daily)

#### **RATINGS**



#### WHY INVEST?

We offer values-based investing from the perspective of being a values based manager. This includes active engagement and stewardship of each investee company on performance and environmental, social and governance (ESG) considerations – aligned to our own values. That's why we're known as 'the thoughtful investor'.



**High Conviction:** Portfolio of identified best ideas of smaller UK listed companies in the bottom 10% of market capitalisation.



Fundamental Research: Identification of high quality companies with opportunity for growth, at a reasonable price, above the average of its peer funds.



**Integrated Responsible Investment Process:** Consideration of non-financial ESG factors alongside traditional financial analysis within the selection of suitable investments.

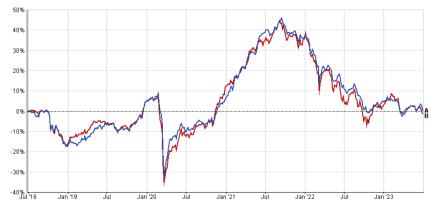


**Focus on Sustainable Businesses:** Only investing within companies that are aligned with our values.

#### Find out more about:

- Castlefield's proprietary responsible investment process known as 'B.E.S.T'.
- Castlefield's Sustainable Fund Range Screening Policy.
- Castlefield's engagement and stewardship activities.

#### **PERFORMANCE**



- A CFP Castlefield Sustainable UK Smaller Companies G Income [0.38%]
- **B** IA UK Smaller Companies [-1.23%]<sup>3</sup>

30/06/2018 - 30/06/2023. Data from FE fundinfo 2023

#### Cumulative Performance (%)

	1 Mth	3 Mths	6 Mths	1 Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
Fund	0.58	1.38	-4.16	-9.37	11.94	0.38
Sector	-1.34	-1.20	-4.05	-5.46	12.66	-1.23

#### Discrete Performance (%)

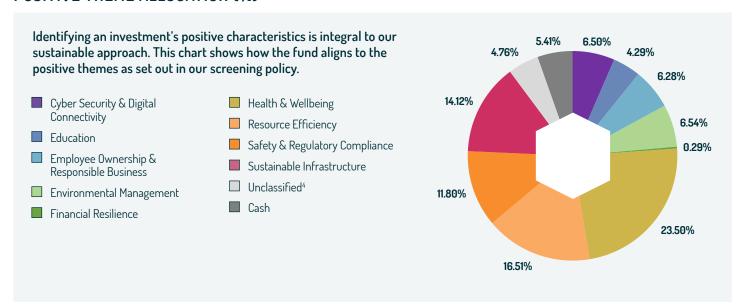
	2023 YTD	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Fund	-4.16	-23.61	27.83	2.49	25.46	-13.84
Sector	-4.05	-25.17	22.92	6.48	25.34	-11.70

Source: FE fundinfo.

Past performance should not be seen as an indication of future performance. 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. Performance is net of fees and charges.

# How We Evidence the Sustainability of This Fund

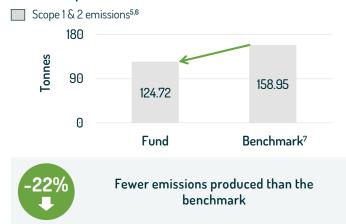
#### **POSITIVE THEME ALLOCATION (%)**



Source: Castlefield

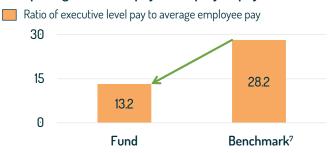
#### **BETTER CARBON EFFICIENCY**

#### Emissions per \$1M revenue



#### **LOWER EXECUTIVE PAY**

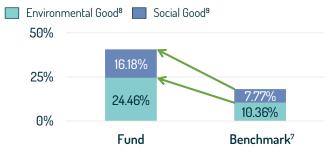
#### Comparing executive pay to employee pay





#### **MORE SOCIAL & ENVIRONMENTAL GOOD**

# Percentage of funds allocated to environmental and social good





#### LESS SOCIAL & ENVIRONMENTAL DAMAGE

Percentage of funds that create environmental and social harm





#### **FUND COMPOSITION**

AB DYNAMICS PLC	4.2
PORVAIR PLC	4.1
OMG PLC	4.1
TRACSIS PLC	3.7
CML MICROSYSTEMS PLC	3.6
TREATT PLC	3.5
ECKOH	3.3
EKF DIAGNOSTICS HOLDINGS PLC	3.2
GRESHAM HOUSE PLC	3.2
MARLOWE PLC	3.1
Sector Allocation (%)	
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#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

Authorised Corporate Director	ConBrio Fund Partners Limited
Depositary	NatWest Trustee & Depositary Services
Fund Administrator	The Northern Trust Company
Shareholder Services	SS&C Financial Services Europe
Bloomberg Code	PRUKSII:LN
CITI Code	Z583
ISA Eligible	Yes
Minimum Investment	£500.00
Initial Fee	£0.00

#### **INVESTMENT TEAM**

#### **Lead Manager**



**David Elton Fund Manager** Partner, Investment Management BSc (Hons), IMC, Chartered MCSI, CFA

I'm David Elton, a Partner at Castlefield and member of our Investment Management Team. I'm

the lead fund manager of the CFP Castlefield UK Smaller Companies Fund and also our AIM IHT Service. I joined Castlefield in 2011 after graduating with a first-class Accounting & Finance degree. Having assisted on the UK Smaller Companies Fund since 2013, I became a manager

#### **Investment Managers**



Amelia Overd Associate. Investment Management MA (Hons), IMC, ACSI



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#### **HOW TO INVEST**

Details of how to invest, application forms and other supporting documents are available from our website here.

#### **Platform Availability**

Abrdn - Elevate, Abrdn - Wrap, Advance by Embark, Aegon Platform, Aegon Retirement Choices, AJ Bell, Aviva Wrap, Hargreaves Lansdown, Interactive Investor, Novia, Nucleus, Pershing Nexus, Quilter, Raymond James, Transact

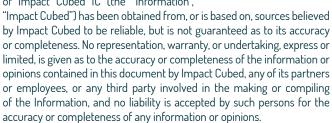
#### **ENDNOTES**

- 1. The Ongoing Charge Figure ('OCF') has been calculated as of 01/07/2022.
- Active Share represents the % overlap between the Fund and an exchange traded fund ('ETF') representative of the broader based marketplace. Source: FactSet.
- 3. Comparator Benchmark.
- 4. 'Unclassified' holdings satisfy our negative screening but the percentage of assets managed in ESG or sustainability strategies is relatively low i.e. hotels, professional services consultancies
- Scope 1 emissions: Emissions generated directly by the company, e.g. emissions from boilers or vehicle fleet.
- **6. Scope 2 emissions:** Indirect emissions, eg. from purchased electricity that the company uses.
- 7. Benchmark used by Impact Cubed for the impact analysis: UK Small Cap Morningstar

More information on the benchmarks used is available on request.

- 8. Examples of environmental good: renewable energy, waste and environmental management, public transportation services.
- 9. Examples of social good: telecoms, educational services, healthcare.
- **10. Examples of environmental harm:** oil and gas exploration, plastic production, coal mining.
- 11. Examples of social harm: tobacco, gambling and casino.
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All data as at 30/06/2023 unless otherwise stated.

With effect from 1 July 2022, the name of the Fund and share class was changed from the CFP Castlefield B.E.S.T Sustainable UK Smaller Companies Fund - General Income Shares to CFP Castlefield Sustainable UK Smaller Companies Fund - G Income Shares.

#### **RISK WARNINGS**

The CFP Castlefield Sustainable UK Smaller Companies Fund may have significant investments in smaller companies, in which there may be no established market for the Shares, or in relation to which the market may be highly illiquid. Because of this potential illiquidity in the investments this Fund may not be appropriate for all investors, including those who are not in a position to take a long-term view of their investment.

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