



ASSET MANAGEMENT

# ROYAL LONDON UK ETHICAL EQUITY FUND

31.07.17

CITYWIRE / AA

## FUND OVERVIEW

Fund Manager(s)	Mike Fox
Fund Size	£33.48m
Domicile	United Kingdom
ISA	Available and Eligible
Benchmark Index	FTSE All Share
Investment Association Sector	UK All Companies
Currency	GBP

### Share Class M (Income)

Unit Launch Date	09.05.11
Initial Charge	0.00%
Annual Charge	0.70%
Minimum Investment	£100,000
Ongoing Charges Figure (OCF)	0.85%
SEDOL	B5B49T7
Mid Price	137.70p
Historic Yield	3.07%

### Share Class M (Accumulation)

Unit Launch Date	26.11.12
Initial Charge	0.00%
Annual Charge	0.70%
Minimum Investment	£100,000
Ongoing Charges Figure (OCF)	0.85%
SEDOL	B7ZPQG6
Mid Price	162.60p
Historic Yield	2.99%

## Overview

The Fund seeks to achieve a combination of capital growth and income over the medium (5 years) to long (7 years) term. A full specification of the ethical criteria is available from the Manager upon request.

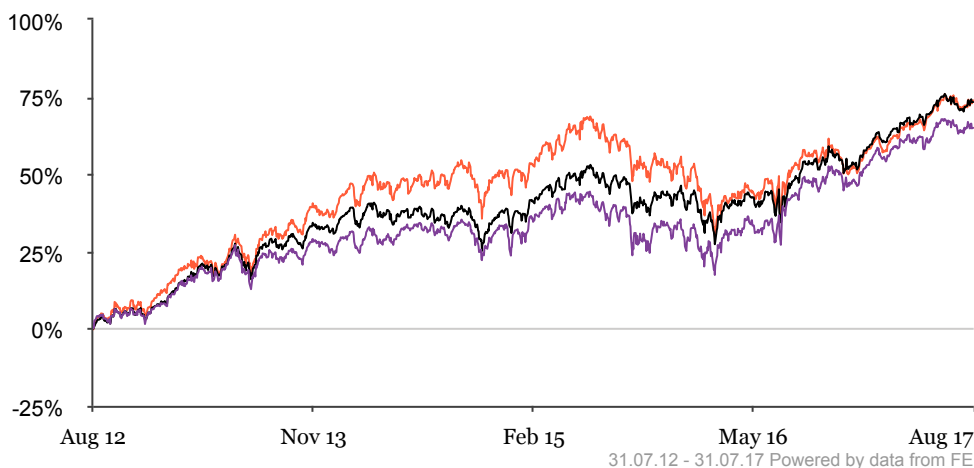
## Year-on-year performance

	31.07.16 to 31.07.17	31.07.15 to 31.07.16	31.07.14 to 31.07.15	31.07.13 to 31.07.14	31.07.12 to 31.07.13
Share Class M (Income)	13.7%	-4.7%	7.9%	13.8%	30.7%
Share Class M (Accumulation)	13.7%	-4.7%	7.8%	13.8%	-
Sector Average	16.6%	0.9%	8.6%	6.7%	27.3%
Benchmark Index	14.9%	3.8%	5.4%	5.6%	24.3%

## Cumulative Performance (as at 31.07.17)

	3 Months	6 Months	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years
Share Class M (Income)	3.3%	10.1%	13.7%	16.9%	73.9%
Share Class M (Accumulation)	3.3%	10.1%	13.7%	16.9%	-
Sector Average	2.3%	8.0%	16.6%	27.7%	73.3%
Benchmark Index	3.0%	7.1%	14.9%	25.7%	65.0%
Quartile Ranking	1	1	3	4	2

## Performance Chart



■ Fund ■ Sector Average ■ Benchmark Index

Source: RLAM and FE as at 31.07.17. Mid to mid, net of fees and taxes, net income reinvested unless otherwise stated. Benchmark index performance gross of fees and taxes. Past performance is not a guide to future performance. The value of investments and the income from them is not guaranteed and may go down as well as up and investors may not get back the amount originally invested.

## Distribution History (Net)

	Apr 17	Oct 16
Share Class M (Income)	1.42p	2.82p

Table above shows figures as at payment date.

## Fund Manager(s)



### Mike Fox

Lead Manager  
Fund Manager tenure:  
01.02.16



## Yield Definitions

The historic yield reflects distributions declared over the past twelve months as a percentage of the mid-market price, as at the date shown. It does not include any preliminary charge and investors may be subject to tax on their distributions.

## CONTACT DETAILS

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Source: RLAM, Financial Express and HSBC as at 31.07.17, unless otherwise stated. Yield definitions are shown above.

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For more information concerning the risks of investing, please refer to the Prospectus and Key Investor Information Document (KIID).

Breakdowns exclude cash and futures.

## Fund Commentary

During July, the UK equity market rose by 1.2% in line with most other global equity markets. The rise in the market during July and year to date is a reflection of improving global economic growth, especially in Europe, coupled with growing levels of corporate profitability. Overall in the UK, the FTSE Mid 250 Index outperformed as the FTSE 100 Index was impacted by large falls in stocks such as AstraZeneca, British American Tobacco and Imperial Brands reflecting stock specific issues.

Positives in the month included industrial company Bodycote, who announced strong first half results and Rentokil whose share price continues to appreciate reflecting the long-term rise in demand for pest controls services. The Fund also benefited from not owning tobacco names after the US Food and Drug Administration (FDA) announced a period of consultation with a view to reducing the nicotine content in cigarettes. The position in AstraZeneca, who announced negative results from a new cancer drug trial, was a detractor from performance.

Transactions in the period were limited but the Fund did reduce its exposure to funeral care provider Dignity, as we are concerned future growth will be slower than it has been historically.

## Sector Breakdown

	Fund
Financials	28.2%
Industrials	25.3%
Consumer Services	14.4%
Health Care	10.4%
Telecommunications	7.0%
Oil & Gas	5.7%
Utilities	4.7%
Consumer Goods	2.2%
Technology	2.1%

## Top 10 Holdings as at 31.07.17

	Fund
PRUDENTIAL PLC	5.0%
RENTOKIL INITIAL	5.0%
RELX NV	4.5%
SMITH & NEPHEW	4.2%
STANDARD CHARTERED	4.1%
HSBC HOLDINGS PLC	4.1%
SMITH(DS)	4.0%
ROYAL DUTCH SHELL	3.8%
SMITHS GROUP	3.7%
ASTRAZENECA PLC	3.7%
<b>Total</b>	<b>42.1%</b>

**No of Holdings**

**41**

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