

# CHARITY EQUITY FUND







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### INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE AND POLICY

The Charity Equity Fund aims to provide participating charities with a total return (income and capital growth) in excess of the FTSE All-Share Index over five year rolling periods. In order to achieve this objective, the Fund may invest in securities anywhere in the world, although investment will be predominantly in good quality UK equities.

Fund launch date		3 <sup>rd</sup> March 1992		
Total fund size (£)		190.1 million		
Total number of holding	gs	35		
Unit price end of month (£)		1,042.00 GBX		
Benchmark	FTS	E All-Share Total Return		
Managed fund since		18 <sup>th</sup> May 2010		
Investment manager		Schroders		
Ethical restriction		No tobacco		

# FINANCIAL INFORMATION

	Benchmark
14.1	13.6
1.0	
3.8	_
22.1	20.5
3.6	3.5
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The above ratios are based on bid to bid price based performance data. These financial ratios refer to the average of the equity holdings contained in the fund's portfolio and in the benchmark (if mentioned) respectively.

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# PURCHASE INFORMATION

SEDOL	Acc: 0775591 Inc: 0775580
Bloomberg	Acc: SCHCHEA:LN Inc: SCHCHEI:LN
ISIN	Acc: GB0007755910 Inc: GB0007755803
Fund base currency	GBP
Dealing frequency	Daily (16:00 GMT)
Annual management charge	0.5%
Minimum investment amount	£1,000

### PERFORMANCE ANALYSIS

Performance (%)	1 month 3 r	months 6	months	YTD	1 year	3 years	5 years	10 years
Fund	0.7	2.1	10.9	2.1	24.9	30.3	93.1	125.9
Benchmark	1.2	4.0	8.1	4.0	22.0	24.9	58.7	73.7

Discrete yearly performance (%)		1 <sup>st</sup> Apr 2015 – 31 <sup>st</sup> Mar 2016			
Fund	24.9	-4.9	9.7	18.0	25.6
Benchmark	22.0	-3.9	6.6	8.8	16.8

### PERFORMANCE OVER 5 YEARS (%)



Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results, prices of shares and the income from them may fall as well as rise and investors may not get back the amount originally invested.

Some performance differences between the fund and the benchmark may arise because the fund performance is calculated at a different valuation point from the benchmark. The since launch performance of the benchmark cannot be shown as it did not exist at the fund's launch date.

Source: Schroders, A Acc bid-to-bid price with net income reinvested, net of the ongoing charges and portfolio costs and, where applicable, performance fees.

### INCOME PAYMENTS

2016/2017	Ex-distribution date	Payment date	Rate per unit
Interim	30 <sup>th</sup> December 2016	28th February 2017	3.25p
Quarterly	30 <sup>th</sup> September 2016	30 <sup>th</sup> November 2016	2.65p
Final	30 <sup>th</sup> June 2016	31st August 2016	4.30p
Quarterly	31st March 2016	31 <sup>st</sup> May 2016	2.75p

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### **HOLDINGS ANALYSIS**

Top 10 holdings	Sector	% NAV
HSBC Holdings	Financials	5.4
BP	Oil & Gas	5.2
Royal Bank of Scotland	Financials	4.8
Barclays	Financials	4.7
Pearson	Consumer Services	4.7
GlaxoSmithKline	Health Care	4.3
Centrica	Utilities	4.2
Aviva	Financials	3.9
AstraZeneca	Health Care	3.8
Royal Dutch Shell	Oil & Gas	3.8
Total		44.7

# Underweights (%) British American Tobacco -4.3 Royal Dutch Shell -3.8 Diageo -2.5 Unilever -2.1 Reckitt Benckiser Group Arket cap split (%) 250 million -250 million 6.7 >=250<500 million 0.5

>=500<1000 million

>=1000<3000 million

>=3000 million

Unclassified

2.2

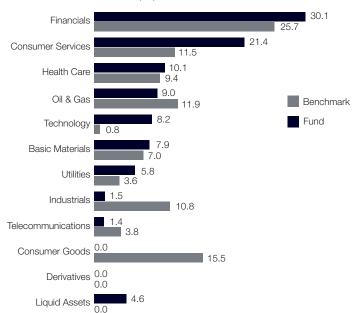
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Overweights and underweights data are based on fund's exposure to holdings grouped by name.

### ASSET ALLOCATION (%)



The commitment linked to any equity index futures contracts, if present, is deducted from cash. Source: Schroders.

### PERFORMANCE AND PORTFOLIO ACTIVITY

The Fund underperformed the FTSE All-Share Index over the guarter.

The main negative contributors were owning education business Pearson, power generator Drax and UK supermarket Tesco. Pearson lowered its 2017 profit forecast and announced a dividend cut as it looked to reposition its business toward digital platforms, while investors were spooked by the fall in revenues from its key North American higher education division. Drax revealed lower-than-expected profits as a result of weaker power prices, which weighed on shares, despite a previously favourable investor reaction to the purchase of Opus Energy. In January, Tesco announced a potential acquisition of cash and carry business Booker. Following extensive communication with management, the fund managers took the unusual step of writing formally to the board of Tesco and going public in March 2017 to re-iterate that they believe the risk of the deal does not carry proportionate reward. Tesco shares fell around this announcement, with the managers remain convinced that paying over 23 times peak operating profit for Booker does not create shareholder value.

On the positive side, life insurer Aviva, financial infrastructure business NEX Group, inter-dealing voice broker TP ICAP and pharmaceutical companies AstraZeneca and GlaxoSmithKline, were the largest contributors to returns. Aviva rose after it announced that it will be returning cash to shareholders this year and will raise its full year dividend after reporting better-than-expected profits for 2016. Markets responded positively to NEX Group's sale of its global broking division to focus on the higher-growth electronic and post trade businesses, which is expected to enjoy a significant growth tailwind, driven by regulatory changes governing OTC (over the counter) markets. TP ICAP performed well on the back of a very strong yearend trading update. Meanwhile, long-held positions in pharmaceuticals AstraZeneca and GlaxoSmithKline continued to benefit performance.

During the quarter, the managers added to the position in Pearson on share price weakness as they believe the company continues to offer longterm value.

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