

Annual Report 31 May 2025

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## **Directory**

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S.J. Gunson

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D.J. Phillips (Non-Executive Director)

L.A. Poynter (appointed 18 June 2024)

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## Statement of the Authorised Corporate Director's Responsibilities

The Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook published by the FCA, ('the COLL Rules') requires the Authorised Corporate Director ('ACD') to prepare financial statements for each annual accounting period which give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Company and of the net revenue and net gains or losses on the property of the Company for the year.

In preparing the financial statements the ACD is responsible for:

- selecting suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- making judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- following UK accounting standards, including FRS 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland;
- complying with the disclosure requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice for Financial Statements of UK Authorised Funds issued by the Investment Association ('IA') in May 2014 and amended in 2017;
- keeping proper accounting records which enable it to demonstrate that the financial statements as prepared comply with the above requirements;
- assessing the Company and its Sub-funds' ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern;
- using the going concern basis of accounting unless they either intend to liquidate the Company or terminate a Sub-fund or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so;
- such internal control as they determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; and
- taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and irregularities.

The ACD is responsible for the management of the Company in accordance with its Instrument of Incorporation, the Prospectus and the COLL Rules.

The ACD is responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Company and to enable it to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Sourcebook. The ACD is also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

In so far as the ACD is aware:

- there is no relevant audit information of which the Company's Auditor is unaware; and
- the ACD has taken all steps that it ought to have taken to make itself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the Auditor is aware of that information.

## **Certification of the Annual Report by the Authorised Corporate Director**

This report has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Financial Conduct Authority's Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook ('the COLL Sourcebook') and the Statement of Recommended Practice for Financial Statements of UK Authorised Funds issued by the Investment Association.

A.C. Deptford

P.J. Foley-Brickley

S.J. Gunson

L.A. Poynter

Directors

Apex Fundrock Limited

30 September 2025

# Statement of the Depositary's Responsibilities in Respect of the Scheme and Report of the Depositary to the Shareholders of the MI Brewin Dolphin Voyager Funds ('the Company').

for the year ended 31 May 2025

The Depositary must ensure that the Company is managed in accordance with the Financial Conduct Authority's Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook, and, from 22 July 2014 the Investment Funds Sourcebook, the Open-Ended Investment Companies Regulations 2001 (SI 2001/1228), as amended, the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000, as amended, (together 'the Regulations'), the Company's Instrument of Incorporation and Prospectus (together 'the Scheme documents') as detailed below.

The Depositary must in the context of its role act honestly, fairly, professionally, independently and in the interests of the Company and its investors.

The Depositary is responsible for the safekeeping of all custodial assets and maintaining a record of all other assets of the Company in accordance with the Regulations.

The Depositary must ensure that:

- the Company's cash flows are properly monitored and that cash of the Company is booked into the cash accounts in accordance with the Regulations;
- the sale, issue, repurchase, redemption and cancellation of shares are carried out in accordance with the Regulations;
- the value of shares of the Company are calculated in accordance with the Regulations;
- any consideration relating to transactions in the Company's assets is remitted to the Company within the usual time limits;
- the Company's income is applied in accordance with the Regulations; and
- the instructions of the Alternative Investment Fund Manager ('the AIFM') are carried out (unless they conflict with the Regulations).

The Depositary also has a duty to take reasonable care to ensure that the Company is managed in accordance with the Regulations and Scheme documents in relation to the investment and borrowing powers applicable to the Company.

Having carried out such procedures as we consider necessary to discharge our responsibilities as Depositary of the Company, it is our opinion, based on the information available to us and the explanations provided, that in all material respects the Company, acting through the AIFM:

- (i) has carried out the issue, sale, redemption and cancellation, and calculation of the price of the Company's shares and the application of the Company's income in accordance with the Regulations and the Scheme documents of the Company, and
- (ii) has observed the investment and borrowing powers and restrictions applicable to the Company.

Northern Trust Investor Services Limited ('NTISL')

UK Trustee and Depositary Services 30 September 2025

## Independent Auditor's Report to the Shareholders of the MI Brewin Dolphin Voyager Funds ('the Company')

#### **Opinion**

We have audited the financial statements of MI Brewin Dolphin Voyager Funds ('the Company') for the year ended 31 May 2025. These financial statements comprise together the statement of accounting policies and risk management policies, and the individual financial statements of each of the following Sub-funds (the 'Sub-funds') of the Company:

- MI Brewin Dolphin Voyager Max 40% Equity Fund
- MI Brewin Dolphin Voyager Max 60% Equity Fund
- MI Brewin Dolphin Voyager Max 70% Equity Fund
- MI Brewin Dolphin Voyager Max 80% Equity Fund
- MI Brewin Dolphin Voyager Max 90% Equity Fund
- MI Brewin Dolphin Voyager Max 100% Equity Fund

The individual financial statements for each of the Company's Sub-funds comprise, the Statement of Total Return, the Statement of change in Net Assets Attributable to Shareholders, the Balance Sheet, Notes to the Financial Statements and the Distribution Tables.

The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) and the Statement of Recommended Practice ('SORP') for Financial Statements of UK Authorised Funds issued by the Investment Association in May 2014 and amended in June 2017, the rules of the Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook and the Company's Instrument of Incorporation.

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Company and each of the Sub-funds as at 31 May 2025 and of the net revenue and net capital gains/(losses) on the scheme property of the Company and each of the Sub-funds for the year then ended; and
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, the Statement of Recommended Practice for Financial Statements of UK Authorised Funds issued by the Investment Association in May 2014 and amended in June 2017, the rules of the Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook, and the Company's Instrument of Incorporation.

#### **Basis for opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) ('ISAs (UK)') and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the 'Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements' section of our report. We are independent of the Company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### Conclusions relating to going concern

We are responsible for concluding on the appropriateness of the Authorised Corporate Director's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Company's and each of the Sub-fund's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify the auditor's opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Company and each of the Sub-funds to cease to continue as a going concern.

In our evaluation of the Authorised Corporate Director's conclusions, we considered the inherent risks associated with the Company's and each of the Sub-fund's business model including effects arising from macro-economic uncertainties such as geopolitical uncertainty and cost of living crisis, we assessed and challenged the reasonableness of estimates made by the Authorised Corporate Director and the related disclosures and analysed how those risks might affect the Company's and each of the Sub-fund's financial resources or ability to continue operations over the going concern period.

## Independent Auditor's Report to the Shareholders of the MI Brewin Dolphin Voyager Funds

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Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the Company's and each of the Sub-fund's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the Authorised Corporate Director's use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

The responsibilities of the Authorised Corporate Director with respect to going concern are described in the 'Responsibilities of the Authorised Corporate Director' section of this report.

#### **Other information**

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The Authorised Corporate Director is responsible for the other information contained within the annual report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

## Opinion on other matters prescribed by the Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook

In our opinion:

- we have been given all the information and explanations, which, to the best of our knowledge and belief, are necessary for the purposes of our audit, and
- the information given in the Authorised Corporate Director's Report (which comprises; on page 1, Directory; within the Sub-funds, the Investment Objective and Policy on pages 12, 31, 50, 69, 88 and 107, the Investment Manager's Report on pages 12, 31, 50, 69, 88 and 107, the Portfolio Statement on pages 14, 33, 52, 71, 90 and 109, the Risk and Reward Profile on pages 17, 36, 55, 74, 93 and 112 and the General Information on page 126) is consistent with the financial statements.

#### Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- proper accounting records for the Company or a Sub-fund have not been kept, or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with those accounting records.

#### **Responsibilities of the Authorised Corporate Director**

As explained more fully in the Statement of the Authorised Corporate Director's Responsibilities, the Authorised Corporate Director is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the Authorised Corporate Director determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the Authorised Corporate Director is responsible for assessing the Company's and each of the Sub-fund's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Authorised Corporate Director either intends to terminate a Sub-fund, wind up the Company or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

## **Independent Auditor's Report to the Shareholders of the MI Brewin Dolphin Voyager Funds**

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#### Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

#### Explanation as to what extent the audit was considered capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. Owing to the inherent limitations of an audit, there is an unavoidable risk that material misstatements in the financial statements may not be detected, even though the audit is properly planned and performed in accordance with ISAs (UK).

The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud, is detailed below:

- We obtained an understanding of the legal and regulatory frameworks applicable to the Company and the industry in which it operates. We identified areas of laws and regulations that could reasonably be expected to have a material effect on the financial statements from our sector experience and through discussion with management. We determined that the most significant laws and regulations were the Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook, the Investment Association Statement of Recommended Practice for Financial Statements of UK Authorised Funds and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including FRS 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland';
- We enquired of the Authorised Corporate Director and management to obtain an understanding of how the Company is complying with those legal and regulatory frameworks and whether there were any instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations and whether they had any knowledge of actual or suspected fraud. We corroborated the results of our enquiries through our review of the breaches register and the fund's Prospectus.
- In assessing the potential risks of material misstatement, we obtained an understanding of: the Company's operations, including the nature of its revenue sources, and of its objective to understand the classes of transactions, account balances, expected financial statement disclosures and business risks that may result in risks of material misstatement and the Company's control environment, including the policies and procedures implemented to mitigate risks of fraud or non-compliance with the relevant laws and regulations.
- We assessed the susceptibility of the Company's financial statements to material misstatement, including how fraud might occur by evaluating management's incentives and opportunities for manipulation of the financial statements. This included an evaluation of the risk of management override of controls. Audit procedures performed by the engagement team in connection with the risks identified included:
  - evaluation of the design and implementation of controls that management has put in place to prevent and detect fraud;
  - testing journal entries, including manual journal entries processed at the year end for financial statements preparation; and
  - challenging the assumptions and judgements made by management in its significant accounting estimates.
- These audit procedures were designed to provide reasonable assurance that the financial statements were free from fraud or error. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement due to fraud is higher than the risk of not detecting one resulting from error and detecting irregularities that result from fraud is inherently more difficult than detecting those that result from error, as fraud may involve collusion, deliberate concealment, forgery or intentional misrepresentations. Also, the further removed non-compliance with laws and regulations is from events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, the less likely we would become aware of it;

## **Independent Auditor's Report to the Shareholders of the MI Brewin Dolphin Voyager Funds**

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- The engagement partner's assessment of the appropriateness of the collective competence and capabilities of the engagement team included consideration of the engagement team's:
  - understanding of, and practical experience with, audit engagements of a similar nature and complexity, through appropriate training and participation;
  - knowledge of the industry in which the Company operates; and
  - understanding of the legal and regulatory frameworks applicable to the Company.
- We communicated relevant laws and regulations and potential fraud risks to all engagement team members and remained alert to any indications of fraud or non-compliance with laws and regulations throughout the audit.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at:www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

#### Use of our report

This report is made solely to the Company's Shareholders, as a body, in accordance with regulation 67(2) of the Open-Ended Investment Companies Regulations 2001, and with Rule 4.5.12 of the Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Company's Shareholders those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Company and the Company's Shareholders as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Marcus Swales Grant Thornton UK LLP

Statutory Auditor, Chartered Accountants London, United Kingdom 30 September 2025

## **Accounting Policies and Risk Management Policies**

for the year ended 31 May 2025

The financial statements for MI Brewin Dolphin Voyager Funds comprises the individual financial statements for each Sub-fund and the accounting policies and risk management policies below:

#### 1. Accounting Policies

#### (a) Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost basis, as modified by the revaluation of investments and in accordance with FRS 102 and the Statement of Recommended Practice ('SORP') for Financial Statements of UK Authorised Funds issued by the Investment Association ('IA') in May 2014 and amended in June 2017.

The financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis.

The Authorised Status and head office of the Company can be found within the general information starting on page 126.

The Certification of the Annual Report by the Authorised Corporate Director ('ACD') can be found on page 2.

#### (b) Recognition of revenue

Revenue is included in the Statement of Total Return on the following basis:

Dividends on quoted equities and preference shares are recognised when the securities are quoted ex-dividend.

Distributions from collective investment schemes are recognised when the schemes are quoted ex-distribution. Equalisation returned with the distribution is deducted from the cost of the investment and does not form part of the distributable revenue.

Any reported revenue from an offshore reporting fund is recognised as revenue no later than the date on which the reporting fund makes the information available.

Interest on debt securities and bank and short-term deposits is recognised on an accrual basis.

In the case of debt securities any difference between acquisition cost and maturity value is recognised as revenue over the life of the security using the effective yield basis of calculating amortisation.

All revenue includes withholding taxes but excludes irrecoverable tax credits.

#### (c) Treatment of stock and special dividends

The ordinary element of stocks received in lieu of cash dividends is credited to capital in the first instance followed by a transfer to revenue of the cash equivalent being offered and this forms part of the distributable revenue.

Special dividends are reviewed on a case by case basis in determining whether the dividend is to be treated as revenue or capital. Amounts recognised as revenue will form part of the distributable revenue. The tax accounting treatment follows the treatment of the principal amount.

#### (d) Treatment of expenses

All expenses, except for those relating to the purchase and sale of investments and stamp duty reserve tax, are charged against revenue for the year on an accruals basis.

#### (e) Allocation of revenue and expenses to multiple share classes

Any revenue or expense not directly attributable to a particular Sub-fund will normally be allocated pro-rata to the net assets of the relevant share classes and Sub-funds on the day that the revenue or expense is recognised.

With the exception of the Investment Manager's fee which is directly attributable to individual share classes, all revenue and expenses are apportioned to the Sub-fund's share classes pro-rata to the value of the net assets of the relevant share class on the day that the revenue or expense is recognised.

### (f) Taxation

Corporation tax is provided at 20% on revenue, after deduction of expenses.

Deferred tax is provided using the liability method on all timing differences arising on the treatment of certain items for taxation and accounting purposes, calculated at the rate at which it is anticipated the timing differences will reverse. Deferred tax assets are recognised only when, on the basis of available evidence, it is more likely than not that there will be taxable profits in the future against which the deferred tax asset can be offset.

## **Accounting Policies and Risk Management Policies**

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#### 1. Accounting Policies (continued)

#### (g) Distribution policy

The net revenue after taxation as disclosed in the financial statements, after adjustment for items of a capital nature, is distributable to Shareholders as dividend distributions. Any revenue deficit is funded from capital.

Interim distributions may be made at the ACD's discretion and the balance of revenue is distributed in accordance with the regulations.

In the case of debt securities any difference between acquisition cost and maturity value is recognised as revenue over the life of the security using the effective yield basis of calculating amortisation. This may constrain the capital growth of the Sub-fund.

For the purpose of enhancing revenue entitlement, all expenses (including those relating to the purchase and sale of investments) are allocated to capital for the year on an accruals basis. This will reduce the capital growth of the Sub-fund.

Distributions not claimed within a six year period will be forfeited and added back to the capital of the Sub-fund.

#### (h) Basis of valuation of investments

Listed investments are valued at close of business bid prices on the last business day of the accounting year excluding any accrued interest in the case of fixed and floating rate interest securities.

Collective Investment Schemes are valued at quoted bid price for dual priced funds and at quoted price for single priced funds, on the last business day of the accounting period.

Unlisted or suspended investments are valued by the ACD taking into account where appropriate, latest dealing prices, valuations from reliable sources, financial performance and other relevant factors.

Derivative instruments are valued at the cost of closing out the contract at the balance sheet date.

The fair value of open forward foreign currency contracts is calculated with reference to the changes in the spot rate, changes in interest rate differential and the reduced term left to maturity.

Market value is defined by the SORP as fair value, which generally is the bid value of each security.

Categorisation within the hierarchy has been determined on the basis of the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement of the relevant asset as follows:

- Level 1 Unadjusted quoted price in an active market for an identical instrument.
- Level 2 Valuation techniques using observable inputs other than quoted prices within level 1.
- Level 3 Valuation techniques using unobservable inputs.

#### (i) Exchange rates

Transactions in foreign currencies are recorded in sterling at the rate ruling at the date of the transactions. Assets and liabilities expressed in foreign currencies at the end of the accounting period are translated into sterling at the closing exchange rates ruling on that date.

#### (j) Dilution levy

The Authorised Corporate Director may require a dilution levy on the purchase and redemption of shares if, in its opinion ,the existing Shareholders (for purchases) or remaining Shareholders (for redemptions) might otherwise be adversely affected. For example, the dilution levy may be charged in the following circumstances: where the scheme property is in continual decline; on a Sub-fund experiencing large levels of net purchases relative to its size; on 'large deals' (typically being a purchase or redemption of shares to a size exceeding 5% of the Net Asset Value of the Company); in any case where the Authorised Corporate Director is of the opinion that the interests of remaining shareholders require the imposition of a dilution levy.

## **Accounting Policies and Risk Management Policies**

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#### 2. Risk Management Policies and Disclosures

In pursuing its investment objectives, the Sub-funds may hold a number of financial instruments. These financial instruments comprise securities and other investments, cash balances, debtors and creditors that arise directly from the Sub-fund's operations, for example, in respect of sales and purchases awaiting settlement, amounts receivable for creations and payable for redemptions and debtors for accrued revenue.

In doing so, the ACD accepts market price risk and currency risk in relation to the investment portfolio and foreign cash positions.

The Sub-funds may also enter into a range of derivative transactions whose purpose is efficient portfolio management. In addition the Sub-funds only execute derivative contracts where both the derivative instrument and the counterparty have been approved by the ACD.

The risks arising from financial instruments and the ACD's policies for the monitoring and managing of these risks are stated below in accordance with the Risk Management Policy of the ACD.

These policies have been applied throughout the period under review.

#### Leverage

The Sub-fund's did not employ any significant leverage in the current and prior year, other than that available to the Sub-funds as a result of their ability to borrow up to 10% of their value on a permanent basis.

#### Market price risk

Market price risk arises mainly from uncertainty about future prices of financial instruments held. It represents the potential loss the Sub-fund might suffer through holding market positions in the face of price movements. This means the value of an investor's holding may go down as well as up and an investor may not recover the amount invested. Investors should consider the degree of exposure of the Sub-fund in the context of all their investments.

The Sub-fund's investment portfolio is exposed to market price fluctuations, which are monitored by the Company as per the policies as set out in the Prospectus. The investment guidelines and investment and borrowing powers set out in the Instrument of Incorporation, the Prospectus and in the Financial Conduct Authority's Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook describe the nature of the market risk to which the Sub-fund will be exposed.

In addition to any direct currency and interest rate risk in the Sub-funds there may also be indirect exposure via the underlying funds held by the Sub-funds.

#### **Currency risk**

Although the Sub-fund's capital and income are denominated in sterling, a proportion of the Sub-fund's investments may have currency exposure and, as a result, the income and capital value of the Sub-fund are affected by currency movements.

Currency risk is the risk that the value of the Sub-fund's investments will fluctuate as a result of changes in currency exchange rates. For Sub-funds where a proportion of the net assets of the Sub-fund is denominated in currencies other than sterling, the balance sheet can be affected by movements in exchange rates. The Company monitors the currency exposure of the Sub-fund and may seek to manage exposure to currency movements by using forward exchange contracts or by hedging the sterling value of investments that are priced in other currencies.

#### Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that the value of the Sub-fund's investments will fluctuate as a result of changes in interest rates. The Sub-fund may invest in fixed and floating rate securities or schemes that invest in fixed or floating rate securities. The revenue of these Sub-funds may be affected by changes in interest rates relevant to particular securities or as a result of the ACD being unable to secure similar returns on the expiry of contracts or sale of securities. The value of fixed interest securities may be affected by interest rate movements or the expectation of such movements in the future.

A risk limit system is employed to monitor the risks related to the investment types, concentration and diversification of the Sub-funds' portfolios.

Interest receivable on bank deposits or payable on bank overdraft positions will be affected by fluctuations in interest rates.

## **Accounting Policies and Risk Management Policies**

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#### 2. Risk Management Policies and Disclosures (continued)

#### **Credit risk**

Credit risk arises from two main sources. Firstly, the possibility that the issuer of a security will be unable to pay interest and principal in a timely manner. Secondly, there is the possibility of default of the issuer and default in the underlying assets of a Collective Investment Scheme, meaning that a Sub-fund may not receive back the full principal originally invested. Adhering to investment guidelines and avoiding excessive exposure to one particular issuer or scheme can limit credit risk.

There are no net borrowings or unquoted securities. Stress testing and scenario analysis is carried out on a regular basis.

#### Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Sub-fund cannot raise sufficient cash to meet its liabilities when due. One of the key factors influencing this will be the ability to sell investments at, or close to, the fair value without a significant loss being realised.

Under normal circumstances, the Sub-fund will remain close to fully invested. However, where circumstances require: either because a view of illiquid securities markets or high levels of redemptions in the Sub-fund, the Sub-fund may hold cash and/or more liquid assets. Temporary higher liquidity levels may also arise during the carrying out of a change in asset allocation policy, or following a large issue of shares.

The ACD manages the Sub-funds' cash to ensure they can meet their liabilities. In addition the ACD monitors market liquidity of all securities, seeking to ensure the Sub-fund maintains sufficient liquidity to meet known and potential redemption activity. The Sub-funds' cash balances are monitored daily by the ACD and the Investment Manager. All of the Sub-funds' financial liabilities are payable on demand or in less than one year.

The ACD conducts regular monitoring to ensure the liquidity profile of the Sub-funds' investments comply with their underlying obligations, particularly their ability to meet redemption requests.

Stress tests are undertaken, under normal and exceptional liquidity conditions, in order to assess the liquidity risk of each Sub-fund.

#### **Counterparty risk**

The risk that the counterparty will not deliver the investments for a purchase or the cash for a sale after the Sub-fund has fulfilled its responsibilities which could result in the Sub-fund suffering a loss. The Investment Manager minimises the risk by conducting trades through only the most reputable counterparties.

#### Fair value of financial assets and liabilities

Investments disclosed as at the balance sheet date are at fair value. Current assets and liabilities disclosed in the balance sheet are at amortised cost which is approximate to fair value.

## **Investment Objective**

The Sub-fund aims to deliver capital growth and income through an exposure to equities of up to 40%.

## **Investment Policy**

At least 80%, and potentially 100%, of the Sub-fund's investments will be indirect through other funds. The other funds may be actively managed or may be passively managed (that is funds which track or are closely linked to the performance of an index), although it is not expected that more than 20% will be invested in passive funds at any one time. It is the intention to invest at least 35% of the allocation into funds managed by the ACD or sponsored by Brewin Dolphin Limited. Through its investments in these funds, the Subfund will have a higher exposure to lower risk asset classes, such as fixed income securities (bonds), whilst having some exposure to equities (shares in companies) and alternatives (such as real estate, commodities and infrastructure). No more than 40% will be invested in equities either directly or through equity funds.

The Sub-fund may also invest directly (at the Investment Managers' discretion) in equities and equity like instruments (which may include shares in investment trusts and REITS), fixed income securities, money market instruments, depositary receipts and cash.

The fixed income securities and money market instruments to which the Sub-fund may seek exposure may be issued by companies, governments, government agencies and supranationals (such as the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development). They can be investment grade (meet a certain level of credit rating by a credit rating agency) or they may be unrated (and hence more likely to fail than investment grade bonds).

The primary focus of our research team is to identify a 'buy list' of thoroughly researched investments from which we select when building the funds. Investment research conducted by the team covers all major asset classes spanning all regions of the world as well as alternative investments. The investment companies from which we select funds is based on an initial quality screen, which considers factors such as the financial strength, organisational integrity and stability of the investment firm, in addition to manager access and the provision of full portfolio transparency on a timely basis.

Our investment approach is to utilise the expertise of the best investment managers at the lowest cost to manage the asset. To do this, we invest in other funds to gain access to the specified style or strategy.

The Sub-fund may invest in derivatives for the purposes of hedging with the aim of reducing the risk profile of the Sub-fund in accordance with the principles of Efficient Portfolio Management.

The Sub-fund is actively managed. The mix of investment types will be managed and regularly monitored by our investment team.

## **Investment Manager's Report**

for the year ended 31 May 2025

#### Introduction

This report covers the MI Brewin Dolphin Voyager Funds and their underlying funds for the period from 31 May 2024 to 31 May 2025.

#### **Market Review**

The twelve-month period to the end of May 2025 saw equity markets edge higher despite the drawdown that followed Liberation Day. The 90-day pause on the reciprocal tariffs helped stem the simultaneous selloff of US stocks, treasuries and the US dollar.

Part of the higher moves in US treasury yields reflected concerns on the inflationary impact of tariffs and the elevated federal deficit. More fundamentally, investors are starting to question US fiscal credibility. The actions of the new US administration led investors to move assets away from the US to other areas of the world.

The European Central Bank, Bank of England and US Federal Reserve started cutting rates during the period after rates were held constant for a prolonged duration.

Whilst central banks in the major Western economies have been battling with inflation, China struggled with several quarters of deflation due to a weak domestic economy. A promised Chinese economic stimulus package in September provided a catalyst for stock outperformance as the measures aim to inject some vigour into the economy. The strong performance continued with the emergence of the DeepSeek Al model.

Ongoing geopolitical tensions have contributed to the continued strength of the gold price.

## **Investment Manager's Report**

continued

#### **Performance Activity and Attribution**

The MI Brewin Dolphin Voyager Max 40% Equity Fund gave a total return of 6.3%\* (B Accumulation, quoted valuation), over the period to the end of May 2025, outperforming the peer group index (IA Mixed Investment 0-35% Shares) which returned 4.9%.

The bias to UK equities relative to the world index was a positive contributor to performance against the backdrop of the domestic market gaining high single digits over the period. The UK position was reduced by a small amount in favour of overseas equities to provide a better balance of risk and reward.

The Asian equities allocation was increased following the announcement of the stimulus measure from China and subsequently benefited from the AI innovation that materialised later on. The European equity allocation was increased following positive fiscal news from the EU Commission and Germany on defence spending.

Sovereign bonds were increased in favour of credit as the former represents a better hedge against an unexpected economic slowdown and should be a better source of risk adjusted returns. These changes were reflected in the MI Select Managers Bond Fund.

The MI Select Managers Alternatives Fund comprises holdings in property, gold and absolute return strategies. Notably, the position in gold contributed positively, driven by central bank demand and the role of gold as a safe-haven asset.

#### Outlook

The yield spread between corporate and government bonds remains tight and would likely widen in the event that economic growth deteriorates. Recessions are often unpredictable, with 5 of the 8 recessions the US has had since 1970 caused by shocks. Government bonds would very likely outperform corporate bonds in the event that a negative shock to growth materializes. With spreads tight, the bond positioning acts as a partial hedge against this recession risk and complements our view on equities.

The global economy is likely to continue expanding, which is consistent with corporate profits rising. There is the potential for AI themes to drive both strong economy wide productivity and continued solid profit gains among the AI pick and shovel plays.

There is an argument to be only modestly positive on equities as there is limited room for cyclical economic growth. Most economies are close to full employment which does not give much scope for labour force participation to rise. Meanwhile, US president Trump's immigration clampdown is weighing on labour force growth. The upshot is that there's limited room for job growth, meaning there's limited room for aggregate demand to expand. Further, US equity valuation multiples, concentration risk and growth expectations among the AI plays are all elevated. Finally, the large increase in US tariffs should weigh on global growth and result in higher inflation than would otherwise be the case.

There are still reasons to be mildly positive on gold despite the strong rally. Central banks are expected to continue diversifying their reserve holdings out of the dollar and other developed world currencies. Gold is likely to act as a good hedge against several risks including the impact of tariffs. While most economists believe that the large increase in US tariffs will weigh on growth and result in higher inflation than would otherwise be the case, the magnitude is highly uncertain. If the impact ends up being stronger than the consensus expects, gold should continue to do well.

<sup>\*</sup>Based on published NAV provided by Apex Fundrock Limited.

## **Portfolio Statement**

as at 31 May 2025

| Holding                                  | Security   | Market<br>value<br>£                               | % of total<br>net assets<br>2025 |
|--|--|--|----------------------------------|
|  | COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES* 99.46% (98.11%)   |  |                                  |
| 5,998,592                                | Alternatives 19.70% (19.12%) MI Select Managers Alternatives - Institutional Income^   | 6,585,855  | 19.70                            |
| 79,849                                   | Asia ex-Japan Equities 1.26% (1.65%)<br>Invesco Asian (UK) - Z Income  | 421,244  | 1.26                             |
| 350,297                                  | Emerging Market Equities 1.07% (0.00%) JPM Emerging Markets - C2 Income  | 356,952  | 1.07                             |
| 335,082                                  | <b>European Equities 1.89% (1.28%)</b><br>BlackRock Continental European - A Income  | 631,429  | 1.89                             |
| 106,881                                  | Global Equities 2.00% (1.98%) Fundsmith Equity - I Income  | 669,067  | 2.00                             |
| 33,205<br>96,060<br>12,165,464<br>11,257 | Global Fixed Interest 51.96% (51.35%) BlackRock ICS Sterling Liquidity - Premier Accumulation GBP Colchester Global Bond - GBP Hedged I Accumulation MI Select Managers Bond - Institutional Income^ Robeco Global Credits - IBH GBP | 3,973,025<br>1,145,900<br>11,221,424<br>1,030,282  | 11.88<br>3.43<br>33.57<br>3.08   |
| 215,959                                  | Japan Equities 0.95% (0.86%)<br>M&G Japan Fund Sterling - PP Income  | 17,370,631<br>———————————————————————————————————— | 51.96                            |
| 1,412,210                                | UK Equities 5.23% (5.55%) MI Select Managers UK Equity Income - Institutional Income^  | 1,749,446  | 5.23                             |
| 1,565,942<br>707,916                     | <b>UK Fixed Interest 6.84% (6.75%)</b> BNY Mellon Gilt Government Bond - F Institutional Income Man GLG Sterling Corporate Bond - G Institutional Income   | 1,562,810<br>722,782<br>                           | 4.68<br>2.16<br>6.84             |
| 1,238,107                                | US Equities 8.56% (9.57%) MI Select Managers North American Equity - Institutional Income^   | 2,861,513  | 8.56                             |
|  | Investment assets Net other assets   | 33,249,340<br>181,207                              | 99.46<br>0.54                    |
|  | Net assets   | 33,430,547   | 100.00                           |

All investments are ordinary shares or stock units on a regulated securities market unless otherwise stated. The percentages in brackets show the equivalent % holdings as at 31.05.24.

<sup>\*</sup>Collective Investment Schemes permitted under COLL, not listed on any exchange.

<sup>^</sup>Represents investment into a related party of the Manager (note 10). Apex Fundrock Limited also acts as ACD for this fund.

## **Comparative Tables**

## Change in net assets per share

| A Income                           | 31.05.25<br>p | 31.05.24<br>p | 31.05.23<br>p |
|------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Opening net asset value per share  | 100.40        | 96.21         | 100.33        |
| Return before operating charges^   | 6.77          | 7.17          | -2.23         |
| Operating charges                  | -0.77         | -0.70         | -0.68         |
| Return after operating charges^    | 6.00          | 6.47          | -2.91         |
| Distributions                      | -2.95         | -2.28         | -1.21         |
| Closing net asset value per share  | 103.45        | 100.40        | 96.21         |
| ^After direct transaction costs of | 0.00          | 0.00          | 0.00          |
| Performance                        |               |               |               |
| Return after charges               | 5.97%         | 6.73%         | -2.90%        |
| Other information                  |               |               |               |
| Closing net asset value            | £2,018,980    | £2,270,801    | £1,604,798    |
| Closing number of shares           | 1,951,738     | 2,261,737     | 1,668,041     |
| Operating charges*                 | 0.74%         | 0.71%         | 0.70%         |
| Direct transaction costs           | 0.00%         | 0.00%         | 0.00%         |
| Prices                             |               |               |               |
| Highest share price                | 106.32        | 102.70        | 101.18        |
| Lowest share price                 | 100.42        | 94.02         | 92.57         |

| A Accumulation                                | 31.05.25<br>p | 31.05.24<br>p | 31.05.23<br>p |
|---|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Opening net asset value per share             | 105.53        | 98.82         | 101.77        |
| Return before operating charges^              | 7.13          | 7.43          | -2.26         |
| Operating charges                             | -0.81         | -0.72         | -0.69         |
| Return after operating charges^               | 6.32          | 6.71          | -2.95         |
| Distributions                                 | -3.13         | -2.37         | -1.23         |
| Retained distributions on accumulation shares | 3.13          | 2.37          | 1.23          |
| Closing net asset value per share             | 111.85        | 105.53        | 98.82         |
| ^After direct transaction costs of            | 0.00          | 0.00          | 0.00          |
| Performance                                   |               |               |               |
| Return after charges                          | 5.99%         | 6.79%         | -2.90%        |
| Other information                             |               |               |               |
| Closing net asset value                       | £21,874,939   | £21,507,840   | £23,607,947   |
| Closing number of shares                      | 19,557,146    | 20,380,330    | 23,890,306    |
| Operating charges*                            | 0.74%         | 0.71%         | 0.70%         |
| Direct transaction costs                      | 0.00%         | 0.00%         | 0.00%         |
| Prices  |               |               |               |
| Highest share price                           | 113.05        | 106.98        | 102.63        |
| Lowest share price                            | 105.50        | 96.98         | 94.14         |

## **Comparative Tables**

continued

| B Income                           | 31.05.25<br>p | 31.05.24<br>p | 31.05.23<br>p |
|------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Opening net asset value per share  | 100.40        | 96.21         | 100.33        |
| Return before operating charges^   | 6.74          | 7.15          | -2.25         |
| Operating charges                  | -0.66         | -0.60         | -0.58         |
| Return after operating charges^    | 6.08          | 6.55          | -2.83         |
| Distributions                      | -3.03         | -2.36         | -1.29         |
| Closing net asset value per share  | 103.45        | 100.40        | 96.21         |
| ^After direct transaction costs of | 0.00          | 0.00          | 0.00          |
| Performance                        |               |               |               |
| Return after charges               | 6.06%         | 6.81%         | -2.82%        |
| Other information                  |               |               |               |
| Closing net asset value            | £1,010,759    | £1,247,283    | £1,186,782    |
| Closing number of shares           | 977,072       | 1,242,298     | 1,233,526     |
| Operating charges*                 | 0.64%         | 0.61%         | 0.60%         |
| Direct transaction costs           | 0.00%         | 0.00%         | 0.00%         |
| Prices                             |               |               |               |
| Highest share price                | 106.34        | 102.72        | 101.20        |
| Lowest share price                 | 100.42        | 94.02         | 92.58         |

| B Accumulation                                | 31.05.25<br>p | 31.05.24<br>p | 31.05.23<br>p |
|---|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Opening net asset value per share             | 105.88        | 99.06         | 101.93        |
| Return before operating charges^              | 7.14          | 7.44          | -2.28         |
| Operating charges                             | -0.71         | -0.62         | -0.59         |
| Return after operating charges^               | 6.43          | 6.82          | -2.87         |
| Distributions                                 | -3.24         | -2.45         | -1.32         |
| Retained distributions on accumulation shares | 3.24          | 2.45          | 1.32          |
| Closing net asset value per share             | 112.31        | 105.88        | 99.06         |
| ^After direct transaction costs of            | 0.00          | 0.00          | 0.00          |
| Performance                                   |               |               |               |
| Return after charges                          | 6.08%         | 6.88%         | -2.82%        |
| Other information                             |               |               |               |
| Closing net asset value                       | £8,525,869    | £15,451,472   | £10,055,214   |
| Closing number of shares                      | 7,591,177     | 14,593,546    | 10,150,383    |
| Operating charges*                            | 0.64%         | 0.61%         | 0.60%         |
| Direct transaction costs                      | 0.00%         | 0.00%         | 0.00%         |
| Prices  |               |               |               |
| Highest share price                           | 113.48        | 107.33        | 102.82        |
| Lowest share price                            | 105.85        | 97.25         | 94.32         |

<sup>\*</sup>The Investment Manager currently rebates the Sub-fund's operating charges, excluding the Investment Manager's fee and synthetic ongoing charges (0.34% of operating charges) in order for them not to exceed 0.12% of the Net Asset Values of the Sub-fund.

Operating charges include indirect costs incurred in the maintenance and running of the Sub-fund, as disclosed (but not limited to) the detailed expenses within the Statement of Total Return. Included within this figure are the charges of the underlying funds (synthetic ongoing charge). The figures used within this table have been calculated against the average Net Asset Value for the accounting year.

The return after charges is calculated as the closing Net Asset Value per share plus the distributions on income shares minus the opening Net Asset Value per share as a % of the opening Net Asset Value per share. The basis of valuation of investments used to calculate Net Asset Value per share is described in notes to the Financial Statements 1h) and complies with requirements of the current Statement of Recommended Practice for UK Authorised Funds. This differs from the basis used to calculate daily published single prices, in which listed investments are valued at 12:00 mid prices.

Direct transaction costs include fees, commissions, transfer taxes and duties in the purchasing and selling of investments, which are offset (where applicable) against any dilution levies charged within the accounting period. The figures used within the table have been calculated against the average Net Asset Value for the accounting year.

## **Risk and Reward Profile**

The risk and reward indicator table demonstrates where the Sub-fund ranks in terms of its potential risk and reward. The higher the rank the greater the potential reward but the greater the risk of losing money. It is based on past data, may change over time and may not be a reliable indication of the future risk profile of the Sub-fund. The shaded area in the table below shows the Sub-fund's ranking on the risk and reward indicator.



The Sub-fund is ranked 4 because funds of this type have experienced average rises and falls in value in the past. Please note that even the lowest risk class can lose you money and that extreme market circumstances can mean you suffer severe losses in all cases. The indicator does not take into account the following risks of investing in this Sub-fund:

- Investing in other funds may expose investors to increased risk due to less strict regulations and the use of derivatives. These other funds can themselves invest into assets such as bonds, company shares, cash and currencies. The objectives and risk profiles of these underlying funds may not be fully in line with those of this Sub-fund.
- The Sub-fund may invest in bond funds which will be impacted by changes in interest rates, inflation and any decline in creditworthiness of the underlying bond issuers.
- Investing overseas can bring additional returns and spread risk to different markets. There are risks, however, that changes in currency exchange rates may cause the value of your investment to decrease or increase.
- The Sub-fund may invest in property funds which can be less liquid than other asset classes.
- For further risk information please see the Prospectus.

#### **Risk warning**

An investment in a non-UCITS Retail Scheme Open-Ended Investment Company should be regarded as a medium to long-term investment. Investors should be aware that the price of shares and the revenue from them can fall as well as rise and investors may not receive back the full amount invested. Past performance is not a guide to future performance. Investments denominated in currencies other than the base currency are subject to fluctuation in exchange rates, which can be favourable or unfavourable.

## **Statement of Total Return**

for the year ended 31 May 2025

|   |      |           | 31.05.25    |           | 31.05.24  |
|---|------|-----------|-------------|-----------|-----------|
|   | Note | £         | £           | £         | £         |
| Income                                  |      |           |             |           |           |
| Net capital gains                       | 2    |           | 972,032     |           | 1,668,101 |
| Revenue                                 | 3    | 1,482,938 |             | 1,218,757 |           |
| Expenses                                | 4    | (119,216) |             | (112,315) |           |
| Interest payable and similar charges    | 4    | (2,402)   |             |           |           |
| Net revenue before taxation             |      | 1,361,320 |             | 1,106,442 |           |
| Taxation                                | 5    | (222,127) |             | (175,222) |           |
| Net revenue after taxation              |      |           | 1,139,193   |           | 931,220   |
| Total return before distributions       |      |           | 2,111,225   |           | 2,599,321 |
| Distributions                           | 6    |           | (1,135,360) |           | (926,000) |
| Change in net assets attributable to    |      |           |             |           |           |
| Shareholders from investment activities |      |           | 975,865     |           | 1,673,321 |

## **Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Shareholders**

for the year ended 31 May 2025

| Opening net assets attributable to Shareholders  | £            | 31.05.25<br>£<br>40,477,396 | £            | 31.05.24<br>£<br>36,454,741 |
|--|--------------|-----------------------------|--------------|-----------------------------|
| Amounts receivable on issue of shares  | 17,285,012   |                             | 15,794,117   |                             |
| Less: Amounts payable on cancellation of shares  | (26,322,813) |                             | (14,291,808) |                             |
| Breach Compensation  | 1,631        |                             |              |                             |
|  |              | (9,036,170)                 |              | 1,502,309                   |
| Change in net assets attributable to Shareholders from investment activities (see Statement of |              |                             |              |                             |
| Total Return above)  |              | 975,865                     |              | 1,673,321                   |
| Retained distributions on accumulation shares  |              | 1,013,456                   |              | 847,025                     |
| Closing net assets attributable to Shareholders  |              | 33,430,547                  |              | 40,477,396                  |

The notes on pages 20 to 28 form an integral part of these Financial Statements.

## **Balance Sheet**

as at 31 May 2025

|   | Note | £         | 31.05.25   | £         | 31.05.24<br>£ |
|---|------|-----------|------------|-----------|---------------|
| ASSETS                                  | Note | £         | £          | £         | £             |
| Fixed assets Investments                |      |           | 33,249,340 |           | 39,710,373    |
| Current assets                          |      |           |            |           |               |
| Debtors                                 | 7    | 227,847   |            | 434,649   |               |
| Cash and bank balances                  | 9    | 337,950   | _          | 867,482   |               |
| Total current assets                    |      |           | 565,797    |           | 1,302,131     |
| Total assets                            |      |           | 33,815,137 |           | 41,012,504    |
| LIABILITIES                             |      |           |            |           |               |
| Creditors                               |      |           |            |           |               |
| Distribution payable                    |      | (41,538)  |            | (32,355)  |               |
| Other creditors                         | 8    | (343,052) | _          | (502,753) |               |
| Total creditors                         |      |           | (384,590)  |           | (535,108)     |
| Total liabilities                       |      | ·         | (384,590)  |           | (535,108)     |
| Net assets attributable to Shareholders |      |           | 33,430,547 |           | 40,477,396    |

The notes on pages 20 to 28 form an integral part of these Financial Statements.



## **Notes to the Financial Statements**

for the year ended 31 May 2025

## **1. Accounting Policies**

The Sub-fund's Financial Statements have been prepared on the same basis as the Accounting Policies stated on pages 8 and 9.

| 2. Net Capital Gains^                         |               | 31.05.25               |            |
|---|---------------|------------------------|------------|
| •   | Realised      | Unrealised             | Total      |
|   | £             | £                      | £          |
| Non-derivative securities                     | 248,661       | 731,432                | 980,093    |
| Transaction charges                           | (8,061)       | -                      | (8,061)    |
| Net capital gains                             | 240,600       | 731,432                | 972,032    |
|   |               |                        |            |
|   |               | 31.05.24               |            |
|   | Realised      | 31.05.24<br>Unrealised | Total      |
|   | Realised<br>£ |                        | Total<br>£ |
| Non-derivative securities                     |               | Unrealised             |            |
| Non-derivative securities Transaction charges | £             | Unrealised<br>£        | £          |

<sup>^</sup>Where realised gains/losses include gains/losses arising from prior years, a corresponding loss/gain is included within the unrealised gains/losses presented.

| 3. Revenue  | 31.05.25<br>£ | 31.05.24<br>£ |
|---|---------------|---------------|
| Distributions from Regulated Collective Investment Schemes:   |               |               |
| UK investment income  | 250,683       | 225,099       |
| Unfranked investment income   | 70,879        | 74,208        |
| Interest distributions  | 1,147,414     | 900,792       |
| Bank interest   | 13,962        | 18,658        |
| Total revenue   | 1,482,938     | 1,218,757     |
| 4. Expenses   | 31.05.25      | 31.05.24      |
| 4. Expenses   | 51.05.25<br>£ | 51.05.24<br>£ |
| Payable to the Authorised Corporate Director ('ACD'), associates of the ACD and agents of either of them: |               |               |
| ACD's fee   | 45,000        | 45,000        |
| Registration fees   | 26,074        | 23,883        |
|   | 71,074        | 68,883        |
| Payable to the Investment Manager, associates of the Investment Manager and agents of either of them:     |               |               |
| Investment Manager's fee  | 84,899        | 83,646        |
| Payable to the Depositary, associates of the Depositary and agents of either of them:                     |               |               |
| Depositary's fee (including VAT)  | 12,000        | 12,000        |
| Safe custody and other bank charges   | 1,373         | 1,625         |
|   | 13,373        | 13,625        |
|   |               |               |

## **Notes to the Financial Statements**

continued

| 31.05.25 | 31.05.24<br>£  |
|----------|--|
| _        | 2  |
| 10 665   | 11,675   |
| -        | 2,534  |
| 10,665   | 14,209   |
|          |  |
| 1,806    | 3,978  |
| 1,454    | 1,120  |
| 2,867    | 2,594  |
| 2,347    | -  |
| 8,474    | 7,692  |
|          |  |
| (62,032) | (65,894)   |
| (7,237)  | (9,846)  |
| (69,269) | (75,740)   |
| 119,216  | 112,315  |
| 2,402    | _  |
| 121,618  | 112,315  |
|          | 10,665<br>10,665<br>1,806<br>1,454<br>2,867<br>2,347<br>8,474<br>(62,032)<br>(7,237)<br>(69,269)<br>119,216<br>2,402 |

<sup>\*</sup>Included within the auditor's remuneration is irrecoverable VAT of £1,778 (2024: £2,368).

<sup>^^</sup>The Investment Manager currently rebates the Sub-fund's operating charges, excluding the Investment Manager's fee and synthetic ongoing charge.

| 5. Taxation   | 31.05.25<br>£ | 31.05.24<br>£ |
|---|---------------|---------------|
| (a) Analysis of charge in the year:                 |               |               |
| Corporation tax at 20%                              | 222,127       | 175,222       |
| Income tax deducted at source                       | 14,176        | 14,842        |
| Income tax recoverable                              | (14,176)      | (14,842)      |
| Total tax charge (note 5b)                          | 222,127       | 175,222       |
| (b) Factors affecting taxation charge for the year: |               |               |
| Net revenue before taxation                         | 1,361,320     | 1,106,442     |
| Corporation tax at 20%                              | 272,264       | 221,288       |

<sup>\*\*</sup>Tax compliance provider changed from Grant Thornton UK LLP to Apex Group Company Services UK Limited.

<sup>^</sup>Included within the audit fee is over accrual of £945 (2024: nil).

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| 5. Taxation (continued)                  | 31.05.25<br>£ | 31.05.24<br>£ |
|--|---------------|---------------|
| Effects of:                              |               |               |
| UK dividends                             | (50,137)      | (45,020)      |
| Expenses not deductible for tax purposes | -             | (1,046)       |
| Income tax deducted at source            | 14,176        | 14,842        |
| UK income tax recoverable                | (14,176)      | (14,842)      |
| Total tax charge (note 5a)               | 222,127       | 175,222       |

### (c) Deferred tax

There was no liability to deferred tax at the balance sheet date (2024: nil).

#### 6 Distributions

The distributions take account of revenue received on the issue of shares and revenue deducted on the cancellation of shares, and comprise:

| ·  |          | 31.05.25<br>£ | 31.05.24<br>£ |
|--|----------|---------------|---------------|
| First interim distribution                                       | 31.08.24 | 191,079       | 170,363       |
| Second interim distribution                                      | 30.11.24 | 318,775       | 229,175       |
| Third interim distribution                                       | 28.02.25 | 138,755       | 158,928       |
| Final distribution   | 31.05.25 | 453,069       | 369,526       |
|  |          | 1,101,678     | 927,992       |
| Revenue deducted on cancellation of shares                       |          | 138,186       | 81,504        |
| Revenue received on issue of shares                              |          | (104,504)     | (83,496)      |
| Distributions  |          | 1,135,360     | 926,000       |
| Reconciliation of net revenue after taxation to net distribution | ns:      |               |               |
| Net revenue after taxation per Statement of Total Return         |          | 1,139,193     | 931,220       |
| Expenses allocated to capital                                    |          | (4,790)       | (5,234)       |
| Relief on expenses allocated to capital                          |          | 958           | _             |
| Undistributed revenue brought forward                            |          | 10            | 24            |
| Undistributed revenue carried forward                            |          | (11)          | (10)          |
| Distributions  |          | 1,135,360     | 926,000       |
| 7. Debtors   |          | 31.05.25<br>£ | 31.05.24<br>£ |
| Amounts receivable on issues                                     |          | 184,672       | 385,175       |
| Accrued income:  |          |               | ,             |
| Bank interest receivable   |          | _             | 1,707         |
| Dividends receivable   |          | 16,515        | 15,755        |
| Operating charge rebates   |          | 12,345        | 17,030        |
| UK income tax recoverable  |          | 14,176        | 14,842        |
| Prepaid expenses:  |          |               |               |
| Legal fee  |          | 139           | 140           |
| Total debtors  |          | 227,847       | 434,649       |

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| 8. Other Creditors  | 31.05.25<br>£ | 31.05.24<br>£ |
|---|---------------|---------------|
| Amounts payable on cancellations  | 226,889       | 227,642       |
| Purchases awaiting settlement   | _             | 70,000        |
| Accrued expenses:   |               |               |
| Amounts payable to the Authorised Corporate Director ('ACD'), associates of the ACD and agents of either of them: |               |               |
| ACD's fee   | 3,822         | 3,812         |
| Registration fees   | 2,282         | 2,182         |
|   | 6,104         | 5,994         |
| Amounts payable to the Investment Manager, associates of the Investment Manager and agents of either of them:     |               |               |
| Investment Manager's fee  | 6,166         | 7,171         |
| Amounts payable to the Depositary, associates of the Depositary and agents of either of them:                     |               |               |
| Depositary's fee (including VAT)  | 2,005         | 1,981         |
| Safe custody and other bank charges   | 223           | 264           |
|   | 2,228         | 2,245         |
| Auditor's remuneration*:  |               |               |
| Audit fee^  | 10,012        | 10,870        |
| Tax compliance services**   |               | 2,348         |
|   | 10,012        | 13,218        |
| Other accrued expenses:   |               |               |
| Printing costs  | 1,377         | 1,261         |
| Tax compliance services**   | 2,348         | -             |
|   | 3,725         | 1,261         |
| Taxation payable:   |               |               |
| Corporation tax payable   | 87,928        | 175,222       |
| Total other creditors   | 343,052       | 502,753       |

| 9. Cash and Bank Balances | 31.05.25<br>£ | 31.05.24<br>£ |
|---------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Cash and bank balances    | 337,950       | 867,482       |
| Cash and bank balances    | 337,950       | 867,482       |

## **Notes to the Financial Statements**

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#### **10. Related Party Transactions**

Apex Fundrock Limited ('AFL') is regarded as a related party by virtue of having the ability to act in respect of the operations of the Subfund in its capacity as the Authorised Corporate Director ('ACD').

AFL also acts as the ACD of MI Select Managers Alternatives - Institutional Income, MI Select Managers Bond - Institutional Income, MI Select Managers North American Equity - Institutional Income and MI Select Managers UK Equity Income - Institutional Income.

ACD and other fees payable to AFL are disclosed in note 4 and amounts due at the year end are shown in note 8.

Fees payable to Brewin Dolphin Limited (the 'Investment Manager') are disclosed in note 4 and amounts due at the year end are shown in note 8.

Amounts receivable on issue and payable on cancellation of shares and dilution levy are disclosed in the Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Shareholders and in note 6, amounts due at the year end are shown in notes 7 and 8.

Amounts receivable from the Investment Manager for operating charge rebates accrued against expenses are disclosed in note 4, and amounts due at the year end are shown in note 7.

At the year end the Sub-fund did not hold shares in any of the other Sub-funds within the MI Brewin Dolphin Voyager Funds.

At the year end the Sub-fund held the following Collective Investment Schemes, for which AFL act as the ACD.

|   | Held at    | Change in   | Held at    | % Change |
|---|------------|-------------|------------|----------|
| Income Shares   | 31.05.25   | year        | 31.05.24   | in year  |
| MI Select Managers Alternatives - Institutional Income          | 5,998,592  | (1,657,242) | 7,655,834  | (21.65%) |
| MI Select Managers Bond - Institutional Income                  | 12,165,464 | (2,636,186) | 14,801,650 | (17.81%) |
| MI Select Managers North American Equity - Institutional Income | 1,238,107  | (524,421)   | 1,762,528  | (29.75%) |
| MI Select Managers UK Equity Income - Institutional Income      | 1,412,210  | (502,634)   | 1,914,844  | (26.25%) |

No rebate has been accrued for in this cross investment.

#### **11. Contingent Liabilities and Outstanding Commitments**

There were no contingent liabilities or outstanding commitments at the balance sheet date (2024: none).

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#### 12. Risk Management Policies and Disclosures

The main risks arising from financial instruments and the ACD's policies for managing these risks are disclosed on pages 10 and 11.

Numerical disclosures relating to the Sub-fund are as follows:

#### Market price risk

At the balance sheet date, if the price of the investments held by the Sub-fund increased or decreased by 10%, with all other variables held constant, the net assets attributable to Shareholders would increase or decrease by approximately £3,324,934 (2024: £3,971,037).

#### **Currency risk**

The table below details the currency risk profile at the balance sheet date.

| Currency             | 31.05.25   | 31.05.24   |
|----------------------|------------|------------|
|                      | Total      | Total      |
|                      | £          | £          |
| Euro                 | 631,429    | -          |
| Japanese yen         | 317,611    | 347,115    |
| Pound sterling       | 28,950,927 | 35,458,859 |
| United States dollar | 3,530,580  | 4,671,422  |
|                      | 33,430,547 | 40,477,396 |

At the balance sheet date, if the value of sterling increased or decreased by 10%, with all other variables held constant, then the net assets attributable to Shareholders would increase or decrease by approximately £447,962 (2024: £501,854).

#### Interest rate risk

The table below details the interest rate risk profile at the balance sheet date:

#### 31.05.25

| Currency             | Floating<br>rate<br>financial<br>assets^<br>£ | Assets<br>on which<br>interest<br>distributions<br>are paid<br>£ | Assets<br>on which<br>interest is<br>not paid^^<br>£ | Total<br>£ |
|----------------------|---|--|--|------------|
| Euro                 | -   | _  | 631,429  | 631,429    |
| Japanese yen         | -   | _  | 317,611  | 317,611    |
| Pound sterling       | 337,950                                       | 19,656,223   | 9,341,344  | 29,335,517 |
| United States dollar | _   | -  | 3,530,580  | 3,530,580  |
|                      | 337,950                                       | 19,656,223   | 13,820,964   | 33,815,137 |
|                      |   |  | Financial<br>liabilities<br>not carrying             |            |
| Currency             |   |  | interest<br>£  | Total<br>£ |
| Pound sterling       |   |  | 384,590  | 384,590    |

<sup>^</sup>Floating rate interest-bearing assets at the balance sheet date consist of bank balances, on which interest is calculated at a variable rate by reference to sterling bank deposit rates or the international equivalent.

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<sup>^^</sup>Comprises of Equity Shares which receive dividend revenue and non interest bearing balance sheet debtors.

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#### 12. Risk Management Policies and Disclosures (continued)

#### Interest rate risk (continued)

31.05.24

| Currency             | Floating<br>rate<br>financial<br>assets^<br>£ | Assets<br>on which<br>interest<br>distributions<br>are paid<br>£ | Assets<br>on which<br>interest is<br>not paid^^<br>£ | Total<br>£ |
|----------------------|---|--|--|------------|
| Japanese yen         | -   | _  | 347,115  | 347,115    |
| Pound sterling       | 867,482                                       | 23,516,014   | 11,610,471   | 35,993,967 |
| United States dollar | -   | -  | 4,671,422  | 4,671,422  |
|                      | 867,482                                       | 23,516,014   | 16,629,008   | 41,012,504 |

| Currency       | Financial<br>liabilities<br>not carrying<br>interest | Total   |
|----------------|--|---------|
|                | £  | £       |
| Pound sterling | 535,108  | 535,108 |
|                | 535,108  | 535,108 |

<sup>^</sup>Floating rate interest-bearing assets at the balance sheet date consist of bank balances, on which interest is calculated at a variable rate by reference to sterling bank deposit rates or the international equivalent.

Floating rate interest-bearing assets at the balance sheet date consist of bank balances, on which interest is calculated at a variable rate by reference to sterling bank deposit rates or the international equivalent; and floating rate notes, on which interest is calculated at a variable rate by reference to the Sterling Overnight Index Average ('SONIA') or the Euro Interbank Offered Rate ('EURIBOR').

At the balance sheet date, if interest rates increased or decreased by 10%, with all other variables held constant, the net assets attributable to Shareholders would increase or decrease by approximately £33,795 (2024: £86,748) in respect of floating rate assets.

#### Leverage

The Sub-fund did not employ any significant leverage in the current and prior year, other than that available to the Sub-fund as a result of its ability to borrow up to 10% of its value on a permanent basis.

<sup>^^</sup>Comprises of Equity Shares which receive dividend revenue and non interest bearing balance sheet debtors.

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#### **13. Portfolio Transaction Costs**

#### 31.05.25

| Analysis                                  | Total      |   |             |   |       | Purchases<br>before |
|---|------------|---|-------------|---|-------|---------------------|
| of purchases                              | purchase   |   | Commissions |   | Taxes | transaction         |
| •   | cost       |   | paid        |   |       | cost                |
|   | £          | £ | %           | £ | %     | £                   |
| Funds                                     | 19,180,296 | - | 0.00        | 5 | 0.00  | 19,180,291          |
| Corporate actions                         | 215,159    | - | 0.00        | - | 0.00  | 215,159             |
| Total purchases after commissions and tax | 19,395,455 |   |             |   |       |                     |
| Analysis                                  | Net        |   |             |   |       | Sales<br>before     |
| of sales                                  | sale       |   | Commissions |   | Taxes | transaction         |
|   | proceeds   |   | paid        |   |       | cost                |
|   | £          | £ | · %         | £ | %     | £                   |
| Funds                                     | 26,836,580 | - | 0.00        | 2 | 0.00  | 26,836,582          |
| Total sales after commissions and tax     | 26,836,580 |   |             |   |       |                     |
| Commission as a % of average net assets   | 0.00%      |   |             |   |       |                     |
| Taxes as a % of the average net assets    | 0.00%      |   |             |   |       |                     |
| 31.05.24                                  |            |   |             |   |       |                     |
| Analysis                                  | Total      |   |             |   |       | Purchases<br>before |
| of purchases                              | purchase   |   | Commissions |   | Taxes | transaction         |
|   | cost       |   | paid        |   |       | cost                |
|   | £          | £ | . %         | £ | %     | £                   |
| Funds                                     | 15,206,664 | _ | 0.00        | 4 | 0.00  | 15,206,660          |
| Total purchases after commissions and tax | 15,206,664 |   |             |   |       |                     |
| Analysis                                  | Net        |   |             |   |       | Sales<br>before     |
| of sales                                  | sale       |   | Commissions |   | Taxes | transaction         |
|   | proceeds   |   | paid        |   |       | cost                |
|   | £          | £ | %           | £ | %     | £                   |
| Funds                                     | 13,046,284 | - | 0.00        | 3 | 0.00  | 13,046,287          |
| Total sales after commissions and tax     | 13,046,284 |   |             |   |       |                     |
| Commission as a % of average net assets   | 0.00%      |   |             |   |       |                     |
| Taxes as a % of the average net assets    | 0.00%      |   |             |   |       |                     |

Commissions and taxes as a % of the average net assets form part of the direct transaction costs stated within the comparative tables on pages 15 to 16. The direct transaction costs within the comparative tables may differ due to the effect of dilution levies charged (where applicable).

### 14. Portfolio Dealing Spread

The average portfolio dealing spread at 31 May 2025 is 0.10% (2024: 0.07%).

#### **15. Post Balance Sheet Events**

There were no notifiable events post the year end balance sheet date.

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### **16. Fair Value Disclosure**

| Valuation technique  | 3          | 31.05.25    |            |             |
|----------------------|------------|-------------|------------|-------------|
| -                    | Assets     | Liabilities | Assets     | Liabilities |
|                      | £          | £           | £          | £           |
| Level 1 <sup>^</sup> | _          | -           | _          | -           |
| Level 2^^            | 33,249,340 | _           | 39,710,373 | _           |
| Level 3^^^           | -          | -           | -          | _           |
|                      | 33,249,340 | _           | 39,710,373 | _           |

<sup>^</sup>Level 1: Unadjusted quoted price in an active market for an identical instrument.

#### 17. Shares in Issue

|                          | A<br>Income<br>GBP | A<br>Accumulation<br>GBP | B<br>Income<br>GBP | B<br>Accumulation<br>GBP |
|--------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|
| Opening number of shares | 2,261,737          | 20,380,330               | 1,242,298          | 14,593,546               |
| Shares issued            | 589,390            | 7,918,470                | 186,417            | 7,131,233                |
| Shares cancelled         | (899,389)          | (8,818,677)              | (451,643)          | (14,056,857)             |
| Shares converted         | -                  | 77,023                   | -                  | (76,745)                 |
| Closing number of shares | 1,951,738          | 19,557,146               | 977,072            | 7,591,177                |

<sup>^^</sup>Level 2: Valuation techniques using observable inputs other than quoted prices within level 1.

<sup>^^^</sup>Level 3: Valuation techniques using unobservable inputs.

## **Distribution Tables**

for the year ended 31 May 2025

### **Income Share Distributions**

| Share class | Distribution   | Shares  | Revenue | Equalisation | Distribution paid/payable 2025 | Distribution paid 2024 |
|-------------|----------------|---------|---------|--------------|--------------------------------|------------------------|
|             |                |         | р       | р            | р                              | р                      |
| Α           | First interim  | Group 1 | 0.4596  | _            | 0.4596                         | 0.4107                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | -       | 0.4596       | 0.4596                         | 0.4107                 |
|             | Second interim | Group 1 | 0.7554  | _            | 0.7554                         | 0.5699                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | -       | 0.7554       | 0.7554                         | 0.5699                 |
|             | Third interim  | Group 1 | 0.3268  | _            | 0.3268                         | 0.3826                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | -       | 0.3268       | 0.3268                         | 0.3826                 |
|             | Final          | Group 1 | 1.4111  | _            | 1.4111                         | 0.9160                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | 0.7375  | 0.6736       | 1.4111                         | 0.9160                 |
| В           | First interim  | Group 1 | 0.4801  | _            | 0.4801                         | 0.4349                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | -       | 0.4801       | 0.4801                         | 0.4349                 |
|             | Second interim | Group 1 | 0.7744  | _            | 0.7744                         | 0.5874                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | 0.0360  | 0.7384       | 0.7744                         | 0.5874                 |
|             | Third interim  | Group 1 | 0.3463  | _            | 0.3463                         | 0.4029                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | _       | 0.3463       | 0.3463                         | 0.4029                 |
|             | Final          | Group 1 | 1.4325  | _            | 1.4325                         | 0.9368                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | 0.9067  | 0.5258       | 1.4325                         | 0.9368                 |

#### **Accumulation Share Distributions**

| Share class | Distribution   | Shares  | Revenue | Equalisation | Amount reinvested 2025 | Amount reinvested 2024 |
|-------------|----------------|---------|---------|--------------|------------------------|------------------------|
|             |                |         | р       | р            | р                      | р                      |
| Α           | First interim  | Group 1 | 0.4833  | _            | 0.4833                 | 0.4290                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | _       | 0.4833       | 0.4833                 | 0.4290                 |
|             | Second interim | Group 1 | 0.7959  | _            | 0.7959                 | 0.5848                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | 0.0163  | 0.7796       | 0.7959                 | 0.5848                 |
|             | Third interim  | Group 1 | 0.3459  | _            | 0.3459                 | 0.3976                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | _       | 0.3459       | 0.3459                 | 0.3976                 |
|             | Final          | Group 1 | 1.5056  | _            | 1.5056                 | 0.9538                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | 0.6685  | 0.8371       | 1.5056                 | 0.9538                 |
| В           | First interim  | Group 1 | 0.5064  | -            | 0.5064                 | 0.4441                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | _       | 0.5064       | 0.5064                 | 0.4441                 |
|             | Second interim | Group 1 | 0.8209  | -            | 0.8209                 | 0.6090                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | 0.0342  | 0.7867       | 0.8209                 | 0.6090                 |
|             | Third interim  | Group 1 | 0.3713  | _            | 0.3713                 | 0.4188                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | _       | 0.3713       | 0.3713                 | 0.4188                 |
|             | Final          | Group 1 | 1.5423  | _            | 1.5423                 | 0.9784                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | 0.8054  | 0.7369       | 1.5423                 | 0.9784                 |

 First interim period:
 01.06.24 - 31.08.24

 Second interim period:
 01.09.24 - 30.11.24

 Third interim period:
 01.12.24 - 28.02.25

 Final period:
 01.03.25 - 31.05.25

Group 1: Shares purchased prior to a distribution period Group 2: Shares purchased during a distribution period

## **Distribution Tables**

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#### **Equalisation**

Equalisation applies only to shares purchased during the distribution period (Group 2 shares). It represents accrued revenue included in the purchase price of the shares. After averaging, it is returned with the distribution as a capital repayment. It is not liable to income tax but must be deducted from the cost of the shares for capital gains tax purposes.

## **Investment Objective**

The Sub-fund aims to provide an income stream and the opportunity for capital growth through an exposure to equities of up to 60%.

## **Investment Policy**

At least 80%, and potentially 100%, of the Sub-fund's investments will be indirect through other funds. The other funds may be actively managed or may be passively managed (that is funds which track or are closely linked to the performance of an index), although it is it not expected that more than 20% will be invested in passive funds at any one time. It is the intention to invest at least 35% of the allocation into funds managed by the ACD or sponsored by Brewin Dolphin Limited. Through its investments in these funds, the Subfund will have a higher exposure to a mix of asset classes, such as fixed income securities (bonds), whilst having some exposure to equities (shares in companies) and alternatives (such as real estate, commodities and infrastructure). No more than 60% will be invested in equities either directly or through equity funds.

The Sub-fund may also invest directly (at the Investment Managers' discretion) in equities and equity like instruments (which may include shares in investment trusts and REITS), fixed income securities, money market instruments, depositary receipts and cash.

The fixed income securities and money market instruments to which the Sub-fund may seek exposure may be issued by companies, governments, government agencies and supranationals (such as the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development). They can be investment grade (meet a certain level of credit rating by a credit rating agency) or they may be unrated (and hence more likely to fail than investment grade bonds).

The primary focus of our research team is to identify a 'buy list' of thoroughly researched investments from which we select when building the funds. Investment research conducted by the team covers all major asset classes spanning all regions of the world as well as alternative investments. The investment companies from which we select funds is based on an initial quality screen, which considers factors such as the financial strength, organisational integrity and stability of the investment firm, in addition to manager access and the provision of full portfolio transparency on a timely basis.

Our investment approach is to utilise the expertise of the best Investment Managers at the lowest cost to manage the asset. To do this, we invest in other funds to gain access to the specified style or strategy.

The Sub-fund may invest in derivatives for the purposes of hedging with the aim of reducing the risk profile of the Sub-fund in accordance with the principles of Efficient Portfolio Management.

The Sub-fund is actively managed. The mix of investment types will be managed and regularly monitored by our investment team.

## **Investment Manager's Report**

for the year ended 31 May 2025

#### Introduction

This report covers the MI Brewin Dolphin Voyager Funds and their underlying funds for the period from 31 May 2024 to 31 May 2025.

#### **Market Review**

The twelve-month period to the end of May 2025 saw equity markets edge higher despite the drawdown that followed Liberation Day. The 90-day pause on the reciprocal tariffs helped stem the simultaneous selloff of US stocks, treasuries and the US dollar.

Part of the higher moves in US treasury yields reflected concerns on the inflationary impact of tariffs and the elevated federal deficit. More fundamentally, investors are starting to question US fiscal credibility. The actions of the new US administration led investors to move assets away from the US to other areas of the world.

The European Central Bank, Bank of England and US Federal Reserve started cutting rates during the period after rates were held constant for a prolonged duration.

Whilst central banks in the major Western economies have been battling with inflation, China struggled with several quarters of deflation due to a weak domestic economy. A promised Chinese economic stimulus package in September provided a catalyst for stock outperformance as the measures aim to inject some vigour into the economy. The strong performance continued with the emergence of the DeepSeek Al model.

Ongoing geopolitical tensions have contributed to the continued strength of the gold price.

## **Investment Manager's Report**

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#### **Performance Activity and Attribution**

The MI Brewin Dolphin Voyager Max 60% Equity Fund gave a total return of 6.5%\* (B Accumulation, quoted valuation), over the period to the end of May 2025, outperforming the peer group index (IA Mixed Investment 20-60% Shares) which returned 5.3%.

The bias to UK equities relative to the world index was a positive contributor to performance against the backdrop of the domestic market gaining high single digits over the period. The UK position was reduced by a small amount in favour of overseas equities to provide a better balance of risk and reward.

The Asian equities allocation was increased following the announcement of the stimulus measure from China and subsequently benefited from the AI innovation that materialised later on. The European equity allocation was increased following positive fiscal news from the EU Commission and Germany on defence spending.

Sovereign bonds were increased in favour of credit as the former represents a better hedge against an unexpected economic slowdown and should be a better source of risk adjusted returns. These changes were reflected in the MI Select Managers Bond Fund.

The MI Select Managers Alternatives Fund comprises holdings in property, gold and absolute return strategies. Notably, the position in gold contributed positively, driven by central bank demand and the role of gold as a safe-haven asset.

#### Outlook

The yield spread between corporate and government bonds remains tight and would likely widen in the event that economic growth deteriorates. Recessions are often unpredictable, with 5 of the 8 recessions the US has had since 1970 caused by shocks. Government bonds would very likely outperform corporate bonds in the event that a negative shock to growth materializes. With spreads tight, the bond positioning acts as a partial hedge against this recession risk and complements our view on equities.

The global economy is likely to continue expanding, which is consistent with corporate profits rising. There is the potential for AI themes to drive both strong economy wide productivity and continued solid profit gains among the AI pick and shovel plays.

There is an argument to be only modestly positive on equities as there is limited room for cyclical economic growth. Most economies are close to full employment which does not give much scope for labour force participation to rise. Meanwhile, US president Trump's immigration clampdown is weighing on labour force growth. The upshot is that there's limited room for job growth, meaning there's limited room for aggregate demand to expand. Further, US equity valuation multiples, concentration risk and growth expectations among the AI plays are all elevated. Finally, the large increase in US tariffs should weigh on global growth and result in higher inflation than would otherwise be the case.

There are still reasons to be mildly positive on gold despite the strong rally. Central banks are expected to continue diversifying their reserve holdings out of the dollar and other developed world currencies. Gold is likely to act as a good hedge against several risks including the impact of tariffs. While most economists believe that the large increase in US tariffs will weigh on growth and result in higher inflation than would otherwise be the case, the magnitude is highly uncertain. If the impact ends up being stronger than the consensus expects, gold should continue to do well.

<sup>\*</sup>Based on published NAV provided by Apex Fundrock Limited.

## **Portfolio Statement**

as at 31 May 2025

|   |  | Market<br>value   | % of total net assets                  |
|---|--|---|--|
| Holding                                 | Security   | £   | 2025                                   |
|   | COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES* 99.35% (98.20%)   |   |  |
| 22,063,857                              | Alternatives 17.68% (17.11%) MI Select Managers Alternatives - Institutional Income^   | 24,223,908  | 17.68                                  |
| 369,845<br>50,673<br>122,196            | Asia ex-Japan Equities 3.10% (3.24%) Invesco Asian (UK) - Z Income Morgan Stanley Asia Opportunity - J Accumulation Stewart Investors Asia Pacific Leaders Sustainability - B Accumulation GBP   | 1,951,116<br>1,080,852<br>1,222,203<br>4,254,171            | 1.42<br>0.79<br>0.89                   |
|   | Emerging Market Equities 1.71% (0.70%)   |   |  |
| 2,301,472                               | JPM Emerging Markets - C2 Income   | 2,345,200   | 1.71                                   |
| 2,295,413<br>92,178                     | <b>European Equities 3.76% (2.98%)</b> BlackRock Continental European - A Income HSBC European Index - C Income  | 4,325,475<br>823,773  | 3.16<br>0.60                           |
|   |  | 5,149,248   | 3.76                                   |
| 434,936                                 | Global Equities 1.99% (2.03%) Fundsmith Equity - I Income  | 2,722,657   | 1.99                                   |
| 64,478<br>76,621<br>49,647,942<br>8,175 | Global Fixed Interest 40.28% (39.08%)  BlackRock ICS Sterling Liquidity - Premier Accumulation GBP  Colchester Global Bond - GBP Hedged I Accumulation  MI Select Managers Bond - Institutional Income^  Robeco Global Credits - IBH GBP | 7,714,935<br>914,010<br>45,795,262<br>748,153<br>55,172,360 | 5.63<br>0.67<br>33.43<br>0.55<br>40.28 |
| 1,607,507                               | Japan Equities 1.73% (1.82%)<br>M&G Japan Fund Sterling - PP Income  | 2,364,160   | 1.73                                   |
| 3,615,532<br>6,987,775                  | UK Equities 9.67% (11.19%) MI Select Managers UK Equity - Institutional Income^ MI Select Managers UK Equity Income - Institutional Income^  | 4,592,088<br>8,656,456                                      | 3.35<br>6.32                           |
|   |  | 13,248,544  | 9.67                                   |
| 1,218,758<br>529,483                    | UK Fixed Interest 1.28% (1.42%) BNY Mellon Gilt Government Bond - F Institutional Income Man GLG Sterling Corporate Bond - G Institutional Income  | 1,216,321<br>540,602  | 0.89                                   |
|   |  | 1,756,923   | 1.28                                   |
| 10,756,431                              | US Equities 18.15% (18.63%) MI Select Managers North American Equity - Institutional Income^   | 24,860,263  | 18.15                                  |
|   | Investment assets<br>Net other assets  | 136,097,434<br>884,398                                      | 99.35<br>0.65                          |
|   | Net assets   | 136,981,832   | 100.00                                 |

All investments are ordinary shares or stock units on a regulated securities market unless otherwise stated. The percentages in brackets show the equivalent % holdings as at 31.05.24.

<sup>\*</sup>Collective Investment Schemes permitted under COLL, not listed on any exchange.

<sup>^</sup>Represents investment into a related party of the Manager (note 10). Apex Fundrock Limited also acts as ACD for this fund.

# **Comparative Tables**

### Change in net assets per share

| A Income                           | 31.05.25<br>p | 31.05.24<br>p | 31.05.23<br>p |
|------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Opening net asset value per share  | 108.83        | 102.18        | 105.54        |
| Return before operating charges^^  | 7.64          | 9.64          | -1.12         |
| Operating charges                  | -0.82         | -0.77         | -0.74         |
| Return after operating charges^^   | 6.82          | 8.87          | -1.86         |
| Distributions                      | -2.61         | -2.22         | -1.50         |
| Closing net asset value per share  | 113.04        | 108.83        | 102.18        |
| ^After direct transaction costs of | 0.00          | 0.00          | 0.00          |
| Performance                        |               |               |               |
| Return after charges               | 6.27%         | 8.68%         | -1.76%        |
| Other information                  |               |               |               |
| Closing net asset value            | £6,194,672    | £3,627,519    | £3,609,189    |
| Closing number of shares           | 5,479,940     | 3,333,049     | 3,532,214     |
| Operating charges                  | 0.73%         | 0.73%         | 0.72%         |
| Direct transaction costs           | 0.00%         | 0.00%         | 0.00%         |
| Prices                             |               |               |               |
| Highest share price                | 117.13        | 111.29        | 107.22        |
| Lowest share price                 | 106.88        | 100.00        | 97.92         |

| A Accumulation                                | 31.05.25<br>p | 31.05.24<br>p | 31.05.23<br>p |
|---|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Opening net asset value per share             | 114.54        | 105.31        | 107.20        |
| Return before operating charges^^             | 8.06          | 10.02         | -1.13         |
| Operating charges                             | -0.87         | -0.79         | -0.76         |
| Return after operating charges^^              | 7.19          | 9.23          | -1.89         |
| Distributions                                 | -2.78         | -2.30         | -1.53         |
| Retained distributions on accumulation shares | 2.78          | 2.30          | 1.53          |
| Closing net asset value per share             | 121.73        | 114.54        | 105.31        |
| ^After direct transaction costs of            | 0.00          | 0.00          | 0.00          |
| Performance                                   |               |               |               |
| Return after charges                          | 6.28%         | 8.76%         | -1.76%        |
| Other information                             |               |               |               |
| Closing net asset value                       | £64,143,762   | £60,747,760   | £52,276,653   |
| Closing number of shares                      | 52,692,062    | 53,034,513    | 49,639,830    |
| Operating charges                             | 0.73%         | 0.73%         | 0.72%         |
| Direct transaction costs                      | 0.00%         | 0.00%         | 0.00%         |
| Prices  |               |               |               |
| Highest share price                           | 124.67        | 116.35        | 108.90        |
| Lowest share price                            | 114.11        | 103.52        | 99.74         |

## **Comparative Tables**

continued

| B Income                           | 31.05.25<br>p | 31.05.24<br>p | 31.05.23<br>p |
|------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Opening net asset value per share  | 108.84        | 102.18        | 105.52        |
| Return before operating charges^^  | 7.62          | 9.62          | -1.12         |
| Operating charges                  | -0.71         | -0.66         | -0.64         |
| Return after operating charges^^   | 6.92          | 8.96          | -1.76         |
| Distributions                      | -2.71         | -2.30         | -1.58         |
| Closing net asset value per share  | 113.05        | 108.84        | 102.18        |
| ^After direct transaction costs of | 0.00          | 0.00          | 0.00          |
| Performance                        |               |               |               |
| Return after charges               | 3.87%         | 6.52%         | -3.17%        |
| Other information                  |               |               |               |
| Closing net asset value            | £9,714,331    | £7,845,374    | £7,240,946    |
| Closing number of shares           | 8,593,027     | 7,208,053     | 7,086,229     |
| Operating charges                  | 0.63%         | 0.63%         | 0.62%         |
| Direct transaction costs           | 0.00%         | 0.00%         | 0.00%         |
| Prices                             |               |               |               |
| Highest share price                | 117.16        | 111.32        | 107.24        |
| Lowest share price                 | 106.90        | 100.02        | 97.92         |

| B Accumulation                                | 31.05.25<br>p | 31.05.24<br>p | 31.05.23<br>p |
|---|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Opening net asset value per share             | 114.91        | 105.57        | 107.34        |
| Return before operating charges^^             | 8.06          | 10.03         | -1.12         |
| Operating charges                             | -0.75         | -0.69         | -0.65         |
| Return after operating charges^^              | 7.31          | 9.34          | -1.77         |
| Distributions                                 | -2.88         | -2.39         | -1.63         |
| Retained distributions on accumulation shares | 2.88          | 2.39          | 1.63          |
| Closing net asset value per share             | 122.22        | 114.91        | 105.57        |
| ^After direct transaction costs of            | 0.00          | 0.00          | 0.00          |
| Performance                                   |               |               |               |
| Return after charges                          | 6.36%         | 8.85%         | -1.65%        |
| Other information                             |               |               |               |
| Closing net asset value                       | £56,929,067   | £54,028,350   | £30,932,418   |
| Closing number of shares                      | 46,578,129    | 47,016,242    | 29,300,728    |
| Operating charges                             | 0.63%         | 0.63%         | 0.62%         |
| Direct transaction costs                      | 0.00%         | 0.00%         | 0.00%         |
| Prices  |               |               |               |
| Highest share price                           | 125.14        | 116.72        | 109.10        |
| Lowest share price                            | 114.55        | 103.81        | 99.94         |

<sup>\*</sup>The Investment Manager currently rebates the Sub-fund's operating charges, excluding the Investment Manager's fee and synthetic ongoing charges (0.36% of operating charges) in order for them not to exceed 0.12% of the Net Asset Values of the Sub-fund.

Operating charges include indirect costs incurred in the maintenance and running of the Sub-fund, as disclosed (but not limited to) the detailed expenses within the Statement of Total Return. Included within this figure are the charges of the underlying funds (synthetic ongoing charge). The figures used within this table have been calculated against the average Net Asset Value for the accounting year.

The return after charges is calculated as the closing Net Asset Value per share plus the distributions on income shares minus the opening Net Asset Value per share as a % of the opening Net Asset Value per share. The basis of valuation of investments used to calculate Net Asset Value per share is described in notes to the Financial Statements 1h) and complies with requirements of the current Statement of Recommended Practice for UK Authorised Funds. This differs from the basis used to calculate daily published single prices, in which listed investments are valued at 12:00 mid prices.

Direct transaction costs include fees, commissions, transfer taxes and duties in the purchasing and selling of investments, which are offset (where applicable) against any dilution levies charged within the accounting year. The figures used within the table have been calculated against the average Net Asset Value for the accounting year.

### **Risk and Reward Profile**

The risk and reward indicator table demonstrates where the Sub-fund ranks in terms of its potential risk and reward. The higher the rank the greater the potential reward but the greater the risk of losing money. It is based on past data, may change over time and may not be a reliable indication of the future risk profile of the Sub-fund. The shaded area in the table below shows the Sub-fund's ranking on the risk and reward indicator.



The Sub-fund is ranked 4 because funds of this type have experienced average rises and falls in value in the past. Please note that even the lowest risk class can lose you money and that extreme market circumstances can mean you suffer severe losses in all cases. The indicator does not take into account the following risks of investing in this Sub-fund:

- Investing in other funds may expose investors to increased risk due to less strict regulations and the use of derivatives. These other funds can themselves invest into assets such as bonds, company shares, cash and currencies. The objectives and risk profiles of these underlying funds may not be fully in line with those of this Sub-fund.
- The Sub-fund may invest in bond funds which will be impacted by changes in interest rates, inflation and any decline in creditworthiness of the underlying bond issuers.
- Investing overseas can bring additional returns and spread risk to different markets. There are risks, however, that changes in currency exchange rates may cause the value of your investment to decrease or increase.
- The Sub-fund may invest in property funds which can be less liquid than other asset classes.
- For further risk information please see the Prospectus.

### **Risk warning**

An investment in a non-UCITS Retail Scheme Open-Ended Investment Company should be regarded as a medium to long-term investment. Investors should be aware that the price of shares and the revenue from them can fall as well as rise and investors may not receive back the full amount invested. Past performance is not a guide to future performance. Investments denominated in currencies other than the base currency are subject to fluctuation in exchange rates, which can be favourable or unfavourable.

### **Statement of Total Return**

for the year ended 31 May 2025

|   |      |           | 31.05.25    |           | 31.05.24    |
|---|------|-----------|-------------|-----------|-------------|
|   | Note | £         | £           | £         | £           |
| Income                                  |      |           |             |           |             |
| Net capital gains                       | 2    |           | 4,515,590   |           | 7,219,505   |
| Revenue                                 | 3    | 4,124,798 |             | 2,935,250 |             |
| Expenses                                | 4    | (408,582) |             | (315,124) |             |
| Interest payable and similar charges    | 4    | (3,264)   |             |           |             |
| Net revenue before taxation             |      | 3,712,952 |             | 2,620,126 |             |
| Taxation                                | 5    | (486,693) |             | (324,346) |             |
| Net revenue after taxation              |      |           | 3,226,259   |           | 2,295,780   |
| Total return before distributions       |      |           | 7,741,849   |           | 9,515,285   |
| Distributions                           | 6    |           | (3,224,932) |           | (2,293,224) |
| Change in net assets attributable to    |      |           |             |           |             |
| Shareholders from investment activities |      |           | 4,516,917   |           | 7,222,061   |

# **Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Shareholders**

for the year ended 31 May 2025

| Opening net assets attributable to Shareholders  | £            | 31.05.25<br>£<br>126,249,003 | £            | 31.05.24<br>£<br>94,059,206 |
|--|--------------|------------------------------|--------------|-----------------------------|
| Amounts receivable on issue of shares  | 58,766,471   |                              | 52,665,029   |                             |
| Less: Amounts payable on cancellation of shares  | (55,449,516) |                              | (29,873,106) |                             |
| Breach Compensation  | 4,206        |                              |              |                             |
|  |              | 3,321,161                    |              | 22,791,923                  |
| Change in net assets attributable to Shareholders from investment activities (see Statement of |              |                              |              |                             |
| Total Return above)  |              | 4,516,917                    |              | 7,222,061                   |
| Retained distributions on accumulation shares  |              | 2,894,751                    |              | 2,175,813                   |
| Closing net assets attributable to Shareholders  |              | 136,981,832                  |              | 126,249,003                 |

The notes on pages 39 to 47 form an integral part of these Financial Statements.

# **Balance Sheet**

as at 31 May 2025

|   |      |           | 31.05.25    |           | 31.05.24    |
|---|------|-----------|-------------|-----------|-------------|
| ASSETS                                  | Note | £         | £           | £         | £           |
| Fixed assets                            |      |           |             |           |             |
| Investments                             |      |           | 136,097,434 |           | 123,976,751 |
| Current assets                          |      |           |             |           |             |
| Debtors                                 | 7    | 401,479   |             | 757,220   |             |
| Cash and bank balances                  | 9    | 1,423,980 | _           | 2,414,161 |             |
| Total current assets                    |      |           | 1,825,459   |           | 3,171,381   |
| Total assets                            |      |           | 137,922,893 |           | 127,148,132 |
| LIABILITIES                             |      |           |             |           |             |
| Creditors                               |      |           |             |           |             |
| Distribution payable                    |      | (140,924) |             | (79,214)  |             |
| Other creditors                         | 8    | (800,137) |             | (819,915) |             |
| Total creditors                         |      |           | (941,061)   |           | (899,129)   |
| Total liabilities                       |      |           | (941,061)   | ·         | (899,129)   |
| Net assets attributable to Shareholders |      |           | 136,981,832 |           | 126,249,003 |

The notes on pages 39 to 47 form an integral part of these Financial Statements.



## **Notes to the Financial Statements**

for the year ended 31 May 2025

### **1. Accounting Policies**

The Sub-fund's Financial Statements have been prepared on the same basis as the Accounting Policies stated on pages 8 and 9.

| 2. Net Capital Gains^   | Realised<br>£               | 31.05.25<br>Unrealised<br>£       | Total<br>£                        |
|---|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Non-derivative securities   | 1,869,439                   | 2,654,309                         | 4,523,748                         |
| Transaction charges   | (8,158)                     | _                                 | (8,158)                           |
| Net capital gains   | 1,861,281                   | 2,654,309                         | 4,515,590                         |
|   | Realised                    | 31.05.24<br>Unrealised            | Total                             |
| Non-derivative securities   | <b>£</b><br>1,602,697       | <b>£</b><br>5,626,056             | <b>£</b> 7,228,753                |
| Transaction charges   | (9,248)                     | 5,020,030                         | (9,248)                           |
| Net capital gains   | 1,593,449                   | 5,626,056                         | 7,219,505                         |
| ^Where realised gains/losses include gains/losses arising from prior year gains/losses presented.   | s, a corresponding 1035/ ga |                                   |                                   |
| 3. Revenue  |                             | 31.05.25<br>£                     | 31.05.24<br>£                     |
| Distributions from Regulated Collective Investment Schemes:   |                             |                                   |                                   |
| UK investment income Unfranked investment income Interest distributions   |                             | 1,279,485<br>507,966<br>2,296,757 | 1,004,164<br>179,792<br>1,699,753 |
| Bank interest   |                             | 40,590                            | 51,541                            |
| Total revenue   |                             | 4,124,798                         | 2,935,250                         |
|   |                             |                                   |                                   |
| 4. Expenses   |                             | 31.05.25<br>£                     | 31.05.24<br>£                     |
| <b>4. Expenses</b> Payable to the Authorised Corporate Director ('ACD'), associates of the A either of them:  | CD and agents of            |                                   |                                   |
| Payable to the Authorised Corporate Director ('ACD'), associates of the A   | CD and agents of            |                                   |                                   |
| Payable to the Authorised Corporate Director ('ACD'), associates of the A either of them:  ACD's fee  | CD and agents of            | <b>£</b><br>96,899                | £ 75,984                          |
| Payable to the Authorised Corporate Director ('ACD'), associates of the A either of them:  ACD's fee Registration fees  Payable to the Investment Manager, associates of the Investment Manager                                       |                             | 96,899<br>44,471                  | 75,984<br>42,110                  |
| Payable to the Authorised Corporate Director ('ACD'), associates of the A either of them:  ACD's fee Registration fees  Payable to the Investment Manager, associates of the Investment Manager                                       |                             | 96,899<br>44,471                  | 75,984<br>42,110                  |
| Payable to the Authorised Corporate Director ('ACD'), associates of the A either of them:  ACD's fee Registration fees  Payable to the Investment Manager, associates of the Investment Manageither of them: Investment Manager's fee | ger and agents of           | 96,899<br>44,471<br>141,370       | 75,984<br>42,110<br>118,094       |
| Payable to the Authorised Corporate Director ('ACD'), associates of the A either of them:  ACD's fee Registration fees  Payable to the Investment Manager, associates of the Investment Manageither of them:                          | ger and agents of           | 96,899<br>44,471<br>141,370       | 75,984<br>42,110<br>118,094       |

## **Notes to the Financial Statements**

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| 4. Expenses (continued)                      | 31.05.25<br>£ | 31.05.24<br>£ |
|--|---------------|---------------|
| Auditor's remuneration*:                     | 2             | _             |
| Audit fee^                                   | 10,664        | 11,675        |
| Tax compliance services**                    | -             | 2,534         |
|  | 10,664        | 14,209        |
| Other expenses:                              |               |               |
| Legal fee                                    | 1,807         | 3,977         |
| Listing fee                                  | 1,454         | 1,120         |
| Printing costs                               | 3,668         | 3,171         |
| Tax compliance services**                    | 2,348         | -             |
|  | 9,277         | 8,268         |
| Rebates:                                     |               |               |
| Operating charge rebates^^                   | (35,961)      | (45,826)      |
| Manager fee rebates from underlying holdings | (24,399)      | (30,460)      |
|  | (60,360)      | (76,286)      |
| Expenses                                     | 408,582       | 315,124       |
| Interest payable and similar charges         | 3,264         |               |
| Total  | 411,846       | 315,124       |

<sup>\*</sup>Included within the auditor's remuneration is irrecoverable VAT of £2,060 (2024: £2,368).

<sup>^^</sup>The Investment Manager currently rebates the Sub-fund's operating charges, excluding the Investment Manager's fee and synthetic ongoing charge.

| 5. Taxation  | 31.05.25<br>£        | 31.05.24<br>£        |
|--|----------------------|----------------------|
| (a) Analysis of charge in the year:  |                      |                      |
| Corporation tax at 20%   | 486,693              | 324,346              |
| Income tax deducted at source  | 43,517               | 35,958               |
| Income tax recoverable   | (43,517)             | (35,958)             |
| Total tax charge (note 5b)   | 486,693              | 324,346              |
|  |                      |                      |
| (b) Factors affecting taxation charge for the year:                              |                      |                      |
| (b) Factors affecting taxation charge for the year:  Net revenue before taxation | 3,712,952            | 2,620,126            |
|  | 3,712,952<br>742,590 | 2,620,126<br>524,025 |
| Net revenue before taxation  |                      |                      |
| Net revenue before taxation  Corporation tax at 20%                              |                      |                      |

<sup>\*\*</sup>Tax compliance provider changed from Grant Thornton UK LLP to Apex Group Company Services UK Limited.

<sup>^</sup>Included within the audit fee is over accrual of £945 (2024: nil).

## **Notes to the Financial Statements**

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| 5. Taxation (continued)                  | 31.05.25<br>£ | 31.05.24<br>£ |
|--|---------------|---------------|
| Expenses not deductible for tax purposes | _             | (518)         |
| Income tax deducted at source            | 43,517        | 35,958        |
| UK income tax recoverable                | (43,517)      | (35,958)      |
| Total tax charge (note 5a)               | 486,693       | 324,346       |

### (c) Deferred tax

There was no liability to deferred tax at the balance sheet date (2024: nil).

### 6. Distributions

The distributions take account of revenue received on the issue of shares and revenue deducted on the cancellation of shares, and comprise:

| Total debtors   |                      | 401,479            | 757,220            |
|---|----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Legal fee   |                      | 139                | 141                |
| Prepaid expenses:   |                      |                    |                    |
| Operating charge rebates UK income tax recoverable  |                      | 7,387<br>43,517    | 12,235<br>35,958   |
| Dividends receivable  |                      | 50,979             | 48,530             |
| Bank interest receivable  |                      | _                  | 6,271              |
| Accrued income:   |                      |                    | -5.,000            |
| Amounts receivable on issues  |                      | 299,457            | 654,085            |
| 7. Debtors  |                      | 31.05.25<br>£      | 31.05.24<br>£      |
| Distributions   |                      | 3,224,932          | 2,293,224          |
| Undistributed revenue carried forward   |                      | (30)               | (44)               |
| Undistributed revenue brought forward   |                      | 44                 | 78                 |
| Relief on expenses allocated to capital   |                      | 332                | _                  |
| Expenses allocated to capital   |                      | (1,673)            | (2,590)            |
| Reconciliation of net revenue after taxation to net distributio  Net revenue after taxation per Statement of Total Return | ns:                  | 3,226,259          | 2,295,780          |
| Distributions   |                      | 3,224,932          | 2,293,224          |
| Revenue received on issue of shares   |                      | (345,058)          | (285,023)          |
| Revenue deducted on cancellation of shares  |                      | 327,219            | 160,273            |
|   |                      | 3,242,771          | 2,417,974          |
| Final distribution  | 31.05.25             | 1,200,845          | 861,394            |
| Third interim distribution  | 28.02.25             | 454,194            | 429,951            |
| First interim distribution Second interim distribution  | 31.08.24<br>30.11.24 | 591,045<br>996,687 | 450,644<br>675,985 |
|   | 24.00.24             | £                  | £                  |
|   |                      | 31.05.25           | 31.05.24           |

# **Notes to the Financial Statements**

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| 8. Other Creditors   | 31.05.25<br>£ | 31.05.24<br>£ |
|--|---------------|---------------|
| Amounts payable on cancellations   | 302,231       | 144,465       |
| Purchases awaiting settlement  | 200,000       | 300,000       |
| Accrued expenses:  |               |               |
| Amounts payable to the Authorised Corporate Director ('ACD'), associates of the ACD and agents of either of them:  |               |               |
| ACD's fee  | 8,104         | 7,492         |
| Registration fees  | 3,972         | 4,006         |
|  | 12,076        | 11,498        |
| Amounts payable to the Investment Manager, associates of the Investment Manager and agents of either of them:  |               |               |
| Investment Manager's fee   | 23,319        | 21,536        |
| Amounts payable to the Depositary, associates of the Depositary and agents of either of them:  |               |               |
| Depositary's fee (including VAT)   | 5,199         | 4,674         |
| Safe custody and other bank charges  | 309           | 307           |
|  | 5,508         | 4,981         |
| Auditor's remuneration*:   |               |               |
| Audit fee^   | 10,012        | 10,870        |
| Tax compliance services**  | _             | 2,348         |
|  | 10,012        | 13,218        |
| Other accrued expenses:  |               |               |
| Printing costs   | 1,790         | 1,543         |
| Tax compliance services**  | 2,348         | -             |
|  | 4,138         | 1,543         |
| Taxation payable:  |               |               |
| Corporation tax payable  | 242,853       | 322,674       |
| Total other creditors  | 800,137       | 819,915       |
| *Included within the auditor's remuneration is irrecoverable VAT of £2,060 (2024: £2,203).  **Tax compliance provider changed from Grant Thornton UK LLP to Apex Group Company Services  ^Included within the audit fee is over accrual of £945 (2024: nil). | UK Limited.   |               |
| 9. Cash and Bank Balances  | 31.05.25<br>£ | 31.05.24<br>£ |

1,423,980

1,423,980

2,414,161

2,414,161

Cash and bank balances

**Cash and bank balances** 

### **Notes to the Financial Statements**

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#### **10. Related Party Transactions**

Apex Fundrock Limited ('AFL') is regarded as a related party by virtue of having the ability to act in respect of the operations of the Subfund in its capacity as the Authorised Corporate Director ('ACD').

AFL also acts as the ACD of MI Select Managers Alternatives - Institutional Income, MI Select Managers Bond - Institutional Income, MI Select Managers North American Equity - Institutional Income, MI Select Managers UK Equity - Institutional Income and MI Select Managers UK Equity Income - Institutional Income.

ACD and other fees payable to AFL are disclosed in note 4 and amounts due at the year end are shown in note 8.

Fees payable to Brewin Dolphin Limited (the 'Investment Manager') are disclosed in note 4 and amounts due at the year end are shown in note 8

Amounts receivable on issue and payable on cancellation of shares and dilution levy are disclosed in the Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Shareholders and in note 6, amounts due at the year end are shown in notes 7 and 8.

Amounts receivable from the Investment Manager for operating charge rebates accrued against expenses are disclosed in note 4, and amounts due at the year end are shown in note 7.

At the year end the Sub-fund did not hold shares in any of the other Sub-funds within the MI Brewin Dolphin Voyager Funds.

At the year end the Sub-fund held the following Collective Investment Schemes, for which AFL act as the ACD.

|   | Held at    | Change in | Held at    | % Change |
|---|------------|-----------|------------|----------|
| Income Shares   | 31.05.25   | year      | 31.05.24   | in year  |
| MI Select Managers Alternatives - Institutional Income          | 22,063,857 | 698,045   | 21,365,812 | 3.27%    |
| MI Select Managers Bond - Institutional Income                  | 49,647,942 | 3,516,713 | 46,131,230 | 7.62%    |
| MI Select Managers North American Equity - Institutional Income | 10,756,431 | 176,931   | 10,579,499 | 1.67%    |
| MI Select Managers UK Equity - Institutional Income             | 3,615,532  | (527,545) | 4,143,077  | (12.73%) |
| MI Select Managers UK Equity Income - Institutional Income      | 6,987,775  | (833,506) | 7,821,281  | (10.66%) |

No rebate has been accrued for in this cross investment.

### **11. Contingent Liabilities and Outstanding Commitments**

There were no contingent liabilities or outstanding commitments at the balance sheet date (2024: none).

### **Notes to the Financial Statements**

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### 12. Risk Management Policies and Disclosures

The main risks arising from financial instruments and the ACD's policies for managing these risks are disclosed on pages 10 and 11.

Numerical disclosures relating to the Sub-fund are as follows:

### Market price risk

At the balance sheet date, if the price of the investments held by the Sub-fund increased or decreased by 10%, with all other variables held constant, the net assets attributable to Shareholders would increase or decrease by approximately £13,609,743 (2024: £12,397,675).

### **Currency risk**

The table below details the currency risk profile at the balance sheet date.

| Currency             | 31.05.25    | 31.05.24    |
|----------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                      | Total       | Total       |
|                      | £           | £           |
| Japanese yen         | 2,364,160   | 2,294,490   |
| Pound sterling       | 107,034,752 | 97,866,837  |
| United States dollar | 27,582,920  | 26,087,676  |
|                      | 136,981,832 | 126,249,003 |

At the balance sheet date, if the value of sterling increased or decreased by 10%, with all other variables held constant, then the net assets attributable to Shareholders would increase or decrease by approximately £2,994,708 (2024: £2,838,217).

#### Interest rate risk

The table below details the interest rate risk profile at the balance sheet date:

#### 31.05.25

| Currency             | Floating<br>rate<br>financial<br>assets^<br>£ | Assets<br>on which<br>interest<br>distributions<br>are paid<br>£ | Assets<br>on which<br>interest is<br>not paid^^<br>£ | Total<br>£  |
|----------------------|---|--|--|-------------|
| Japanese yen         | -   | -  | 2,364,160  | 2,364,160   |
| Pound sterling       | 1,423,980                                     | 15,996,865   | 90,554,968   | 107,975,813 |
| United States dollar | -   | -  | 27,582,920   | 27,582,920  |
|                      | 1,423,980                                     | 15,996,865   | 120,502,048  | 137,922,893 |
|                      |   |  | Financial<br>liabilities<br>not carrying             |             |
| Currency             |   |  | interest   | Total       |
|                      |   |  | £  | £           |
| Pound sterling       |   |  | 941,061  | 941,061     |

<sup>^</sup>Floating rate interest-bearing assets at the balance sheet date consist of bank balances, on which interest is calculated at a variable rate by reference to sterling bank deposit rates or the international equivalent.

941,061

941,061

<sup>^^</sup> Comprises of Equity Shares which receive dividend revenue and non interest bearing balance sheet debtors.

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### 12. Risk Management Policies and Disclosures (continued)

### Interest rate risk (continued)

31.05.24

| Currency             | Floating<br>rate<br>financial<br>assets^<br>£ | Assets<br>on which<br>interest<br>distributions<br>are paid<br>£ | Assets<br>on which<br>interest is<br>not paid^^<br>£ | Total<br>£  |
|----------------------|---|--|--|-------------|
| Japanese yen         | _   | _  | 2,294,490  | 2,294,490   |
| Pound sterling       | 2,414,161                                     | 51,135,713   | 45,216,092   | 98,765,966  |
| United States dollar | -   | -  | 26,087,676   | 26,087,676  |
|                      | 2,414,161                                     | 51,135,713   | 73,598,258   | 127,148,132 |

| Currency       | Financial<br>liabilities<br>not carrying<br>interest | Total   |
|----------------|--|---------|
| •              | £  | £       |
| Pound sterling | 899,129  | 899,129 |
|                | 899,129  | 899,129 |

<sup>^</sup>Floating rate interest-bearing assets at the balance sheet date consist of bank balances, on which interest is calculated at a variable rate by reference to sterling bank deposit rates or the international equivalent.

At the balance sheet date, if interest rates increased or decreased by 10%, with all other variables held constant, the net assets attributable to Shareholders would increase or decrease by approximately £142,398 (2024: £241,416) in respect of floating rate assets...

### Leverage

The Sub-fund did not employ any significant leverage in the current and prior year, other than that available to the Sub-fund as a result of its ability to borrow up to 10% of its value on a permanent basis.

<sup>^^</sup> Comprises of Equity Shares which receive dividend revenue and non interest bearing balance sheet debtors.

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### **13. Portfolio Transaction Costs**

### 31.05.25

| 31.03.23                                  |               |   |             |   |       | Purchases             |
|---|---------------|---|-------------|---|-------|-----------------------|
| Analysis                                  | Total         |   |             |   | _     | before                |
| of purchases                              | purchase      |   | Commissions |   | Taxes | transaction           |
|   | cost<br>£     | £ | paid<br>%   | £ | %     | cost<br>£             |
| Funds                                     | 57,860,183    | _ | 0.00        | 1 | 0.00  | 57,860,182            |
| Corporate actions                         | 93,537        | _ | 0.00        | _ | 0.00  | 93,537                |
| · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·     | <u> </u>      |   | 0.00        |   | 0.00  | 55,557                |
| Total purchases after commissions and tax | 57,953,270    |   |             |   |       |                       |
| Amalusia                                  | Nat           |   |             |   |       | Sales                 |
| Analysis of sales                         | Net<br>sale   |   | Commissions |   | Taxes | before<br>transaction |
| of sales                                  | proceeds      |   | paid        |   | Tuxes | cost                  |
|   | £             | £ | %           | £ | %     | £                     |
| Funds                                     | 50,356,787    | - | 0.00        | 1 | 0.00  | 50,356,788            |
| Total sales after commissions and tax     | 50,356,787    |   |             |   |       |                       |
| Commission as a % of average net assets   | 0.00%         |   |             |   |       |                       |
| Taxes as a % of the average net assets    | 0.00%         |   |             |   |       |                       |
| 31.05.24                                  |               |   |             |   |       |                       |
| Analysis                                  | Total         |   |             |   |       | Purchases<br>before   |
| of purchases                              | purchase      |   | Commissions |   | Taxes | transaction           |
| or partitions                             | cost          |   | paid        |   | ianos | cost                  |
|   | £             | £ | %           | £ | %     | £                     |
| Funds                                     | 48,538,679    | - | 0.00        | 3 | 0.00  | 48,538,676            |
| Total purchases after commissions and tax | 48,538,679    |   |             |   |       |                       |
|   |               |   |             |   |       | Sales                 |
| Analysis                                  | Net           |   |             |   | _     | before                |
| of sales                                  | sale          |   | Commissions |   | Taxes | transaction           |
|   | proceeds<br>£ | £ | paid<br>%   | £ | %     | cost<br>£             |
| Funds                                     | 24,364,564    | - | 0.00        | 1 | 0.00  | 24,364,565            |
| Total sales after commissions and tax     | 24,364,564    |   | 2.22        | • | 3.00  | ,_ 0 .,0 00           |
|   | 0.00%         |   |             |   |       |                       |
| Commission as a % of average net assets   | 0.00%         |   |             |   |       |                       |
| Taxes as a % of the average net assets    | 0.00%         |   |             |   |       |                       |

Commissions and taxes as a % of the average net assets form part of the direct transaction costs stated within the comparative tables on pages 34 to 35. The direct transaction costs within the comparative tables may differ due to the effect of dilution levies charged (where applicable).

### 14. Portfolio Dealing Spread

The average portfolio dealing spread at 31 May 2025 is 0.17% (2024: 0.12%).

### **15. Post Balance Sheet Events**

There were no notifiable events post the year end balance sheet date.

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### **16. Fair Value Disclosure**

| Valuation technique  |             | 31.05.25    |             | 31.05.24    |
|----------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
|                      | Assets      | Liabilities | Assets      | Liabilities |
|                      | £           | Ľ           | L           | Ľ           |
| Level 1 <sup>^</sup> | _           | -           | _           | -           |
| Level 2^^            | 136,097,434 | -           | 123,976,751 | _           |
| Level 3^^^           | -           | _           | -           |             |
|                      | 136,097,434 | -           | 123,976,751 | -           |

<sup>^</sup>Level 1: Unadjusted quoted price in an active market for an identical instrument.

### 17. Shares in Issue

|                          | A<br>Income<br>GBP | A<br>Accumulation<br>GBP | B<br>Income<br>GBP | B<br>Accumulation<br>GBP |
|--------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|
| Opening number of shares | 3,333,049          | 53,034,513               | 7,208,053          | 47,016,242               |
| Shares issued            | 2,425,043          | 14,820,251               | 2,679,292          | 29,928,650               |
| Shares cancelled         | (336,586)          | (14,766,852)             | (1,235,899)        | (30,761,232)             |
| Shares converted         | 58,434             | (395,850)                | (58,419)           | 394,469                  |
| Closing number of shares | 5,479,940          | 52,692,062               | 8,593,027          | 46,578,129               |

<sup>^^</sup>Level 2: Valuation techniques using observable inputs other than quoted prices within level 1.

<sup>^^^</sup>Level 3: Valuation techniques using unobservable inputs.

## **Distribution Tables**

for the year ended 31 May 2025

### **Income Share Distributions**

| Share class | Distribution   | Shares  | Revenue | Equalisation | Distribution paid/payable 2025 | Distribution paid 2024 |
|-------------|----------------|---------|---------|--------------|--------------------------------|------------------------|
|             |                |         | р       | р            | р                              | р                      |
| A           | First interim  | Group 1 | 0.4834  | _            | 0.4834                         | 0.4585                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | -       | 0.4834       | 0.4834                         | 0.4585                 |
|             | Second interim | Group 1 | 0.7986  | _            | 0.7986                         | 0.6407                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | -       | 0.7986       | 0.7986                         | 0.6407                 |
|             | Third interim  | Group 1 | 0.3444  | _            | 0.3444                         | 0.3799                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | _       | 0.3444       | 0.3444                         | 0.3799                 |
|             | Final          | Group 1 | 0.9874  | _            | 0.9874                         | 0.7363                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | 0.2075  | 0.7799       | 0.9874                         | 0.7363                 |
| В           | First interim  | Group 1 | 0.5059  | _            | 0.5059                         | 0.4780                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | 0.0120  | 0.4939       | 0.5059                         | 0.4780                 |
|             | Second interim | Group 1 | 0.8220  | _            | 0.8220                         | 0.6614                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | -       | 0.8220       | 0.8220                         | 0.6614                 |
|             | Third interim  | Group 1 | 0.3671  | _            | 0.3671                         | 0.4011                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | _       | 0.3671       | 0.3671                         | 0.4011                 |
|             | Final          | Group 1 | 1.0103  | _            | 1.0103                         | 0.7585                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | 0.3484  | 0.6619       | 1.0103                         | 0.7585                 |

### **Accumulation Share Distributions**

| Share class | Distribution   | Shares  | Revenue | Equalisation | Amount reinvested 2025 | Amount reinvested 2024 |
|-------------|----------------|---------|---------|--------------|------------------------|------------------------|
|             |                |         | р       | р            | р                      | р                      |
| Α           | First interim  | Group 1 | 0.5088  | _            | 0.5088                 | 0.4703                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | _       | 0.5088       | 0.5088                 | 0.4703                 |
|             | Second interim | Group 1 | 0.8452  | _            | 0.8452                 | 0.6638                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | _       | 0.8452       | 0.8452                 | 0.6638                 |
|             | Third interim  | Group 1 | 0.3668  | _            | 0.3668                 | 0.3960                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | _       | 0.3668       | 0.3668                 | 0.3960                 |
|             | Final          | Group 1 | 1.0542  | _            | 1.0542                 | 0.7698                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | 0.3413  | 0.7129       | 1.0542                 | 0.7698                 |
| В           | First interim  | Group 1 | 0.5342  | -            | 0.5342                 | 0.4926                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | _       | 0.5342       | 0.5342                 | 0.4926                 |
|             | Second interim | Group 1 | 0.8716  | -            | 0.8716                 | 0.6865                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | _       | 0.8716       | 0.8716                 | 0.6865                 |
|             | Third interim  | Group 1 | 0.3923  | -            | 0.3923                 | 0.4189                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | _       | 0.3923       | 0.3923                 | 0.4189                 |
|             | Final          | Group 1 | 1.0830  | _            | 1.0830                 | 0.7953                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | 0.3644  | 0.7186       | 1.0830                 | 0.7953                 |

 First interim period:
 01.06.24 - 31.08.24

 Second interim period:
 01.09.24 - 30.11.24

 Third interim period:
 01.12.24 - 28.02.25

 Final period:
 01.03.25 - 31.05.25

Group 1: Shares purchased prior to a distribution period Group 2: Shares purchased during a distribution period

## **Distribution Tables**

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### **Equalisation**

Equalisation applies only to shares purchased during the distribution period (Group 2 shares). It represents accrued revenue included in the purchase price of the shares. After averaging, it is returned with the distribution as a capital repayment. It is not liable to income tax but must be deducted from the cost of the shares for capital gains tax purposes.

## **Investment Objective**

The Sub-fund aims to provide an income stream and the opportunity for capital growth through an exposure to equities of up to 70%.

### **Investment Policy**

At least 80%, and potentially 100%, of the Sub-fund's investments will be indirect through other funds. The other funds may be actively managed or may be passively managed (that is funds which track or are closely linked to the performance of an index), although it is it not expected that more than 20% will be invested in passive funds at any one time. It is the intention to invest at least 35% of the allocation into funds managed by the ACD or sponsored by Brewin Dolphin Limited. Through its investments in these funds, the Subfund will have a higher exposure between equities (shares in companies) than the combined asset classes of cash, fixed income securities (bonds) and alternatives (such as real estate, commodities and infrastructure), no more than 70% will be invested in equities either directly or through equity funds.

The Sub-fund may also invest directly (at the Investment Managers' discretion) in equities and equity like instruments (which may include shares in investment trusts and REITS), fixed income securities, money market instruments, depositary receipts and cash.

The fixed income securities and money market instruments to which the Sub-fund may seek exposure may be issued by companies, governments, government agencies and supranationals (such as the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development). They can be investment grade (meet a certain level of credit rating by a credit rating agency) or they may be unrated (and hence more likely to fail than investment grade bonds).

The primary focus of our research team is to identify a 'buy list' of thoroughly researched investments from which we select when building the funds. Investment research conducted by the team covers all major asset classes spanning all regions of the world as well as alternative investments. The investment companies from which we select funds is based on an initial quality screen, which considers factors such as the financial strength, organisational integrity and stability of the investment firm, in addition to manager access and the provision of full portfolio transparency on a timely basis.

Our investment approach is to utilise the expertise of the best Investment Managers at the lowest cost to manage the asset. To do this, we invest in other funds to gain access to the specified style or strategy.

The Sub-fund may invest in derivatives for the purposes of hedging with the aim of reducing the risk profile of the Sub-fund in accordance with the principles of Efficient Portfolio Management.

The Sub-fund is actively managed. The mix of investment types will be managed and regularly monitored by our investment team.

## **Investment Manager's Report**

for the year ended 31 May 2025

#### Introduction

This report covers the MI Brewin Dolphin Voyager Funds and their underlying funds for the period from 31 May 2024 to 31 May 2025.

### **Market Review**

The twelve-month period to the end of May 2025 saw equity markets edge higher despite the drawdown that followed Liberation Day. The 90-day pause on the reciprocal tariffs helped stem the simultaneous selloff of US stocks, treasuries and the US dollar.

Part of the higher moves in US treasury yields reflected concerns on the inflationary impact of tariffs and the elevated federal deficit. More fundamentally, investors are starting to question US fiscal credibility. The actions of the new US administration led investors to move assets away from the US to other areas of the world.

The European Central Bank, Bank of England and US Federal Reserve started cutting rates during the period after rates were held constant for a prolonged duration.

Whilst central banks in the major Western economies have been battling with inflation, China struggled with several quarters of deflation due to a weak domestic economy. A promised Chinese economic stimulus package in September provided a catalyst for stock outperformance as the measures aim to inject some vigour into the economy. The strong performance continued with the emergence of the DeepSeek Al model.

Ongoing geopolitical tensions have contributed to the continued strength of the gold price.

### **Investment Manager's Report**

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### **Performance Activity and Attribution**

The MI Brewin Dolphin Voyager Max 70% Equity Fund gave a total return of 6.3%\* (B Accumulation, quoted valuation), over the period to the end of May 2025, outperforming the peer group index (IA Mixed Investment 20-60% Shares) which returned 5.3%.

The bias to UK equities relative to the world index was a positive contributor to performance against the backdrop of the domestic market gaining high single digits over the period. The UK position was reduced by a small amount in favour of overseas equities to provide a better balance of risk and reward.

The Asian equities allocation was increased following the announcement of the stimulus measure from China and subsequently benefited from the AI innovation that materialised later on. The European equity allocation was increased following positive fiscal news from the EU Commission and Germany on defence spending.

Sovereign bonds were increased in favour of credit as the former represents a better hedge against an unexpected economic slowdown and should be a better source of risk adjusted returns. These changes were reflected in the MI Select Managers Bond Fund.

The MI Select Managers Alternatives Fund comprises holdings in property, gold and absolute return strategies. Notably, the position in gold contributed positively, driven by central bank demand and the role of gold as a safe-haven asset.

#### Outlook

The yield spread between corporate and government bonds remains tight and would likely widen in the event that economic growth deteriorates. Recessions are often unpredictable, with 5 of the 8 recessions the US has had since 1970 caused by shocks. Government bonds would very likely outperform corporate bonds in the event that a negative shock to growth materializes. With spreads tight, the bond positioning acts as a partial hedge against this recession risk and complements our view on equities.

The global economy is likely to continue expanding, which is consistent with corporate profits rising. There is the potential for AI themes to drive both strong economy wide productivity and continued solid profit gains among the AI pick and shovel plays.

There is an argument to be only modestly positive on equities as there is limited room for cyclical economic growth. Most economies are close to full employment which does not give much scope for labour force participation to rise. Meanwhile, US president Trump's immigration clampdown is weighing on labour force growth. The upshot is that there's limited room for job growth, meaning there's limited room for aggregate demand to expand. Further, US equity valuation multiples, concentration risk and growth expectations among the AI plays are all elevated. Finally, the large increase in US tariffs should weigh on global growth and result in higher inflation than would otherwise be the case.

There are still reasons to be mildly positive on gold despite the strong rally. Central banks are expected to continue diversifying their reserve holdings out of the dollar and other developed world currencies. Gold is likely to act as a good hedge against several risks including the impact of tariffs. While most economists believe that the large increase in US tariffs will weigh on growth and result in higher inflation than would otherwise be the case, the magnitude is highly uncertain. If the impact ends up being stronger than the consensus expects, gold should continue to do well.

<sup>\*</sup>Based on published NAV provided by Apex Fundrock Limited.

### **Portfolio Statement**

as at 31 May 2025

|                         |   | Market<br>value                       | % of tota<br>net assets |
|-------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Holding                 | Security  | £                                     | 2025                    |
|                         | COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES* 99.47% (98.30%)  |                                       |                         |
| 22,648,201              | Alternatives 11.62% (11.05%) MI Select Managers Alternatives - Institutional Income^  | 24,865,460                            | 11.62                   |
| 693,478<br>107,896      | Asia ex-Japan Equities 4.10% (4.51%) Invesco Asian (UK) - Z Income Morgan Stanley Asia Opportunity - J Accumulation                               | 3,658,442<br>2,301,421                | 1.7′<br>1.07            |
| 282,737                 | Stewart Investors Asia Pacific Leaders Sustainability - B Accumulation GBP  | 2,827,931                             | 1.32                    |
|                         |   | 8,787,794                             | 4.10                    |
| 4,233,941               | Emerging Market Equities 2.02% (0.92%) JPM Emerging Markets - C2 Income   | 4,314,386                             | 2.02                    |
| 4,374,964<br>233,855    | European Equities 4.83% (4.09%) BlackRock Continental European - A Income HSBC European Index - C Income  | 8,244,181<br>2,089,919                | 3.85<br>0.98            |
| 733,599                 | Global Equities 2.15% (1.95%) Fundsmith Equity - I Income   | 4,592,255                             | 4.83<br>2.15            |
| 79,810<br>69,793,387    | Global Fixed Interest 34.56% (33.64%) BlackRock ICS Sterling Liquidity - Premier Accumulation GBP MI Select Managers Bond - Institutional Income^ | 9,549,529<br>64,377,420<br>73,926,949 | 4.40<br>30.10<br>34.50  |
| 3,493,694               | Japan Equities 2.40% (2.41%)<br>M&G Japan Fund Sterling - PP Income   | 5,138,175                             | 2.40                    |
| 7,626,604<br>14,813,146 | UK Equities 13.11% (14.73%) MI Select Managers UK Equity - Institutional Income^ MI Select Managers UK Equity Income - Institutional Income^      | 9,686,550<br>18,350,526<br>28,037,076 | 4.53<br>8.58<br>13.11   |
| 22,841,379              | US Equities 24.68% (25.00%) MI Select Managers North American Equity - Institutional Income^  | 52,790,996                            | 24.68                   |
|                         | Investment assets Net other assets  | 212,787,191<br>1,130,585              | 99.47<br>0.53           |
|                         | Net assets  | 213,917,776                           | 100.00                  |

All investments are ordinary shares or stock units on a regulated securities market unless otherwise stated. The percentages in brackets show the equivalent % holdings as at 31.05.24.

<sup>\*</sup>Collective Investment Schemes permitted under COLL, not listed on any exchange.

<sup>^</sup>Represents investment into a related party of the Manager (note 10). Apex Fundrock Limited also acts as ACD for this fund.

# **Comparative Tables**

### Change in net assets per share

| A Income                           | 31.05.25<br>p | 31.05.24<br>p | 31.05.23<br>p |
|------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Opening net asset value per share  | 114.34        | 106.07        | 108.83        |
| Return before operating charges^   | 8.05          | 11.40         | -0.30         |
| Operating charges                  | -0.90         | -0.80         | -0.79         |
| Return after operating charges^    | 7.15          | 10.60         | -1.09         |
| Distributions                      | -2.59         | -2.33         | -1.67         |
| Closing net asset value per share  | 118.90        | 114.34        | 106.07        |
| ^After direct transaction costs of | 0.00          | 0.00          | 0.00          |
| Performance                        |               |               |               |
| Return after charges               | 6.25%         | 9.99%         | -1.00%        |
| Other information                  |               |               |               |
| Closing net asset value            | £4,452,644    | £3,632,698    | £2,227,501    |
| Closing number of shares           | 3,744,941     | 3,176,974     | 2,099,963     |
| Operating charges                  | 0.76%         | 0.73%         | 0.74%         |
| Direct transaction costs           | 0.00%         | 0.00%         | 0.00%         |
| Prices                             |               |               |               |
| Highest share price                | 124.11        | 117.07        | 111.07        |
| Lowest share price                 | 110.77        | 103.92        | 101.12        |

| A Accumulation                                | 31.05.25<br>p | 31.05.24<br>p | 31.05.23<br>p |
|---|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Opening net asset value per share             | 120.55        | 109.51        | 110.59        |
| Return before operating charges^              | 8.49          | 11.87         | -0.27         |
| Operating charges                             | -0.96         | -0.83         | -0.81         |
| Return after operating charges^               | 7.53          | 11.04         | -1.08         |
| Distributions                                 | -2.75         | -2.43         | -1.72         |
| Retained distributions on accumulation shares | 2.75          | 2.43          | 1.72          |
| Closing net asset value per share             | 128.08        | 120.55        | 109.51        |
| ^After direct transaction costs of            | 0.00          | 0.00          | 0.00          |
| Performance                                   |               |               |               |
| Return after charges                          | 6.25%         | 10.08%        | -0.98%        |
| Other information                             |               |               |               |
| Closing net asset value                       | £99,435,171   | £87,149,436   | £64,001,492   |
| Closing number of shares                      | 77,636,614    | 72,294,397    | 58,445,107    |
| Operating charges                             | 0.76%         | 0.73%         | 0.74%         |
| Direct transaction costs                      | 0.00%         | 0.00%         | 0.00%         |
| Prices  |               |               |               |
| Highest share price                           | 132.29        | 122.64        | 112.97        |
| Lowest share price                            | 118.48        | 107.77        | 103.13        |

## **Comparative Tables**

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| B Income                           | 31.05.25<br>p | 31.05.24<br>p | 31.05.23<br>p |
|------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Opening net asset value per share  | 114.33        | 106.08        | 108.83        |
| Return before operating charges^   | 8.01          | 11.36         | -0.30         |
| Operating charges                  | -0.78         | -0.69         | -0.68         |
| Return after operating charges^    | 7.23          | 10.67         | -0.98         |
| Distributions                      | -2.68         | -2.42         | -1.77         |
| Closing net asset value per share  | 118.88        | 114.33        | 106.08        |
| ^After direct transaction costs of | 0.00          | 0.00          | 0.00          |
| Performance                        |               |               |               |
| Return after charges               | 6.32%         | 10.06%        | -0.90%        |
| Other information                  |               |               |               |
| Closing net asset value            | £33,790,982   | £27,903,250   | £24,350,877   |
| Closing number of shares           | 28,423,992    | 24,405,470    | 22,955,729    |
| Operating charges                  | 0.66%         | 0.63%         | 0.64%         |
| Direct transaction costs           | 0.00%         | 0.00%         | 0.00%         |
| Prices                             |               |               |               |
| Highest share price                | 124.12        | 117.08        | 111.09        |
| Lowest share price                 | 110.77        | 103.92        | 101.14        |

| B Accumulation                                | 31.05.25<br>p | 31.05.24<br>p | 31.05.23<br>p |
|---|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Opening net asset value per share             | 120.92        | 109.76        | 110.76        |
| Return before operating charges^              | 8.49          | 11.88         | -0.30         |
| Operating charges                             | -0.83         | -0.72         | -0.70         |
| Return after operating charges^               | 7.66          | 11.16         | -1.00         |
| Distributions                                 | -2.86         | -2.53         | -1.82         |
| Retained distributions on accumulation shares | 2.86          | 2.53          | 1.82          |
| Closing net asset value per share             | 128.58        | 120.92        | 109.76        |
| ^After direct transaction costs of            | 0.00          | 0.00          | 0.00          |
| Performance                                   |               |               |               |
| Return after charges                          | 6.33%         | 10.17%        | -0.90%        |
| Other information                             |               |               |               |
| Closing net asset value                       | £76,238,979   | £43,356,009   | £46,174,782   |
| Closing number of shares                      | 59,292,646    | 35,854,576    | 42,068,760    |
| Operating charges                             | 0.66%         | 0.63%         | 0.64%         |
| Direct transaction costs                      | 0.00%         | 0.00%         | 0.00%         |
| Prices  |               |               |               |
| Highest share price                           | 132.78        | 123.01        | 113.21        |
| Lowest share price                            | 118.93        | 108.06        | 103.32        |

<sup>\*</sup>The Investment Manager currently rebates the Sub-fund's operating charges, excluding the Investment Manager's fee and synthetic ongoing charges (0.39% of operating charges) in order for them not to exceed 0.12% of the Net Asset Value of the Sub-fund.

Operating charges include indirect costs incurred in the maintenance and running of the Sub-fund, as disclosed (but not limited to) the detailed expenses within the Statement of Total Return. Included within this figure are the charges of the underlying funds (synthetic ongoing charge). The figures used within this table have been calculated against the average Net Asset Value for the accounting year.

The return after charges is calculated as the closing Net Asset Value per share plus the distributions on income shares minus the opening Net Asset Value per share as a % of the opening Net Asset Value per share. The basis of valuation of investments used to calculate Net Asset Value per share is described in notes to the Financial Statements 1h) and complies with requirements of the current Statement of Recommended Practice for UK Authorised Funds. This differs from the basis used to calculate daily published single prices, in which listed investments are valued at 12:00 mid prices.

Direct transaction costs include fees, commissions, transfer taxes and duties in the purchasing and selling of investments, which are offset (where applicable) against any dilution levies charged within the accounting period. The figures used within the table have been calculated against the average Net Asset Value for the accounting year.

### **Risk and Reward Profile**

The risk and reward indicator table demonstrates where the Sub-fund ranks in terms of its potential risk and reward. The higher the rank the greater the potential reward but the greater the risk of losing money. It is based on past data, may change over time and may not be a reliable indication of the future risk profile of the Sub-fund. The shaded area in the table below shows the Sub-fund's ranking on the risk and reward indicator.



The Sub-fund is ranked 4 because funds of this type have experienced average rises and falls in value in the past. Please note that even the lowest risk class can lose you money and that extreme market circumstances can mean you suffer severe losses in all cases. The indicator does not take into account the following risks of investing in this Sub-fund:

- Investing in other funds may expose investors to increased risk due to less strict regulations and the use of derivatives. These other funds can themselves invest into assets such as bonds, company shares, cash and currencies. The objectives and risk profiles of these underlying funds may not be fully in line with those of this Sub-fund.
- The Sub-fund may invest in bond funds which will be impacted by changes in interest rates, inflation and any decline in creditworthiness of the underlying bond issuers.
- Investing overseas can bring additional returns and spread risk to different markets. There are risks, however, that changes in currency exchange rates may cause the value of your investment to decrease or increase.
- The Sub-fund may invest in property funds which can be less liquid than other asset classes.
- For further risk information please see the Prospectus.

### **Risk warning**

An investment in a non-UCITS Retail Scheme Open-Ended Investment Company should be regarded as a medium to long-term investment. Investors should be aware that the price of shares and the revenue from them can fall as well as rise and investors may not receive back the full amount invested. Past performance is not a guide to future performance. Investments denominated in currencies other than the base currency are subject to fluctuation in exchange rates, which can be favourable or unfavourable.

### **Statement of Total Return**

for the year ended 31 May 2025

|   |      |           | 31.05.25    |           | 31.05.24    |
|---|------|-----------|-------------|-----------|-------------|
|   | Note | £         | £           | £         | £           |
| Income                                  |      |           |             |           |             |
| Net capital gains                       | 2    |           | 7,890,162   |           | 11,115,163  |
| Revenue                                 | 3    | 5,001,579 |             | 3,936,706 |             |
| Expenses                                | 4    | (535,517) |             | (410,363) |             |
| Interest payable and similar charges    | 4    | (2,326)   |             |           |             |
| Net revenue before taxation             |      | 4,463,736 |             | 3,526,343 |             |
| Taxation                                | 5    | (501,950) |             | (362,794) |             |
| Net revenue after taxation              |      |           | 3,961,786   |           | 3,163,549   |
| Total return before distributions       |      |           | 11,851,948  |           | 14,278,712  |
| Distributions                           | 6    |           | (3,960,368) |           | (3,161,904) |
| Change in net assets attributable to    |      |           |             |           |             |
| Shareholders from investment activities |      |           | 7,891,580   |           | 11,116,808  |

# **Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Shareholders**

for the year ended 31 May 2025

| Opening net assets attributable to Shareholders  | £            | 31.05.25<br>£<br>162,041,393 | £            | 31.05.24<br>£<br>136,754,652 |
|--|--------------|------------------------------|--------------|------------------------------|
| Amounts receivable on issue of shares  | 78,436,187   |                              | 56,333,896   |                              |
| Less: Amounts payable on cancellation of shares  | (37,837,506) |                              | (44,734,431) |                              |
| Breach compensation  | 7,262        |                              | 12           |                              |
|  |              | 40,605,943                   |              | 11,599,477                   |
| Change in net assets attributable to Shareholders from investment activities (see Statement of |              |                              |              |                              |
| Total Return above)  |              | 7,891,580                    |              | 11,116,808                   |
| Retained distributions on accumulation shares  |              | 3,378,860                    |              | 2,570,456                    |
| Closing net assets attributable to Shareholders  |              | 213,917,776                  |              | 162,041,393                  |

The notes on pages 58 to 66 form an integral part of these Financial Statements.

## **Balance Sheet**

as at 31 May 2025

| Net assets attributable to Shareholders |      |             | 213,917,776   |           | 162,041,393   |
|---|------|-------------|---------------|-----------|---------------|
| Total liabilities                       |      |             | (2,044,565)   |           | (1,173,433)   |
| Total creditors                         |      |             | (2,044,565)   |           | (1,173,433)   |
| Other creditors                         | 8    | (1,764,372) | -             | (966,192) |               |
| <b>Creditors</b> Distribution payable   |      | (280,193)   |               | (207,241) |               |
| LIABILITIES                             |      |             |               |           |               |
| Total assets                            |      |             | 215,962,341   |           | 163,214,826   |
| Total current assets                    |      |             | 3,175,150     |           | 3,935,675     |
| Cash and bank balances                  | 9    | 2,287,565   | _             | 3,273,406 |               |
| <b>Current assets</b> Debtors           | 7    | 887,585     |               | 662,269   |               |
| <b>Fixed assets</b> Investments         |      |             | 212,787,191   |           | 159,279,151   |
| ASSETS                                  |      |             |               |           |               |
|   | Note | £           | 31.05.25<br>£ | £         | 31.05.24<br>£ |

The notes on pages 58 to 66 form an integral part of these Financial Statements.



## **Notes to the Financial Statements**

for the year ended 31 May 2025

### **1. Accounting Policies**

The Sub-fund's Financial Statements have been prepared on the same basis as the Accounting Policies stated on pages 8 and 9.

| 2. Net Capital Gains^                         |               | 31.05.25               |            |
|---|---------------|------------------------|------------|
|   | Realised      | Unrealised             | Total      |
|   | £             | £                      | £          |
| Non-derivative securities                     | 2,455,347     | 5,442,432              | 7,897,779  |
| Transaction charges                           | (7,617)       | -                      | (7,617)    |
| Net capital gains                             | 2,447,730     | 5,442,432              | 7,890,162  |
|   |               |                        |            |
|   |               | 31.05.24               |            |
|   | Realised      | 31.05.24<br>Unrealised | Total      |
|   | Realised<br>£ |                        | Total<br>£ |
| Non-derivative securities                     |               | Unrealised             |            |
| Non-derivative securities Transaction charges | £             | Unrealised<br>£        | £          |

<sup>^</sup>Where realised gains/losses include gains/losses arising from prior years, a corresponding loss/gain is included within the unrealised gains/losses presented.

| Distributions from Regulated Collective Investment Schemes:         UK investment income       1,946,877       1,711,668         Unfranked investment income       295,348       167,737         Interest distributions       2,712,139       1,987,384         Bank interest       47,215       69,917         Total revenue       5,001,579       3,936,706         4. Expenses       31.05.25       31.05.24         E       £       £         Payable to the Authorised Corporate Director ('ACD'), associates of the ACD and agents of either of them:       2       126,496       102,891         ACD's fee       126,496       102,891       49,837       47,107         Registration fees       49,837       47,107       176,333       149,998         Payable to the Investment Manager, associates of the Investment Manager and agents of either of them:       370,615       297,850         Investment Manager's fee       370,615       297,850  | 3. Revenue  | 31.05.25<br>£ | 31.05.24<br>£ |
|---|---|---------------|---------------|
| Unfranked investment income Interest distributions         295,348         167,737           Interest distributions         2,712,139         1,987,384           Bank interest         47,215         69,917           Total revenue         5,001,579         3,936,706           4. Expenses         31.05.25         31.05.24           £         £         £           Payable to the Authorised Corporate Director ('ACD'), associates of the ACD and agents of either of them:         126,496         102,891           ACD's fee         126,496         102,891         49,837         47,107           Registration fees         49,837         47,107         176,333         149,998           Payable to the Investment Manager, associates of the Investment Manager and agents of either of them:   | Distributions from Regulated Collective Investment Schemes: |               |               |
| Interest distributions         2,712,139         1,987,384           Bank interest         47,215         69,917           Total revenue         5,001,579         3,936,706           4. Expenses         31.05.25         31.05.24           £         £         £           Payable to the Authorised Corporate Director ('ACD'), associates of the ACD and agents of either of them:         2,712,139         10,932           ACD's fee         126,496         102,891         102,891         102,891         102,891         102,891         102,893         102,891         102,893         103,333         149,998         102,891 | UK investment income  | 1,946,877     | 1,711,668     |
| Bank interest 47,215 69,917  Total revenue 5,001,579 3,936,706  4. Expenses 31.05.25 £ £  Payable to the Authorised Corporate Director ('ACD'), associates of the ACD and agents of either of them:  ACD's fee 126,496 102,891 A9,837 47,107 A9,837 47,107 A9,837 A9,998  Payable to the Investment Manager, associates of the Investment Manager and agents of either of them:   | Unfranked investment income                                 | 295,348       | 167,737       |
| Total revenue 5,001,579 3,936,706  4. Expenses 31.05.25 4 £  Payable to the Authorised Corporate Director ('ACD'), associates of the ACD and agents of either of them:  ACD's fee 126,496 102,891 49,837 47,107 176,333 149,998  Payable to the Investment Manager, associates of the Investment Manager and agents of either of them:  | Interest distributions                                      | 2,712,139     | 1,987,384     |
| A. Expenses  A. Expenses  Payable to the Authorised Corporate Director ('ACD'), associates of the ACD and agents of either of them:  ACD's fee Registration fees  Payable to the Investment Manager, associates of the Investment Manager and agents of either of them:   | Bank interest   | 47,215        | 69,917        |
| Payable to the Authorised Corporate Director ('ACD'), associates of the ACD and agents of either of them:  ACD's fee 126,496 102,891 Registration fees 49,837 47,107 176,333 149,998  Payable to the Investment Manager, associates of the Investment Manager and agents of either of them:   | Total revenue   | 5,001,579     | 3,936,706     |
| Payable to the Authorised Corporate Director ('ACD'), associates of the ACD and agents of either of them:  ACD's fee 126,496 102,891 Registration fees 49,837 47,107 176,333 149,998  Payable to the Investment Manager, associates of the Investment Manager and agents of either of them:   | 4. Expenses   |               |               |
| Registration fees 49,837 47,107  176,333 149,998  Payable to the Investment Manager, associates of the Investment Manager and agents of either of them:   | ·   | -             | -             |
| Registration fees 49,837 47,107  176,333 149,998  Payable to the Investment Manager, associates of the Investment Manager and agents of either of them:   | ACD's fee   | 126,496       | 102,891       |
| Payable to the Investment Manager, associates of the Investment Manager and agents of either of them:   | Registration fees   |               |               |
| either of them:   |   | 176,333       | 149,998       |
| Investment Manager's fee 370,615 297,850  |   |               |               |
|   | Investment Manager's fee                                    | 370,615       | 297,850       |

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| 4. Expenses (continued)   | 31.05.25<br>£ | 31.05.24<br>£ |
|---|---------------|---------------|
| Payable to the Depositary, associates of the Depositary and agents of either of them: |               |               |
| Depositary's fee (including VAT)  | 38,316        | 32,210        |
| Safe custody and other bank charges   | 1,423         | 1,616         |
|   | 39,739        | 33,826        |
| Auditor's remuneration*:  | <del></del>   |               |
| Audit fee^  | 10,664        | 11,675        |
| Tax compliance services**   | , –           | 2,534         |
|   | 10,664        | 14,209        |
| Other expenses:   |               |               |
| Legal fee   | 1,806         | 3,978         |
| Listing fee   | 1,454         | 1,120         |
| Printing costs  | 3,753         | 3,147         |
| Tax compliance services**   | 2,347         |               |
|   | 9,360         | 8,245         |
| Rebates:  |               |               |
| Operating charge rebates^^  | (27,347)      | (38,278)      |
| Manager fee rebates from underlying holdings  | (43,847)      | (55,487)      |
|   | (71,194)      | (93,765)      |
| Expenses  | 535,517       | 410,363       |
| Interest payable and similar charges  | 2,326         | _             |
| Total   | 537,843       | 410,363       |

<sup>\*</sup>Included within the auditor's remuneration is irrecoverable VAT of £1,669 (2024: £2,368).

<sup>^^</sup>The Investment Manager currently rebates the Sub-fund's operating charges, excluding the Investment Manager's fee and synthetic ongoing charge.

| 5. Taxation                         | 31.05.25<br>£ | 31.05.24<br>£ |
|-------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| (a) Analysis of charge in the year: |               |               |
| Corporation tax at 20%              | 501,950       | 362,794       |
| Income tax deducted at source       | 59,070        | 33,547        |
| Income tax recoverable              | (59,070)      | (33,547)      |
| Total tax charge (note 5b)          | 501,950       | 362,794       |

<sup>\*\*</sup>Tax compliance provider changed from Grant Thornton UK LLP to Apex Group Company Services UK Limited.

<sup>^</sup>Included within the audit fee is over accrual of £945 (2024: nil).

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| 5. Taxation (continued)                             | 31.05.25<br>£ | 31.05.24<br>£ |
|---|---------------|---------------|
| (b) Factors affecting taxation charge for the year: |               |               |
| Net revenue before taxation                         | 4,463,736     | 3,526,343     |
| Corporation tax at 20%                              | 892,747       | 705,269       |
| Effects of:   |               |               |
| UK dividends  | (389,375)     | (342,334)     |
| Adjustments in respect of prior periods             | (1,422)       | 194           |
| Expenses not deductible for tax purposes            | _             | (335)         |
| Income tax deducted at source                       | 59,070        | 33,547        |
| UK income tax recoverable                           | (59,070)      | (33,547)      |
| Total tax charge (note 5a)                          | 501,950       | 362,794       |

### (c) Deferred tax

There was no liability to deferred tax at the balance sheet date (2024: nil).

### 6. Distributions

The distributions take account of revenue received on the issue of shares and revenue deducted on the cancellation of shares, and comprise:

|  |          | 31.05.25  | 31.05.24  |
|--|----------|-----------|-----------|
|  |          | £         | £         |
| First interim distribution                                       | 31.08.24 | 784,177   | 668,452   |
| Second interim distribution                                      | 30.11.24 | 1,214,619 | 906,122   |
| Third interim distribution                                       | 28.02.25 | 648,249   | 593,571   |
| Final distribution   | 31.05.25 | 1,543,006 | 1,044,983 |
|  |          | 4,190,051 | 3,213,128 |
| Revenue deducted on cancellation of shares                       |          | 213,832   | 246,081   |
| Revenue received on issue of shares                              |          | (443,515) | (297,305) |
| Distributions  |          | 3,960,368 | 3,161,904 |
| Reconciliation of net revenue after taxation to net distribution | ns:      |           |           |
| Net revenue after taxation per Statement of Total Return         |          | 3,961,786 | 3,163,549 |
| Expenses allocated to capital                                    |          | (1,435)   | (1,674)   |
| Undistributed revenue brought forward                            |          | 80        | 109       |
| Undistributed revenue carried forward                            |          | (63)      | (80)      |
| Distributions  |          | 3,960,368 | 3,161,904 |

## **Notes to the Financial Statements**

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| 7. Debtors  | 31.05.25<br>£ | 31.05.24<br>£ |
|---|---------------|---------------|
| Amounts receivable on issues  | 727,484       | 266,373       |
| Sales awaiting settlement   | 727,404       | 300,000       |
| Accrued income:   |               | 300,000       |
| Bank interest receivable  | _             | 7,125         |
| Dividends receivable  | 96,315        | 44,799        |
| Operating charge rebates  | 4,577         | 10,285        |
| UK income tax recoverable   | 59,070        | 33,547        |
| Prepaid expenses:   |               |               |
| Legal fee   | 139           | 140           |
| Total debtors   | 887,585       | 662,269       |
| 8. Other Creditors  | 31.05.25      | 31.05.24      |
|   | £             | £             |
| Amounts payable on cancellations  | 920,927       | 540,505       |
| Purchases awaiting settlement   | 540,000       | -             |
| Accrued expenses:   |               |               |
| Amounts payable to the Authorised Corporate Director ('ACD'), associates of the ACD and agents of either of them: |               |               |
| ACD's fee   | 12,593        | 9,674         |
| Registration fees   | 4,468         | 4,206         |
|   | 17,061        | 13,880        |
| Amounts payable to the Investment Manager, associates of the Investment Manager and agents of either of them:     | ,,            | .5,555        |
| Investment Manager's fee  | 35,731        | 28,462        |
| Amounts payable to the Depositary, associates of the Depositary and agents of either of them:                     |               |               |
| Depositary's fee (including VAT)  | 6,862         | 5,715         |
| Safe custody and other bank charges   | 231           | 264           |
|   | 7,093         | 5,979         |
| Auditor's remuneration*:  |               |               |
| Audit fee^  | 10,012        | 10,870        |
| Tax compliance services**   | -             | 2,348         |
|   | 10,012        | 13,218        |
| Other accrued expenses:   |               |               |
| Printing costs  | 1,788         | 1,548         |
| Tax compliance services**   | 2,347         |               |
|   | 4,135         | 1,548         |
| Taxation payable:   |               |               |
| Corporation tax payable   | 229,413       | 362,600       |
| Total other creditors   | 1,764,372     | 966,192       |

<sup>\*</sup>Included within the auditor's remuneration is irrecoverable VAT of £1,669 (2024: £2,203).

<sup>\*\*</sup>Tax compliance provider changed from Grant Thornton UK LLP to Apex Group Company Services UK Limited.

<sup>^</sup>Included within the audit fee is over accrual of £945 (2024: nil).

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| 9. Cash and Bank Balances | 31.05.25<br>£ | 31.05.24<br>£ |
|---------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Cash and bank balances    | 2,287,565     | 3,273,406     |
| Cash and bank balances    | 2,287,565     | 3,273,406     |

### **10. Related Party Transactions**

Apex Fundrock Limited ('AFL') is regarded as a related party by virtue of having the ability to act in respect of the operations of the Subfund in its capacity as the Authorised Corporate Director ('ACD').

AFL also acts as the ACD of MI Select Managers Alternatives - Institutional Income, MI Select Managers Bond - Institutional Income, MI Select Managers North American Equity - Institutional Income, MI Select Managers UK Equity - Institutional Income and MI Select Managers UK Equity Income - Institutional Income.

ACD and other fees payable to AFL are disclosed in note 4 and amounts due at the year end are shown in note 8.

Fees payable to Brewin Dolphin Limited (the 'Investment Manager') are disclosed in note 4 and amounts due at the year end are shown in note 8.

Amounts receivable on issue and payable on cancellation of shares and dilution levy are disclosed in the Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Shareholders and in note 6, amounts due at the year end are shown in notes 7 and 8.

Amounts receivable from the Investment Manager for operating charge rebates accrued against expenses are disclosed in note 4, and amounts due at the year end are shown in note 7.

At the year end the Sub-fund did not hold shares in any of the other Sub-funds within the MI Brewin Dolphin Voyager Funds.

At the year end the Sub-fund held the following Collective Investment Schemes, for which AFL act as the ACD.

|   | Held at    | Change in  | Held at    | % Change |
|---|------------|------------|------------|----------|
| Income Shares   | 31.05.25   | year       | 31.05.24   | in year  |
| MI Select Managers Alternatives - Institutional Income          | 22,648,201 | 4,932,305  | 17,715,896 | 27.84%   |
| MI Select Managers Bond - Institutional Income                  | 69,793,387 | 15,702,173 | 54,091,214 | 29.03%   |
| MI Select Managers North American Equity - Institutional Income | 22,841,379 | 4,636,668  | 18,204,711 | 25.47%   |
| MI Select Managers UK Equity - Institutional Income             | 7,626,604  | 545,644    | 7,080,960  | 7.71%    |
| MI Select Managers UK Equity Income - Institutional Income      | 14,813,146 | 1,685,812  | 13,127,334 | 12.84%   |

No rebate has been accrued for in this cross investment.

### **11. Contingent Liabilities and Outstanding Commitments**

There were no contingent liabilities or outstanding commitments at the balance sheet date (2024: none).

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### 12. Risk Management Policies and Disclosures

The main risks arising from financial instruments and the ACD's policies for managing these risks are disclosed on pages 10 and 11.

Numerical disclosures relating to the Sub-fund are as follows:

### Market price risk

At the balance sheet date, if the price of the investments held by the Sub-fund increased or decreased by 10%, with all other variables held constant, the net assets attributable to Shareholders would increase or decrease by approximately £21,278,719 (2024: £15,927,915).

### **Currency risk**

The table below details the currency risk profile at the balance sheet date.

| Currency             | 31.05.25    | 31.05.24    |
|----------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                      | Total       | Total       |
|                      | £           | £           |
| Euro                 | 8,244,181   | _           |
| Japanese yen         | 5,138,175   | 3,904,894   |
| Pound sterling       | 143,152,169 | 114,460,718 |
| United States dollar | 57,383,251  | 43,675,781  |
|                      | 213,917,776 | 162,041,393 |

At the balance sheet date, if the value of sterling increased or decreased by 10%, with all other variables held constant, then the net assets attributable to Shareholders would increase or decrease by approximately £7,076,561 (2024: £4,758,068).

#### Interest rate risk

The table below details the interest rate risk profile at the balance sheet date:

### 31.05.25

| Currency             | Floating<br>rate<br>financial<br>assets^<br>£ | Assets<br>on which<br>interest<br>distributions<br>are paid<br>£ | Assets<br>on which<br>interest is<br>not paid^^<br>£ | Total<br>£  |
|----------------------|---|--|--|-------------|
| Euro                 | -   | _  | 8,244,181  | 8,244,181   |
| Japanese yen         | -   | _  | 5,138,175  | 5,138,175   |
| Pound sterling       | 2,287,565                                     | _  | 142,909,169  | 145,196,734 |
| United States dollar | -   | -  | 57,383,251   | 57,383,251  |
|                      | 2,287,565                                     | -  | 213,674,776  | 215,962,341 |
| Currency             |   |  | Financial<br>liabilities<br>not carrying<br>interest | Total       |
| •                    |   |  | £  | £           |
| Pound sterling       |   |  | 2,044,565  | 2,044,565   |
|                      |   |  | 2,044,565  | 2,044,565   |

<sup>^</sup>Floating rate interest-bearing assets at the balance sheet date consist of bank balances, on which interest is calculated at a variable rate by reference to sterling bank deposit rates or the international equivalent.

<sup>^^</sup>Comprises of Equity Shares which receive dividend revenue and non interest bearing balance sheet debtors.

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### 12. Risk Management Policies and Disclosures (continued)

### Interest rate risk (continued)

31.05.24

| Currency             | Floating<br>rate<br>financial<br>assets^<br>£ | Assets<br>on which<br>interest<br>distributions<br>are paid<br>£ | Assets<br>on which<br>interest is<br>not paid^^<br>£ | Total<br>£  |
|----------------------|---|--|--|-------------|
| Japanese yen         | _   | _  | 3,904,894  | 3,904,894   |
| Pound sterling       | 3,273,406                                     | 54,514,296   | 57,846,449   | 115,634,151 |
| United States dollar | -   | -  | 43,675,781   | 43,675,781  |
|                      | 3,273,406                                     | 54,514,296   | 105,427,124  | 163,214,826 |

| Currency       | Financial<br>liabilities<br>not carrying<br>interest<br>£ | Total<br>£ |
|----------------|---|------------|
| Pound sterling | 1,173,433   | 1,173,433  |
|                | 1,173,433   | 1,173,433  |

<sup>^</sup>Floating rate interest-bearing assets at the balance sheet date consist of bank balances, on which interest is calculated at a variable rate by reference to sterling bank deposit rates or the international equivalent.

At the balance sheet date, if interest rates increased or decreased by 10%, with all other variables held constant, the net assets attributable to Shareholders would increase or decrease by approximately £228,757 (2024: £327,341) in respect of floating rate assets.

### Leverage

The Sub-fund did not employ any significant leverage in the current and prior year, other than that available to the Sub-fund as a result of its ability to borrow up to 10% of its value on a permanent basis.

<sup>^^</sup>Comprises of Equity Shares which receive dividend revenue and non interest bearing balance sheet debtors.

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### **13. Portfolio Transaction Costs**

### 31.05.25

| 31.03.23                                  |             |   |            |   |       | Purchases             |
|---|-------------|---|------------|---|-------|-----------------------|
| Analysis                                  | Total       |   |            |   |       | before                |
| of purchases                              | purchase    | C | ommissions |   | Taxes | transaction           |
|   | cost        | • | paid       |   | 0/    | cost                  |
| -   | £           | £ | %          | £ | %     | £                     |
| Funds                                     | 92,500,907  | - | 0.00       | 2 | 0.00  | 92,500,905            |
| Corporate actions                         | 1,718       | - | 0.00       | - | 0.00  | 1,718                 |
| Total purchases after commissions and tax | 92,502,625  |   |            |   |       |                       |
| Analysis                                  | Net         |   |            |   |       | Sales<br>before       |
| of sales                                  | sale        | C | ommissions |   | Taxes | transaction           |
| or suices                                 | proceeds    | • | paid       |   | Tuxes | cost                  |
|   | £           | £ | %          | £ | %     | £                     |
| Funds                                     | 46,893,302  | _ | 0.00       | 1 | 0.00  | 46,893,303            |
| Total sales after commissions and tax     | 46,893,302  |   |            |   |       |                       |
| Commission as a % of average net assets   | 0.00%       |   |            |   |       |                       |
| Taxes as a % of the average net assets    | 0.00%       |   |            |   |       |                       |
| 31.05.24                                  |             |   |            |   |       |                       |
| 31.03.24                                  |             |   |            |   |       | Purchases             |
| Analysis                                  | Total       |   |            |   |       | before                |
| of purchases                              | purchase    | C | ommissions |   | Taxes | transaction           |
|   | cost        | • | paid       | • | 0/    | cost                  |
|   | £           | £ | %          | £ | %     | £                     |
| Funds                                     | 55,519,601  | - | 0.00       | 1 | 0.00  | 55,519,600            |
| Total purchases after commissions and tax | 55,519,601  |   |            |   |       |                       |
| Analysis                                  | Mas         |   |            |   |       | Sales                 |
| Analysis<br>of sales                      | Net<br>sale | C | ommissions |   | Taxes | before<br>transaction |
| of sales                                  | proceeds    | C | paid       |   | Iaves | cost                  |
|   | £           | £ | %          | £ | %     | £                     |
| Funds                                     | 41,925,418  | _ | 0.00       | 2 | 0.00  | 41,925,420            |
| Total sales after commissions and tax     | 41,925,418  |   |            |   |       |                       |
| Commission as a % of average net assets   | 0.000/      |   |            |   |       |                       |
|   | 0.00%       |   |            |   |       |                       |

Commissions and taxes as a % of the average net assets form part of the direct transaction costs stated within the comparative tables on pages 53 to 54. The direct transaction costs within the comparative tables may differ due to the effect of dilution levies charged (where applicable).

### 14. Portfolio Dealing Spread

The average portfolio dealing spread at 31 May 2025 is 0.20% (2024: 0.18%).

### **15. Post Balance Sheet Events**

There were no notifiable events post the year end balance sheet date.

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### **16. Fair Value Disclosure**

| Valuation technique  |             |             | 31.05.24    |             |  |
|----------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--|
| -                    | Assets      | Liabilities | Assets      | Liabilities |  |
|                      | £           | £           | £           | £           |  |
| Level 1 <sup>^</sup> | -           | -           | -           | -           |  |
| Level 2^^            | 212,787,191 | -           | 159,279,151 | -           |  |
| Level 3^^^           | -           | _           | _           | _           |  |
|                      | 212,787,191 | -           | 159,279,151 | _           |  |

<sup>^</sup>Level 1: Unadjusted quoted price in an active market for an identical instrument.

### 17. Shares in Issue

|                          | A<br>Income<br>GBP | A<br>Accumulation<br>GBP | B<br>Income<br>GBP | B<br>Accumulation<br>GBP |
|--------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|
| Opening number of shares | 3,176,974          | 72,294,397               | 24,405,470         | 35,854,576               |
| Shares issued            | 1,207,527          | 21,225,981               | 8,311,438          | 33,070,200               |
| Shares cancelled         | (645,370)          | (15,883,764)             | (4,287,106)        | (9,632,130)              |
| Shares converted         | 5,810              | -                        | (5,810)            |                          |
| Closing number of shares | 3,744,941          | 77,636,614               | 28,423,992         | 59,292,646               |

<sup>^^</sup>Level 2: Valuation techniques using observable inputs other than quoted prices within level 1.

<sup>^^^</sup>Level 3: Valuation techniques using unobservable inputs.

### **Distribution Tables**

for the year ended 31 May 2025

### **Income Share Distributions**

| Share class | Distribution   | Shares  | Revenue | Equalisation | Distribution paid/payable 2025 | Distribution paid 2024 |
|-------------|----------------|---------|---------|--------------|--------------------------------|------------------------|
|             |                |         | р       | р            | р                              | р                      |
| A           | First interim  | Group 1 | 0.5251  | _            | 0.5251                         | 0.5009                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | -       | 0.5251       | 0.5251                         | 0.5009                 |
|             | Second interim | Group 1 | 0.7967  | _            | 0.7967                         | 0.6777                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | -       | 0.7967       | 0.7967                         | 0.6777                 |
|             | Third interim  | Group 1 | 0.4137  | _            | 0.4137                         | 0.4231                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | -       | 0.4137       | 0.4137                         | 0.4231                 |
|             | Final          | Group 1 | 0.8498  | _            | 0.8498                         | 0.7310                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | 0.1973  | 0.6525       | 0.8498                         | 0.7310                 |
| В           | First interim  | Group 1 | 0.5483  | _            | 0.5483                         | 0.5231                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | -       | 0.5483       | 0.5483                         | 0.5231                 |
|             | Second interim | Group 1 | 0.8203  | _            | 0.8203                         | 0.6987                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | 0.0085  | 0.8118       | 0.8203                         | 0.6987                 |
|             | Third interim  | Group 1 | 0.4378  | _            | 0.4378                         | 0.4457                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | -       | 0.4378       | 0.4378                         | 0.4457                 |
|             | Final          | Group 1 | 0.8738  | _            | 0.8738                         | 0.7540                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | 0.1701  | 0.7037       | 0.8738                         | 0.7540                 |

### **Accumulation Share Distributions**

| Share class | Distribution   | Shares  | Revenue | Equalisation | Amount reinvested 2025 | Amount reinvested 2024 |
|-------------|----------------|---------|---------|--------------|------------------------|------------------------|
|             |                |         | р       | р            | р                      | р                      |
| A           | First interim  | Group 1 | 0.5535  | _            | 0.5535                 | 0.5182                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | _       | 0.5535       | 0.5535                 | 0.5182                 |
|             | Second interim | Group 1 | 0.8441  | _            | 0.8441                 | 0.7029                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | _       | 0.8441       | 0.8441                 | 0.7029                 |
|             | Third interim  | Group 1 | 0.4412  | _            | 0.4412                 | 0.4423                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | _       | 0.4412       | 0.4412                 | 0.4423                 |
|             | Final          | Group 1 | 0.9089  | _            | 0.9089                 | 0.7658                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | 0.1921  | 0.7168       | 0.9089                 | 0.7658                 |
| В           | First interim  | Group 1 | 0.5799  | -            | 0.5799                 | 0.5434                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | _       | 0.5799       | 0.5799                 | 0.5434                 |
|             | Second interim | Group 1 | 0.8719  | -            | 0.8719                 | 0.7263                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | _       | 0.8719       | 0.8719                 | 0.7263                 |
|             | Third interim  | Group 1 | 0.4683  | _            | 0.4683                 | 0.4663                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | _       | 0.4683       | 0.4683                 | 0.4663                 |
|             | Final          | Group 1 | 0.9397  | _            | 0.9397                 | 0.7924                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | 0.2619  | 0.6778       | 0.9397                 | 0.7924                 |

First interim period: 01.06.24 - 31.08.24
Second interim period: 01.09.24 - 30.11.24
Third interim period: 01.12.24 - 28.02.25
Final period: 01.03.25 - 31.05.25

Group 1: Shares purchased prior to a distribution period Group 2: Shares purchased during a distribution period

## **Distribution Tables**

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### **Equalisation**

Equalisation applies only to shares purchased during the distribution period (Group 2 shares). It represents accrued revenue included in the purchase price of the shares. After averaging, it is returned with the distribution as a capital repayment. It is not liable to income tax but must be deducted from the cost of the shares for capital gains tax purposes.

## **Investment Objective**

The Sub-fund aims to provide a balance between capital growth and income through an exposure to equities of up to 80%.

### **Investment Policy**

At least 80%, and potentially 100%, of the Sub-fund's investments will be indirect through other funds. The other funds maybe actively managed or may be passively managed (that is funds which track or are closely linked to the performance of an index), although it is it not expected that more than 20% will be invested in passive funds at any one time. It is the intention to invest at least 35% of the allocation into funds managed by the ACD or sponsored by RBC Europe Limited. Through its investments in these funds, the Sub-fund will have a high exposure to equities (shares in companies), no more than 80% either directly or through equity funds, whilst the remainder will be split between funds which seek exposure to cash, fixed income securities (bonds) and alternatives (such as real estate, commodities and infrastructure).

The Sub-fund may also invest directly (at the Investment Managers' discretion) in equities and equity like instruments (which may include shares in investment trusts and REITs), fixed income securities, money market instruments, depositary receipts and cash.

The fixed income securities and money market instruments to which the Sub-fund may seek exposure may be issued by companies, governments, government agencies and supranationals (such as the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development). They can be investment grade (meet a certain level of credit rating by a credit rating agency) or they may be unrated (and hence more likely to fail than investment grade bonds).

The primary focus of our research team is to identify a 'buy list' of thoroughly researched investments from which we select when building the funds. Investment research conducted by the team covers all major asset classes spanning all regions of the world as well as alternative investments. The investment companies from which we select funds is based on an initial quality screen, which considers factors such as the financial strength, organisational integrity and stability of the investment firm, in addition to manager access and the provision of full portfolio transparency on a timely basis.

Our investment approach is to utilise the expertise of the best Investment Managers at the lowest cost to manage the asset. To do this, we invest in other funds to gain access to the specified style or strategy.

The Sub-fund may invest in derivatives for the purposes of hedging with the aim of reducing the risk profile of the Sub-fund in accordance with the principles of Efficient Portfolio Management.

The Sub-fund is actively managed. The mix of investment types will be managed and regularly monitored by our investment team.

## **Investment Manager's Report**

for the year ended 31 May 2025

#### Introduction

This report covers the MI Brewin Dolphin Voyager Funds and their underlying funds for the period from 31 May 2024 to 31 May 2025.

### **Market Review**

The twelve-month period to the end of May 2025 saw equity markets edge higher despite the drawdown that followed Liberation Day. The 90-day pause on the reciprocal tariffs helped stem the simultaneous selloff of US stocks, treasuries and the US dollar.

Part of the higher moves in US treasury yields reflected concerns on the inflationary impact of tariffs and the elevated federal deficit. More fundamentally, investors are starting to question US fiscal credibility. The actions of the new US administration led investors to move assets away from the US to other areas of the world.

The European Central Bank, Bank of England and US Federal Reserve started cutting rates during the period after rates were held constant for a prolonged duration.

Whilst central banks in the major Western economies have been battling with inflation, China struggled with several quarters of deflation due to a weak domestic economy. A promised Chinese economic stimulus package in September provided a catalyst for stock outperformance as the measures aim to inject some vigour into the economy. The strong performance continued with the emergence of the DeepSeek Al model.

Ongoing geopolitical tensions have contributed to the continued strength of the gold price.

## **Investment Manager's Report**

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#### **Performance Activity and Attribution**

The MI Brewin Dolphin Voyager Max 80% Equity Fund gave a total return of 6.4%\* (B Accumulation, quoted valuation), over the period to the end of May 2025, outperforming the peer group index (IA Mixed Investment 40-85% Shares) which returned 5.2%.

The bias to UK equities relative to the world index was a positive contributor to performance against the backdrop of the domestic market gaining high single digits over the period. The UK position was reduced by a small amount in favour of overseas equities to provide a better balance of risk and reward.

The Asian equities allocation was increased following the announcement of the stimulus measure from China and subsequently benefited from the AI innovation that materialised later on. The European equity allocation was increased following positive fiscal news from the EU Commission and Germany on defence spending.

Sovereign bonds were increased in favour of credit as the former represents a better hedge against an unexpected economic slowdown and should be a better source of risk adjusted returns. These changes were reflected in the MI Select Managers Bond Fund.

The MI Select Managers Alternatives Fund comprises holdings in property, gold and absolute return strategies. Notably, the position in gold contributed positively, driven by central bank demand and the role of gold as a safe-haven asset.

#### Outlook

The yield spread between corporate and government bonds remains tight and would likely widen in the event that economic growth deteriorates. Recessions are often unpredictable, with 5 of the 8 recessions the US has had since 1970 caused by shocks. Government bonds would very likely outperform corporate bonds in the event that a negative shock to growth materializes. With spreads tight, the bond positioning acts as a partial hedge against this recession risk and complements our view on equities.

The global economy is likely to continue expanding, which is consistent with corporate profits rising. There is the potential for AI themes to drive both strong economy wide productivity and continued solid profit gains among the AI pick and shovel plays.

There is an argument to be only modestly positive on equities as there is limited room for cyclical economic growth. Most economies are close to full employment which does not give much scope for labour force participation to rise. Meanwhile, US president Trump's immigration clampdown is weighing on labour force growth. The upshot is that there's limited room for job growth, meaning there's limited room for aggregate demand to expand. Further, US equity valuation multiples, concentration risk and growth expectations among the AI plays are all elevated. Finally, the large increase in US tariffs should weigh on global growth and result in higher inflation than would otherwise be the case.

There are still reasons to be mildly positive on gold despite the strong rally. Central banks are expected to continue diversifying their reserve holdings out of the dollar and other developed world currencies. Gold is likely to act as a good hedge against several risks including the impact of tariffs. While most economists believe that the large increase in US tariffs will weigh on growth and result in higher inflation than would otherwise be the case, the magnitude is highly uncertain. If the impact ends up being stronger than the consensus expects, gold should continue to do well.

<sup>\*</sup>Based on published NAV provided by Apex Fundrock Limited.

## **Portfolio Statement**

as at 31 May 2025

|             |  | Market<br>value | % of total net assets |
|-------------|--|-----------------|-----------------------|
| Holding     | Security   | £               | 2025                  |
|             | COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES* 99.14% (98.03%)                                     |                 |                       |
| 35,280,065  | Alternatives 8.12% (7.60%) MI Select Managers Alternatives - Institutional Income^ | 38,733,983      | 8.12                  |
|             | Asia ex-Japan Equities 4.70% (5.12%)   |                 |                       |
| 1,799,268   | Invesco Asian (UK) - Z Income  | 9,492,036       | 1.99                  |
| 280,942     | Morgan Stanley Asia Opportunity - J Accumulation                                   | 5,992,493       | 1.25                  |
| 694,469     | Stewart Investors Asia Pacific Leaders Sustainability - B Accumulation GBP         | 6,946,083       | 1.46                  |
|             |  | 22,430,612      | 4.70                  |
|             | Emerging Market Equities 2.39% (1.01%)   |                 |                       |
| 11,216,571  | JPM Emerging Markets - C2 Income   | 11,429,686      | 2.39                  |
|             | European Equities 5.90% (5.14%)  |                 |                       |
| 4,690,146   | BlackRock European Dynamic - FD Income   | 14,414,224      | 3.02                  |
| 1,108,470   | HSBC European Index - C Income   | 9,906,175       | 2.07                  |
| 4,323,249   | Schroder European Recovery - L Income GBP  | 3,848,556       | 0.81                  |
|             |  | 28,168,955      | 5.90                  |
|             | Global Equities 2.05% (1.89%)  |                 |                       |
| 1,563,489   | Fundsmith Equity - I Income  | 9,787,285       | 2.05                  |
|             | Global Fixed Interest 27.98% (27.06%)  |                 |                       |
| 158,220     | BlackRock ICS Sterling Liquidity - Premier Accumulation GBP                        | 18,931,427      | 3.97                  |
| 124,235,898 | MI Select Managers Bond - Institutional Income^                                    | 114,595,192     | 24.01                 |
|             |  | 133,526,619     | 27.98                 |
|             | Japan Equities 2.89% (2.89%)   |                 |                       |
| 9,371,135   | M&G Japan Fund Sterling - PP Income  | 13,782,128      | 2.89                  |
|             | UK Equities 15.60% (17.41%)  |                 |                       |
| 29,113,958  | MI Select Managers UK Equity - Institutional Income^                               | 36,977,637      | 7.75                  |
| 30,242,889  | MI Select Managers UK Equity Income - Institutional Income^                        | 37,464,891      | 7.85                  |
|             |  | 74,442,528      | 15.60                 |
|             | US Equities 29.51% (29.91%)  |                 |                       |
| 60,936,019  | MI Select Managers North American Equity - Institutional Income^                   | 140,835,328     | 29.51                 |
|             | Investment assets  | 473,137,124     | 99.14                 |
|             | Net other assets   | 4,119,040       | 0.86                  |
|             | Net assets   | 477,256,164     | 100.00                |

All investments are ordinary shares or stock units on a regulated securities market unless otherwise stated. The percentages in brackets show the equivalent % holdings as at 31.05.24.

<sup>\*</sup>Collective Investment Schemes permitted under COLL, not listed on any exchange.

<sup>^</sup>Represents investment into a related party of the Manager (note 10). Apex Fundrock Limited also acts as ACD for this fund.

# **Comparative Tables**

## Change in net assets per share

| A Income                           | 31.05.25<br>p | 31.05.24<br>p | 31.05.23<br>p |
|------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Opening net asset value per share  | 119.47        | 109.45        | 111.46        |
| Return before operating charges^   | 8.56          | 12.98         | 0.42          |
| Operating charges                  | -0.89         | -0.84         | -0.82         |
| Return after operating charges^    | 7.67          | 12.14         | -0.40         |
| Distributions                      | -2.42         | -2.12         | -1.61         |
| Closing net asset value per share  | 124.72        | 119.47        | 109.45        |
| ^After direct transaction costs of | 0.00          | 0.00          | 0.00          |
| Performance                        |               |               |               |
| Return after charges               | 6.42%         | 11.09%        | -0.36%        |
| Other information                  |               |               |               |
| Closing net asset value            | £15,945,815   | £13,452,104   | £11,064,018   |
| Closing number of shares           | 12,785,220    | 11,260,196    | 10,108,999    |
| Operating charges*                 | 0.72%         | 0.74%         | 0.75%         |
| Direct transaction costs           | 0.00%         | 0.00%         | 0.00%         |
| Prices                             |               |               |               |
| Highest share price                | 130.66        | 122.23        | 113.96        |
| Lowest share price                 | 114.54        | 107.37        | 103.77        |

| A Accumulation                                | 31.05.25<br>p | 31.05.24<br>p | 31.05.23<br>p |
|---|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Opening net asset value per share             | 125.21        | 112.61        | 113.01        |
| Return before operating charges^              | 8.98          | 13.47         | 0.44          |
| Operating charges                             | -0.94         | -0.87         | -0.84         |
| Return after operating charges^               | 8.04          | 12.60         | -0.40         |
| Distributions                                 | -2.55         | -2.20         | -1.64         |
| Retained distributions on accumulation shares | 2.55          | 2.20          | 1.64          |
| Closing net asset value per share             | 133.25        | 125.21        | 112.61        |
| ^After direct transaction costs of            | 0.00          | 0.00          | 0.00          |
| Performance                                   |               |               |               |
| Return after charges                          | 6.42%         | 11.19%        | -0.35%        |
| Other information                             |               |               |               |
| Closing net asset value                       | £177,428,488  | £163,452,060  | £103,892,829  |
| Closing number of shares                      | 133,153,041   | 130,545,993   | 92,261,024    |
| Operating charges*                            | 0.72%         | 0.74%         | 0.75%         |
| Direct transaction costs                      | 0.00%         | 0.00%         | 0.00%         |
| Prices  |               |               |               |
| Highest share price                           | 138.21        | 127.33        | 116.38        |
| Lowest share price                            | 121.53        | 110.81        | 105.43        |

## **Comparative Tables**

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| B Income                           | 31.05.25<br>p | 31.05.24<br>p | 31.05.23<br>p |
|------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Opening net asset value per share  | 119.47        | 109.45        | 111.46        |
| Return before operating charges^   | 8.54          | 12.97         | 0.40          |
| Operating charges                  | -0.77         | -0.73         | -0.71         |
| Return after operating charges^    | 7.77          | 12.24         | -0.31         |
| Distributions                      | -2.52         | -2.22         | -1.70         |
| Closing net asset value per share  | 124.72        | 119.47        | 109.45        |
| ^After direct transaction costs of | 0.00          | 0.00          | 0.00          |
| Performance                        |               |               |               |
| Return after charges               | 6.50%         | 11.18%        | -0.28%        |
| Other information                  |               |               |               |
| Closing net asset value            | £87,585,416   | £70,437,040   | £61,209,846   |
| Closing number of shares           | 70,223,492    | 58,958,897    | 55,926,173    |
| Operating charges*                 | 0.62%         | 0.64%         | 0.65%         |
| Direct transaction costs           | 0.00%         | 0.00%         | 0.00%         |
| Prices                             |               |               |               |
| Highest share price                | 130.68        | 122.26        | 113.97        |
| Lowest share price                 | 114.55        | 107.39        | 103.77        |

| B Accumulation                                | 31.05.25<br>p | 31.05.24<br>p | 31.05.23<br>p |
|---|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Opening net asset value per share             | 125.60        | 112.87        | 113.19        |
| Return before operating charges^              | 8.98          | 13.49         | 0.41          |
| Operating charges                             | -0.81         | -0.76         | -0.73         |
| Return after operating charges^               | 8.17          | 12.73         | -0.32         |
| Distributions                                 | -2.67         | -2.30         | -1.73         |
| Retained distributions on accumulation shares | 2.67          | 2.30          | 1.73          |
| Closing net asset value per share             | 133.77        | 125.60        | 112.87        |
| ^After direct transaction costs of            | 0.00          | 0.00          | 0.00          |
| Performance                                   |               |               |               |
| Return after charges                          | 6.50%         | 11.28%        | -0.28%        |
| Other information                             |               |               |               |
| Closing net asset value                       | £196,296,445  | £160,181,498  | £104,891,599  |
| Closing number of shares                      | 146,738,517   | 127,536,478   | 92,933,482    |
| Operating charges*                            | 0.62%         | 0.64%         | 0.65%         |
| Direct transaction costs                      | 0.00%         | 0.00%         | 0.00%         |
| Prices  |               |               |               |
| Highest share price                           | 138.72        | 127.72        | 116.63        |
| Lowest share price                            | 122.00        | 111.11        | 105.63        |

<sup>\*</sup>The Investment Manager currently rebates the Sub-fund's operating charges, excluding the Investment Manager's fee and synthetic ongoing charges (0.36% of operating charges) in order for them not to exceed 0.12% of the Net Asset Values of the Sub-fund.

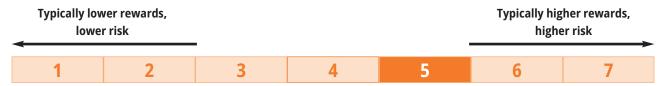
Operating charges include indirect costs incurred in the maintenance and running of the Sub-fund, as disclosed (but not limited to) the detailed expenses within the Statement of Total Return. Included within this figure are the charges of the underlying funds (synthetic ongoing charge). The figures used within this table have been calculated against the average Net Asset Value for the accounting year.

The return after charges is calculated as the closing Net Asset Value per share plus the distributions on income shares minus the opening Net Asset Value per share as a % of the opening Net Asset Value per share. The basis of valuation of investments used to calculate Net Asset Value per share is described in notes to the Financial Statements 1h) and complies with requirements of the current Statement of Recommended Practice for Financial Statements of UK Authorised Funds. This differs from the basis used to calculate daily published single prices, in which listed investments are valued at 12:00 mid prices.

Direct transaction costs include fees, commissions, transfer taxes and duties in the purchasing and selling of investments, which are offset (where applicable) against any dilution levies charged within the accounting year. The figures used within the table have been calculated against the average Net Asset Value for the accounting year.

### **Risk and Reward Profile**

The risk and reward indicator table demonstrates where the Sub-fund ranks in terms of its potential risk and reward. The higher the rank the greater the potential reward but the greater the risk of losing money. It is based on past data, may change over time and may not be a reliable indication of the future risk profile of the Sub-fund. The shaded area in the table below shows the Sub-fund's ranking on the risk and reward indicator.



The Sub-fund is ranked 5 because funds of this type have experienced average rises and falls in value in the past. Please note that even the lowest risk class can lose you money and that extreme market circumstances can mean you suffer severe losses in all cases. The indicator does not take into account the following risks of investing in this Sub-fund:

- Investing in other funds may expose investors to increased risk due to less strict regulations and the use of derivatives. These other funds can themselves invest into assets such as bonds, company shares, cash and currencies. The objectives and risk profiles of these underlying funds may not be fully in line with those of this Sub-fund.
- The Sub-fund may invest in bond funds which will be impacted by changes in interest rates, inflation and any decline in creditworthiness of the underlying bond issuers.
- Investing overseas can bring additional returns and spread risk to different markets. There are risks, however, that changes in currency exchange rates may cause the value of your investment to decrease or increase.
- The Sub-fund may invest in property funds which can be less liquid than other asset classes.
- For further risk information please see the Prospectus.

#### **Risk warning**

An investment in a non-UCITS Retail Scheme Open-Ended Investment Company should be regarded as a medium to long-term investment. Investors should be aware that the price of shares and the revenue from them can fall as well as rise and investors may not receive back the full amount invested. Past performance is not a guide to future performance. Investments denominated in currencies other than the base currency are subject to fluctuation in exchange rates, which can be favourable or unfavourable.

## **Statement of Total Return**

for the year ended 31 May 2025

|   |      |             | 31.05.25    |             | 31.05.24    |
|---|------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
|   | Note | £           | £           | £           | £           |
| Income                                  |      |             |             |             |             |
| Net capital gains                       | 2    |             | 17,149,873  |             | 31,079,623  |
| Revenue                                 | 3    | 11,394,141  |             | 7,984,312   |             |
| Expenses                                | 4    | (1,337,879) |             | (1,025,442) |             |
| Interest payable and similar charges    | 4    | (6,246)     |             | (1)         |             |
| Net revenue before taxation             |      | 10,050,016  |             | 6,958,869   |             |
| Taxation                                | 5    | (1,116,927) |             | (596,399)   |             |
| Net revenue after taxation              |      |             | 8,933,089   |             | 6,362,470   |
| Total return before distributions       |      |             | 26,082,962  |             | 37,442,093  |
| Distributions                           | 6    |             | (8,933,148) |             | (6,362,292) |
| Change in net assets attributable to    |      |             |             |             |             |
| Shareholders from investment activities |      |             | 17,149,814  |             | 31,079,801  |

# **Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Shareholders**

for the year ended 31 May 2025

| Opening net assets attributable to Shareholders  | £             | 31.05.25<br>£<br>407,522,702 | £            | 31.05.24<br>£<br>281,058,292 |
|--|---------------|------------------------------|--------------|------------------------------|
| Amounts receivable on issue of shares  | 165,774,893   |                              | 161,603,981  |                              |
| Less: Amounts payable on cancellation of shares  | (120,394,350) |                              | (71,506,416) |                              |
| Breach Compensation  | 6,063         |                              |              |                              |
|  |               | 45,386,606                   |              | 90,097,565                   |
| Change in net assets attributable to Shareholders from investment activities (see Statement of |               |                              |              |                              |
| Total Return above)  |               | 17,149,814                   |              | 31,079,801                   |
| Retained distributions on accumulation shares  |               | 7,197,042                    |              | 5,287,044                    |
| Closing net assets attributable to Shareholders  |               | 477,256,164                  |              | 407,522,702                  |

The notes on pages 77 to 85 form an integral part of these Financial Statements.

# **Balance Sheet**

as at 31 May 2025

|   | Note | £           | 31.05.25<br>£ | £           | 31.05.24<br>£ |
|---|------|-------------|---------------|-------------|---------------|
| ASSETS                                  |      |             |               |             |               |
| Fixed assets Investments                |      |             | 473,137,124   |             | 399,484,018   |
| Current assets                          |      |             |               |             |               |
| Debtors                                 | 7    | 2,603,257   |               | 2,877,744   |               |
| Cash and bank balances                  | 9    | 5,184,640   |               | 8,510,767   |               |
| Total current assets                    |      |             | 7,787,897     |             | 11,388,511    |
| Total assets                            |      |             | 480,925,021   |             | 410,872,529   |
| LIABILITIES                             |      |             |               |             |               |
| Creditors                               |      |             |               |             |               |
| Distribution payable                    |      | (732,178)   |               | (525,545)   |               |
| Other creditors                         | 8    | (2,936,679) |               | (2,824,282) |               |
| Total creditors                         |      |             | (3,668,857)   |             | (3,349,827)   |
| Total liabilities                       |      |             | (3,668,857)   |             | (3,349,827)   |
| Net assets attributable to Shareholders |      |             | 477,256,164   |             | 407,522,702   |

The notes on pages 77 to 85 form an integral part of these Financial Statements.



## **Notes to the Financial Statements**

for the year ended 31 May 2025

## 1. Accounting Policies

either of them:

Investment Manager's fee

The Sub-fund's Financial Statements have been prepared on the same basis as the Accounting Policies stated on pages 8 and 9.

| 2. Net Capital Gains^  | Realised<br>£ | 31.05.25<br>Unrealised<br>£                                   | Total<br>£   |
|--|---------------|---|--|
| Non-derivative securities  | 7,158,084     | 9,999,568   | 17,157,652   |
| Transaction charges  | (7,779)       | -   | (7,779)  |
| Net capital gains  | 7,150,305     | 9,999,568   | 17,149,873   |
|  |               | 31.05.24  |  |
|  | Realised      | Unrealised  | Total  |
| No. 1 to 10  | £             | £   | £  |
| Non-derivative securities  | 7,843,197     | 23,245,372  | 31,088,569   |
| Currency losses  | -             | (81)  | (81)   |
| Transaction charges  | (8,865)       | _   | (8,865)  |
| Net capital gains  | 7,834,332     | 23,245,291  | 31,079,623   |
| gains/losses presented.  |               |   |  |
| <ul><li>gains/losses presented.</li><li>3. Revenue</li></ul>   |               | 31.05.25<br>£   | 31.05.24<br>£  |
|  |               |   |  |
| 3. Revenue   |               |   |  |
| 3. Revenue  Distributions from Regulated Collective Investment Schemes:  |               | £   | £  |
| 3. Revenue  Distributions from Regulated Collective Investment Schemes:  UK investment income  |               | <b>£</b> 4,465,582  | <b>£</b> 3,976,675   |
| 3. Revenue  Distributions from Regulated Collective Investment Schemes:  UK investment income  Unfranked investment income   |               | <b>£</b> 4,465,582 1,326,880                                  | <b>£</b><br>3,976,675<br>275,935   |
| 3. Revenue  Distributions from Regulated Collective Investment Schemes:  UK investment income Unfranked investment income Interest distributions   |               | <b>£</b> 4,465,582 1,326,880 5,475,999                        | 3,976,675<br>275,935<br>3,570,252  |
| 3. Revenue  Distributions from Regulated Collective Investment Schemes:  UK investment income  Unfranked investment income Interest distributions  Bank interest  Total revenue  |               | 4,465,582<br>1,326,880<br>5,475,999<br>125,680                | 3,976,675<br>275,935<br>3,570,252<br>161,450                               |
| 3. Revenue  Distributions from Regulated Collective Investment Schemes:  UK investment income  Unfranked investment income Interest distributions  Bank interest   |               | 4,465,582<br>1,326,880<br>5,475,999<br>125,680<br>11,394,141  | 3,976,675<br>275,935<br>3,570,252<br>161,450<br><b>7,984,312</b>           |
| 3. Revenue  Distributions from Regulated Collective Investment Schemes:  UK investment income  Unfranked investment income Interest distributions  Bank interest  Total revenue  | and agents of | 4,465,582<br>1,326,880<br>5,475,999<br>125,680<br>11,394,141  | 3,976,675<br>275,935<br>3,570,252<br>161,450<br>7,984,312                  |
| 3. Revenue  Distributions from Regulated Collective Investment Schemes:  UK investment income Unfranked investment income Interest distributions  Bank interest  Total revenue  4. Expenses  Payable to the Authorised Corporate Director ('ACD'), associates of the ACD                 | and agents of | 4,465,582<br>1,326,880<br>5,475,999<br>125,680<br>11,394,141  | 3,976,675<br>275,935<br>3,570,252<br>161,450<br>7,984,312                  |
| 3. Revenue  Distributions from Regulated Collective Investment Schemes:  UK investment income Unfranked investment income Interest distributions  Bank interest  Total revenue  4. Expenses  Payable to the Authorised Corporate Director ('ACD'), associates of the ACD either of them: | and agents of | £ 4,465,582 1,326,880 5,475,999 125,680 11,394,141 31.05.25 £ | 3,976,675<br>275,935<br>3,570,252<br>161,450<br>7,984,312<br>31.05.24<br>£ |

Payable to the Investment Manager, associates of the Investment Manager and agents of

865,863

659,726

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| 4. Expenses (continued)   | 31.05.25<br>£ | 31.05.24<br>£ |
|---|---------------|---------------|
| Payable to the Depositary, associates of the Depositary and agents of either of them: |               |               |
| Depositary's fee (including VAT)  | 74,864        | 61,335        |
| Safe custody and other bank charges   | 1,531         | 1,817         |
|   | 76,395        | 63,152        |
| Auditor's remuneration*:  |               |               |
| Audit fee^  | 10,664        | 11,675        |
| Tax compliance services**   | -             | 2,534         |
|   | 10,664        | 14,209        |
| Other expenses:   |               |               |
| Legal fee   | 1,806         | 3,977         |
| Listing fee   | 1,454         | 1,120         |
| Printing costs  | 4,776         | 3,748         |
| Tax compliance services**   | 2,347         |               |
|   | 10,383        | 8,845         |
| Rebates:  |               |               |
| Operating charge rebates^^  | _             | (7,253)       |
| Manager fee rebates from underlying holdings  | (9,331)       | (28,706)      |
|   | (9,331)       | (35,959)      |
| Expenses  | 1,337,879     | 1,025,442     |
| Interest payable and similar charges  | 6,246         | 1             |
| Total   | 1,344,125     | 1,025,443     |

<sup>\*</sup>Included within the auditor's remuneration is Irrecoverable VAT of £1,777 (2024: £2,368).

<sup>^^</sup>The Investment Manager currently rebates the Sub-fund's operating charges, excluding the Investment Manager's fee and synthetic ongoing charge.

| 5. Taxation                         | 31.05.25<br>£ | 31.05.24<br>£ |
|-------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| (a) Analysis of charge in the year: |               |               |
| Corporation tax at 20%              | 1,116,927     | 596,399       |
| Income tax deducted at source       | 265,376       | 55,187        |
| Income tax recoverable              | (265,376)     | (55,187)      |
| Total tax charge (note 5b)          | 1,116,927     | 596,399       |

<sup>\*\*</sup>Tax compliance provider changed from Grant Thornton UK LLP to Apex Group Company Services UK Limited.

<sup>^</sup>Included within the audit fee is over accrual of £945 (2024: nil).

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| 5. Taxation (continued)                             | 31.05.25<br>£ | 31.05.24<br>£ |
|---|---------------|---------------|
| (b) Factors affecting taxation charge for the year: |               |               |
| Net revenue before taxation                         | 10,050,016    | 6,958,869     |
| Corporation tax at 20%                              | 2,010,003     | 1,391,774     |
| Effects of:   |               |               |
| UK dividends  | (893,116)     | (795,335)     |
| Expenses not deductible for tax purposes            | 40            | (40)          |
| Income tax deducted at source                       | 265,376       | 55,187        |
| UK income tax recoverable                           | (265,376)     | (55,187)      |
| Total tax charge (note 5a)                          | 1,116,927     | 596,399       |

## (c) Deferred tax

There was no liability to deferred tax at the balance sheet date (2024: nil).

### 6. Distributions

The distributions take account of revenue received on the issue of shares and revenue deducted on the cancellation of shares, and comprise:

|   |          | 31.05.25  | 31.05.24  |
|---|----------|-----------|-----------|
|   |          | £         | £         |
| First interim distribution                                      | 31.08.24 | 1,357,150 | 964,446   |
| Second interim distribution                                     | 30.11.24 | 2,922,947 | 2,045,120 |
| Third interim distribution                                      | 28.02.25 | 1,563,927 | 1,254,443 |
| Final distribution  | 31.05.25 | 3,332,862 | 2,518,564 |
|   |          | 9,176,886 | 6,782,573 |
| Revenue deducted on cancellation of shares                      |          | 609,506   | 343,496   |
| Revenue received on issue of shares                             |          | (853,244) | (763,777) |
| Distributions   |          | 8,933,148 | 6,362,292 |
| Reconciliation of net revenue after taxation to net distributio | ns:      |           |           |
| Net revenue after taxation per Statement of Total Return        |          | 8,933,089 | 6,362,470 |
| Expenses allocated to capital                                   |          | 20        | (197)     |
| Relief on expenses allocated to capital                         |          | 40        | _         |
| Undistributed revenue brought forward                           |          | 162       | 181       |
| Undistributed revenue carried forward                           |          | (163)     | (162)     |
| Distributions   |          | 8,933,148 | 6,362,292 |

## **Notes to the Financial Statements**

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| 7. Debtors  | 31.05.25<br>£     | 31.05.24<br>£            |
|---|-------------------|--------------------------|
| Amounts receivable on issues  | 1,971,065         | 2,569,011                |
| Accrued income:   |                   |                          |
| Bank interest receivable Dividends receivable Operating charge rebates  | -<br>366,676<br>- | 19,980<br>233,196<br>229 |
| UK income tax recoverable   | 265,376           | 55,187                   |
| Prepaid expenses:   |                   |                          |
| Legal fee   | 140               | 141                      |
| Total debtors   | 2,603,257         | 2,877,744                |
| 8. Other Creditors  | 31.05.25<br>£     | 31.05.24<br>£            |
| Amounts payable on cancellations  | 1,029,547         | 1,603,456                |
| Purchases awaiting settlement   | 1,100,000         | 500,000                  |
| Accrued expenses:   |                   |                          |
| Amounts payable to the Authorised Corporate Director ('ACD'), associates of the ACD and agents of either of them: |                   |                          |
| ACD's fee<br>Registration fees  | 24,236<br>9,220   | 21,523<br>9,152          |
|   | 33,456            | 30,675                   |
| Amounts payable to the Investment Manager, associates of the Investment Manager and agents of either of them:     |                   |                          |
| Investment Manager's fee  | 76,363            | 66,926                   |
| Amounts payable to the Depositary, associates of the Depositary and agents of either of them:                     |                   |                          |
| Depositary's fee (including VAT) Safe custody and other bank charges  | 12,910<br>259     | 11,452<br>306            |
|   | 13,169            | 11,758                   |
| Auditor's remuneration*:  |                   |                          |
| Audit fee^  | 10,012            | 10,870                   |
| Tax compliance services**   |                   | 2,348                    |
|   | 10,012            | 13,218                   |
| Other accrued expenses:   |                   |                          |
| Printing costs Tax compliance services**  | 2,228<br>2,347    | 1,850<br>-               |
|   | 4,575             | 1,850                    |
| Taxation payable:   |                   |                          |
| Corporation tax payable   | 669,557           | 596,399                  |
| Total other creditors   | 2,936,679         | 2,824,282                |

<sup>\*</sup>Included within the auditor's remuneration is Irrecoverable VAT of £1,669 (2024: £2,203).

<sup>\*\*</sup>Tax compliance provider changed from Grant Thornton UK LLP to Apex Group Company Services UK Limited.

<sup>^</sup>Included within the audit fee is over accrual of £945 (2024: nil).

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| 9. Cash and Bank Balances | 31.05.25<br>£ | 31.05.24<br>£ |
|---------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Cash and bank balances    | 5,184,640     | 8,510,767     |
| Cash and bank balances    | 5,184,640     | 8,510,767     |

#### **10. Related Party Transactions**

Apex Fundrock Limited ('AFL') is regarded as a related party by virtue of having the ability to act in respect of the operations of the Subfund in its capacity as the Authorised Corporate Director ('ACD').

AFL also acts as the ACD of MI Select Managers Alternatives - Institutional Income, MI Select Managers Bond - Institutional Income, MI Select Managers North American Equity - Institutional Income, MI Select Managers UK Equity - Institutional Income, and MI Select Managers UK Equity Income - Institutional Income.

ACD and other fees payable to AFL are disclosed in note 4 and amounts due at the year end are shown in note 8.

Fees payable to Brewin Dolphin Limited (the 'Investment Manager') are disclosed in note 4 and amounts due at the year end are shown in note 8.

Amounts receivable on issue and payable on cancellation of shares and dilution levy are disclosed in the Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Shareholders and in note 6, amounts due at the year end are shown in notes 7 and 8.

Amounts receivable from the Investment Manager for operating charge rebates accrued against expenses are disclosed in note 4, and amounts due at the year end are shown in note 7.

At the year end the Sub-fund did not hold shares in any of the other Sub-funds within the MI Brewin Dolphin Voyager Funds.

At the year end the Sub-fund held the following Collective Investment Schemes, for which AFL act as the ACD.

|   | Held at     | Change in   | Held at     | % Change |
|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|----------|
| Income Shares   | 31.05.25    | year        | 31.05.24    | in year  |
| MI Select Managers Alternatives - Institutional Income          | 35,280,065  | 4,644,530   | 30,635,535  | 15.16%   |
| MI Select Managers Bond - Institutional Income                  | 124,235,898 | 14,887,554  | 109,348,344 | 13.61%   |
| MI Select Managers North American Equity - Institutional Income | 60,936,019  | 6,080,108   | 54,855,911  | 11.08%   |
| MI Select Managers UK Equity - Institutional Income             | 29,113,958  | (1,526,243) | 30,640,201  | (4.98%)  |
| MI Select Managers UK Equity Income - Institutional Income      | 30,242,889  | 985,351     | 29,257,538  | 3.37%    |

No rebate has been accrued for in this cross investment.

## **11. Contingent Liabilities and Outstanding Commitments**

There were no contingent liabilities or outstanding commitments at the balance sheet date (2024: none).

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#### 12. Risk Management Policies and Disclosures

The main risks arising from financial instruments and the ACD's policies for managing these risks are disclosed on pages 10 and 11.

Numerical disclosures relating to the Sub-fund are as follows:

#### Market price risk

At the balance sheet date, if the price of the investments held by the Sub-fund increased or decreased by 10%, with all other variables held constant, the net assets attributable to Shareholders would increase or decrease by approximately £47,313,712 (2024: £39,948,402).

#### **Currency risk**

The table below details the currency risk profile at the balance sheet date.

| Currency             | 31.05.25    | 31.05.24    |
|----------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                      | Total       | Total       |
|                      | £           | £           |
| Euro                 | 3,848,556   | 3,449,426   |
| Japanese yen         | 13,782,128  | 11,789,775  |
| Pound sterling       | 309,002,867 | 262,677,405 |
| United States dollar | 150,622,613 | 129,606,096 |
|                      | 477,256,164 | 407,522,702 |

At the balance sheet date, if the value of sterling increased or decreased by 10%, with all other variables held constant, then the net assets attributable to Shareholders would increase or decrease by approximately £16,825,330 (2024: £14,484,530).

#### Interest rate risk

The table below details the interest rate risk profile at the balance sheet date:

#### 31.05.25

| Currency             | Floating<br>rate<br>financial<br>assets^<br>£ | Assets<br>on which<br>interest<br>distributions<br>are paid<br>£ | Assets<br>on which<br>interest is<br>not paid^^<br>£      | Total<br>£  |
|----------------------|---|--|---|-------------|
| Euro                 | _   | _  | 3,848,556   | 3,848,556   |
| Japanese yen         | -   | -  | 13,782,128  | 13,782,128  |
| Pound sterling       | 5,184,640                                     | 133,526,619  | 173,960,465   | 312,671,724 |
| United States dollar | -   | -  | 150,622,613   | 150,622,613 |
|                      | 5,184,640                                     | 133,526,619  | 342,213,762   | 480,925,021 |
| Currency             |   |  | Financial<br>liabilities<br>not carrying<br>interest<br>£ | Total<br>£  |
| Pound sterling       |   |  | 3,668,857   | 3,668,857   |
|                      |   |  | 3,668,857   | 3,668,857   |

<sup>^</sup>Floating rate interest-bearing assets at the balance sheet date consist of bank balances, on which interest is calculated at a variable rate by reference to sterling bank deposit rates or the international equivalent.

<sup>^^</sup>Comprises of Equity Shares which receive dividend revenue and non interest bearing balance sheet debtors.

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#### 12. Risk Management Policies and Disclosures (continued)

#### Interest rate risk (continued)

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| Currency             | Floating<br>rate<br>financial<br>assets^<br>£ | Assets<br>on which<br>interest<br>distributions<br>are paid<br>£ | Assets<br>on which<br>interest is<br>not paid^^<br>£ | Total<br>£  |
|----------------------|---|--|--|-------------|
| Euro                 | _   | _  | 3,449,426  | 3,449,426   |
| Japanese yen         | _   | _  | 11,789,775   | 11,789,775  |
| Pound sterling       | 8,510,767                                     | 110,289,820  | 147,226,645  | 266,027,232 |
| United States dollar | -   | -  | 129,606,096  | 129,606,096 |
|                      | 8,510,767                                     | 110,289,820  | 292,071,942  | 410,872,529 |
|                      |   |  | Financial  |             |

|                | 3,349,827                                    | 3,349,827  |
|----------------|--|------------|
| Pound sterling | 3,349,827                                    | 3,349,827  |
| Currency       | liabilities<br>not carrying<br>interest<br>£ | Total<br>£ |
|                | Financial                                    |            |

<sup>^</sup>Floating rate interest-bearing assets at the balance sheet date consist of bank balances, on which interest is calculated at a variable rate by reference to sterling bank deposit rates or the international equivalent.

At the balance sheet date, if interest rates increased or decreased by 10%, with all other variables held constant, the net assets attributable to Shareholders would increase or decrease by approximately £518,464 (2024: £851,077) in respect of floating rate assets.

#### Leverage

The Sub-fund did not employ any significant leverage in the current and prior year, other than that available to the Sub-fund as a result of its ability to borrow up to 10% of its value on a permanent basis.

<sup>^^</sup>Comprises of Equity Shares which receive dividend revenue and non interest bearing balance sheet debtors.

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#### **13. Portfolio Transaction Costs**

#### 31.05.25

| 3.133.23                                  |                   |   |             |   |       | Purchases             |
|---|-------------------|---|-------------|---|-------|-----------------------|
| Analysis<br>of purchases                  | Total<br>purchase |   | Commissions |   | Taxes | before<br>transaction |
| or purchases                              | cost              |   | paid        |   | Idxes | cost                  |
|   | £                 | £ | %           | £ | %     | £                     |
| Funds                                     | 189,631,002       | - | 0.00        | 2 | 0.00  | 189,631,000           |
| Total purchases after commissions and tax | 189,631,002       |   |             |   |       |                       |
| Analysis                                  | Not               |   |             |   |       | Sales<br>before       |
| Analysis<br>of sales                      | Net<br>sale       |   | Commissions |   | Taxes | transaction           |
| or sales                                  | proceeds          |   | paid        |   | Tuxes | cost                  |
|   | £                 | £ | . %         | £ | %     | £                     |
| Funds                                     | 132,947,386       | - | 0.00        | 1 | 0.00  | 132,947,387           |
| Corporate actions                         | 188,161           | - | 0.00        | - | 0.00  | 188,161               |
| Total sales after commissions and tax     | 133,135,547       |   |             |   |       |                       |
| Commission as a % of average net assets   | 0.00%             |   |             |   |       |                       |
| Taxes as a % of the average net assets    | 0.00%             |   |             |   |       |                       |
| 31.05.24                                  |                   |   |             |   |       |                       |
| Analysis                                  | Total             |   |             |   |       | Purchases<br>before   |
| of purchases                              | purchase          |   | Commissions |   | Taxes | transaction           |
|   | cost              |   | paid        |   |       | cost                  |
|   | £                 | £ | %           | £ | %     | £                     |
| Funds                                     | 169,116,553       | - | 0.00        | 3 | 0.00  | 169,116,550           |
| Total purchases after commissions and tax | 169,116,553       |   |             |   |       |                       |
| Analysis                                  | Not               |   |             |   |       | Sales<br>before       |
| Analysis<br>of sales                      | Net<br>sale       |   | Commissions |   | Taxes | transaction           |
| or suics                                  | proceeds          |   | paid        |   | Tuxes | cost                  |
|   | £                 | £ | %           | £ | %     | £                     |
| Funds                                     | 78,626,802        | - | 0.00        | 1 | 0.00  | 78,626,803            |
| Total sales after commissions and tax     | 78,626,802        |   |             |   |       |                       |
|   |                   |   |             |   |       |                       |

Commissions and taxes as a % of the average net assets form part of the direct transaction costs stated within the comparative tables on pages 72 to 73. The direct transaction costs within the comparative tables may differ due to the effect of dilution levies charged (where applicable).

0.00% 0.00%

## 14. Portfolio Dealing Spread

Commission as a % of average net assets

Taxes as a % of the average net assets

The average portfolio dealing spread at 31 May 2025 is 0.16% (2024: 0.13%).

#### **15. Post Balance Sheet Events**

There were no notifiable events post the year end balance sheet date.

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#### **16. Fair Value Disclosure**

| Valuation technique  | 3.          | 31.05.24         |             |                  |
|----------------------|-------------|------------------|-------------|------------------|
| ·                    | Assets<br>£ | Liabilities<br>£ | Assets<br>£ | Liabilities<br>£ |
| Level 1 <sup>^</sup> | _           | _                | _           | _                |
| Level 2^^            | 473,137,124 | _                | 399,484,018 | _                |
| Level 3^^^           | _           | -                | _           | _                |
|                      | 473,137,124 | -                | 399,484,018 | -                |

<sup>^</sup>Level 1: Unadjusted quoted price in an active market for an identical instrument.

#### 17. Shares in Issue

|                          | A<br>Income<br>GBP | A<br>Accumulation<br>GBP | B<br>Income<br>GBP | B<br>Accumulation<br>GBP |
|--------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|
| Opening number of shares | 11,260,196         | 130,545,993              | 58,958,897         | 127,536,478              |
| Shares issued            | 3,673,248          | 38,737,529               | 21,678,556         | 64,187,249               |
| Shares cancelled         | (2,350,075)        | (36,171,464)             | (10,343,606)       | (44,820,425)             |
| Shares converted         | 201,851            | 40,983                   | (70,355)           | (164,785)                |
| Closing number of shares | 12,785,220         | 133,153,041              | 70,223,492         | 146,738,517              |

<sup>^^</sup>Level 2: Valuation techniques using observable inputs other than quoted prices within level 1.

<sup>^^^</sup>Level 3: Valuation techniques using unobservable inputs.

## **Distribution Tables**

for the year ended 31 May 2025

### **Income Share Distributions**

| Share class | Distribution   | Shares  | Revenue | Equalisation | Distribution paid/payable 2025 | Distribution paid 2024 |
|-------------|----------------|---------|---------|--------------|--------------------------------|------------------------|
|             |                |         | р       | р            | р                              | р                      |
| A           | First interim  | Group 1 | 0.3750  | _            | 0.3750                         | 0.3380                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | _       | 0.3750       | 0.3750                         | 0.3380                 |
|             | Second interim | Group 1 | 0.7872  | _            | 0.7872                         | 0.6776                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | _       | 0.7872       | 0.7872                         | 0.6776                 |
|             | Third interim  | Group 1 | 0.3967  | _            | 0.3967                         | 0.3805                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | _       | 0.3967       | 0.3967                         | 0.3805                 |
|             | Final          | Group 1 | 0.8609  | _            | 0.8609                         | 0.7282                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | 0.0358  | 0.8251       | 0.8609                         | 0.7282                 |
| В           | First interim  | Group 1 | 0.3993  | _            | 0.3993                         | 0.3599                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | _       | 0.3993       | 0.3993                         | 0.3599                 |
|             | Second interim | Group 1 | 0.8122  | -            | 0.8122                         | 0.6995                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | _       | 0.8122       | 0.8122                         | 0.6995                 |
|             | Third interim  | Group 1 | 0.4220  | _            | 0.4220                         | 0.4033                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | _       | 0.4220       | 0.4220                         | 0.4033                 |
|             | Final          | Group 1 | 0.8859  | _            | 0.8859                         | 0.7523                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | 0.2055  | 0.6804       | 0.8859                         | 0.7523                 |

#### **Accumulation Share Distributions**

| Share class | Distribution   | Shares  | Revenue | Equalisation | Amount reinvested 2025 | Amount reinvested 2024 |
|-------------|----------------|---------|---------|--------------|------------------------|------------------------|
|             |                |         | р       | р            | р                      | р                      |
| Α           | First interim  | Group 1 | 0.3924  | _            | 0.3924                 | 0.3445                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | _       | 0.3924       | 0.3924                 | 0.3445                 |
|             | Second interim | Group 1 | 0.8279  | _            | 0.8279                 | 0.6994                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | _       | 0.8279       | 0.8279                 | 0.6994                 |
|             | Third interim  | Group 1 | 0.4197  | _            | 0.4197                 | 0.3952                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | _       | 0.4197       | 0.4197                 | 0.3952                 |
|             | Final          | Group 1 | 0.9135  | _            | 0.9135                 | 0.7588                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | 0.1773  | 0.7362       | 0.9135                 | 0.7588                 |
| В           | First interim  | Group 1 | 0.4199  | _            | 0.4199                 | 0.3707                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | _       | 0.4199       | 0.4199                 | 0.3707                 |
|             | Second interim | Group 1 | 0.8567  | -            | 0.8567                 | 0.7239                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | _       | 0.8567       | 0.8567                 | 0.7239                 |
|             | Third interim  | Group 1 | 0.4479  | _            | 0.4479                 | 0.4198                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | _       | 0.4479       | 0.4479                 | 0.4198                 |
|             | Final          | Group 1 | 0.9434  | _            | 0.9434                 | 0.7860                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | 0.1810  | 0.7624       | 0.9434                 | 0.7860                 |

First interim period: 01.06.24 - 31.08.24
Second interim period: 01.09.24 - 30.11.24
Third interim period: 01.12.24 - 28.02.25
Final period: 01.03.25 - 31.05.25

Group 1: Shares purchased prior to a distribution period Group 2: Shares purchased during a distribution period

## **Distribution Tables**

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#### **Equalisation**

Equalisation applies only to shares purchased during the distribution period (Group 2 shares). It represents accrued revenue included in the purchase price of the shares. After averaging, it is returned with the distribution as a capital repayment. It is not liable to income tax but must be deducted from the cost of the shares for capital gains tax purposes.

## **Investment Objective**

The Sub-fund aims to provide capital growth with some level of income through an exposure to equities of up to 90%.

## **Investment Policy**

At least 80%, and potentially 100%, of the Sub-fund's investments will be indirect through other funds. The other funds may be actively managed or may be passively managed (that is funds which track or are closely linked to the performance of an index), although it is not expected that more than 20% will be invested in passive funds at any one time. It is the intention to invest at least 35% of the allocation into funds managed by the ACD or sponsored by Brewin Dolphin Limited. Through its investments in these funds, the Subfund will have a very high exposure to equities (shares in companies), no more than 90% either directly or through equity funds, whilst the remainder will be split between funds which seek exposure to cash, fixed income securities (bonds) and alternatives (such as real estate, commodities and infrastructure).

The Sub-fund may also invest directly (at the Investment Managers' discretion) in equities and equity like instruments (which may include shares in investment trusts and REITs), fixed income securities, money market instruments, depositary receipts and cash.

The fixed income securities and money market instruments to which the Sub-fund may seek exposure may be issued by companies, governments, government agencies and supranationals (such as the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development). They can be investment grade (meet a certain level of credit rating by a credit rating agency) or they may be unrated (and hence more likely to fail than investment grade bonds).

The primary focus of our research team is to identify a 'buy list' of thoroughly researched investments from which we select when building the funds. Investment research conducted by the team covers all major asset classes spanning all regions of the world as well as alternative investments. The investment companies from which we select funds is based on an initial quality screen, which considers factors such as the financial strength, organisational integrity and stability of the investment firm, in addition to manager access and the provision of full portfolio transparency on a timely basis.

Our investment approach is to utilise the expertise of the best Investment Managers at the lowest cost to manage the asset. To do this, we invest in other funds to gain access to the specified style or strategy.

The Sub-fund may invest in derivatives for the purposes of hedging with the aim of reducing the risk profile of the Sub-fund in accordance with the principles of Efficient Portfolio Management.

The Sub-fund is actively managed. The mix of investment types will be managed and regularly monitored by our investment team.

## **Investment Manager's Report**

for the year ended 31 May 2025

#### Introduction

This report covers the MI Brewin Dolphin Voyager Funds and their underlying funds for the period from 31 May 2024 to 31 May 2025.

### **Market Review**

The twelve-month period to the end of May 2025 saw equity markets edge higher despite the drawdown that followed Liberation Day. The 90-day pause on the reciprocal tariffs helped stem the simultaneous selloff of US stocks, treasuries and the US dollar.

Part of the higher moves in US treasury yields reflected concerns on the inflationary impact of tariffs and the elevated federal deficit. More fundamentally, investors are starting to question US fiscal credibility. The actions of the new US administration led investors to move assets away from the US to other areas of the world.

The European Central Bank, Bank of England and US Federal Reserve started cutting rates during the period after rates were held constant for a prolonged duration.

Whilst central banks in the major Western economies have been battling with inflation, China struggled with several quarters of deflation due to a weak domestic economy. A promised Chinese economic stimulus package in September provided a catalyst for stock outperformance as the measures aim to inject some vigour into the economy. The strong performance continued with the emergence of the DeepSeek Al model.

Ongoing geopolitical tensions have contributed to the continued strength of the gold price.

## **Investment Manager's Report**

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### **Performance Activity and Attribution**

The MI Brewin Dolphin Voyager Max 90% Equity Fund gave a total return of 6.3%\* (B Accumulation, quoted valuation), over the period to the end of May 2025, outperforming the peer group index (IA Flexible Investment) which returned 4.6%.

The bias to UK equities relative to the world index was a positive contributor to performance against the backdrop of the domestic market gaining high single digits over the period. The UK position was reduced by a small amount in favour of overseas equities to provide a better balance of risk and reward.

The Asian equities allocation was increased following the announcement of the stimulus measure from China and subsequently benefited from the AI innovation that materialised later on. The European equity allocation was increased following positive fiscal news from the EU Commission and Germany on defence spending.

Sovereign bonds were increased in favour of credit as the former represents a better hedge against an unexpected economic slowdown and should be a better source of risk adjusted returns. These changes were reflected in the MI Select Managers Bond Fund.

The MI Select Managers Alternatives Fund comprises holdings in property, gold and absolute return strategies. Notably, the position in gold contributed positively, driven by central bank demand and the role of gold as a safe-haven asset.

#### Outlook

The yield spread between corporate and government bonds remains tight and would likely widen in the event that economic growth deteriorates. Recessions are often unpredictable, with 5 of the 8 recessions the US has had since 1970 caused by shocks. Government bonds would very likely outperform corporate bonds in the event that a negative shock to growth materializes. With spreads tight, the bond positioning acts as a partial hedge against this recession risk and complements our view on equities.

The global economy is likely to continue expanding, which is consistent with corporate profits rising. There is the potential for AI themes to drive both strong economy wide productivity and continued solid profit gains among the AI pick and shovel plays.

There is an argument to be only modestly positive on equities as there is limited room for cyclical economic growth. Most economies are close to full employment which does not give much scope for labour force participation to rise. Meanwhile, US president Trump's immigration clampdown is weighing on labour force growth. The upshot is that there's limited room for job growth, meaning there's limited room for aggregate demand to expand. Further, US equity valuation multiples, concentration risk and growth expectations among the AI plays are all elevated. Finally, the large increase in US tariffs should weigh on global growth and result in higher inflation than would otherwise be the case.

There are still reasons to be mildly positive on gold despite the strong rally. Central banks are expected to continue diversifying their reserve holdings out of the dollar and other developed world currencies. Gold is likely to act as a good hedge against several risks including the impact of tariffs. While most economists believe that the large increase in US tariffs will weigh on growth and result in higher inflation than would otherwise be the case, the magnitude is highly uncertain. If the impact ends up being stronger than the consensus expects, gold should continue to do well.

<sup>\*</sup>Based on published NAV provided by Apex Fundrock Limited.

## **Portfolio Statement**

as at 31 May 2025

|                         |  | Market<br>value          | % of total net assets |
|-------------------------|--|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| Holding                 | Security   | £                        | 2025                  |
|                         | COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES* 99.03% (98.31%)   |                          |                       |
| 22,021,927              | Alternatives 6.53% (6.03%) MI Select Managers Alternatives - Institutional Income^   | 24,177,873               | 6.53                  |
| 1,697,255               | Asia ex-Japan Equities 5.70% (6.56%)<br>Invesco Asian (UK) - Z Income  | 8,953,870                | 2.42                  |
| 244,364<br>693,517      | Morgan Stanley Asia Opportunity - J Accumulation<br>Stewart Investors Asia Pacific Leaders Sustainability - B Accumulation GBP | 5,212,278<br>6,936,560   | 1.41<br>1.87          |
|                         |  | 21,102,708               | 5.70                  |
| 10,965,820              | Emerging Market Equities 3.02% (1.32%) JPM Emerging Markets - C2 Income  | 11,174,170               | 3.02                  |
|                         | European Equities 7.26% (6.48%)  |                          |                       |
| 4,430,776               | BlackRock European Dynamic - FD Income   | 13,617,103               | 3.68                  |
| 1,009,575<br>4,782,179  | HSBC European Index - C Income<br>Schroder European Recovery - L Income GBP  | 9,022,369<br>4,257,096   | 2.43<br>1.15          |
| 4,702,173               | Schroder European Recovery - Emicome dur   | 26,896,568               | 7.26                  |
|                         | Global Equities 2.08% (1.93%)  |                          | 7.20                  |
| 1,227,965               | Fundsmith Equity - I Income  | 7,686,938                | 2.08                  |
|                         | Global Fixed Interest 14.40% (13.55%)  |                          |                       |
| 61,245                  | BlackRock ICS Sterling Liquidity - Premier Accumulation GBP  | 7,328,195                | 1.98                  |
| 49,834,774              | MI Select Managers Bond - Institutional Income^  | 45,967,596               | 12.42                 |
|                         |  | 53,295,791               | 14.40                 |
| 9,318,418               | Japan Equities 3.70% (3.75%) M&G Japan Fund Sterling - PP Income   | 13,704,597               | 3.70                  |
| 40.025.004              | UK Equities 19.02% (21.34%)  | (2, 202, 740             | 17.10                 |
| 49,825,801<br>5,740,638 | MI Select Managers UK Equity - Institutional Income^ MI Select Managers UK Equity Income - Institutional Income^               | 63,283,749<br>7,111,502  | 17.10<br>1.92         |
|                         |  | 70,395,251               | 19.02                 |
|                         | US Equities 37.32% (37.35%)  |                          |                       |
| 2,352,597               | BNY Mellon US Equity Income - F Income   | 4,066,228                | 1.10                  |
| 430,034                 | Brown Advisory US Sustainable Growth - A Income GBP  | 4,407,851                | 1.19                  |
| 1,451,593               | Fidelity Index US - P Income   | 5,554,956                | 1.50                  |
| 53,711,978              | MI Select Managers North American Equity - Institutional Income^   | 124,139,124              | 33.53                 |
|                         |  | 138,168,159              | 37.32                 |
|                         | Investment assets<br>Net other assets  | 366,602,055<br>3,576,435 | 99.03<br>0.97         |
|                         | Net assets   | 370,178,490              | 100.00                |

All investments are ordinary shares or stock units on a regulated securities market unless otherwise stated. The percentages in brackets show the equivalent % holdings as at 31.05.24.

<sup>\*</sup>Collective Investment Schemes permitted under COLL, not listed on any exchange.

<sup>^</sup>Represents investment into a related party of the Manager (note 10). Apex Fundrock Limited also acts as ACD for this fund.

# **Comparative Tables**

## Change in net assets per share

| A Income                           | 31.05.25<br>p | 31.05.24<br>p | 31.05.23<br>p |
|------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Opening net asset value per share  | 126.65        | 113.98        | 115.23        |
| Return before operating charges^   | 9.07          | 15.43         | 1.08          |
| Operating charges                  | -0.99         | -0.91         | -0.88         |
| Return after operating charges^    | 8.08          | 14.52         | 0.20          |
| Distributions                      | -1.98         | -1.85         | -1.45         |
| Closing net asset value per share  | 132.75        | 126.65        | 113.98        |
| ^After direct transaction costs of | 0.00          | 0.00          | 0.00          |
| Performance                        |               |               |               |
| Return after charges               | 6.38%         | 12.74%        | 0.17%         |
| Other information                  |               |               |               |
| Closing net asset value            | £7,417,793    | £5,547,768    | £4,609,823    |
| Closing number of shares           | 5,587,884     | 4,380,565     | 4,044,501     |
| Operating charges*                 | 0.75%         | 0.76%         | 0.77%         |
| Direct transaction costs           | 0.00%         | 0.00%         | 0.00%         |
| Prices                             |               |               |               |
| Highest share price                | 140.06        | 129.63        | 119.42        |
| Lowest share price                 | 119.90        | 112.12        | 107.71        |

| A Accumulation                                | 31.05.25<br>p | 31.05.24<br>p | 31.05.23<br>p |
|---|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Opening net asset value per share             | 131.61        | 116.65        | 116.45        |
| Return before operating charges^              | 9.42          | 15.89         | 1.09          |
| Operating charges                             | -1.03         | -0.93         | -0.89         |
| Return after operating charges^               | 8.39          | 14.96         | 0.20          |
| Distributions                                 | -2.07         | -1.90         | -1.46         |
| Retained distributions on accumulation shares | 2.07          | 1.90          | 1.46          |
| Closing net asset value per share             | 140.00        | 131.61        | 116.65        |
| ^After direct transaction costs of            | 0.00          | 0.00          | 0.00          |
| Performance                                   |               |               |               |
| Return after charges                          | 6.37%         | 12.82%        | 0.17%         |
| Other information                             |               |               |               |
| Closing net asset value                       | £129,543,558  | £121,987,165  | £90,919,859   |
| Closing number of shares                      | 92,532,886    | 92,690,365    | 77,942,346    |
| Operating charges*                            | 0.75%         | 0.76%         | 0.77%         |
| Direct transaction costs                      | 0.00%         | 0.00%         | 0.00%         |
| Prices  |               |               |               |
| Highest share price                           | 146.63        | 133.94        | 121.48        |
| Lowest share price                            | 125.71        | 114.91        | 108.85        |

## **Comparative Tables**

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| B Income                           | 31.05.25<br>p | 31.05.24<br>p | 31.05.23<br>p |
|------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Opening net asset value per share  | 126.65        | 113.98        | 115.24        |
| Return before operating charges^   | 9.04          | 15.40         | 1.06          |
| Operating charges                  | -0.85         | -0.79         | -0.76         |
| Return after operating charges^    | 8.19          | 14.61         | 0.30          |
| Distributions                      | -2.09         | -1.94         | -1.56         |
| Closing net asset value per share  | 132.75        | 126.65        | 113.98        |
| ^After direct transaction costs of | 0.00          | 0.00          | 0.00          |
| Performance                        |               |               |               |
| Return after charges               | 6.46%         | 12.82%        | 0.26%         |
| Other information                  |               |               |               |
| Closing net asset value            | £71,908,982   | £57,396,028   | £46,641,244   |
| Closing number of shares           | 54,166,770    | 45,317,792    | 40,919,681    |
| Operating charges*                 | 0.65%         | 0.66%         | 0.67%         |
| Direct transaction costs           | 0.00%         | 0.00%         | 0.00%         |
| Prices                             |               |               |               |
| Highest share price                | 140.09        | 129.66        | 119.45        |
| Lowest share price                 | 119.91        | 112.13        | 107.72        |

| B Accumulation                                | 31.05.25<br>p | 31.05.24<br>p | 31.05.23<br>p |
|---|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Opening net asset value per share             | 132.04        | 116.94        | 116.62        |
| Return before operating charges^              | 9.42          | 15.91         | 1.10          |
| Operating charges                             | -0.90         | -0.81         | -0.78         |
| Return after operating charges^               | 8.52          | 15.10         | 0.32          |
| Distributions                                 | -2.18         | -2.01         | -1.58         |
| Retained distributions on accumulation shares | 2.18          | 2.01          | 1.58          |
| Closing net asset value per share             | 140.56        | 132.04        | 116.94        |
| ^After direct transaction costs of            | 0.00          | 0.00          | 0.00          |
| Performance                                   |               |               |               |
| Return after charges                          | 6.45%         | 12.91%        | 0.27%         |
| Other information                             |               |               |               |
| Closing net asset value                       | £161,308,157  | £106,684,805  | £81,486,250   |
| Closing number of shares                      | 114,758,454   | 80,798,216    | 69,681,741    |
| Operating charges*                            | 0.65%         | 0.66%         | 0.67%         |
| Direct transaction costs                      | 0.00%         | 0.00%         | 0.00%         |
| Prices  |               |               |               |
| Highest share price                           | 147.19        | 134.37        | 121.75        |
| Lowest share price                            | 126.20        | 115.23        | 109.02        |

<sup>\*</sup>The Investment Manager currently rebates the Sub-fund's operating charges, excluding the Investment Manager's fee and synthetic ongoing charges (0.38% of operating charge) in order for them not to exceed 0.12% of the Net Asset Value of the Sub-fund.

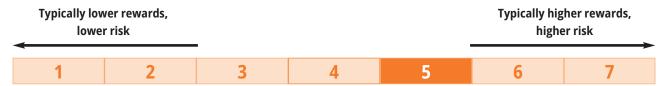
Operating charges include indirect costs incurred in the maintenance and running of the Sub-fund, as disclosed (but not limited to) the detailed expenses within the Statement of Total Return. Included within this figure are the charges of the underlying funds (synthetic ongoing charge). The figures used within this table have been calculated against the average Net Asset Value for the accounting year.

The return after charges is calculated as the closing Net Asset Value per share plus the distributions on income shares minus the opening Net Asset Value per share as a % of the opening Net Asset Value per share. The basis of valuation of investments used to calculate Net Asset Value per share is described in notes to the Financial Statements 1h) and complies with requirements of the current Statement of Recommended Practice for UK Authorised Funds. This differs from the basis used to calculate daily published single prices, in which listed investments are valued at 12:00 mid prices.

Direct transaction costs include fees, commissions, transfer taxes and duties in the purchasing and selling of investments, which are offset (where applicable) against any dilution levies charged within the accounting year. The figures used within the table have been calculated against the average Net Asset Value for the accounting year.

### **Risk and Reward Profile**

The risk and reward indicator table demonstrates where the Sub-fund ranks in terms of its potential risk and reward. The higher the rank the greater the potential reward but the greater the risk of losing money. It is based on past data, may change over time and may not be a reliable indication of the future risk profile of the Sub-fund. The shaded area in the table below shows the Sub-fund's ranking on the risk and reward indicator.



The Sub-fund is ranked 5 because funds of this type have experienced average rises and falls in value in the past. Please note that even the lowest risk class can lose you money and that extreme market circumstances can mean you suffer severe losses in all cases. The indicator does not take into account the following risks of investing in this Sub-fund:

- Investing in other funds may expose investors to increased risk due to less strict regulations and the use of derivatives. These other funds can themselves invest into assets such as bonds, company shares, cash and currencies. The objectives and risk profiles of these underlying funds may not be fully in line with those of this Sub-fund.
- The Sub-fund may invest in bond funds which will be impacted by changes in interest rates, inflation and any decline in creditworthiness of the underlying bond issuers.
- Investing overseas can bring additional returns and spread risk to different markets. There are risks, however, that changes in currency exchange rates may cause the value of your investment to decrease or increase.
- The Sub-fund may invest in property funds which can be less liquid than other asset classes.
- For further risk information please see the Prospectus.

#### **Risk warning**

An investment in a non-UCITS Retail Scheme Open-Ended Investment Company should be regarded as a medium to long-term investment. Investors should be aware that the price of shares and the revenue from them can fall as well as rise and investors may not receive back the full amount invested. Past performance is not a guide to future performance. Investments denominated in currencies other than the base currency are subject to fluctuation in exchange rates, which can be favourable or unfavourable.

## **Statement of Total Return**

for the year ended 31 May 2025

|   |      |           | 31.05.25    |           | 31.05.24    |
|---|------|-----------|-------------|-----------|-------------|
|   | Note | £         | £           | £         | £           |
| Income                                  |      |           |             |           |             |
| Net capital gains                       | 2    |           | 16,254,147  |           | 27,456,044  |
| Revenue                                 | 3    | 6,178,088 |             | 4,972,437 |             |
| Expenses                                | 4    | (920,231) |             | (763,988) |             |
| Interest payable and similar charges    | 4    | (2,979)   |             | (209)     |             |
| Net revenue before taxation             |      | 5,254,878 |             | 4,208,240 |             |
| Taxation                                | 5    | (271,780) |             | (167,769) |             |
| Net revenue after taxation              |      |           | 4,983,098   |           | 4,040,471   |
| Total return before distributions       |      |           | 21,237,245  |           | 31,496,515  |
| Distributions                           | 6    |           | (4,983,012) |           | (4,040,015) |
| Change in net assets attributable to    |      |           |             |           |             |
| Shareholders from investment activities |      |           | 16,254,233  |           | 27,456,500  |

# **Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Shareholders**

for the year ended 31 May 2025

| Opening net assets attributable to Shareholders  | £            | 31.05.25<br>£<br>291,615,766 | £            | 31.05.24<br>£<br>223,657,176 |
|--|--------------|------------------------------|--------------|------------------------------|
| Amounts receivable on issue of shares  | 134,906,629  |                              | 91,024,814   |                              |
| Less: Amounts payable on cancellation of shares  | (76,689,616) |                              | (53,786,214) |                              |
| Breach Compensation  | 4,417        |                              |              |                              |
|  |              | 58,221,430                   |              | 37,238,600                   |
| Change in net assets attributable to Shareholders from investment activities (see Statement of |              |                              |              |                              |
| Total Return above)  |              | 16,254,233                   |              | 27,456,500                   |
| Retained distributions on accumulation shares  |              | 4,088,927                    |              | 3,263,490                    |
| Closing net assets attributable to Shareholders  |              | 370,178,490                  |              | 291,615,766                  |

The notes on pages 96 to 104 form an integral part of these Financial Statements.

## **Balance Sheet**

as at 31 May 2025

|   |      |             | 31.05.25    |             | 31.05.24    |
|---|------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| ASSETS                                  | Note | £           | £           | £           | £           |
| Fixed assets Investments                |      |             | 366,602,055 |             | 286,693,813 |
| Current assets                          |      |             |             |             |             |
| Debtors                                 | 7    | 2,492,375   |             | 2,099,154   |             |
| Cash and bank balances                  | 9    | 3,310,824   |             | 4,948,303   |             |
| Total current assets                    |      |             | 5,803,199   |             | 7,047,457   |
| Total assets                            |      |             | 372,405,254 |             | 293,741,270 |
| LIABILITIES                             |      |             |             |             |             |
| Creditors                               |      |             |             |             |             |
| Distribution payable                    |      | (479,778)   |             | (374,996)   |             |
| Other creditors                         | 8    | (1,746,986) | _           | (1,750,508) |             |
| Total creditors                         |      |             | (2,226,764) |             | (2,125,504) |
| Total liabilities                       |      |             | (2,226,764) |             | (2,125,504) |
| Net assets attributable to Shareholders |      |             | 370,178,490 |             | 291,615,766 |

The notes on pages 96 to 104 form an integral part of these Financial Statements.



## **Notes to the Financial Statements**

for the year ended 31 May 2025

## **1. Accounting Policies**

The Sub-fund's Financial Statements have been prepared on the same basis as the Accounting Policies stated on pages 8 and 9.

| 2. Net Capital Gains^                         |                       | 31.05.25               |                        |
|---|-----------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
|   | Realised              | Unrealised             | Total                  |
|   | <b>£</b><br>5,705,613 | £                      | <b>£</b><br>16,262,018 |
| Non-derivative securities                     |                       | 10,556,405             |                        |
| Transaction charges                           | (7,871)               | -                      | (7,871)                |
| Net capital gains                             | 5,697,742             | 10,556,405             | 16,254,147             |
|   |                       |                        |                        |
|   |                       | 31.05.24               |                        |
|   | Realised              | 31.05.24<br>Unrealised | Total                  |
|   | Realised<br>£         |                        | Total<br>£             |
| Non-derivative securities                     |                       | Unrealised             |                        |
| Non-derivative securities Transaction charges | £                     | Unrealised<br>£        | £                      |

<sup>^</sup>Where realised gains/losses include gains/losses arising from prior years, a corresponding loss/gain is included within the unrealised gains/losses presented.

| 3. Revenue  | 31.05.25<br>£       | 31.05.24<br>£        |
|---|---------------------|----------------------|
| Distributions from Regulated Collective Investment Schemes:   |                     |                      |
| UK investment income  | 3,907,421           | 3,270,289            |
| Unfranked investment income Interest distributions  | 309,372             | 178,279              |
| Bank interest   | 1,873,260<br>88,035 | 1,407,652<br>116,217 |
|   |                     |                      |
| Total revenue   | 6,178,088           | 4,972,437            |
|   |                     |                      |
| 4. Expenses   | 31.05.25            | 31.05.24             |
|   | £                   | £                    |
| Payable to the Authorised Corporate Director ('ACD'), associates of the ACD and agents of either of them: |                     |                      |
| ACD's fee   | 211,820             | 176,233              |
| Registration fees   | 71,087              | 60,493               |
|   | 282,907             | 236,726              |
|   |                     |                      |
| Payable to the Investment Manager, associates of the Investment Manager and agents of either of them:     |                     |                      |
| Investment Manager's fee  | 620,585             | 494,032              |

## **Notes to the Financial Statements**

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| 4. Expenses (continued)   | 31.05.25<br>£ | 31.05.24<br>£ |
|---|---------------|---------------|
| Payable to the Depositary, associates of the Depositary and agents of either of them: |               |               |
| Depositary's fee (including VAT)  | 59,250        | 50,860        |
| Safe custody and other bank charges   | 1,765         | 1,814         |
|   | 61,015        | 52,674        |
| Auditor's remuneration*:  |               |               |
| Audit fee^  | 10,667        | 11,675        |
| Tax compliance services**   | -             | 2,534         |
|   | 10,667        | 14,209        |
| Other expenses:   |               |               |
| Legal fee   | 1,816         | 3,979         |
| Listing fee   | 1,454         | 1,120         |
| Printing costs  | 3,236         | 3,211         |
| Tax compliance services**   | 2,347         |               |
|   | 8,853         | 8,310         |
| Rebates:  |               |               |
| Operating charge rebates^^  | (203)         | (13,983)      |
| Manager fee rebates from underlying holdings  | (63,593)      | (27,980)      |
|   | (63,796)      | (41,963)      |
| Expenses  | 920,231       | 763,988       |
| Interest payable and similar charges  | 2,979         | 209           |
| Total   | 923,210       | 764,197       |

<sup>\*</sup>Included within the auditor's remuneration is irrecoverable VAT of £1,778 (2024: £2,368).

<sup>^^</sup>The Investment Manager currently rebates the Sub-fund's operating charges, excluding the Investment Manager's fee and synthetic ongoing charge.

| 5. Taxation                            | 31.05.25<br>£ | 31.05.24<br>£ |
|--|---------------|---------------|
| (a) Analysis of charge in the year:    |               |               |
| Corporation tax at 20%                 | 269,492       | 167,769       |
| Adjustment in respect of prior periods | 2,288         | _             |
| Income tax deducted at source          | 60,721        | 35,656        |
| Income tax recoverable                 | (60,721)      | (35,656)      |
| Total tax charge (note 5b)             | 271,780       | 167,769       |

<sup>\*\*</sup>Tax compliance provider changed from Grant Thornton UK LLP to Apex Group Company Services UK Limited.

<sup>^</sup>Included within the audit fee is over accrual of £945 (2024: nil).

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| 5. Taxation (continued)                             | 31.05.25<br>£ | 31.05.24<br>£ |
|---|---------------|---------------|
| (b) Factors affecting taxation charge for the year: |               |               |
| Net revenue before taxation                         | 5,254,878     | 4,208,240     |
| Corporation tax at 20%                              | 1,050,976     | 841,648       |
| Effects of:   |               |               |
| UK dividends  | (781,484)     | (654,058)     |
| Adjustment in respect of prior periods              | 2,288         | _             |
| Expenses not deductible for tax purposes            | _             | (89)          |
| Movement in surplus management expenses             | _             | (19,732)      |
| Income tax deducted at source                       | 60,721        | 35,656        |
| UK income tax recoverable                           | (60,721)      | (35,656)      |
| Total tax charge (note 5a)                          | 271,780       | 167,769       |

<sup>(</sup>c) Deferred tax

There was no liability to deferred tax at the balance sheet date (2024: nil).

#### 6. Distributions

The distributions take account of revenue received on the issue of shares and revenue deducted on the cancellation of shares, and comprise:

|  |          | 31.05.25  | 31.05.24  |
|--|----------|-----------|-----------|
|  |          | £         | £         |
| First interim distribution                                       | 31.08.24 | 422,846   | 364,237   |
| Second interim distribution                                      | 30.11.24 | 2,085,344 | 1,613,602 |
| Third interim distribution                                       | 28.02.25 | 537,252   | 498,524   |
| Final distribution   | 31.05.25 | 2,208,164 | 1,709,145 |
|  |          | 5,253,606 | 4,185,508 |
| Revenue deducted on cancellation of shares                       |          | 308,154   | 208,833   |
| Revenue received on issue of shares                              |          | (578,748) | (354,326) |
| Distributions  |          | 4,983,012 | 4,040,015 |
| Reconciliation of net revenue after taxation to net distribution | ons:     |           |           |
| Net revenue after taxation per Statement of Total Return         |          | 4,983,098 | 4,040,471 |
| Expenses allocated to capital                                    |          | 1         | (445)     |
| Undistributed revenue brought forward                            |          | 88        | 77        |
| Undistributed revenue carried forward                            |          | (175)     | (88)      |
| Distributions  |          | 4,983,012 | 4,040,015 |

# **Notes to the Financial Statements**

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| 7. Debtors  | 31.05.25<br>£ | 31.05.24<br>£ |
|---|---------------|---------------|
| Amounts receivable on issues  | 2,064,325     | 1,869,864     |
| Operating charge rebates  | -             | 2,900         |
| Accrued income:   |               |               |
| Bank Interest   | -             | 11,985        |
| Dividends receivable  | 367,199       | 176,321       |
| UK income tax recoverable   | 60,722        | 37,944        |
| Prepaid expenses:   |               |               |
| Legal fee   | 129           | 140           |
| Total debtors   | 2,492,375     | 2,099,154     |
| 8. Other Creditors  | 31.05.25<br>£ | 31.05.24<br>£ |
| Amounts payable on cancellations  | 595,599       | 1,238,444     |
| Purchases awaiting settlement   | 900,000       | 250,000       |
| Accrued expenses:   | 300,000       | 230,000       |
| Amounts payable to the Authorised Corporate Director ('ACD'), associates of the ACD and agents of either of them: |               |               |
| ACD's fee   | 19,638        | 16,560        |
| Registration fees   | 6,366         | 5,845         |
|   | 26,004        | 22,405        |
| Amounts payable to the Investment Manager, associates of the Investment Manager and agents of either of them:     |               |               |
| Investment Manager's fee  | 57,579        | 47,702        |
| Amounts payable to the Depositary, associates of the Depositary and agents of either of them:                     |               |               |
| Depositary's fee (including VAT)  | 10,125        | 9,135         |
| Safe custody and other bank charges   | 290           | 305           |
|   | 10,415        | 9,440         |
| Auditor's remuneration*:  |               |               |
| Audit fee^  | 10,015        | 10,870        |
| Tax compliance services**   | -             | 2,348         |
|   | 10,015        | 13,218        |
| Other accrued expenses:   |               |               |
| Printing costs  | 1,455         | 1,530         |
| Tax compliance services**   | 2,347         |               |
|   | 3,802         | 1,530         |

### **Notes to the Financial Statements**

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| 8. Other Creditors (continued)            | 31.05.25<br>£ | 31.05.24<br>£ |
|---|---------------|---------------|
| Taxation payable: Corporation tax payable | 143.572       | 167,769       |
| Total other creditors                     | 1,746,986     | 1,750,508     |

<sup>\*</sup>Included within the auditor's remuneration is irrecoverable VAT of £1,669 (2024: £2,203).

<sup>^</sup>Included within the audit fee is over accrual of £945 (2024: nil).

| 9. Cash and Bank Balances | 31.05.25  | 31.05.24  |  |
|---------------------------|-----------|-----------|--|
|                           | £         | £         |  |
| Cash and bank balances    | 3,310,824 | 4,948,303 |  |
| Cash and bank balances    | 3,310,824 | 4,948,303 |  |

### **10. Related Party Transactions**

Apex Fundrock Limited ('AFL') is regarded as a related party by virtue of having the ability to act in respect of the operations of the Subfund in its capacity as the Authorised Corporate Director ('ACD').

AFL also acts as the ACD of MI Select Managers Alternatives - Institutional Income, MI Select Managers Bond - Institutional Income, MI Select Managers North American Equity - Institutional Income, MI Select Managers UK Equity - Institutional Income and MI Select Managers UK Equity Income - Institutional Income.

ACD and other fees payable to AFL are disclosed in note 4 and amounts due at the year end are shown in note 8.

Fees payable to Brewin Dolphin Limited (the 'Investment Manager') are disclosed in note 4 and amounts due at the year end are shown in note 8.

Amounts receivable on issue and payable on cancellation of shares and dilution levy are disclosed in the Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Shareholders and in note 6, amounts due at the year end are shown in notes 7 and 8.

Amounts receivable from the Investment Manager for operating charge rebates accrued against expenses are disclosed in note 4, and amounts due at the year end are shown in note 7.

At the year end the Sub-fund did not hold shares in any of the other Sub-funds within the MI Brewin Dolphin Voyager Funds.

At the year end the Sub-fund held the following Collective Investment Schemes, for which AFL as the ACD.

| Held at    | Change in   | Held at   | % Change   |
|------------|---|---|--|
| 31.05.25   | year  | 31.05.24  | in year  |
| 22,021,927 | 4,616,279   | 17,405,648  | 26.52%   |
| 49,834,774 | 8,350,270   | 41,484,504  | 20.13%   |
| 53,711,978 | 8,754,596   | 44,957,382  | 19.47%   |
| 49,825,801 | 1,697,621   | 48,128,180  | 3.53%  |
| 5,740,638  | 1,735,306   | 4,005,332   | 43.32%   |
|            | <b>31.05.25</b> 22,021,927 49,834,774 53,711,978 49,825,801 | 31.05.25 year<br>22,021,927 4,616,279<br>49,834,774 8,350,270<br>53,711,978 8,754,596<br>49,825,801 1,697,621 | 31.05.25year31.05.2422,021,9274,616,27917,405,64849,834,7748,350,27041,484,50453,711,9788,754,59644,957,38249,825,8011,697,62148,128,180 |

No rebate has been accrued for in this cross investment.

#### **11. Contingent Liabilities and Outstanding Commitments**

There were no contingent liabilities or outstanding commitments at the balance sheet date (2024: none).

<sup>\*\*</sup>Tax compliance provider changed from Grant Thornton UK LLP to Apex Group Company Services UK Limited.

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#### 12. Risk Management Policies and Disclosures

The main risks arising from financial instruments and the ACD's policies for managing these risks are disclosed on pages 10 and 11.

Numerical disclosures relating to the Sub-fund are as follows:

#### Market price risk

At the balance sheet date, if the price of the investments held by the Sub-fund increased or decreased by 10%, with all other variables held constant, the net assets attributable to Shareholders would increase or decrease by approximately £36,660,206 (2024: £28,669,381).

#### **Currency risk**

The table below details the currency risk profile at the balance sheet date.

| Currency             | 31.05.25    | 31.05.24    |
|----------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                      | Total       | Total       |
|                      | £           | £           |
| Euro                 | 4,257,096   | 2,619,519   |
| Japanese yen         | 13,704,597  | 10,947,628  |
| Pound sterling       | 220,390,735 | 163,488,896 |
| United States dollar | 131,826,062 | 114,559,723 |
|                      | 370,178,490 | 291,615,766 |

At the balance sheet date, if the value of sterling increased or decreased by 10%, with all other variables held constant, then the net assets attributable to Shareholders would increase or decrease by approximately £14,978,776 (2024: £,12,812,687).

#### Interest rate risk

The table below details the interest rate risk profile at the balance sheet date:

#### 31.05.25

| Currency             | Floating<br>rate<br>financial<br>assets^<br>£ | Assets<br>on which<br>interest<br>distributions<br>are paid<br>£ | Assets<br>on which<br>interest is<br>not paid^^<br>£ | Total<br>£  |
|----------------------|---|--|--|-------------|
| Euro                 | -   | -  | 4,257,096  | 4,257,096   |
| Japanese yen         | -   | _  | 13,704,597   | 13,704,597  |
| Pound sterling       | 3,310,824                                     | 53,295,791   | 166,010,884  | 222,617,499 |
| United States dollar | -   | -  | 131,826,062  | 131,826,062 |
|                      | 3,310,824                                     | 53,295,791   | 315,798,639  | 372,405,254 |
|                      |   |  | Financial<br>liabilities<br>not carrying             | <b>T</b>    |
| Currency             |   |  | interest<br>£  | Total<br>£  |
| Pound sterling       |   |  | 2,226,764  | 2,226,764   |
|                      |   |  | 2,226,764  | 2,226,764   |

<sup>^</sup>Floating rate interest-bearing assets at the balance sheet date consist of bank balances, on which interest is calculated at a variable rate by reference to sterling bank deposit rates or the international equivalent.

<sup>^^</sup>Comprises of Equity Shares which receive dividend revenue and non interest bearing balance sheet debtors.

## **Notes to the Financial Statements**

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#### 12. Risk Management Policies and Disclosures (continued)

#### Interest rate risk (continued)

31.05.24

| Currency             | Floating<br>rate<br>financial<br>assets^<br>£ | Assets<br>on which<br>interest<br>distributions<br>are paid<br>£ | Assets<br>on which<br>interest is<br>not paid^^<br>£ | Total<br>£  |
|----------------------|---|--|--|-------------|
| Euro                 | -   | _  | 2,619,519  | 2,619,519   |
| Japanese yen         | -   | -  | 10,947,628   | 10,947,628  |
| Pound sterling       | 4,948,303                                     | 39,512,013   | 121,154,084  | 165,614,400 |
| United States dollar | -   | -  | 114,559,723  | 114,559,723 |
|                      | 4,948,303                                     | 39,512,013   | 249,280,954  | 293,741,270 |

| Currency       | Financial<br>liabilities<br>not carrying<br>interest | Total     |
|----------------|--|-----------|
|                | £  | £         |
| Pound sterling | 2,125,504  | 2,125,504 |
|                | 2,125,504  | 2,125,504 |

<sup>^</sup>Floating rate interest-bearing assets at the balance sheet date consist of bank balances, on which interest is calculated at a variable rate by reference to sterling bank deposit rates or the international equivalent.

At the balance sheet date, if interest rates increased or decreased by 10%, with all other variables held constant, the net assets attributable to Shareholders would increase or decrease by approximately £331,082 (2024: £494,830) in respect of floating rate assets.

#### Leverage

The Sub-fund did not employ any significant leverage in the current and prior year, other than that available to the Sub-fund as a result of its ability to borrow up to 10% of its value on a permanent basis.

<sup>^^</sup>Comprises of Equity Shares which receive dividend revenue and non interest bearing balance sheet debtors.

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#### **13. Portfolio Transaction Costs**

#### 31.05.25

| 31.03.23                                  |                   |   |                  |            |          | Purchases             |
|---|-------------------|---|------------------|------------|----------|-----------------------|
| Analysis<br>of purchases                  | Total<br>purchase |   | Commissions      |            | Taxes    | before<br>transaction |
|   | cost<br>£         | c | paid             |            | %        | cost<br>£             |
| Funds                                     | 158,139,936       | £ | <b>%</b><br>0.00 | <b>£</b> 2 | 0.00     | 158,139,934           |
| Total purchases after commissions and tax | 158,139,936       |   |                  |            |          |                       |
| Analysis                                  | Net               |   |                  |            |          | Sales<br>before       |
| of sales                                  | sale<br>proceeds  |   | Commissions paid |            | Taxes    | transaction           |
|   | £                 | £ | %                | £          | %        | £                     |
| Funds                                     | 93,700,294        | _ | 0.00             | 1          | 0.00     | 93,700,295            |
| Corporate actions                         | 351,765           | - | 0.00             | -          | 0.00     | 351,765               |
| Total sales after commissions and tax     | 94,052,059        |   |                  |            |          |                       |
| Commission as a % of average net assets   | 0.00%             |   |                  |            |          |                       |
| Taxes as a % of the average net assets    | 0.00%             |   |                  |            |          |                       |
| 31.05.24                                  |                   |   |                  |            |          |                       |
| Analysis                                  | Total             |   |                  |            |          | Purchases<br>before   |
| of purchases                              | purchase          |   | Commissions      |            | Taxes    | transaction           |
|   | cost              |   | paid             | _          | •        | cost                  |
| Formula.                                  | £                 | £ | %                | £          | %        | £                     |
| Funds                                     | 109,335,797       | _ | 0.00             | 121        | 0.00     | 109,335,676           |
| Total purchases after commissions and tax | 109,335,797       |   |                  |            |          |                       |
| Analysis                                  | Net               |   |                  |            |          | Sales<br>before       |
| of sales                                  | sale              |   | Commissions      |            | Taxes    | transaction           |
|   | proceeds          | _ | paid             | _          | 64       | cost                  |
| Friede                                    | <b>£</b>          | £ | <b>%</b>         | £          | <b>%</b> | <b>£</b>              |
| Funds                                     | 70,805,100        | _ | 0.00             | _          | 0.00     | 70,805,100            |
| Total sales after commissions and tax     | 70,805,100        |   |                  |            |          |                       |

Commissions and taxes as a % of the average net assets form part of the direct transaction costs stated within the comparative tables on pages 91 to 92. The direct transaction costs within the comparative tables may differ due to the effect of dilution levies charged (where applicable).

0.00% 0.00%

### 14. Portfolio Dealing Spread

Commission as a % of average net assets

Taxes as a % of the average net assets

The average portfolio dealing spread at 31 May 2025 is 0.19% (2024: 0.17%).

#### **15. Post Balance Sheet Events**

There were no notifiable events post the year end balance sheet date.

# **Notes to the Financial Statements**

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### **16. Fair Value Disclosure**

| Valuation technique  | 3.          | 31.05.24    |             |             |
|----------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
|                      | Assets      | Liabilities | Assets      | Liabilities |
|                      | £           | £           | £           | £           |
| Level 1 <sup>^</sup> | _           | -           | -           | -           |
| Level 2^^            | 366,602,055 | _           | 286,693,813 | -           |
| Level 3^^^           | -           | -           | _           | _           |
|                      | 366,602,055 | -           | 286,693,813 | -           |

<sup>^</sup>Level 1: Unadjusted quoted price in an active market for an identical instrument.

#### 17. Shares in Issue

|                          | A<br>Income<br>GBP | A<br>Accumulation<br>GBP | B<br>Income<br>GBP | B<br>Accumulation<br>GBP |
|--------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|
| Opening number of shares | 4,380,565          | 92,690,365               | 45,317,792         | 80,798,216               |
| Shares issued            | 1,560,269          | 29,674,711               | 15,976,865         | 52,791,811               |
| Shares cancelled         | (666,145)          | (30,507,821)             | (6,814,731)        | (18,302,393)             |
| Shares converted         | 313,195            | 675,631                  | (313,156)          | (529,180)                |
| Closing number of shares | 5,587,884          | 92,532,886               | 54,166,770         | 114,758,454              |

<sup>^^</sup>Level 2: Valuation techniques using observable inputs other than quoted prices within level 1.

<sup>^^^</sup>Level 3: Valuation techniques using unobservable inputs.

## **Distribution Tables**

for the year ended 31 May 2025

### **Income Share Distributions**

| Share class | Distribution   | Shares  | Revenue | Equalisation | Distribution paid/payable 2025 | Distribution<br>paid<br>2024 |
|-------------|----------------|---------|---------|--------------|--------------------------------|------------------------------|
|             |                |         | р       | р            | р                              | р                            |
| А           | First interim  | Group 1 | 0.1634  | _            | 0.1634                         | 0.1589                       |
|             |                | Group 2 | _       | 0.1634       | 0.1634                         | 0.1589                       |
|             | Second interim | Group 1 | 0.8372  | _            | 0.8372                         | 0.7426                       |
|             |                | Group 2 | _       | 0.8372       | 0.8372                         | 0.7426                       |
|             | Third interim  | Group 1 | 0.1997  | _            | 0.1997                         | 0.2135                       |
|             |                | Group 2 | _       | 0.1997       | 0.1997                         | 0.2135                       |
|             | Final          | Group 1 | 0.7788  | _            | 0.7788                         | 0.7312                       |
|             |                | Group 2 | _       | 0.7788       | 0.7788                         | 0.7312                       |
| В           | First interim  | Group 1 | 0.1896  | _            | 0.1896                         | 0.1904                       |
|             |                | Group 2 | _       | 0.1896       | 0.1896                         | 0.1904                       |
|             | Second interim | Group 1 | 0.8637  | -            | 0.8637                         | 0.7588                       |
|             |                | Group 2 | _       | 0.8637       | 0.8637                         | 0.7588                       |
|             | Third interim  | Group 1 | 0.2267  | -            | 0.2267                         | 0.2370                       |
|             |                | Group 2 | _       | 0.2267       | 0.2267                         | 0.2370                       |
|             | Final          | Group 1 | 0.8054  | _            | 0.8054                         | 0.7568                       |
|             |                | Group 2 | 0.1266  | 0.6788       | 0.8054                         | 0.7568                       |

#### **Accumulation Share Distributions**

| Share class | Distribution   | Shares  | Revenue | Equalisation | Amount reinvested 2025 | Amount reinvested 2024 |
|-------------|----------------|---------|---------|--------------|------------------------|------------------------|
|             |                |         | р       | р            | р                      | р                      |
| A           | First interim  | Group 1 | 0.1700  | -            | 0.1700                 | 0.1620                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | _       | 0.1700       | 0.1700                 | 0.1620                 |
|             | Second interim | Group 1 | 0.8709  | _            | 0.8709                 | 0.7616                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | _       | 0.8709       | 0.8709                 | 0.7616                 |
|             | Third interim  | Group 1 | 0.2091  | _            | 0.2091                 | 0.2198                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | _       | 0.2091       | 0.2091                 | 0.2198                 |
|             | Final          | Group 1 | 0.8168  | _            | 0.8168                 | 0.7556                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | 0.1083  | 0.7085       | 0.8168                 | 0.7556                 |
| В           | First interim  | Group 1 | 0.1978  | -            | 0.1978                 | 0.1963                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | _       | 0.1978       | 0.1978                 | 0.1963                 |
|             | Second interim | Group 1 | 0.9014  | -            | 0.9014                 | 0.7796                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | _       | 0.9014       | 0.9014                 | 0.7796                 |
|             | Third interim  | Group 1 | 0.2381  | _            | 0.2381                 | 0.2451                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | _       | 0.2381       | 0.2381                 | 0.2451                 |
|             | Final          | Group 1 | 0.8475  | _            | 0.8475                 | 0.7844                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | 0.1498  | 0.6977       | 0.8475                 | 0.7844                 |

First interim period: 01.06.24 - 31.08.24
Second interim period: 01.09.24 - 30.11.24
Third interim period: 01.12.24 - 28.02.25
Final period: 01.03.25 - 31.05.25

Group 1: Shares purchased prior to a distribution period Group 2: Shares purchased during a distribution period

### **Distribution Tables**

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#### **Equalisation**

Equalisation applies only to shares purchased during the distribution period (Group 2 shares). It represents accrued revenue included in the purchase price of the shares. After averaging, it is returned with the distribution as a capital repayment. It is not liable to income tax but must be deducted from the cost of the shares for capital gains tax purposes.

### **Investment Objective**

The Sub-fund's principal objective is to provide capital growth and some income through an exposure to equities of up to 100% of the portfolio.

### **Investment Policy**

At least 80%, and potentially 100%, of the Sub-fund's investments will be indirect through other funds. The other funds may be actively managed or may be passively managed (that is funds which track or are closely linked to the performance of an index), although it is not expected that more than 20% will be invested in passive funds at any one time. It is the intention to invest at least 35% of the allocation into funds managed by the ACD or sponsored by Brewin Dolphin Limited. Through its investments in these funds or direct investment, the Sub-fund will be almost entirely exposed to equities (shares in companies), up to 100%, whilst any non-equity exposure will be through funds which seek exposure to cash, fixed income securities (bonds) and alternatives (such as real estate, commodities and infrastructure).

The Sub-fund may also invest directly (at the Investment Managers' discretion) in equities and equity like instruments (which may include shares in investment trusts and REITS), fixed income securities, money market instruments, depositary receipts and cash.

The fixed income securities and money market instruments to which the Sub-fund may seek exposure may be issued by companies, governments, government agencies and supranationals (such as the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development). They can be investment grade (meet a certain level of credit rating by a credit rating agency) or they may be unrated (and hence more likely to fail than investment grade bonds).

The primary focus of our research team is to identify a 'buy list' of thoroughly researched investments from which we select when building the funds. Investment research conducted by the team covers all major asset classes spanning all regions of the world as well as alternative investments. The investment companies from which we select funds is based on an initial quality screen, which considers factors such as the financial strength, organisational integrity and stability of the investment firm, in addition to manager access and the provision of full portfolio transparency on a timely basis.

Our investment approach is to utilise the expertise of the best Investment Managers at the lowest cost to manage the asset. To do this, we invest in other funds to gain access to the specified style or strategy.

The Sub-fund may invest in derivatives for the purposes of hedging with the aim of reducing the risk profile of the Sub-fund in accordance with the principles of Efficient Portfolio Management.

The Sub-fund is actively managed. The mix of investment types will be managed and regularly monitored by our investment team.

## **Investment Manager's Report**

for the year ended 31 May 2025

#### Introduction

This report covers the MI Brewin Dolphin Voyager Funds and their underlying funds for the period from 31 May 2024 to 31 May 2025.

#### **Market Review**

The twelve-month period to the end of May 2025 saw equity markets edge higher despite the drawdown that followed Liberation Day. The 90-day pause on the reciprocal tariffs helped stem the simultaneous selloff of US stocks, treasuries and the US dollar.

Part of the higher moves in US treasury yields reflected concerns on the inflationary impact of tariffs and the elevated federal deficit. More fundamentally, investors are starting to question US fiscal credibility. The actions of the new US administration led investors to move assets away from the US to other areas of the world.

The European Central Bank, Bank of England and US Federal Reserve started cutting rates during the period after rates were held constant for a prolonged duration.

Whilst central banks in the major Western economies have been battling with inflation, China struggled with several quarters of deflation due to a weak domestic economy. A promised Chinese economic stimulus package in September provided a catalyst for stock outperformance as the measures aim to inject some vigour into the economy. The strong performance continued with the emergence of the DeepSeek Al model.

Ongoing geopolitical tensions have contributed to the continued strength of the gold price.

### **Investment Manager's Report**

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#### **Performance Activity and Attribution**

The MI Brewin Dolphin Voyager Max 100% Equity Fund gave a total return of 6.2%\* (B Accumulation, quoted valuation), based on published NAV provided by Apex Fundrock Limited, over the period to the end of May 2025, outperforming the peer group index (IA Global) which returned 3.9%.

The bias to UK equities relative to the world index was a positive contributor to performance against the backdrop of the domestic market gaining high single digits over the period. The UK position was reduced by a small amount in favour of overseas equities to provide a better balance of risk and reward.

The Asian equities allocation was increased following the announcement of the stimulus measure from China and subsequently benefited from the AI innovation that materialised later on. The European equity allocation was increased following positive fiscal news from the EU Commission and Germany on defence spending.

#### **Outlook**

The yield spread between corporate and government bonds remains tight and would likely widen in the event that economic growth deteriorates. Recessions are often unpredictable, with 5 of the 8 recessions the US has had since 1970 caused by shocks. Government bonds would very likely outperform corporate bonds in the event that a negative shock to growth materializes. With spreads tight, the bond positioning acts as a partial hedge against this recession risk and complements our view on equities.

The global economy is likely to continue expanding, which is consistent with corporate profits rising. There is the potential for AI themes to drive both strong economy wide productivity and continued solid profit gains among the AI pick and shovel plays.

There is an argument to be only modestly positive on equities as there is limited room for cyclical economic growth. Most economies are close to full employment which does not give much scope for labour force participation to rise. Meanwhile, US president Trump's immigration clampdown is weighing on labour force growth. The upshot is that there's limited room for job growth, meaning there's limited room for aggregate demand to expand. Further, US equity valuation multiples, concentration risk and growth expectations among the AI plays are all elevated. Finally, the large increase in US tariffs should weigh on global growth and result in higher inflation than would otherwise be the case.

There are still reasons to be mildly positive on gold despite the strong rally. Central banks are expected to continue diversifying their reserve holdings out of the dollar and other developed world currencies. Gold is likely to act as a good hedge against several risks including the impact of tariffs. While most economists believe that the large increase in US tariffs will weigh on growth and result in higher inflation than would otherwise be the case, the magnitude is highly uncertain. If the impact ends up being stronger than the consensus expects, gold should continue to do well.

\*Based on published NAV provided by Apex Fundrock Limited.

### **Portfolio Statement**

as at 31 May 2025

| Haldin a   | Samula.  | Market<br>value | % of tota |
|------------|--|-----------------|-----------|
| Holding    | Security   | £               | 202       |
|            | COLLECTIVE INVESTMENT SCHEMES* 99.31% (99.11%)                             |                 |           |
|            | Asia ex-Japan Equities 7.30% (8.42%)                                       |                 |           |
| 476,188    | Invesco Asian (UK) - Z Income  | 2,512,131       | 3.0       |
| 77,308     | Morgan Stanley Asia Opportunity - J Accumulation                           | 1,648,981       | 1.9       |
| 189,179    | Stewart Investors Asia Pacific Leaders Sustainability - B Accumulation GBP | 1,892,169       | 2.2       |
|            |  | 6,053,281       | 7.3       |
|            | Emerging Market Equities 3.68% (1.64%)                                     |                 |           |
| 2,991,626  | JPM Emerging Markets - C2 Income   | 3,048,467       | 3.6       |
|            | European Equities 9.37% (8.24%)  |                 |           |
| 1,264,883  | BlackRock European Dynamic - FD Income                                     | 3,887,365       | 4.6       |
| 298,993    | HSBC European Index - C Income   | 2,672,044       | 3.2       |
| 1,361,987  | Schroder European Recovery - L Income GBP                                  | 1,212,440       | 1.4       |
|            |  | 7,771,849       | 9.3       |
|            | Global Equities 1.92% (1.97%)  |                 |           |
| 253,894    | Fundsmith Equity - I Income  | 1,589,353       | 1.9       |
|            | Global Fixed Interest 0.55% (0.04%)  |                 |           |
| 3,789      | BlackRock ICS Sterling Liquidity - Premier Accumulation GBP                | 453,352         | 0.5       |
|            | Japan Equities 4.57% (4.66%)   |                 |           |
| 2,574,429  | M&G Japan Fund Sterling - PP Income  | 3,786,213       | 4.5       |
|            | UK Equities 24.63% (27.26%)  |                 |           |
| 16,068,006 | MI Select Managers UK Equity - Institutional Income^                       | 20,407,974      | 24.6      |
|            | US Equities 47.29% (46.88%)  |                 |           |
| 1,949,545  | BNY Mellon US Equity Income - F Income                                     | 3,369,593       | 4.0       |
| 330,577    | Brown Advisory US Sustainable Growth - A Income GBP                        | 3,388,414       | 4.0       |
| 1,158,828  | Fidelity Index US - P Income   | 4,434,603       | 5.3       |
| 12,114,243 | MI Select Managers North American Equity - Institutional Income^           | 27,998,439      | 33.7      |
|            |  | 39,191,049      | 47.2      |
|            | Investment assets  | 82,301,538      | 99.3      |
|            | Net other assets   | 569,821         | 0.6       |
|            | Net assets   | 82,871,359      | 100.0     |

All investments are ordinary shares or stock units on a regulated securities market unless otherwise stated. The percentages in brackets show the equivalent % holdings as at 31.05.24.

<sup>\*</sup>Collective Investment Schemes permitted under COLL, not listed on any exchange.

<sup>^</sup>Represents investment into a related party of the Manager (note 10). Apex Fundrock Limited also acts as ACD for this fund.

# **Comparative Tables**

### Change in net assets per share

| A Income                           | 31.05.25<br>p | 31.05.24<br>p | 31.05.23<br>p |
|------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Opening net asset value per share  | 108.12        | 95.16         | 95.14         |
| Return before operating charges^   | 7.60          | 14.87         | 1.43          |
| Operating charges                  | -0.86         | -0.83         | -0.76         |
| Return after operating charges^    | 6.74          | 14.04         | 0.67          |
| Distributions                      | -1.18         | -1.08         | -0.65         |
| Closing net asset value per share  | 113.68        | 108.12        | 95.16         |
| ^After direct transaction costs of | 0.00          | 0.00          | 0.00          |
| Performance                        |               |               |               |
| Return after charges               | 6.23%         | 14.75%        | 0.70%         |
| Other information                  |               |               |               |
| Closing net asset value            | £4,260,295    | £2,521,263    | £1,041,533    |
| Closing number of shares           | 3,747,694     | 2,331,816     | 1,094,543     |
| Operating charges*                 | 0.76%         | 0.83%         | 0.80%         |
| Direct transaction costs           | 0.00%         | 0.00%         | 0.00%         |
| Prices                             |               |               |               |
| Highest share price                | 121.03        | 110.75        | 100.54        |
| Lowest share price                 | 100.55        | 93.84         | 87.92         |

| A Accumulation                                | 31.05.25<br>p | 31.05.24<br>p | 31.05.23<br>p |
|---|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Opening net asset value per share             | 110.86        | 96.52         | 95.41         |
| Return before operating charges^              | 7.77          | 15.19         | 1.87          |
| Operating charges                             | -0.88         | -0.85         | -0.76         |
| Return after operating charges^               | 6.89          | 14.34         | 1.11          |
| Distributions                                 | -1.21         | -1.11         | -1.08         |
| Retained distributions on accumulation shares | 1.21          | 1.11          | 1.08          |
| Closing net asset value per share             | 117.75        | 110.86        | 96.52         |
| ^After direct transaction costs of            | 0.00          | 0.00          | 0.00          |
| Performance                                   |               |               |               |
| Return after charges                          | 6.22%         | 14.86%        | 1.16%         |
| Other information                             |               |               |               |
| Closing net asset value                       | £32,967,671   | £27,867,048   | £19,215,208   |
| Closing number of shares                      | 27,997,869    | 25,138,152    | 19,908,197    |
| Operating charges*                            | 0.76%         | 0.83%         | 0.80%         |
| Direct transaction costs                      | 0.00%         | 0.00%         | 0.00%         |
| Prices  |               |               |               |
| Highest share price                           | 124.75        | 113.07        | 101.47        |
| Lowest share price                            | 103.70        | 95.20         | 88.17         |

### **Comparative Tables**

continued

| B Income                           | 31.05.25   | 31.05.24 | 31.05.23 |
|------------------------------------|------------|----------|----------|
|                                    | р          | р        | þ        |
| Opening net asset value per share  | 108.15     | 95.19    | 95.16    |
| Return before operating charges^   | 7.65       | 14.89    | 1.89     |
| Operating charges                  | -0.74      | -0.73    | -0.66    |
| Return after operating charges^    | 6.91       | 14.16    | 1.23     |
| Distributions                      | -1.35      | -1.20    | -1.20    |
| Closing net asset value per share  | 113.71     | 108.15   | 95.19    |
| ^After direct transaction costs of | 0.00       | 0.00     | 0.00     |
| Performance                        |            |          |          |
| Return after charges               | 6.39%      | 14.87%   | 1.29%    |
| Other information                  |            |          |          |
| Closing net asset value            | £6,267,746 | £184,460 | £119,032 |
| Closing number of shares           | 5,512,109  | 170,555  | 125,050  |
| Operating charges*                 | 0.66%      | 0.73%    | 0.70%    |
| Direct transaction costs           | 0.00%      | 0.00%    | 0.00%    |
| Prices                             |            |          |          |
| Highest share price                | 121.10     | 110.81   | 100.59   |
| Lowest share price                 | 100.59     | 93.86    | 87.94    |

| B Accumulation                                | 31.05.25<br>p | 31.05.24<br>p | 31.05.23<br>p |
|---|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Opening net asset value per share             | 111.14        | 96.67         | 95.47         |
| Return before operating charges^              | 7.80          | 15.22         | 1.87          |
| Operating charges                             | -0.77         | -0.75         | -0.67         |
| Return after operating charges^               | 7.03          | 14.47         | 1.20          |
| Distributions                                 | -1.33         | -1.20         | -1.17         |
| Retained distributions on accumulation shares | 1.33          | 1.20          | 1.17          |
| Closing net asset value per share             | 118.17        | 111.14        | 96.67         |
| ^After direct transaction costs of            | 0.00          | 0.00          | 0.00          |
| Performance                                   |               |               |               |
| Return after charges                          | 6.33%         | 14.97%        | 1.26%         |
| Other information                             |               |               |               |
| Closing net asset value                       | £39,375,647   | £23,557,958   | £8,078,684    |
| Closing number of shares                      | 33,322,591    | 21,197,385    | 8,356,690     |
| Operating charges*                            | 0.66%         | 0.73%         | 0.70%         |
| Direct transaction costs                      | 0.00%         | 0.00%         | 0.00%         |
| Prices  |               |               |               |
| Highest share price                           | 125.15        | 113.35        | 101.60        |
| Lowest share price                            | 104.05        | 95.38         | 88.23         |

<sup>\*</sup>The Investment Manager currently rebates the Sub-fund's operating charges, excluding the Investment Manager's fee and synthetic ongoing charges (0.39% of operating charges) in order for them not to exceed 0.12% of the Net Asset Value of the Sub-fund.

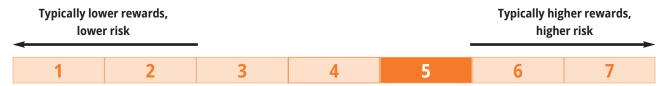
Operating charges include indirect costs incurred in the maintenance and running of the Sub-fund, as disclosed (but not limited to) the detailed expenses within the Statement of Total Return. Included within this figure are the charges of the underlying funds (synthetic ongoing charge). The figures used within this table have been calculated against the average Net Asset Value for the accounting year.

The return after charges is calculated as the closing Net Asset Value per share plus the distributions on income shares minus the opening Net Asset Value per share as a % of the opening Net Asset Value per share. The basis of valuation of investments used to calculate Net Asset Value per share is described in notes to the Financial Statements 1h) and complies with requirements of the current Statement of Recommended Practice for UK Authorised Funds. This differs from the basis used to calculate daily published single prices, in which listed investments are valued at 12:00 mid prices.

Direct transaction costs include fees, commissions, transfer taxes and duties in the purchasing and selling of investments, which are offset (where applicable) against any dilution levies charged within the accounting year. The figures used within the table have been calculated against the average Net Asset Value for the accounting year.

### **Risk and Reward Profile**

The risk and reward indicator table demonstrates where the Sub-fund ranks in terms of its potential risk and reward. The higher the rank the greater the potential reward but the greater the risk of losing money. It is based on past data, may change over time and may not be a reliable indication of the future risk profile of the Sub-fund. The shaded area in the table below shows the Sub-fund's ranking on the risk and reward indicator.



The Sub-fund is ranked 5 because funds of this type have experienced average rises and falls in value in the past. Please note that even the lowest risk class can lose you money and that extreme market circumstances can mean you suffer severe losses in all cases. The indicator does not take into account the following risks of investing in this Sub-fund:

- Investing in other funds may expose investors to increased risk due to less strict regulations and the use of derivatives. These other funds can themselves invest into assets such as bonds, company shares, cash and currencies. The objectives and risk profiles of these underlying funds may not be fully in line with those of this Sub-fund.
- The Sub-fund may invest in bond funds which will be impacted by changes in interest rates, inflation and any decline in creditworthiness of the underlying bond issuers.
- Investing overseas can bring additional returns and spread risk to different markets. There are risks, however, that changes in currency exchange rates may cause the value of your investment to decrease or increase.
- The Sub-fund may invest in property funds which can be less liquid than other asset classes.
- For further risk information please see the Prospectus.

#### **Risk warning**

An investment in a non-UCITS Retail Scheme Open-Ended Investment Company should be regarded as a medium to long-term investment. Investors should be aware that the price of shares and the revenue from them can fall as well as rise and investors may not receive back the full amount invested. Past performance is not a guide to future performance. Investments denominated in currencies other than the base currency are subject to fluctuation in exchange rates, which can be favourable or unfavourable.

### **Statement of Total Return**

for the year ended 31 May 2025

|   |      |           | 31.05.25  |           | 31.05.24  |
|---|------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
|   | Note | £         | £         | £         | £         |
| Income                                  |      |           |           |           |           |
| Net capital gains                       | 2    |           | 3,291,159 |           | 5,205,533 |
| Revenue                                 | 3    | 910,524   |           | 563,168   |           |
| Expenses                                | 4    | (174,334) |           | (116,249) |           |
| Interest payable and similar charges    | 4    | (3,066)   |           | (59)      |           |
| Net revenue before taxation             |      | 733,124   |           | 446,860   |           |
| Net revenue after taxation              |      |           | 733,124   |           | 446,860   |
| Total return before distributions       |      |           | 4,024,283 |           | 5,652,393 |
| Distributions                           | 6    |           | (729,127) |           | (440,401) |
| Change in net assets attributable to    |      |           |           |           |           |
| Shareholders from investment activities |      |           | 3,295,156 |           | 5,211,992 |

# **Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Shareholders**

for the year ended 31 May 2025

| Opening net assets attributable to Shareholders  | £            | 31.05.25<br>£<br>54,130,729 | £            | 31.05.24<br>£<br>28,454,457 |
|--|--------------|-----------------------------|--------------|-----------------------------|
| Amounts receivable on issue of shares  | 50,552,882   | 5 1,130,723                 | 34,252,284   | 20,101,101                  |
| Less: Amounts payable on cancellation of shares  | (25,844,437) |                             | (14,241,190) |                             |
|  |              | 24,708,445                  |              | 20,011,094                  |
| Change in net assets attributable to Shareholders from investment activities (see Statement of |              |                             |              |                             |
| Total Return above)  |              | 3,295,156                   |              | 5,211,992                   |
| Retained distributions on accumulation shares  |              | 737,029                     |              | 453,186                     |
| Closing net assets attributable to Shareholders  |              | 82,871,359                  |              | 54,130,729                  |

The notes on pages 115 to 123 form an integral part of these Financial Statements.

# **Balance Sheet**

as at 31 May 2025

|   | Note | £           | 31.05.25    | c         | 31.05.24   |
|---|------|-------------|-------------|-----------|------------|
| ASSETS                                  | Note | Ľ           | £           | £         | £          |
| Fixed assets Investments                |      |             | 82,301,538  |           | 53,647,276 |
| Current assets                          |      |             |             |           |            |
| Debtors                                 | 7    | 2,262,826   |             | 595,298   |            |
| Cash and bank balances                  | 9    | 709,528     |             | 392,870   |            |
| Total current assets                    |      |             | 2,972,354   |           | 988,168    |
| Total assets                            |      |             | 85,273,892  |           | 54,635,444 |
| LIABILITIES                             |      |             |             |           |            |
| Creditors                               |      |             |             |           |            |
| Distribution payable                    |      | (47,619)    |             | (11,526)  |            |
| Other creditors                         | 8    | (2,354,914) | _           | (493,189) |            |
| Total creditors                         |      |             | (2,402,533) |           | (504,715)  |
| Total liabilities                       |      |             | (2,402,533) |           | (504,715)  |
| Net assets attributable to Shareholders |      |             | 82,871,359  |           | 54,130,729 |

The notes on pages 115 to 123 form an integral part of these Financial Statements.



### **Notes to the Financial Statements**

for the year ended 31 May 2025

### **1. Accounting Policies**

The Sub-fund's Financial Statements have been prepared on the same basis as the Accounting Policies stated on pages 8 and 9.

| 2. Net Capital Gains^                         |               | 31.05.25               |            |
|---|---------------|------------------------|------------|
|   | Realised      | Unrealised             | Total      |
|   | £             | £                      | £          |
| Non-derivative securities                     | 1,961,093     | 1,339,921              | 3,301,014  |
| Transaction charges                           | (9,855)       | -                      | (9,855)    |
| Net capital gains                             | 1,951,238     | 1,339,921              | 3,291,159  |
|   |               |                        |            |
|   |               | 31.05.24               |            |
|   | Realised      | 31.05.24<br>Unrealised | Total      |
|   | Realised<br>£ |                        | Total<br>£ |
| Non-derivative securities                     |               | Unrealised             |            |
| Non-derivative securities Transaction charges | £             | Unrealised<br>£        | £          |

<sup>^</sup>Where realised gains/losses include gains/losses arising from prior years, a corresponding loss/gain is included within the unrealised gains/losses presented.

| 3. Revenue  | 31.05.25<br>£ | 31.05.24<br>£ |
|---|---------------|---------------|
| Distributions from Regulated Collective Investment Schemes:   |               |               |
| UK investment income  | 906,906       | 531,804       |
| Unfranked investment income   | -             | 2,366         |
| Interest distributions  | -             | 13,173        |
| Bank interest   | 3,618         | 15,825        |
| Total revenue   | 910,524       | 563,168       |
|   |               |               |
| 4. Expenses   | 31.05.25      | 31.05.24      |
|   | £             | £             |
| Payable to the Authorised Corporate Director ('ACD'), associates of the ACD and agents of either of them: |               |               |
| ACD's fee   | 49,940        | 45,000        |
| Registration fees   | 36,204        | 27,545        |
|   | 86,144        | 72,545        |
| Payable to the Investment Manager, associates of the Investment Manager and agents of either of them:     |               |               |
| Investment Manager's fee  | 137,279       | 84,410        |
|   |               |               |

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| 4. Expenses (continued)   | 31.05.25<br>£ | 31.05.24<br>£ |
|---|---------------|---------------|
| Payable to the Depositary, associates of the Depositary and agents of either of them: |               |               |
| Depositary's fee (including VAT)  | 16,237        | 12,064        |
| Safe custody and other bank charges   | 1,442         | 1,617         |
|   | 17,679        | 13,681        |
| Auditor's remuneration*:  |               |               |
| Audit fee^  | 10,664        | 11,675        |
| Tax compliance services**   | -             | 2,720         |
|   | 10,664        | 14,395        |
| Other expenses:   |               |               |
| Legal fee   | 1,807         | 1,120         |
| Listing fee   | 1,454         | 3,977         |
| Printing costs  | 2,918         | 2,703         |
| Tax compliance services**   | 2,347         |               |
|   | 8,526         | 7,800         |
| Rebates:  |               |               |
| Operating charge rebates^^  | (50,889)      | (71,481)      |
| Manager fee rebates from underlying holdings  | (35,069)      | (5,101)       |
|   | (85,958)      | (76,582)      |
| Expenses  | 174,334       | 116,249       |
| Interest payable and similar charges  | 3,066         | 59            |
| Total   | 177,400       | 116,308       |

<sup>\*</sup>Included within the auditor's remuneration is Irrecoverable VAT of £1,777 (2024: £2,399).

<sup>^^</sup>The Investment Manager currently rebates the Sub-fund's operating charges, excluding the Investment Manager's fee and synthetic ongoing charge.

| 5. Taxation   | 31.05.25<br>£ | 31.05.24<br>£ |
|---|---------------|---------------|
| (a) Analysis of charge in the year:                 |               |               |
| Income tax deducted at source                       | -             | 473           |
| Income tax recoverable                              | -             | (473)         |
| Total tax charge (note 5b)                          | -             | _             |
| (b) Factors affecting taxation charge for the year: |               |               |
| Net revenue before taxation                         | 733,124       | 446,860       |
| Corporation tax at 20%                              | 146,625       | 89,372        |

<sup>\*\*</sup>Tax compliance provider changed from Grant Thornton UK LLP to Apex Group Company Services UK Limited.

<sup>^</sup>Included within the audit fee is over accrual of £945 (2024: nil).

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| 5. Taxation (continued)                  | 31.05.25<br>£ | 31.05.24<br>£ |
|--|---------------|---------------|
| Effects of:                              |               |               |
| UK dividends                             | (181,381)     | (106,361)     |
| Expenses not deductible for tax purposes | -             | (1,294)       |
| Movement in surplus management expenses  | 34,756        | 18,283        |
| Income tax deducted at source            | -             | 473           |
| UK income tax recoverable                | -             | (473)         |
| Total tax charge (note 5a)               | -             | _             |

#### (c) Deferred tax

At the year end there is a potential deferred tax asset of £34,756 (2024: £34,928) in relation to surplus management expenses of £173,782 (2024: £174,640). It is unlikely that the Sub-fund will generate sufficient taxable profits in the future to utilise these expenses and therefore no deferred tax asset has been recognised in the year.

#### 6. Distributions

The distributions take account of revenue received on the issue of shares and revenue deducted on the cancellation of shares, and comprise:

|  |          | 31.05.25  | 31.05.24 |
|--|----------|-----------|----------|
|  |          | £         | £        |
| First interim distribution                                   | 31.08.24 | 13,801    | 6,866    |
| Second interim distribution                                  | 30.11.24 | 390,497   | 208,559  |
| Third interim distribution                                   | 28.02.25 | 47,772    | 25,550   |
| Final distribution   | 31.05.25 | 374,626   | 234,789  |
|  |          | 826,696   | 475,764  |
| Revenue deducted on cancellation of shares                   |          | 80,776    | 50,916   |
| Revenue received on issue of shares                          |          | (178,345) | (86,279) |
| Distributions  |          | 729,127   | 440,401  |
| Reconciliation of net revenue after taxation to net distribu | utions:  |           |          |
| Net revenue after taxation per Statement of Total Return     |          | 733,124   | 446,860  |
| Expenses allocated to capital                                |          | (4,000)   | (6,468)  |
| Undistributed revenue brought forward                        |          | 15        | 24       |
| Undistributed revenue carried forward                        |          | (12)      | (15)     |
| Distributions  |          | 729,127   | 440,401  |

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| Amounts receivable on issues         1,027,890         301,522           Operating charge rebates         9,200         15,826           Sales awaiting settlement         1,110,000         240,000           Accrued income:         3         1,136           Bank Interest         -         1,136           Dividends receivable         115,118         36,190           UK income tax recoverable         478         478           Prepaid expenses:         140         141           Legal fee         140         141           Amounts payable on cancellations         1,506,555         595,298           Announts payable on cancellations         1,506,555         220,433           Purchases awaiting settlement         800,000         240,000           Equalisation on accrued dividends         9,360         -           Accrued expenses:         4         489         3,811           Accrued expenses:         4         4,898         3,811           Accrued expenses:         3         4,266         4,266           Accrued expenses:         4         4,898         3,811           Accrued expenses:         4         4,898         3,811           Registration fees         3,102  | 7. Debtors  | 31.05.25<br>£ | 31.05.24<br>£ |
|--|---|---------------|---------------|
| Sales awaiting settlement         1,110,000         240,000           Accrued income:         1,136         1,136           Bank Interest         1,518         36,190           Dividends receivable         1,78         478           Vision texa recoverable         478         478           Prepaid expenses:         2         140         141           Total debtors         2,262,826         595,298           8. Other Creditors         31,05,25         220,433           Purchases awaiting settlement         1,506,555         220,433           Purchases awaiting settlement         800,000         240,000           Equalisation on accrued dividends         9,360         -           Accrued expenses:         4         809,000         240,000           Equalisation for extrement spayable to the Authorised Corporate Director ('ACD'), associates of the ACD and agents of either of them:         4         4,898         3,811           ACD's fee         4,898         3,811         4,896         3,812           ARGistration fees         3,204         2,665           Fegistration fees         13,680         9,470           Amounts payable to the Investment Manager, associates of the Investment Manager and agents of either of them:         13,680   | Amounts receivable on issues  | 1,027,890     | 301,527       |
| Accrued income:         1  | Operating charge rebates  | 9,200         | 15,826        |
| Bank Interest         -         1,136           Dividends receivable         115,118         36,190           UK income tax recoverable         478         478           Prepaid expenses:         3105.25         140         141           Total debtors         2,262,826         595,298           8. Other Creditors         31.05.25         \$50,528           8. Other Creditors         31.05.25         \$20,043           Amounts payable on cancellations         1,506,555         \$20,043           Purchases awaiting settlement         800,000         240,000           Equalisation on accrued dividends         9,360         -           Accrued expenses:         4         898         3,811           Amounts payable to the Authorised Corporate Director ('ACD'), associates of the ACD and agents of either of them:         4,898         3,811           Registration fees         4,898         3,811         3,204         2,665           Amounts payable to the Investment Manager, associates of the Investment Manager and agents of either of them:         13,680         9,470           Investment Manager's fee         13,680         9,470         4,489         4,489         4,489         4,489         4,489         4,489         4,489         4,489         4,489   | Sales awaiting settlement   | 1,110,000     | 240,000       |
| Dividends receivable   115,118   36,190   1478   | Accrued income:   |               |               |
| Legal fee         140         141           Total debtors         2,262,826         595,298           8. Other Creditors         31.05.25         31.05.24           8. Other Creditors         31.05.25         220,433           Amounts payable on cancellations         1,506,555         220,433           Purchases awaiting settlement         800,000         240,000           Equalisation on accrued dividends         9,360         -           Accrued expenses:         Amounts payable to the Authorised Corporate Director ('ACD'), associates of the ACD and agents of either of them:         4,898         3,811           ACD's fee         4,898         3,811         2,665           Registration fees         4,902         6,476           Amounts payable to the Investment Manager, associates of the Investment Manager and agents of either of them:         13,680         9,470           Investment Manager's fee         13,680         9,470         9,470         9,470           Amounts payable to the Depositary, associates of the Depositary and agents of either of them:         13,680         9,470           Investment Manager's fee (including VAT)         3,172         2,045           Safe custody and other bank charges         234         272           Audit fee^h         10,012         10,870   | Dividends receivable  |               | 36,190        |
| Total debtors2,262,826595,2988. Other Creditors31.05.25<br>£31.05.24<br>£31.05.25<br>£Amounts payable on cancellations1,506,555<br>£20,433220,433Purchases awaiting settlement800,000<br>9,360240,000Equalisation on accrued dividends9,360-Accrued expenses:Amounts payable to the Authorised Corporate Director ('ACD'), associates of the ACD and agents of either of them:3,2042,665ACD's fee<br>Registration fees4,898<br>  | Prepaid expenses:   |               |               |
| 8. Other Creditors 31.05.25  | Legal fee   | 140           | 141           |
| Amounts payable on cancellations 1,506,555 220,433 Purchases awaiting settlement 800,000 240,000 Equalisation on accrued dividends 9,360 - Accrued expenses: Accrued expenses: Amounts payable to the Authorised Corporate Director ('ACD'), associates of the ACD and agents of them:  ACD's fee 4,898 3,811 8,102 4,665 8,102 6,476 8,10 | Total debtors   | 2,262,826     | 595,298       |
| Amounts payable on cancellations 1,506,555 220,433 Purchases awaiting settlement 800,000 240,000 Equalisation on accrued dividends 9,360 - Accrued expenses: Accrued expenses: Amounts payable to the Authorised Corporate Director ('ACD'), associates of the ACD and agents of them:  ACD's fee 4,898 3,811 8,102 4,665 8,102 6,476 8,10 |   |               |               |
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| Equalisation on accrued dividends 9,360 -  Accrued expenses:  Amounts payable to the Authorised Corporate Director ('ACD'), associates of the ACD and agents of either of them:  ACD's fee 4,898 3,811 Registration fees 3,204 2,665  Amounts payable to the Investment Manager, associates of the Investment Manager and agents of either of them:  Investment Manager's fee 13,680 9,470  Amounts payable to the Depositary, associates of the Depositary and agents of either of them:  Depositary's fee (including VAT) 3,172 2,045 Safe custody and other bank charges 234 272  Auditor's remuneration*:  Auditor's remuneration*:  Audit fee^ 10,012 10,870 Tax compliance services** - 2,348  | Amounts payable on cancellations  | 1,506,555     | 220,433       |
| Accrued expenses:  Amounts payable to the Authorised Corporate Director ('ACD'), associates of the ACD and agents of either of them:  ACD's fee 4,898 3,811 3,204 2,665 8,102 6,476  Amounts payable to the Investment Manager, associates of the Investment Manager and agents of either of them:  Investment Manager's fee 13,680 9,470  Amounts payable to the Depositary, associates of the Depositary and agents of either of them:  Depositary's fee (including VAT) 3,172 2,045 Safe custody and other bank charges 234 272  Auditor's remuneration*:  Audit fee^ 10,012 10,870 Tax compliance services** - 2,348   |   | 800,000       | 240,000       |
| Amounts payable to the Authorised Corporate Director ('ACD'), associates of the ACD and agents of either of them:  ACD's fee 4,898 3,811 8,002 2,665 8,102 6,476 8 | Equalisation on accrued dividends   | 9,360         | _             |
| of either of them:       4,898       3,811         ACD's fee       4,898       3,811         Registration fees       3,204       2,665         8,102       6,476         Amounts payable to the Investment Manager, associates of the Investment Manager and agents of either of them:       13,680       9,470         Investment Manager's fee       13,680       9,470         Amounts payable to the Depositary, associates of the Depositary and agents of either of them:       3,172       2,045         Safe custody and other bank charges       234       272         Auditor's remuneration*:       3,406       2,317         Audit fee^       10,012       10,870         Tax compliance services**       -       2,348  | Accrued expenses:   |               |               |
| Registration fees3,2042,665Amounts payable to the Investment Manager, associates of the Investment Manager and agents of either of them:3,1026,476Investment Manager's fee13,6809,470Amounts payable to the Depositary, associates of the Depositary and agents of either of them:3,1722,045Depositary's fee (including VAT)3,1722,045Safe custody and other bank charges234272Auditor's remuneration*:3,4062,317Audit fee^10,01210,870Tax compliance services**-2,348   | · · ·   |               |               |
| Amounts payable to the Investment Manager, associates of the Investment Manager and agents of either of them:  Investment Manager's fee 13,680 9,470  Amounts payable to the Depositary, associates of the Depositary and agents of either of them:  Depositary's fee (including VAT) 3,172 2,045 Safe custody and other bank charges 234 272  Auditor's remuneration*:  Audit fee^ 10,012 10,870 Tax compliance services** - 2,348  | ACD's fee   | 4,898         | 3,811         |
| Amounts payable to the Investment Manager, associates of the Investment Manager and agents of either of them:  Investment Manager's fee 13,680 9,470  Amounts payable to the Depositary, associates of the Depositary and agents of either of them:  Depositary's fee (including VAT) 3,172 2,045  Safe custody and other bank charges 234 272  Auditor's remuneration*:  Audit fee^ 10,012 10,870  Tax compliance services** - 2,348  | Registration fees   | 3,204         | 2,665         |
| of either of them: Investment Manager's fee 13,680 9,470  Amounts payable to the Depositary, associates of the Depositary and agents of either of them:  Depositary's fee (including VAT) 3,172 2,045 Safe custody and other bank charges 234 272  Auditor's remuneration*:  Audit fee^ 10,012 10,870 Tax compliance services** - 2,348  |   | 8,102         | 6,476         |
| Amounts payable to the Depositary, associates of the Depositary and agents of either of them:  Depositary's fee (including VAT)  Safe custody and other bank charges  234 272  3,406 2,317  Auditor's remuneration*:  Audit fee^ 10,012 10,870 Tax compliance services**  - 2,348  |   |               |               |
| Depositary's fee (including VAT)       3,172       2,045         Safe custody and other bank charges       234       272         3,406       2,317         Auditor's remuneration*:       Tax compliance services**       10,012       10,870         Tax compliance services**       -       2,348  | Investment Manager's fee  | 13,680        | 9,470         |
| Safe custody and other bank charges         234         272           3,406         2,317           Auditor's remuneration*:         Audit fee^           Audit fee^         10,012         10,870           Tax compliance services**         -         2,348   | Amounts payable to the Depositary, associates of the Depositary and agents of either of them: |               |               |
| Auditor's remuneration*:       3,406       2,317         Audit fee^       10,012       10,870         Tax compliance services**       -       2,348  | Depositary's fee (including VAT)  | 3,172         | 2,045         |
| Auditor's remuneration*:  Audit fee^ 10,012 10,870 Tax compliance services** - 2,348   | Safe custody and other bank charges   | 234           | 272           |
| Audit fee^       10,012       10,870         Tax compliance services**       -       2,348   |   | 3,406         | 2,317         |
| Tax compliance services**  - 2,348   | Auditor's remuneration*:  |               |               |
|  | Audit fee^  | 10,012        | 10,870        |
| 10,012 13,218  | Tax compliance services**   |               |               |
|  |   | 10,012        | 13,218        |

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| 8. Other Creditors                       | 31.05.25<br>£  | 31.05.24<br>£ |
|--|----------------|---------------|
| Other accrued expenses:                  |                |               |
| Printing costs Tax compliance services** | 1,452<br>2,347 | 1,275<br>-    |
|  | 3,799          | 1,275         |
| Total other creditors                    | 2,354,914      | 493,189       |

<sup>\*</sup>Included within the auditor's remuneration is Irrecoverable VAT of £1,669 (2024: £2,203).

<sup>^</sup>Included within the audit fee is over accrual of £945 (2024: nil).

| 9. Cash and Bank Balances | 31.05.25<br>£ | 31.05.24<br>£ |
|---------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Cash and bank balances    | 709,528       | 392,870       |
| Cash and bank balances    | 709,528       | 392,870       |

#### **10. Related Party Transactions**

Apex Fundrock Limited ('AFL') is regarded as a related party by virtue of having the ability to act in respect of the operations of the Subfund in its capacity as the Authorised Corporate Director ('ACD').

AFL also acts as the ACD of MI Select Managers North American Equity - Institutional Income and MI Select Managers UK Equity - Institutional Income.

ACD and other fees payable to AFL are disclosed in note 4 and amounts due at the year end are shown in note 8.

Fees payable to Brewin Dolphin Limited (the 'Investment Manager') are disclosed in note 4 and amounts due at the year end are shown in note.

Amounts receivable on issue and payable on cancellation of shares and dilution levy are disclosed in the Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Shareholders and in note 6, amounts due at the year end are shown in notes 7 and 8.

Amounts receivable from the Investment Manager for operating charge rebates accrued against expenses are disclosed in note 4, and amounts due at the year end are shown in note 7.

At the year end the Sub-fund did not hold shares in any of the other Sub-funds within the MI Brewin Dolphin Voyager Funds.

At the year end the Sub-fund held the following Collective Investment Schemes, for which AFL acts as the ACD.

| Income Shares   | Held at<br>31.05.25 | Change in<br>year | Held at<br>31.05.24 | % Change<br>in year |
|---|---------------------|-------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| MI Select Managers North American Equity - Institutional Income | 12,114,243          | 3,767,328         | 8,346,915           | 45.13%              |
| MI Select Managers UK Equity - Institutional Income             | 16,068,006          | 3,727,693         | 12,340,313          | 30.21%              |

No rebate has been accrued for in this cross investment.

#### **11. Contingent Liabilities and Outstanding Commitments**

There were no contingent liabilities or outstanding commitments at the balance sheet date (2024: none).

<sup>\*\*</sup>Tax compliance provider changed from Grant Thornton UK LLP to Apex Group Company Services UK Limited.

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#### 12. Risk Management Policies and Disclosures

The main risks arising from financial instruments and the ACD's policies for managing these risks are disclosed on pages 10 and 11.

Numerical disclosures relating to the Sub-fund are as follows:

#### Market price risk

At the balance sheet date, if the price of the investments held by the Sub-fund increased or decreased by 10%, with all other variables held constant, the net assets attributable to Shareholders would increase or decrease by approximately £8,230,154 (2024: £5,364,728).

#### **Currency risk**

The table below details the currency risk profile at the balance sheet date.

| Currency             | 31.05.25   | 31.05.24   |
|----------------------|------------|------------|
|                      | Total      | Total      |
|                      | £          | £          |
| Euro                 | 1,212,440  | 739,414    |
| Japanese yen         | 3,786,213  | 2,523,515  |
| Pound sterling       | 35,443,323 | 24,422,564 |
| United States dollar | 42,429,383 | 26,445,236 |
|                      | 82,871,359 | 54,130,729 |

At the balance sheet date, if the value of sterling increased or decreased by 10%, with all other variables held constant, then the net assets attributable to Shareholders would increase or decrease by approximately £4,742,804 (2024: £2,970,817).

#### Interest rate risk

The table below details the interest rate risk profile at the balance sheet date:

#### 31.05.25

| Currency             | Floating<br>rate<br>financial<br>assets^<br>£ | Assets<br>on which<br>interest<br>distributions<br>are paid<br>£ | Assets<br>on which<br>interest is<br>not paid^^<br>£ | Total<br>£ |
|----------------------|---|--|--|------------|
| Euro                 | -   | -  | 1,212,440  | 1,212,440  |
| Japanese yen         | -   | _  | 3,786,213  | 3,786,213  |
| Pound sterling       | 709,528                                       | 453,352  | 36,682,976   | 37,845,856 |
| United States dollar | -   | -  | 42,429,383   | 42,429,383 |
|                      | 709,528                                       | 453,352  | 84,111,012   | 85,273,892 |
| Currency             |   |  | Financial<br>liabilities<br>not carrying<br>interest | Total      |
|                      |   |  | £  | £          |
| Pound sterling       |   |  | 2,402,533  | 2,402,533  |
|                      |   |  | 2,402,533  | 2,402,533  |

<sup>^</sup>Floating rate interest-bearing assets at the balance sheet date consist of bank balances, on which interest is calculated at a variable rate by reference to sterling bank deposit rates or the international equivalent.

<sup>^^</sup>Comprises of Equity Shares which receive dividend revenue and non-interest bearing balance sheet debtors.

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#### 12. Risk Management Policies and Disclosures (continued)

#### Interest rate risk (continued)

31.05.24

| Currency       | Financial<br>liabilities<br>not carrying<br>interest<br>f | Total<br>f |
|----------------|---|------------|
| Pound sterling | 504,715   | 504,715    |
|                | 504,715   | 504,715    |

<sup>^</sup>Floating rate interest-bearing assets at the balance sheet date consist of bank balances, on which interest is calculated at a variable rate by reference to sterling bank deposit rates or the international equivalent.

At the balance sheet date, if interest rates increased or decreased by 10%, with all other variables held constant, the net assets attributable to Shareholders would increase or decrease by approximately £70,953 (2024: £39,287) in respect of floating rate assets.

#### Leverage

The Sub-fund did not employ any significant leverage in the current and prior year, other than that available to the Sub-fund as a result of its ability to borrow up to 10% of its value on a permanent basis.

<sup>^^</sup>Comprises of Equity Shares which receive dividend revenue and non-interest bearing balance sheet debtors.

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#### **13. Portfolio Transaction Costs**

#### 31.05.25

| Analysis of purchases                     | Total<br>purchase       | C | ommissions         |    | Taxes | before<br>transaction                  |
|---|-------------------------|---|--------------------|----|-------|--|
|   | cost                    |   | paid               |    |       | cost                                   |
|   | £                       | £ | - %                | £  | %     | £                                      |
| Funds                                     | 53,960,202              | - | 0.00               | 2  | 0.00  | 53,960,200                             |
| Total purchases after commissions and tax | 53,960,202              |   |                    |    |       |  |
| Analysis of sales                         | Net<br>sale<br>proceeds |   | ommissions<br>paid |    | Taxes | Sales<br>before<br>transaction<br>cost |
| -   | £                       | £ | %                  | £  | %     | £                                      |
| Funds                                     | 28,606,954              | _ | 0.00               | 1  | 0.00  | 28,606,955                             |
| Total sales after commissions and tax     | 28,606,954              |   |                    |    |       |  |
| Commission as a % of average net assets   | 0.00%                   |   |                    |    |       |  |
| Taxes as a % of the average net assets    | 0.00%                   |   |                    |    |       |  |
| 31.05.24                                  |                         |   |                    |    |       | Download                               |
| Analysis                                  | Total                   |   |                    |    |       | Purchases<br>before                    |
| of purchases                              | purchase                | C | ommissions         |    | Taxes | transaction                            |
| · ·                                       | cost                    |   | paid               |    |       | cost                                   |
|   | £                       | £ | %                  | £  | %     | £                                      |
| Funds                                     | 37,432,069              | - | 0.00               | 48 | 0.00  | 37,432,021                             |
| Total purchases after commissions and tax | 37,432,069              |   |                    |    |       |  |
| Analysis                                  | Net                     |   |                    |    |       | Sales<br>before                        |
| of sales                                  | sale                    | C | ommissions         |    | Taxes | transaction                            |

**Purchases** 

cost

16,938,467

£

£

2

0.00

%

0.00

Commissions and taxes as a % of the average net assets form part of the direct transaction costs stated within the comparative tables on pages 110 to 111. The direct transaction costs within the comparative tables may differ due to the effect of dilution levies charged (where applicable).

£

proceeds

16,938,465

16,938,465

0.00%

0.00%

£

#### 14. Portfolio Dealing Spread

Total sales after commissions and tax

Commission as a % of average net assets

Taxes as a % of the average net assets

Funds

The average portfolio dealing spread at 31 May 2025 is 0.25% (2024: 0.23%).

#### **15. Post Balance Sheet Events**

There were no notifiable events post the year end balance sheet date.

# **Notes to the Financial Statements**

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#### **16. Fair Value Disclosure**

| Valuation technique  |            | 31.05.25 |            | 31.05.24    |  |  |
|----------------------|------------|----------|------------|-------------|--|--|
|                      | Assets     |          |            | Liabilities |  |  |
|                      | £          | £        | £          | £           |  |  |
| Level 1 <sup>^</sup> | -          | -        | _          | -           |  |  |
| Level 2^^            | 82,301,538 | -        | 53,647,276 | _           |  |  |
| Level 3^^^           | -          | -        | _          | _           |  |  |
|                      | 82,301,538 | -        | 53,647,276 | -           |  |  |

<sup>^</sup>Level 1: Unadjusted quoted price in an active market for an identical instrument.

#### 17. Shares in Issue

|                          | A<br>Income<br>GBP | A<br>Accumulation<br>GBP | B<br>Income<br>GBP | B<br>Accumulation<br>GBP |
|--------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|
| Opening number of shares | 2,331,816          | 25,138,152               | 170,555            | 21,197,385               |
| Shares issued            | 1,861,370          | 18,768,391               | 5,677,217          | 17,814,859               |
| Shares cancelled         | (445,492)          | (16,489,496)             | (335,663)          | (5,355,434)              |
| Shares converted         | -                  | 580,822                  | _                  | (334,219)                |
| Closing number of shares | 3,747,694          | 27,997,869               | 5,512,109          | 33,322,591               |

<sup>^^</sup>Level 2: Valuation techniques using observable inputs other than quoted prices within level 1.

<sup>^^^</sup>Level 3: Valuation techniques using unobservable inputs.

### **Distribution Tables**

for the year ended 31 May 2025

### **Income Share Distributions**

| Share class | Distribution   | Shares  | Revenue | Equalisation | Distribution paid/payable 2025 | Distribution paid 2024 |
|-------------|----------------|---------|---------|--------------|--------------------------------|------------------------|
|             |                |         | р       | р            | р                              | р                      |
| Α           | First interim  | Group 1 | 0.0107  | _            | 0.0107                         | 0.0022                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | -       | 0.0107       | 0.0107                         | 0.0022                 |
|             | Second interim | Group 1 | 0.6114  | _            | 0.6114                         | 0.5681                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | -       | 0.6114       | 0.6114                         | 0.5681                 |
|             | Third interim  | Group 1 | 0.0586  | _            | 0.0586                         | 0.0493                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | -       | 0.0586       | 0.0586                         | 0.0493                 |
|             | Final          | Group 1 | 0.5005  | _            | 0.5005                         | 0.4584                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | -       | 0.5005       | 0.5005                         | 0.4584                 |
| В           | First interim  | Group 1 | 0.1018  | _            | 0.1018                         | 0.0586                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | -       | 0.1018       | 0.1018                         | 0.0586                 |
|             | Second interim | Group 1 | 0.6313  | _            | 0.6313                         | 0.5724                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | -       | 0.6313       | 0.6313                         | 0.5724                 |
|             | Third interim  | Group 1 | 0.0939  | _            | 0.0939                         | 0.0743                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | -       | 0.0939       | 0.0939                         | 0.0743                 |
|             | Final          | Group 1 | 0.5236  | _            | 0.5236                         | 0.4909                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | 0.0693  | 0.4543       | 0.5236                         | 0.4909                 |

#### **Accumulation Share Distributions**

| Share class | Distribution   | Shares  | Revenue | Equalisation | Amount reinvested 2025 | Amount reinvested 2024 |
|-------------|----------------|---------|---------|--------------|------------------------|------------------------|
|             |                |         | р       | р            | р                      | р                      |
| Α           | First interim  | Group 1 | 0.0108  | _            | 0.0108                 | 0.0155                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | _       | 0.0108       | 0.0108                 | 0.0155                 |
|             | Second interim | Group 1 | 0.6290  | _            | 0.6290                 | 0.5742                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | _       | 0.6290       | 0.6290                 | 0.5742                 |
|             | Third interim  | Group 1 | 0.0572  | _            | 0.0572                 | 0.0504                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | _       | 0.0572       | 0.0572                 | 0.0504                 |
|             | Final          | Group 1 | 0.5173  | _            | 0.5173                 | 0.4688                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | _       | 0.5173       | 0.5173                 | 0.4688                 |
| В           | First interim  | Group 1 | 0.0388  | -            | 0.0388                 | 0.0285                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | 0.0012  | 0.0376       | 0.0388                 | 0.0285                 |
|             | Second interim | Group 1 | 0.6584  | -            | 0.6584                 | 0.6015                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | _       | 0.6584       | 0.6584                 | 0.6015                 |
|             | Third interim  | Group 1 | 0.0883  | _            | 0.0883                 | 0.0758                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | _       | 0.0883       | 0.0883                 | 0.0758                 |
|             | Final          | Group 1 | 0.5467  | _            | 0.5467                 | 0.4973                 |
|             |                | Group 2 | 0.0706  | 0.4761       | 0.5467                 | 0.4973                 |

First interim period: 01.06.24 - 31.08.24
Second interim period: 01.09.24 - 30.11.24
Third interim period: 01.12.24 - 28.02.25
Final period: 01.03.25 - 31.05.25

Group 1: Shares purchased prior to a distribution period Group 2: Shares purchased during a distribution period

### **Distribution Tables**

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#### **Equalisation**

Equalisation applies only to shares purchased during the distribution period (Group 2 shares). It represents accrued revenue included in the purchase price of the shares. After averaging, it is returned with the distribution as a capital repayment. It is not liable to income tax but must be deducted from the cost of the shares for capital gains tax purposes.

### **General Information**

#### **Authorised Status**

MI Brewin Dolphin Voyager Funds (the 'Company') is structured as an Investment Company with Variable Capital ('ICVC'), under regulation 12 (Authorisation) of the OEIC Regulations (Open-Ended Investment Companies Regulations 2001 (SI2001/1228)).

The Company does not intend to have an interest in immovable property.

The Company is authorised and regulated in the UK by the Financial Conduct Authority ('FCA') as a non-UCITS retail scheme under the COLL Sourcebook.

The Company was incorporated in England and Wales on 15 September 2020 under registration number IC032157. The Shareholders are not liable for the debts of the Company.

The Company has 7 Sub-funds however only 6 Sub-funds have currently been launched. These are detailed below:

MI Brewin Dolphin Voyager Max 40% Equity Fund

MI Brewin Dolphin Voyager Max 60% Equity Fund

MI Brewin Dolphin Voyager Max 70% Equity Fund

MI Brewin Dolphin Voyager Max 80% Equity Fund

MI Brewin Dolphin Voyager Max 90% Equity Fund

MI Brewin Dolphin Voyager Max 100% Equity Fund

#### **Head Office**

Hamilton Centre, Rodney Way, Chelmsford, Essex CM1 3BY

#### **Address for Service**

The Head Office is the address in the United Kingdom for service on the Company of notices or other documents required or authorised to be served on it.

#### **Base Currency**

The base currency of the Company is Pounds Sterling.

#### **Share Capital**

The minimum share capital of the Company is £1 and the maximum is £100,000,000,000. Shares in the Company have no par value. The share capital of the Company at all times equals the sum of the Net Asset Value of the Sub-funds.

#### **Classes of Shares**

The Sub-fund currently has the following classes of shares available for investment:

|  | Share Class |       |       |       |
|--|-------------|-------|-------|-------|
| Sub-fund Sub-fund                              | A Inc       | A Acc | B Inc | B Acc |
| MI Brewin Dolphin Voyager Max 40% Equity Fund  | ~           | ~     | ~     | ~     |
| MI Brewin Dolphin Voyager Max 60% Equity Fund  | ~           | ~     | ~     | ~     |
| MI Brewin Dolphin Voyager Max 70% Equity Fund  | ~           | ~     | ~     | ~     |
| MI Brewin Dolphin Voyager Max 80% Equity Fund  | ~           | ~     | ~     | ~     |
| MI Brewin Dolphin Voyager Max 90% Equity Fund  | ~           | ~     | ~     | ~     |
| MI Brewin Dolphin Voyager Max 100% Equity Fund | V           | ~     | ~     | ~     |

The Company may issue both Income and Accumulation Shares.

Holders of Income shares are entitled to be paid the revenue attributable to such shares in respect of each annual accounting period in the currency of the relevant share class.

Holders of Accumulation shares are not entitled to be paid the revenue attributable to such shares, but that revenue is retained and accumulated for the benefit of Shareholders and is reflected in the price of shares.

### **General Information**

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#### **Valuation Point**

The scheme property of the Company and each Sub-Fund will normally be valued at 12:00 on each dealing day for the purpose of calculating the price at which shares in the Company may be issued, sold, repurchased or redeemed.

For the purpose of the pricing of shares, a business day is defined as a day on which the dealing office of the ACD is open for the buying and selling of shares. The ACD may at any time during a business day carry out an additional valuation of the property of the Sub-fund if the ACD considers it desirable to do so, with the Depositary's approval.

#### **Buying, Redeeming and Switching of Shares**

The ACD will accept orders for the purchase, sale and switching of shares on normal business days between 08:30 and 16:30. Instructions to buy or sell shares may either be in writing to:

Hamilton Centre, Rodney Way, Chelmsford, Essex CM1 3BY

Or by telephone to: 0345 872 4982

The ACD has the right to establish facilities for recording telephone calls made or received on this telephone line.

A contract note giving details of the shares purchased will be issued no later than the next business day after the business day on which an application to purchase shares is received and instrumented by the ACD. Certificates will not be issued in respect of shares. Ownership of shares will be evidenced by an entry on the register of Shareholders.

#### **Pricing Basis**

There is a single price for buying, selling and switching shares for each share class in a Sub-fund which represents the Net Asset Value of the share class concerned. The share price is calculated on a forward pricing basis, that is at the next Valuation Point after the purchase or redemption is deemed to be accepted by the ACD.

The prices of shares are published daily on www.fundrock.com. Neither the ACD nor the Company can be held responsible for any errors in the publication of the prices. The shares in the Sub-fund will be issued and redeemed on a forward pricing basis which means that the price will not necessarily be the same as the published price.

#### **Other Information**

The Instrument of Incorporation, Prospectus, Key Investor Information Document and the most recent interim and annual reports may be inspected at the office of the Company which is also the Head Office of the Company. Copies may be obtained free of charge upon application. They are also available from the website of the Company, the details of which are given in the directory of this report.

Shareholders who have complaints about the operation of the Company should in the first instance contact the ACD, or, following that, may make their complaint direct to the Financial Ombudsman Service, Exchange Tower, London E14 9SR.

#### **Significant Information**

The ACD has assessed implications of current world geopolitical tensions and conflicts. The current crises have and will have a wider impact in terms of market performance.

#### Task Force on Climate-Related Financial Disclosures ('TCFD')

The ACD is required to publish a public TCFD product report in respect of each Sub-fund. The report is designed to provide investors with transparency into their portfolios' climate-related risks and opportunities according to the recommendations from the TCFD and aims to help investors understand their exposure to these risks and opportunities.

Reports for each Sub-fund are published on www.fundrock.com/mi-funds/ and can be found under 'Task Force on Climate-Related Financial Disclosures (TCFD)' by selecting the relevant Fund Manager and Sub-fund.

#### **ACD Value Assessment**

The ACD is required to provide an annual statement for the Company, attesting that in the opinion of the ACD the services provided to the Company and any fees chargeable to the scheme property represent value for money, taking into account the following criteria as set out by the Regulator under COLL 6.6.20R:

- Quality of Service
- Performance
- Economies of Scale
- Comparable Services and Market Rates
- Classes of Shares

### **General Information**

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This statement references services provided directly by the ACD and those services delegated by the ACD to third parties such as, but not limited to, investment management, depositary services, custody and settlement, audit provision, legal services, printing services, KIID production and maintenance, and other costs as may be set out or allowable in the scheme documentation.

The ACD Value Assessment is published on www.fundrock.com.

#### **Remuneration of the ACD**

The ACD is subject to a remuneration policy which meets the requirements of the Alternative Investment Fund Managers Directive (AIFMD) as set out in SYSC 19B of the FCA Handbook.

The policy is designed to ensure practices for employee remuneration are consistent with, and promote, sound and effective risk management. It does not encourage risk-taking which is inconsistent with the risk profiles, rules or instrument of incorporation of the funds managed, and does not impair the ACD's compliance with its duty to act in the best interests of the funds it manages.

The ACD has reviewed the Remuneration Policy and its application in the last year which has resulted in no material changes to the policy or irregularities to process.

This disclosure does not include portfolio management activities as these are undertaken by various third party investment managers appointed by the ACD. The investment manager is required to make separate public disclosure as part of their obligations under the Capital Requirements Directive.

The ACD is required to disclose the total remuneration it pays to its staff during the financial year of the Company, split into fixed and variable remuneration, with separate aggregate disclosure for staff whose actions may have a material impact to the risk profile of a Sub-fund or the ACD itself. This includes executives, senior risk and compliance staff and certain senior managers.

As the ACD provides UCITS and non-UCITS services, the remuneration figures have been prorated by the Net Asset Value of all the nonUCITS funds it manages as a percentage of the total assets under management.

| 31.05.25   | Number<br>of<br>Beneficiaries | Fixed<br>Remuneration | Variable<br>Remuneration<br>Paid | Total      |
|--|-------------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------|------------|
| Total remuneration paid by the ACD during the year   | 26                            | £1,379,238            | £189,598                         | £1,568,836 |
| Remuneration paid to employees of the ACD who have material impact on the risk profile of the Fund | 6                             | £592,571              | £73,916                          | £666,487   |

Further information is available in the ACD's Remuneration Policy Statement which can be obtained from www.fundrock.com or, on request free of charge, by writing to the registered office of the ACD.

#### **Data Protection**

The way in which we may use personal information of individuals ("personal data") is governed by the "Data Protection Requirements" which means all applicable data protection laws and regulations including, without limitation, (a) the General Data Protection Regulation (EU) 2016/679 ("GDPR"), (b) UK GDPR (as that term is defined by the Data Protection, Privacy and Electronic Communications (Amendments etc.) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019) and the Data Protection Act 2018, and (c) any legislation that supplements or replaces the foregoing in the UK. The Data Protection Requirements are designed to strengthen data protection for all individuals.

All personal information provided by you and any other information relating to your investment will be treated in confidence by us and will not be disclosed to any third parties outside of the Apex Group, except to our service providers, appropriate authorities or where legally compelled or permitted by law or where your prior consent has been received. We will use your information to open, administer and when appropriate, close your account. We may record and use any information held about you in the course of our relationship with you for these purposes. The Law gives you the right to know what information we hold about you. In addition, the Law sets out rules to make sure that this information is handled properly.

A copy of our privacy policy and your rights as a data subject can be found on our website at https://www.apexgroup.com/privacy-policy/. Apex Fundrock Ltd is a registered Data Controller. If you have any queries about the use of your personal information, please contact us via e-mail at DPO@apexfs.com or by post to Hamilton Centre, Rodney Way, Chelmsford, Essex, CM1 3BY.

### **General Information**

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#### **Risk Warning**

An investment in a non-UCITS Retail Scheme Open-Ended Investment Company should be regarded as a medium to long-term investment. Investors should be aware that the price of shares and the revenue from them can fall as well as rise and investors may not receive back the full amount invested. Past performance is not a guide to future performance. Investments denominated in currencies other than the base currency are subject to fluctuation in exchange rates, which can be favourable or unfavourable.

