Company Number SC111955

Unaudited Interim Accounts for the period 1 October 2015 to 31 August 2016

> Prepared under Section 838 Companies Act 2006

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Statement of Directors' Responsibilities in respect of the interim accounts

Company Law requires the Directors to prepare interim accounts prior to making any distribution where the distribution would be found to contravene the relevant section of the Companies Act if reference were made only to the Company's last annual accounts. These accounts are required to be properly prepared under s838 Companies Act 2006 and must consist of:

A balance sheet which gives a true and fair view of the state of the Company's affairs as at the balance sheet date; and

A profit and loss account which gives a true and fair view of the Company's profit or loss for the period. This requirement is met by the presentation of the total column in the Income Statement.

In preparing these accounts the Directors are required to:

Select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;

Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;

State whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the interim accounts; and

Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is appropriate to presume that the Company will not continue in business.

The Directors are responsible for ensuring that proper accounting records are maintained, which enable them to ensure that the interim accounts comply with the Companies Act. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Company and, therefore, for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities. The accounts have been prepared on a going concern basis.

Income Statement

			riod 1.10.15 o 31.08.16		Year	ended 30.09	0.15
	Notes	Revenue £'000	Capital £'000	Total £'000	Revenue £'000	Capital £'000	Total £'000
Profit on investments		2000	1.000	1000	2,000	7.000	7.000
held at fair value	6		20,422	20,422	-	12,144	12,144
Currency gains REVENUE		•	11	11	-	11	11
Income	2	7,550	-	7,550	6,996	-	6,996
Other income	2	80	-	80	17		17
		7,630	20,433	28,063	7,013	12,155	19,168
EXPENSES							
Investment management fee	3	(462)	(858)	(1,320)	(453)	(842)	(1,295)
Other administrative expenses	4	(410)	•	(410)	(442)	•	(442)
		(872)	(858)	(1,730)	(895)	(842)	(1,737)
PROFIT BEFORE TAX		6,758	19,575	26,333	6,118	11,313	17,431
Taxation	5	(89)	-	(89)	(79)		(79)
PROFIT FOR THE PERIOD		6,669	19,575	26,244	6,039	11,313	17,352

The total column of this statement represents the Company's Statement of Comprehensive Income, prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ('IFRS').

The revenue and capital columns are supplementary to this and are prepared under guidance published by the Association of Investment Companies.

The 'profit for the period' is also the 'total comprehensive income for the period' as defined in International Accounting Standard 1 (revised).

All items in the above statement derive from continuing operations.

No operations were acquired or discontinued in the period.

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this statement.

Balance Sheet

		As at 31.08.16		As at 30.09.15	
	Notes	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
NON-CURRENT ASSETS					
Listed investments	6		205,734	_	171,474
CURRENT AGGETG		•			
CURRENT ASSETS		0.550		500	
Accrued income & prepayments		2,572		582	
Cash and cash equivalents		4,756	# 220	6,630	5 212
		_	7,328	_	7,212
TOTAL ASSETS			213,062	_	178,686
CURRENT LIABILITIES					
Trade and other payables		(1,363)		(420)	
Traded option contracts		-		(19)	
Financial Liabilities		(2)		-	
TOTAL LIABILITIES			(1,365)		(439)
NET ASSETS		_	211,697	_	178,247
ISSUED CAPITAL AND RESERV	ES				
Called-up share capital	7		69,430		64,706
Share premium account	8		16,398		7,525
Special reserves	9		63,504		63,504
Capital reserve	10		58,074		38,499
Revenue reserve	12		4,291	_	4,013
EQUITY SHAREHOLDERS' FUN	DS	_	211,697	_	178,247

Approved by the Board on 28 September 2016 and signed on behalf of the Board by:

David Warnock, Chairman

The accompanying notes are an integral part of this balance sheet.

Notes to the Financial Statements Period from 1 October 2015 to 31 August 2016

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements of the Company have been prepared in accordance with IAS 34 Interim Financial Reporting and the accounting policies set out in the statutory accounts of the Company for the year ended 30 September 2015. The financial statements do not include all the information required for full annual financial statements and should be read in conjunction with the financial statements of the Company for the year ended 30 September 2015, which were prepared under full IFRS requirements, to the extent that they have been adopted by the European Union. The disclosures within these financial statements have been limited to those required to meet the statutory requirements of section 838 Companies Act 2006, requisite in respect of interim accounts prepared for a proposed distribution by a public company.

The financial statements are presented in Sterling which is regarded as the functional currency and all values are rounded to the nearest thousand pounds (£'000) except where otherwise indicated.

The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below. These policies have been applied consistently throughout the current and prior periods. Where the presentational guidance set out in the Statement of Recommended Practice ("the SORP") for investment trusts issued by the Association of Investment Companies ("the AIC") in November 2014 is consistent with the requirements of IFRS, the Directors have sought to prepare the financial statements on a basis compliant with the recommendation of the SORP.

In order better to reflect the activities of an investment trust company, and in accordance with guidance issued by the AIC, supplementary information which analyses the Income Statement between items of a revenue and capital nature has been presented alongside the Income Statement. Additionally, the net profit is the measure the Directors believe is appropriate in assessing the Company's compliance with certain requirements set out in section 1159 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010.

(a) Investments - Securities held at Fair Value

Investments are recognised or derecognised on the trade date where a purchase or sale is under a contract whose terms require delivery within the timeframe established by the market concerned, and are initially measured at fair value.

As the Company's business is investing in financial assets with a view to profiting from their total return in the form of interest, dividends or increases in fair value, listed equities and fixed interest securities are designated as fair value through profit or loss on initial recognition.

All investments designated upon initial recognition as held at fair value through profit or loss are measured at subsequent reporting dates at their fair value, which is the bid price as at close of business on the balance sheet date.

Gains and losses arising from changes in fair value are included in net profit or loss for the period as a capital item. Expenses which are incidental to the acquisition and disposal of investments are treated as capital costs.

(b) Income

Dividend income from equity investments including preference shares which have a discretionary dividend is recognised when the shareholders' right to receive payment has been established, normally the ex-dividend date.

(c) Expenses

All expenses are accounted for on an accruals basis. In respect of the analysis between revenue and capital items presented within the Income Statement, all expenses have been presented as revenue items except where a connection with the maintenance or enhancement of the value of the investments held can be demonstrated. Accordingly the investment management fee and finance costs have been allocated 35% to revenue and 65% to capital.

		01.10.15 to	01.10.14 to
		31.08.16	30.09.15
2	REVENUE	£'000	£'000
	Income from investments		
	UK dividend income	6,975	6,468
	Overseas dividend income	575	528
		7,550	6,996
	Other income		
	Traded option premiums	80	17
	Total income	7,630	7,013

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3 INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT FEE

Troy Asset Management Limited act as investment manager to the Company and their fee is at an annual rate of 0.75% of the amount of net assets up to £175 million and at a rate of 0.65% of the net assets at or above £175 million. The fee is calculated monthly and paid quarterly and has been allocated 35% to revenue and 65% to capital.

4	OTHER ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES	01.10.15 to 31.08.16 £'000	01.10.14 to 30.09.15 £'000
	Directors' remuneration - fees as directors	77	83
	Fees payable to auditors and associates: - as auditors	21	22
	Fees payable to auditors and associates: - taxation services	7	. 8
	Other administrative expenses	305	329
		410	442
		01.10.15 to 31.08.16	01.10.14 to 30.09.15
5	TAXATION	£'000	£'000
	Foreign tax suffered	89	79

Following changes to the Finance Bill 2009 dividends and other distributions from foreign companies received on or after 1 July 2009 have largely been exempt from UK corporation tax. However, the Company continues to be subject to irrecoverable US withholding tax of 15% on income received from US portfolio holdings.

6	LISTED INVESTMENTS	01.10.15 to 31.08.16 £'000	01.10.14 to 30.09.15 £'000
	Opening value	171,474	150,656
	Purchases for cash	28,049	19,585
	Sales - proceeds	(14,728)	(10,911)
	Sales - net gains on sales	4,010	2,334
	Movement in investment holdings gains	16,929	9,810
	Closing value	205,734	171,474
	Closing book cost	151,074	133,743
	Closing fair value gains on investments held	54,660	37,731
	Closing fair value	205,734	171,474
	GAIN ON INVESTMENTS		
	Net gains on sales of investments	4,010	2,334
	Movement in investment holdings gains	16,929	9,810
	Loss on Forward Contract	(517)	-
		20,422	12,144

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7	CALLED-UP SHARE CAPITAL	4.24.00		4 . 20 .	00.15
		At 31.08.1		At 30.0	
	Allotted, called up and fully paid	Number	£'000	Number	£'000
	At period end	277,719,045	69,430	258,824,045	64,706
	Held in treasury	222 210 045	- (0.430	242.057.445	
	Ordinary shares of 25 pence each	277,719,045	69,430	242,057,445	64,706
				31.08.16	At 30.09.15
8	SHARE PREMIUM ACCOUNT			£'000	£'000
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	Opening balance			7,525	86
	Premium on issue of new shares			8,916	7,491
	Costs incurred on issue of new shares			(13)	(19)
	Discount control costs			(30)	(33)
	Closing balance		-	16,398	7,525
	-		=		
		Distributable	Special	Total	Total
		Capital Reserve	Reserve	Special Reserves	Special Reserves
		31.08.16	31.08.16	31.08.16	At 30.09.15
9	SPECIAL RESERVES	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
	Opening balance	5,343	58,161	63,504	61,924
	Costs of cancellation of Share Premium	-	-	-	(4)
	Shares issued from treasury		-	•	1,584
	Closing balance	5,343	58,161	63,504	63,504
				31.08.16	At 30.09.15
10	CAPITAL RESERVES			£'000	£'000
10				2000	2 000
	Opening balance			38,499	. 27,186
	Net gains on sales of investments during the pe	eriod (note 6)		4,010	2,334
	Gains on holdings of listed investments (note	5)		16,929	9,810
	Loss on forward currency contract			(517)	-
	Currency gains			11	11
	Management fee		_	(858)	(842)
	Closing balance		_	58,074	38,499
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				01.10.15 to	01.10.14 to
1.1	DIVIDENDS ON EQUITY SHADES	31.08.16	30.09.15		
11	DIVIDENDS ON EQUITY SHARES	£'000	£'000		
	Fourth interim dividend of 2013/14 of 0.575p	1.55(1,380		
	Fourth interim dividend of 2014/15 of 0.6p per share paid on 30 October 2015 Three interim dividends for 2014/15 totalling 1.725p per share			1,556	4 227
		1 503	4,327		
	First Interim dividend of 2015/16 of 0.6p per s			1,582	-
	Second interim dividend for 2014/15 of 0.6p p	1,610			
	Third interim dividend for 2014/15 of 0.6p pe	snare paid on 29 July	- ZUIO	1,643 6,391	5,707
			=	0,391	3,707

The Company declared a fourth interim dividend in respect of the year to 30 September 2016 of 0.625p per share which will be paid on 28 October 2016.

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12	REVENUE RESERVE		At 31.08.16	At 30.09.15
			£'000	£'000
	Opening balance		4,013	3,681
	Profit for the period		6,669	6,039
	Dividends paid (note 11)		(6,391)	(5,707)
	Closing balance		4,291	4,013
	REVENUE RESERVE POST PAYMENT OF FIRST INTERI	M DIVIDEND		
	B/f revenue reserve at 30 September 2015 per Annual Report	IN DIVIDEIVE		4,013
	Less: Fourth interim dividend of 2014/15 of 0.6p per share paid	Lon 30 October 2015		(1,556)
	Adjusted revenue reserves at 1 October 2015 (Companies Act b		_	2,457
	Current period (see Revenue Account)			£'000
	Revenue on ordinary activities after taxation			6,669
	First interim dividend paid for 2015/16 of 0.6p per share paid o	n 29 January 2016		(1,582)
•	Second interim dividend paid for 2015/16 of 0.6p per share paid on 29 April 2016			(1,610)
	Third interim dividend for 2014/15 of 0.6p per share paid on 29	•		(1,643)
	Current year revenue reserves after dividends paid	•	_	1,834
	Adjusted revenue reserves at 1 October 2015			2,457
	Current year revenue reserves after dividends paid			1,834
	Revenue reserve post payment of 1st, 2nd and 3rd interim dividends for 2016			4,291
13	NET ASSET VALUE	31.08.16		30.09.15
	Net assets attributable	211,697,000	·	178,247,000
	Number of ordinary shares	277,719,045		258,824,045
	Net asset value per share (pence)	76.23		68.87