# **CFP** Castlefield Sustainable **UK Opportunities Fund**

FACTSHEET - 30 JUNE 2024

## **INVESTMENT AIM:**

To achieve capital growth over a period in excess of five years from a portfolio of companies listed within the UK, 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, please view the Key Investment Information Document available on the ConBrio website fund literature page.

### FUND INFORMATION

Fund Manager	Mark Elliott
Investment	UK All Companies
Association Sector	
Fund Size	£42.25m
Number of Holdings	30 - 50
Investment Advisor	Castlefield Investment
	Partners LLP
Launch Date	1 <sup>st</sup> June 2007
Share Class	G Income
Ongoing Charge <sup>1</sup>	0.95%
ISIN	GB00B8J7Y492
SEDOL	B8J7Y49
Valuation Point	12 noon (Daily)

## **RATINGS<sup>2</sup>**





## WHY INVEST?

We offer values-based investing from the perspective of being a values-based manager. This includes active engagement with the companies in the fund on performance as well as on environmental, social and governance issues. That's why we're known as 'the thoughtful investor'.



High Conviction: Concentrated portfolio of identified best ideas across the UK equity market, unconstrained by market capitalisation.

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Fundamental Research: Identification of high quality companies with opportunity for growth at a reasonable price, including any special situations that present themselves.

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

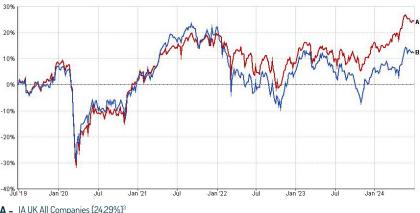


Focus on Sustainable Businesses: All investments must pass our screening policy. A minimum of 70% of weighted holdings align with our positive investment themes.

#### 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 - IA UK All Companies [24.29%]<sup>3</sup>

B - CFP Castlefield Sustainable UK Opportunites G Income [12.55%] 30/06/2019 - 30/06/2024. Data from FE fundinfo 2024

### Cumulative Performance (%)

	1 Mth	3 Mths	6 Mths	1 Yr	3 Yrs	5 Yrs
Fund	0.10	5.23	5.74	6.96	-3.34	12.55
Sector	-1.15	3.84	6.83	12.60	9.43	24.29

### Discrete Performance (%)

	2024 YTD	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019
Fund	5.74	1.29	-13.59	19.96	-5.53	17.07
Sector	6.83	7.38	-9.06	17.25	-6.01	22.24

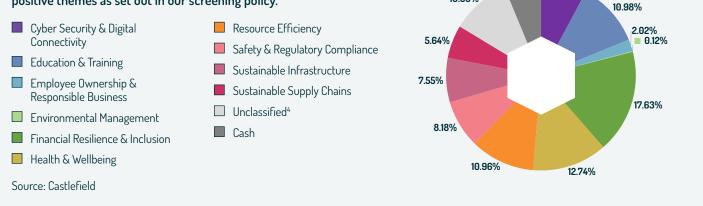
Source: FE fundinfo.

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 (%)**

Identifying an investment's positive characteristics is integral to our sustainable approach. This chart shows how the fund aligns to the positive themes as set out in our screening policy.



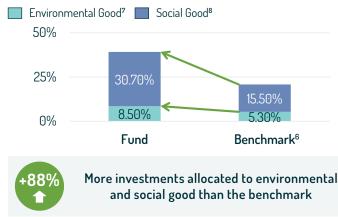
## BETTER CARBON EFFICIENCY





## MORE SOCIAL & ENVIRONMENTAL GOOD

# Percentage of funds allocated to environmental and social good



## LOWER EXECUTIVE PAY

#### Comparing executive pay to employee pay

6.25%

10.09%

7.84%



## LESS SOCIAL & ENVIRONMENTAL DAMAGE

# Percentage of funds that create environmental and social harm



Source: Impact Cubed.<sup>II</sup> Analysis carried out on 14/02/2024 using Castlefield equity fund data from 30/09/2023 and external fund data from 30/06/2023. **Our rationale for selecting these sustainability metrics is as follows:** 

Carbon efficiency and executive pay metrics: we make specific commitments on these topics in our voting guidelines

Social and environmental harm: to show the outcome of our screening policy

Social and environmental good: to show the outcome of selecting assets to align with our positive themes

## FUND COMPOSITION

Top Ten Holdings (%)	
RELX	8.08
EXPERIAN	6.76
TYMAN PLC	5.66
UNILEVER PLC	5.64
BRITVIC	4.69
INTERTEK GROUP	4.55
HIKMA PHARMACEUTICALS	4.18
GLANBIA PLC	3.84
CITY OF LONDON INV	3.62
WHITBREAD	3.56

### Sector Allocation (%)

Chemicals	1.92
Consumer Goods	14.17
Consumer Services	8.22
Financials	11.06
Healthcare	7.15
Industrials	20.52
Telecommunications	4.74
Media	8.08
Real Estate Investment Trusts	1.89
Software and Computer Services	1.97
Support Services	8.03
Technology	6.00
Cash	6.25

## **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	CONBRUO:LN
CITI Code	G7AX
ISA Eligible	Yes
Minimum Investment	£500.00
Initial Fee	£0.00

## **INVESTMENT TEAM**

### Lead Manager



Partner, Head of Investment Management

MChem (Hons), Chartered MCSI, CFA

Mark Elliott

I'm Mark Elliott, a partner at Castlefield and Head of our Investment Management team. I'm the lead manager of the CFP Castlefield Sustainable UK Opportunities Fund and the CFP Castlefield Real Return Fund. I'm a charter holder (Chartered Financial Analyst) of the CFA Institute as well as an individually chartered member of the Chartered Institute for Securities & Investment (CISI).

### Other Investment Team Managers



**Investment Manager** Chartered FCSI, Chartered Wealth Manager

**Callum Wells** 



Partner BSc (Hons), IMC, Chartered MCSI, CFA

Simon Holman

MA (Hons), MSc, CFA, MCSI,

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## **HOW TO INVEST**

Details of how to invest, application forms and other supporting documents are available from the ConBrio website  $\underline{\rm here}.$ 

#### **Platform Availability**

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

### ENDNOTES

- 1. The Ongoing Charge Figure ('OCF') has been calculated as of 30/04/2024.
- 2. MCSI Ratings: MSCI ESG Research LLC's (""MSCI ESG"") Fund metrics products (the ""Information"") provide environmental, social and governance data with respect to underlying securities within more than 23,000 multi-asset class Mutual Funds and ETFs globally. MSCI ESG is a Registered Investment Adviser under the Investment Advisers Act of 1940. MSCI ESG materials have not been submitted to, nor received approval from, the US SEC or any other regulatory body. None of the Information constitutes an offer to buy or sell, or a promotion or recommendation of, any security, financial instrument or product or trading strategy, nor should it be taken as an indication or guarantee of any future performance, analysis, forecast or prediction. None of the Information can be used to determine which securities to buy or sell or when to buy or sell them. The Information is provided ""as is"" and the user of the Information assumes the entire risk of any use it may make or permit to be made of the Information.
- **3.** Comparator Benchmark.
- '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.
- 5. Scope 1 emissions: Emissions generated directly by the company, e.g. emissions from boilers or vehicle fleet. Scope 2 emissions: Indirect emissions, eg. from purchased electricity that the company uses. Scope 3 Emissions: Indirect emissions from sources not owned or controlled by the emitter, but which are attributable to the emitter. For example emissions from the supply chain or from employee commuting.

Scope 1 and 2 figures are provided by an independent third party, Impact Cubed, and comprise of estimated and actual data.

At present we only publish Scope 1 and Scope 2 data on our carbon footprint. This is due to the high levels of estimated data that companies use to calculate their scope 3 data. We rely on a third-party provider to estimate the Scope 3 data for our fund and have found that the data varies considerably from year to year and from provider to provider. As such, we have taken the decision to publish only Scope 1 and Scope 2 figures, as the data set is much more reliable and consistent and because companies have a longer track record in accurately monitoring and reporting on this data.

6. Benchmark used by Impact Cubed for the impact analysis: UK - Morningstar

More information on the benchmarks used is available on request.

- 7. Examples of environmental good: renewable energy, waste and environmental management, public transportation services.
- 8. Examples of social good: telecoms, educational services, healthcare.
- 9. Examples of environmental harm: oil and gas exploration, plastic production, coal mining.
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All data as at 30/06/2024 unless otherwise stated.

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

### **RISK WARNINGS**

The CFP Castlefield Sustainable UK Opportunities Fund holds equities concentrated both in number and in location in the UK. Equities tend to experience higher volatility than many other asset types such as bonds on money market instruments. Funds concentrated in one geographic location are more vulnerable to market sentiment in that specific location and can carry a higher risk than funds holding more diversified assets. Funds which hold a limited number of holdings are more exposed to an adverse event impacting on one or more of those holdings compared to more diversified funds.

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