



Premier Castlefield UK Smaller Companies Fund

INTERIM SHORT REPORT OF THE AUTHORISED CORPORATE DIRECTOR:
FOR THE PERIOD FROM 1 MARCH 2007 TO 31 AUGUST 2007

NET ASSET VALUES (In pence per share)

General Income	
31 August 2007	239.53
General Accumulation	
31 August 2007	239.53
Institutional Income	
31 August 2007	239.50
Institutional Accumulation	
31 August 2007	239.83

Any income available will be removed from the Net Asset Value per Share price and used for the Fund's year-end distribution/accumulation. As a result, no parallel should be made with the quoted high/low prices for the period.

Past performance is no guarantee to future performance and the value of the investment can go down as well as up.

SHARE PRICE RANGE (In pence per share)

General Income	High	Low
2007 ¹	260.68	237.02
General Accumulation	High	Low
2007 ²	259.55	237.02
Institutional Income	High	Low
2007 ³	260.76	237.26
Institutional Accumulation	High	Low
2007 ⁴	260.76	237.26

¹ From 4 June 2007 to 31 August 2007

² From 17 July 2007 to 31 August 2007

³ From 19 June 2007 to 31 August 2007

⁴ From 13 June 2007 to 31 August 2007

DIVIDEND DISTRIBUTIONS (In pence per share)

Institutional Income		
XD DATE	Payable on	Distribution
31 August 2007	27 November 2007	0.3305
Institutional Accumulation		
XD DATE	Payable on	Distribution
31 August 2007	27 November 2007	0.2249

The Institutional Income and Accumulation share classes are able to pay a dividend distribution due to lower expenses.

XD DATES

28 February (final)
31 August (interim)

DISTRIBUTION DATES

27 May (final)
27 November (interim)

TOTAL EXPENSE RATIO (Estimated)

General Shares	
31 August 2007	2.36%
Institutional Shares	
31 August 2007	1.86%

The total expense ratio (TER) shows the annual operating expenses of the sub-fund, including the annual management charge and other expenses. It does not include transaction figures. Funds highlight the TER to help you compare the annual operating expenses of different schemes. The TER for income and accumulation shares is the same.

INVESTMENT PHILOSOPHY AND PROCESS

The investment philosophy of the Premier Castlefield UK Smaller Companies Fund is to invest in well managed UK smaller companies that are financially sound and have a distinct and sustainable competitive advantage and are capable of long term growth. The investment process involves a thorough appraisal of a company's management, a detailed financial review and an assessment of its market position and the competitive environment.

PERFORMANCE

For the period from 1 June 2007 to 31 August 2007, the Premier Castlefield UK Smaller Companies Fund recorded a total return of -2.8%, compared to a total return from the benchmark* of -9.1% and the IMA UK Smaller Companies sector average total return of -7.0%.

MARKET REVIEW

The out performance of the sub-fund against the benchmark was mainly attributable to a strong performance from many of the larger holdings, some of which actually produced positive absolute performance in a period of sharply falling share prices generally. Of particular note were London Capital Group (+33%), which benefited as market turmoil led to higher levels of spread betting activity, and BowLeven (+19%) which rose following good news on its drilling programme in Cameroon.

PORTFOLIO ACTIVITY

Over the next few months it is planned to reduce the portfolio's exposure to the AIM market from its current level of just under 60% to around 40%. To this end several AIM holdings have been reduced into strength in the last 3 months. These include BowLeven, First Property, London Capital, Personal and Tanfield. However all of these stocks remain attractive and continue to be important holdings for the sub-fund. Funds raised were re-invested into fully listed stocks such as Bloomsbury Publishing, Low and Bonar and The Innovations Group. Bloomsbury Publishing is a book publisher best known for the Harry Potter series. The company had a long and successful track record until a recent glitch saw the share price fall sharply. However with a clear strategy in place for the future the shares represent good value and should recover strongly. The Innovation Group provides outsourcing services and software solutions to the world's insurance markets. This appears to be a long term growth market and the valuation is attractive given the forecast growth in earnings. Low and Bonar is a manufacturer of a range of products in the specialist materials market, in particular in textiles, chemicals and engineering. The company is a well-managed growth situation yet remains lowly rated with significant upside potential.

OUTLOOK

Although the exposure to the AIM market is being reduced, the sub-fund will remain overweight in this area as many of the more attractive growth stories are listed there. Regarding small caps in general, while negative sentiment in the market as a whole relating to the banking problems is unhelpful, earnings growth remains attractive and many small companies offer good value. Recent results from companies held in the portfolio have been mainly positive and accompanied by optimistic statements regarding the outlook. We believe that the outlook for the sub-fund is positive and anticipate further progress in coming months.

Source: Castlefield Investment Partners LLP, September 2007. *Benchmark: FTSE Small Cap ex ITs Index.

Performance figures are sourced to Castlefield Investment Partners LLP.

FUND SPECIFIC RISK FACTORS

As the Fund invests primarily in the UK, there is a market risk that the Fund might suffer through holding market positions concentrated in the UK in the face of price movements. The value of these investments may decline over a given period because of economic changes or other events that impact large portions of the market. The Fund invests in smaller companies that are less liquid



INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE & POLICY

THE INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE OF THE PREMIER CASTLEFIELD UK SMALLER COMPANIES FUND IS TO INVEST PRIMARILY FOR LONG-TERM CAPITAL GROWTH, INVESTING PREDOMINANTLY IN SHARES IN SMALLER UK COMPANIES INCLUDING THOSE LISTED ON THE ALTERNATIVE INVESTMENT MARKET.

TOP TEN HOLDINGS AS AT 31/08/2007

	% OF NAV
BowLeven	6.21%
VT Group	5.26%
Carclo	5.06%
First Property Online	4.99%
VP	4.62%
London Capital	4.58%
Clarkson	4.34%
Hornby	4.21%
Intelligent Environments	4.05%
Mattioli Woods	4.03%

INVESTMENT PROFILE AS AT 31/08/2007

Financials	25.73%
General Industrials	21.52%
Technology	17.45%
Oil and Gas	8.99%
Basic Materials	8.22%
Consumer Goods	7.95%
Industrials	6.90%
Consumer Services	4.40%
Net other liabilities	1.16%

than larger companies which means that fluctuations in price may be greater than for larger companies.

GENERAL RISK FACTORS

You should remember that past performance is not a guide to the future. The price of shares and the income from them may go down as well as up and you may get back less than you originally invested. Exchange rates will also cause the underlying investments to fall or rise. Tax concessions are not guaranteed and may change at any time; their value will depend on your individual circumstances.

RISK WARNINGS FOR PRIVATE CUSTOMERS

If you have any doubt as to the suitability of this Fund, you should contact your financial adviser. Details of the basis or amount of any taxes, charges and expenses are contained in the Simplified Prospectus which can be obtained from the ACD.

Castlefield Investments, its directors, officers, employees and their associates may have a holding in the Fund as well as in the securities referred to herein. Reference to any particular stock does not constitute a recommendation to buy or sell the stock.

OTHER INFORMATION

The information in this report is designed to enable shareholders to make an informed judgement on the

activities of the Fund during the period it covers and the result of those activities at the end of the period. For more information about the activities and performance of the Fund during the period and previous periods, please contact the ACD. For your protection when dealing, your call may be recorded and monitored.

NOTABLE CHANGES

On 31 May 2007, Shareholders approved the move of the assets from the Premier UK Smaller Companies Fund to a new sub-fund called Premier Castlefield UK Smaller Companies Fund. Alistair Currie, previously fund manager of the Premier UK Smaller Companies Fund, transferred to Castlefield Investments on 16 April where he continues to manage the Fund.

During the prior year under review and as agreed by the ACD and Depositary, the Company's year end changed from 31 December to 28 February. As a result, the interim accounting date has changed from 30 June to 31 August.

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*RSM Robson Rhodes LLP ("Robson Rhodes") merged its audit practice with that of Grant Thornton UK LLP ("Grant Thornton") with effect from 2 July 2007, with the successor firm being Grant Thornton. Robson Rhodes resigned as auditors on 31 July 2007 creating a casual vacancy, which the ACD filled by appointing Grant Thornton.

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REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

Copies of the Interim Long-Form Report and Financial Statements of this Fund are available free of charge on request.

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