

# PHOENIX UNIT TRUST MANAGERS

## MANAGER'S FINAL REPORT

For the year: 1 June 2022 to 31 May 2023

### PUTM UK LISTED EQUITY UNIT TRUST (CLOSED)





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\*These collectively comprise the Authorised Fund Manager's Report.

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# Investment review

## Dear Investor

Welcome to the PUTM UK Listed Equity Unit Trust closing annual report for the 12 months, since 1 June 2022 to 31 May 2023. The assets from the PUTM UK Listed Equity Unit Trust were transferred into the PUTM ACS UK All Share Listed Equity Multi-Manager Fund on 12 May 2023. The Manager intend to wind up PUTM UK Listed Equity Unit Trust.

## Performance Review

The PUTM UK Listed Equity Unit Trust returned 3.38% over the review period (Source: Invesco for the period 31 May 2022 to 12 May 2023). This is compared to its benchmark index which returned 4.19%. (Source: Invesco, FTSE All-Share Index from 31 May 2022 to 11 January 2023 and FTSE All-Share ex Investment Trusts Index from 12 January 2023 to 12 May 2023).

## Standardised Past Performance

	May 22 - 12 May 23 % growth	May 21 - May 22 % growth	Aug 20 - May 21 (Change of Investment Adviser) % growth	Jun 20 - Jul 20 (Retired Investment Adviser) % growth	May 19-20 % growth	May 18-19 % growth	May 17-18 % growth
<b>PUTM UK Listed Equity Unit Trust</b>	3.38	9.11	25.12	-2.39	-14.8	-6.6	6.4
<b>Benchmark</b>	4.19	8.27	25.77	1.25	-11.2	-3.2	6.5

Source: Invesco, as of 12 May 2023.

## Past performance is not a guide to future performance.

The value of units and the income from them can go down as well as up and is not guaranteed. You may not get back the full amount invested.

**Please note that all past performance figures are calculated without taking the initial charge into account.**

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# Investment review

## Portfolio and Market Review

The main themes in equity markets over the reporting period have been the war in Ukraine, the resulting high energy prices, the ongoing high inflation numbers around the world and the central banks' monetary policy responses to fight inflation. In this environment, the UK equity market performed slightly positively. In June, the Bank of England raised interest rates by 0.25 percentage points, which was the fifth consecutive rate increase with indications of more to come in the following months. With an inflation rate of 10.1% in July and 9.9% in August, the Bank of England raised interest rates further with a 50 basis points increase in August as well as in September to 2.25% in total, the highest level since 2008. In October Rishi Sunak became the new Prime Minister (PM) of the UK after Liz Truss resigned following a difficult 44-day spell as PM. In November Chancellor of the Exchequer Jeremy Hunt announced spending cuts and tax increases as the Office for Budget Responsibility reported the economy would shrink 1.4% next year. Living standards were also projected to fall the most in six decades. As expected, the Bank of England raised interest rates in November and December to the highest level in 14 years as interest rates went to 3.5%. Bank of England governor, Andrew Bailey, declared that inflation had reached its peak but warned that further tightening of monetary policy was likely to bring inflation down to its target level. UK Inflation fell from 10.5% in December to 10.1% in January. This slowdown was mostly driven by the easing of petrol prices. In February, however, UK inflation unexpectedly increased to 10.4%, with food price inflation reaching a new record high due to supply shortages. The Bank of England responded by raising interest rates to a 15-year high of 4.25%. While the BoE left open the prospects of further rate hikes if there were more 'persistent pressures' from inflation, it believed that inflation would begin to fall rapidly before summer. In March of 2023 the UK equity market gave away some of its gains made in the previous months due to a broad sell-off in bank shares, as the fear of a banking crisis spread from the US to Europe. Equities recovered from March's banking sell-off with inflation falling to 10.1% in March, although it remained above consensus due to rising food prices. The consumer confidence index rose to its highest level since the Ukraine invasion. However, the market pulled back mid-quarter as inflation rose, and the Bank of England increased interest rates by 0.25% to 4.5% in May. Still, investors expected further interest rate hikes going forward.

The UK Enhanced strategy implements diversified factor exposures to the proprietary factors Momentum, Quality and Value in a strictly risk controlled framework. The approach overweights stocks with attractive factor exposures relative to its benchmark subject to risk constraints. The resulting portfolio is a disciplined risk-managed multi-factor strategy that seeks to earn factor premiums while staying away from risk factors deemed not rewarding. It efficiently uses its risk budget (tracking error) to apply diversified factor weightings relative to a capitalization-weighted index.

Over the reporting period, the multi-factor model contributed positively to the fund's relative performance. In particular Momentum factors contributed positively, as stocks with positive Earnings Momentum and Price Momentum experienced a positive performance. Performance was also driven by positive contributions from the Value factor, as attractively valued stocks outperformed the broader market, especially in 2022. Contributions from the Quality factor, which favours companies with strong balance sheets, were negative. Furthermore, stock specific effects, which are not attributable to any of the aforementioned factors, contributed negatively.

## Market Outlook and Fund Strategy

The fund strategy is based on a research-driven, systematic bottom-up multi-factor investment process. The Invesco Quantitative Strategies (IQS) multi-factor UK Enhanced strategy evaluates the attractiveness of stocks based on the proprietary IQS factors Momentum (Price Momentum and Earnings Momentum), Quality and Value and invests in stocks with high sensitivities to these factors. Academics as well as practitioners agree that factors have proven to explain wide parts of both returns and risks in equity markets over the long term. Over a full market cycle, the major part of relative performance is expected to be driven by these factors. In terms of portfolio construction, the IQS team tightly constrains the risks taken in sectors and industries, and over time the contribution to return from these sources is expected to be marginal.

The IQS team continues to expect the market to reward stocks with rising earnings outlooks, positive price momentum, strong fundamentals and attractive valuations going forward. Currently, the team considers the attractiveness of the UK Equity market as neutral, with risk aversion, the economic outlook and the price trend in equity markets all being in neutral territory.

## Portfolio of investments (unaudited)

Investments held at 31 May 2023

Holding	Investment	Market value £	Percentage of total net assets %
	<b>UK Equities (31/05/22 – 98.37%)</b>		<b>0.00</b>
	Aerospace & Defence (31/05/22 - 1.48%)		0.00
	Alternative Energy (31/05/22 - 0.06%)		0.00
	Automobiles & Parts (31/05/22 - 0.04%)		0.00
	Banks (31/05/22 - 8.55%)		0.00
	Beverages (31/05/22 - 3.20%)		0.00
	Chemicals (31/05/22 - 0.45%)		0.00
	Construction & Materials (31/05/22 - 1.31%)		0.00
	Electricity (31/05/22 - 0.99%)		0.00
	Electronic & Electrical Equipment (31/05/22 - 0.55%)		0.00
	Equity Investment Instruments (31/05/22 - 3.42%)		0.00
	Financial Services (31/05/22 - 4.72%)		0.00
	Fixed Line Telecommunications (31/05/22 - 0.66%)		0.00
	Food & Drug Retailers (31/05/22 - 1.66%)		0.00
	Food Producers (31/05/22 - 0.32%)		0.00
	Forestry & Paper (31/05/22 - 0.62%)		0.00
	Gas, Water & Multiutilities (31/05/22 - 1.70%)		0.00
	General Industrials (31/05/22 - 1.47%)		0.00
	General Retailers (31/05/22 - 1.41%)		0.00
	Healthcare Equipment & Services (31/05/22 - 0.13%)		0.00
	Household Goods (31/05/22 - 2.80%)		0.00
	Industrial Engineering (31/05/22 - 0.40%)		0.00
	Industrial Transportation (31/05/22 - 0.45%)		0.00
	Life Insurance (31/05/22 - 3.09%)		0.00
	Media (31/05/22 - 2.98%)		0.00
	Mining (31/05/22 - 8.65%)		0.00
	Mobile Telecommunications (31/05/22 - 1.76%)		0.00
	Non-Equity Investment Instruments (31/05/22 - 0.17%)		0.00
	Non-Life Insurance (31/05/22 - 0.45%)		0.00
	Oil & Gas Producers (31/05/22 - 11.72%)		0.00
	Oil Equipment & Services (31/05/22 - 0.11%)		0.00
	Personal Goods (31/05/22 - 3.92%)		0.00
	Pharmaceuticals & Biotechnology (31/05/22 - 10.86%)		0.00
	Real Estate Investment Services (31/05/22 - 2.49%)		0.00
	Real Estate Investment Trusts (31/05/22 - 1.23)		0.00
	Software & Computer Services (31/05/22 - 1.86%)		0.00
	Support Services (31/05/22 - 4.62%)		0.00
	Technology Hardware & Equipment (31/05/22 - 0.14%)		0.00
	Tobacco (31/05/22 - 5.09%)		0.00
	Travel & Leisure (31/05/22 - 2.84%)		0.00
	Futures (31/05/22 – 0.07%)		0.00
	<b>Portfolio of investments</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>0.00</b>
	<b>Net other assets</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>0.00</b>
	<b>Net assets</b>	<b>–</b>	<b>0.00</b>

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## Top ten purchases and sales

For the year ended 31 May 2023

<b>Purchases</b>	<b>Cost £</b>	<b>Sales</b>	<b>Proceeds £</b>
Rolls Royce	343,130	Shell	4,050,745
Flutter Entertainment	331,791	AstraZeneca	3,789,006
AstraZeneca	326,291	HSBC Holdings	2,596,049
CRH (London Listed)	325,921	Unilever	2,525,701
Unilever	322,224	BP	2,173,897
Shell	296,263	Diageo	1,700,446
Smiths Group	271,318	Glencore	1,563,345
Burberry Group	270,871	British American Tobacco	1,553,662
Natwest Group	254,889	GSK	1,487,556
HSBC Holdings	241,120	Rio Tinto	1,389,356
<b>Subtotal</b>	<u>2,983,818</u>	<b>Subtotal</b>	<u>22,829,763</u>
<b>Other purchases</b>	8,736,922	<b>Other sales</b>	37,102,742
<b>Total purchases for the year</b>	<u>11,720,740</u>	<b>Total sales for the year</b>	<u>59,932,505</u>

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# Statistical information

## Comparative tables

	23/08/22** pence	Income 31/05/22 pence	31/05/21 pence
<b>Change in net assets per unit</b>			
Opening net asset value per unit	587.26	558.52	482.19
Return before operating charges*	(6.95)	51.88	94.57
Operating charges	(1.39)	(5.70)	(5.34)
Return after operating charges*	(8.34)	46.18	89.23
Distributions on income units	–	(17.44)	(12.90)
Termination price per unit	(578.92)	–	–
Closing net asset value per unit	–	587.26	558.52
*after direct transaction costs of: ^	0.86	1.04	1.68

## Performance

Return after charges	(1.42%)	8.27%	18.51%
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## Other information

Closing net asset value (£000)	–	15	14
Closing number of units	–	2,525	2,525
Operating charges	1.06%	1.06%	1.05%
Direct transaction costs	0.15%	0.18%	0.33%

## Prices<sup>+</sup>

Highest unit price (pence)	619.73	631.31	605.11
Lowest unit price (pence)	543.46	533.04	444.97

\*\* Income Fund Class was terminated on 23 August 2022.

^ The direct transaction costs includes commission on futures.

+ High and low price disclosures are based on quoted unit prices. Therefore, the opening and closing NAV prices may fall outside the high/low price threshold.



# Statistical information

## Comparative tables

	12/05/23** pence	Accumulation 31/05/22 pence	31/05/21 pence
<b>Change in net assets per unit</b>			
Opening net asset value per unit	1,397.94	1,290.88	1,087.82
Return before operating charges*	35.77	121.37	215.15
Operating charges	(14.49)	(14.31)	(12.09)
Return after operating charges*	21.28	107.06	203.06
Distributions on accumulation units	(17.61)	(39.55)	(29.27)
Retained distributions on accumulation units	17.61	39.55	29.27
Termination price per unit	(1,419.22)	–	–
Closing net asset value per unit	–	1,397.94	1,290.88
*after direct transaction costs of: ^	2.11	2.42	3.80

## Performance

Return after charges	1.52%	8.29%	18.67%
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## Other information

Closing net asset value (£000)	–	49,415	50,293
Closing number of units	–	3,534,866	3,896,021
Operating charges	1.11%	1.06%	1.05%
Direct transaction costs	0.15%	0.18%	0.33%

## Prices<sup>+</sup>

Highest unit price (pence)	1,562.46	1,482.24	1,381.16
Lowest unit price (pence)	1,258.79	1,251.59	1,002.80

\*\* All of the units in the Fund were cancelled by in-specie transfer on 12 May 2023 so the information above relates to when the Fund was active.

^ The direct transaction costs includes commission on futures and clearing house fees on swaps.

+ High and low price disclosures are based on quoted unit prices. Therefore, the opening and closing NAV prices may fall outside the high/low price threshold.

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# Statistical information

## Investment objective

The Fund aims to provide a total return (a combination of capital growth and income) by outperforming the FTSE All Share ex Investment Trust Index (TR) (the "Index") before fees by 0.5% to 1% per annum over any given 3 year period.

## Investment policy

The Fund aims to achieve its objective by investing over 70% of the portfolio in equities and equity related securities of companies listed in the United Kingdom that are constituents of the FTSE All Share ex Investment Trust Index. The Fund may invest up to 15% in listed UK companies outside of the Index.

The Fund may also invest in convertible stocks, stock exchange listed warrants, depositary receipts, and any other such investments which entitle the holder to subscribe for or convert into the equity of the company and/or where the share price performance is, in the opinion of the Investment Manager, influenced significantly by the stock market performance of the company's ordinary shares. Not more than 10% in value of the property of any of the Schemes may consist of transferable securities, which are non-approved securities and/or unlisted securities. The Fund may invest in collective investment schemes, money-market instruments, deposits, cash and near cash assets.

Derivatives will be used for efficient portfolio management only.

## Investment strategy

Although over 70% of the Fund is invested in components of the Index, the Fund is actively managed. The Investment Adviser uses research techniques to select individual holdings. The research process is focused on identifying companies where the management team have a different view of a company's prospects to that of the market, and which align with their views regarding future economic and business conditions. The Investment Adviser references the Index, which means that while the Fund is not required to match the weightings of the Index and does not concentrate on any particular sector, the Fund is managed within constraints, so that divergence from the Index is controlled. The Fund's portfolio may, therefore, be similar to the components of the Index.

## Revenue distribution and pricing

Units of the Fund are available as either Income units (where revenue is distributed to unitholders) or Accumulation units (where revenue is reinvested to enhance the unit price). There will be two potential distributions in each accounting year: an interim distribution as at 30 November and a final distribution as at 31 May.

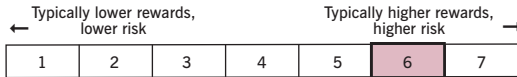
At each distribution the net revenue after deduction of expenses, from the investments of the Fund, is apportioned amongst the unitholders. Unitholders receive a tax voucher giving details of the distribution and the Manager's Report no later than two months after these dates.

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# Statistical information

## Risk and reward profile

The Risk and Reward Indicator table demonstrates where the 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 Fund. The shaded area in the table below shows the Fund's ranking on the Risk and Reward Indicator.



This Fund is ranked at 6 (31/05/22: 6) because funds of this type have experienced high rises and falls in value in the past. Although this is a high risk ranking it is not the highest. The above figure applies to the following unit classes:

- Accumulation
- Income

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. Please note the Fund's risk category may change in the future. The indicator does not take into account the following risk of investing in this Fund:

- The Fund may use derivatives to reduce risk or cost or to generate additional capital or income at low risk, or to meet its investment objective.

For more information on the Risk and Reward profiles of our Funds, please refer to the most up to date relevant fund and Unit Class Key Investor Information Documents (KIIDs). These were available online at [www.phoenixunittrust.co.uk](http://www.phoenixunittrust.co.uk).

# Final financial statements

For the year ended 31 May 2023

## Statement of total return

Notes	31/05/23***		31/05/22	
	£	£	£	£
Income				
Net capital (losses)/gains	4	(247,900)		2,497,521
Revenue	5	1,405,003	1,981,537	
Expenses	6	(478,898)	(513,044)	
Interest payable and similar charges		(6)	(27)	
Net revenue before taxation		926,099	1,468,466	
Taxation	7	(9,767)	(8,873)	
Net revenue after taxation		916,332	1,459,593	
Total return before distributions		668,432	3,957,114	
Distributions	8	(916,333)	(1,459,596)	
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities		(247,901)	2,497,518	

## Statement of change in net assets attributable to unitholders

	31/05/23***		31/05/22	
	£	£	£	£
Opening net assets attributable to unitholders		49,430,283		50,306,907
Amounts receivable on issue of units		17,066	(2)	
Amounts payable on in-specie transfer**		(46,000,716)	–	
Amounts payable on cancellation of units		(3,798,865)	(4,803,725)	
		(49,782,515)	(4,803,727)	
Change in net assets attributable to unitholders from investment activities		(247,901)	2,497,518	
Retained distributions on accumulation units		600,133	1,429,585	
Closing net assets attributable to unitholders		–	49,430,283	

\*\*Represents the value of units cancelled by in-specie transfer of assets during the period.

\*\*\*All of the units were cancelled by in-specie transfer on 12 May 2023 therefore no NAV remained at the end of the period.

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# Final financial statements

As at 31 May 2023

## Balance sheet

	Notes	31/05/23		31/05/22	
		£	£	£	£
<b>Assets:</b>					
<b>Fixed assets:</b>					
Investments			–	48,660,130	
<b>Current assets:</b>					
Debtors	9	55,085		443,276	
Cash and bank balances	10	34,998		606,465	
Total current assets			90,083	1,049,741	
Total assets			90,083	49,709,871	
<b>Liabilities:</b>					
<b>Creditors:</b>					
Bank overdraft	11	–		(8,622)	
Other creditors	12	(90,083)		(270,744)	
Distribution payable		–		(222)	
Total creditors			(90,083)	(279,588)	
Total liabilities			(90,083)	(279,588)	
Net assets attributable to unitholders			–	49,430,283	

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# Notes to the financial statements

## **Note 1 Accounting policies**

### **(a) Basis of preparation**

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

Following the decision of the Manager to wind up the Fund and approval from the FCA received on 9 June 2022, all of the units in the fund were cancelled by in-specie transfer on 12 May 2023. Accordingly, the financial statements have been prepared on a break up basis, all assets are measured at recoverable value and all liabilities at settlement value.

No adjustments were required in these financial statements to reduce assets to their recoverable value or liabilities to their settlement value. The Manager of the Fund will bear the costs relating to any such liabilities arising. Unless otherwise stated all accounting policies are consistent with those of the prior period.

### **(b) Valuation of investments**

All of the investments of the Fund were cancelled by in-specie transfer on 12 May 2023. Therefore, no investments were held at the end of the accounting year.

### **(c) Foreign exchange**

Transactions in foreign currencies during the year are translated into Sterling (the functional currency of the Fund), at the rates of exchange ruling on the transaction date. Amounts held in foreign currencies have been translated at the rate of at the rate of exchange ruling at 12 noon, 31 May 2023, the last valuation point in the accounting year.

### **(d) Revenue**

Dividends receivable from equity investments were credited to revenue when they are first quoted ex-dividend. Interest receivable on bank deposits is accounted for on a receipts basis and money market funds is accounted for on an accruals basis.

### **(e) Special dividends**

Special dividends are treated either as revenue or repayments of capital depending on the facts of each particular case. It is likely that where the receipt of a special dividend results in a significant reduction in the capital value of the holding, then the special dividend should be treated as capital in nature so as to ensure the matching principle is applied to gains and losses. Otherwise, the special dividend should be treated as revenue.

### **(f) Stock dividends**

The ordinary element of stocks received in lieu of cash is recognised as revenue. Any excess in value of shares received over the amount of cash forgone would be treated as capital.

### **(g) Expenses**

Expenses were accounted for on an accruals basis. Expenses of the Fund were charged against revenue, except for the costs associated with the purchase and sale of investments, which are charged to capital.

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# Notes to the financial statements

## Note 1 Accounting policies (continued)

### (h) Taxation

The charge for taxation is based on taxable income for the year less allowable expenses. UK dividends and franked distributions from UK collective investment schemes are disclosed net of any related tax credit.

Overseas dividends, unfranked distributions from UK collective investment schemes, and distributions from overseas collective investment schemes are disclosed gross of any tax suffered, the tax element being separately disclosed in the taxation note.

### (i) Deferred taxation

Deferred tax is provided at current rates of corporation tax on all timing differences which have originated but not reversed by the Balance sheet date. Deferred tax is not recognised on permanent differences.

Deferred tax assets are recognised only to the extent that the Manager considers it is more likely than not that there will be taxable profits from which underlying timing differences can be deducted.

## Note 2 Distribution policies

### (a) Basis of distribution

Revenue produced by the Fund's investments accumulates during each accounting period. If, at the end of each accounting period, revenue exceeds expenses, the net revenue of the Fund is available to be distributed/accumulated to unitholders.

Prior to closure, the Fund is not more than 60% invested in qualifying investments (as defined by SI 2006/964, Reg 20) and will pay a dividend distribution.

### (b) Unclaimed distributions

Distributions remaining unclaimed after six years are paid into the Fund as part of the capital property.

### (c) Apportionment to multiple unit classes

With the exception of the Manager's periodic charge, the allocation of revenue and expenses to each unit class is based upon the proportion of the Fund's assets attributable to each unit class on the day the revenue is earned or the expense is suffered. The Manager's periodic charge is specific to each unit class. Tax will be allocated between the unit classes according to income. Consequently, the revenue available to distribute for each unit class will differ.

### (d) Special dividends

It is the policy of the Fund, where applicable, to distribute special dividends which have been treated as revenue.

## Note 3 Risk management policies

The risks arising from the Fund's financial instruments are market price risk, interest rate risk, foreign currency risk, liquidity risk and counterparty risk. The Manager's policies for managing these risks are summarised below and have been applied throughout the year.

### (a) Market price risk

Market price risk arises mainly from uncertainty about future prices of financial instruments held. It represents the potential loss the Fund might suffer through holding market positions in the face of price movements. The Fund's investment portfolio is exposed to market fluctuations which are monitored by the Manager in pursuit of the investment objectives and policies. Adherence to investment guidelines and to investment and borrowing powers set out in the Trust Deed, the Prospectus and in the Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook ("the Sourcebook") mitigates the risk of excessive exposure to any particular type of security or issuer.

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# Notes to the financial statements

## Note 3 Risk management policies (continued)

### (b) Interest rate risk

The majority of the Fund's financial assets are equity shares and other investments which neither pay interest nor have a maturity date.

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

### (c) Foreign currency risk

The Fund has no significant exposure to foreign currency risk.

### (d) Liquidity risk

The Fund's assets are comprised of mainly readily realisable securities. If insufficient cash is available to finance unitholder redemptions then securities held by the Fund may need to be sold. The risk of low market liquidity, through reduced trading volumes, may affect the ability of the Fund to trade financial instruments at values previously indicated by financial brokers. From time to time, liquidity may also be affected by stock specific or economic events. To manage these risks the Manager performs market research in order to achieve the best price for any transactions entered into on behalf of the Fund. All stocks are valued daily but those stocks identified as being less liquid are reviewed on a regular basis for pricing accuracy.

### (e) Counterparty risk

Certain transactions in securities that the Fund enters into expose it to the risk that the counterparty will not deliver the investment (purchase) or cash (sale) after the Fund has fulfilled its responsibilities. The Fund only buys and sells investments through brokers which have been approved by the Manager as an acceptable counterparty. This list is reviewed annually.

### (f) Derivatives

Derivative transactions may be used by the Fund for the purposes of meeting its investment objectives and also for hedging. In doing so the Manager may make use of a variety of derivative instruments in accordance with the Sourcebook. The use of derivatives for investment purposes means that the net asset value of the Fund may at times have high volatility, although derivatives will not be used with the intention of raising the risk profile of the Fund. Where derivatives are used for hedging this will not compromise the risk profile of the Fund. Use of derivatives will not knowingly contravene any relevant investment objective or limits.

There were no derivatives held at the year end.

## Note 4 Net capital (losses)/gains

The net capital (losses)/gains during the year comprise:

	31/05/23	31/05/22
	£	£
(Losses)/gains on non-derivative securities	(405,402)	2,419,071
Gains on derivative contracts	139,947	72,521
Currency gains/(losses)	2,501	(155)
Handling charges	(14,699)	(15,629)
Capital special dividends	29,753	21,713
Net capital (losses)/gains	<u>(247,900)</u>	<u>2,497,521</u>



## Notes to the financial statements

<b>Note 5 Revenue</b>	31/05/23	31/05/22
	£	£
UK dividends	1,306,623	1,809,491
UK REIT property income distributions	21,541	27,801
Overseas dividends	60,436	143,394
Interest on debt securities	208	566
Bank interest	16,149	285
Liquidity interest	46	–
Total revenue	<u>1,405,003</u>	<u>1,981,537</u>

<b>Note 6 Expenses</b>	31/05/23	31/05/22
	£	£
(a) Payable to the Manager or associates of the Manager and agents of either of them: Manager's periodic charge	<u>446,386</u>	<u>499,596</u>
(b) Payable to the Trustee or associates of the Trustee and agents of either of them: Trustee's fees	<u>2,119</u>	<u>1,973</u>
(c) Other expenses: Audit fee	7,233	7,495
Safe custody charges	7,643	1,653
Printing & stationery	890	445
FCA fee	(227)	105
Termination Fees	10,000	–
Professional fees	4,854	1,777
	<u>30,393</u>	<u>11,475</u>
Total expenses	<u>478,898</u>	<u>513,044</u>

<b>Note 7 Taxation</b>	31/05/23	31/05/22
	£	£
(a) Analysis of tax charge for the year Overseas withholding tax	1,824	8,634
Reclaimable tax written off	7,943	239
Total taxation (Note 7(b))	<u>9,767</u>	<u>8,873</u>

(b) Factors affecting the tax charge for the year The tax assessed for the year is lower than that calculated when the standard rate of corporation tax for Authorised Unit Trusts is applied to total revenue return. The differences are explained below:		
Net revenue before taxation	<u>926,099</u>	<u>1,468,466</u>
Corporation tax at 20% (31/05/22: 20%)	<u>185,220</u>	<u>293,693</u>
Effects of:		
Revenue not subject to taxation	(273,412)	(390,577)
Expenses not deductible for tax purposes	2,000	–
Overseas withholding tax	1,824	8,634
Reclaimable tax written off	7,943	239
Excess management expenses unutilised	86,192	96,884
Total tax charge for the year (Note 7(a))	<u>9,767</u>	<u>8,873</u>

Authorised Unit Trusts are exempt from tax on capital gains in the UK.

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## Notes to the financial statements

### Note 7 Taxation (continued)

(c) Provision for deferred taxation

At 31 May 2023 the Fund had a potential deferred tax asset of £5,736,886 (31/05/22: £5,650,694) in relation to surplus management expenses of £28,684,432 (31/05/22: £28,253,472).

This is not being recognised as the Fund is closing.

### Note 8 Distributions

The distributions take account of amounts added on the issue of units and amounts deducted on the cancellation of units, and comprise:

	31/05/23	31/05/22
	£	£
Interim	600,133	737,057
Final	–	692,968
	<u>600,133</u>	<u>1,430,025</u>
Amounts deducted on cancellation of units	316,334	29,573
Amounts added on issue of units	(134)	(2)
Net distribution for the year	<u>916,333</u>	<u>1,459,596</u>
Net revenue after taxation	916,332	1,459,593
Movement of undistributed revenue	<u>1</u>	<u>3</u>
Net distribution for the year	<u>916,333</u>	<u>1,459,596</u>

Details of the distribution per unit are set out in the tables on page 21.

### Note 9 Debtors

	31/05/23	31/05/22
	£	£
Sales awaiting settlement	45,285	218,315
Accrued income	1,112	216,453
Overseas tax recoverable	–	8,508
Deficit due from manager	8,688	–
Total debtors	<u>55,085</u>	<u>443,276</u>

### Note 10 Cash and bank balances

	31/05/23	31/05/22
	£	£
Cash and bank balances	<u>34,998</u>	<u>606,465</u>
Total cash and bank balances	<u>34,998</u>	<u>606,465</u>

### Note 11 Bank overdraft

	31/05/23	31/05/22
	£	£
Amounts due to futures clearing houses	–	8,622
Total bank overdraft	<u>–</u>	<u>8,622</u>

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## Notes to the financial statements

<b>Note 12 Other creditors</b>	31/05/23	31/05/22
	£	£
Purchases awaiting settlement	–	175,658
Manager's periodic charge payable	53,089	82,379
Termination Fees Payable	10,000	–
Trustee's fees payable	250	396
Safe custody charges payable	2,599	246
Audit fee payable	7,114	7,408
FCA fee payable	–	227
Handling charges payable	17,031	4,430
Total other creditors	<u>90,083</u>	<u>270,744</u>

<b>Note 13 Reconciliation of units</b>	Accumulation	Income
Opening units issued at 01/06/22	3,534,866	2,525
Unit movements in year:		
Units issued	1,231	–
Units cancelled	(3,536,097)	(2,525)
Closing units at 31/05/23	<u>–</u>	<u>–</u>

### Note 14 Contingencies and commitments

At 31 May 2023, the Fund had no outstanding calls on partly paid shares, no potential underwriting commitments or any other contingent liabilities (31/05/22: £nil).

### Note 15 Related party transactions

The Manager is a related party to the Fund by virtue of its controlling influence.

The Manager was part of the Phoenix Group. Phoenix Life Limited which is also part of the Phoenix Group, is a material unitholder in the Fund and therefore a related party.

Manager's periodic charge paid to the Manager, Phoenix Unit Trust Managers Limited, or its associates, is shown in Note 6(a) and details of the units issued and cancelled by the Manager are shown in the Statement of change in unitholders' funds and Note 8.

Any balances due to/from the Manager or its associates at 31 May 2023 in respect of these transactions are shown in Notes 9 and 12.

# Notes to the financial statements

## Note 16 Financial instruments

In accordance with the investment objective, the Fund holds certain financial instruments. These comprise:

- securities held in accordance with the investment objective and policies;
- derivative transactions which the Fund may also enter into, the purpose of which is to manage the currency and market risks arising from the Fund's investment activities; and
- cash and short term debtors and creditors arising directly from operations.

### Counterparty exposure

There was no counterparty exposure held at the year end.

### Currency exposure

An analysis of the monetary assets and liabilities at the year end is shown below:

Currency	Net currency assets 31/05/23			Net currency assets 31/05/22		
	Monetary exposure	Non- monetary exposure	Total exposure	Monetary exposure	Non- monetary exposure	Total exposure
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Sterling	–	–	–	671,279	48,660,130	49,331,409
Euro	–	–	–	3,825	–	3,825
US Dollar	–	–	–	95,049	–	95,049
	–	–	–	770,153	48,660,130	49,430,283

Income received in other currencies is converted to Sterling on or near the date of receipt. The Fund does not hedge or otherwise seek to avoid, movement risk on accrued income.

### Interest profile

At the year end date, 0.00% (31/05/22: 1.21%) of the Fund's net assets by value were interest bearing.

Interest rates earned/paid on deposits are earned/paid at a rate linked to SONIA (Sterling Overnight Index Average) or international equivalent.

# Notes to the financial statements

## Note 17 Fair value of investments

The fair value of the Fund's investments has been determined using the hierarchy below.

This complies with the 'Amendments to FRS 102 – Fair value hierarchy disclosures' issued by the Financial Reporting Council in March 2016.

- Level 1      The unadjusted quoted price in an active market for identical assets or liabilities that the entity can access at the measurement date.
- Level 2      Inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable (i.e. developed using market data) for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly.
- Level 3      Inputs are unobservable (i.e. for which market data is unavailable) for the asset or liability.

All of the investment assets were transferred out by in-specie transfer on 12 May 2023, therefore, there are no holdings which have a value, at the period end.

### For the year ended 31/05/22

Level	1	2	3	Total
<b>Investment assets</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Equities	48,624,396	–	–	48,624,396
Derivatives	35,734	–	–	35,734
	<u>48,660,130</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>–</u>	<u>48,660,130</u>

## Note 18 Portfolio transaction costs

### For the year ended 31/05/23

Analysis of total purchases costs	Value	Commission	Taxes	Other expenses			Total costs
	£	£		%	£	%	£
Equity transactions	11,657,240	5,371	0.05	56,847	0.49	1,282	11,720,740
Total	<u>11,657,240</u>	<u>5,371</u>		<u>56,847</u>		<u>1,282</u>	<u>11,720,740</u>

Analysis of total sales costs	Value	Commission	Taxes	Other expenses			Total costs
	£	£		%	£	%	£
Equity transactions	14,677,033	(7,817)	(0.05)	(401)	–	(12)	14,668,803
Corporate actions	370,312	–	–	–	–	–	370,312
In-specie transactions	44,893,390	–	–	–	–	–	44,893,390
Total	<u>59,940,735</u>	<u>(7,817)</u>		<u>(401)</u>		<u>(12)</u>	<u>59,932,505</u>

Commission, taxes and other expenses as % of average net assets:

Commission	0.03%
Taxes	0.12%
Other expenses	0.00%

# Notes to the financial statements

## Note 18 Portfolio transaction costs (continued)

For the year ended 31/05/22

	Value	Commission		Taxes		Other expenses		Total costs
Analysis of total purchases costs	£	£	%	£	%	£	%	£
Equity transactions	15,903,506	7,237	0.05	71,291	0.45	1,227	0.01	15,983,261
Total	<u>15,903,506</u>	<u>7,237</u>		<u>71,291</u>		<u>1,227</u>		<u>15,983,261</u>

	Value	Commission		Taxes		Other expenses		Total costs
Analysis of total sales costs	£	£	%	£	%	£	%	£
Equity transactions	19,233,566	(9,248)	(0.05)	(420)	-	(13)	-	19,223,885
Corporate actions	211,431	-	-	-	-	-	-	211,431
Total	<u>19,444,997</u>	<u>(9,248)</u>		<u>(420)</u>		<u>(13)</u>		<u>19,435,316</u>

Commission, taxes and other expenses as % of average net assets:

Commission	0.03%
Taxes	0.15%
Other expenses	0.00%

Portfolio transaction costs are incurred by the Fund when buying and selling underlying investments. These costs vary depending on the class of investment, country of exchange and method of execution.

These costs can be classified as either direct or indirect transaction costs:

Direct transaction costs: Broker commissions, fees and taxes.

Indirect transaction costs: "Dealing spread" - the difference between buying and selling prices of the underlying investments.

At the Balance sheet date the portfolio dealing spread was 0.00% (31/05/22: 0.08%) being the difference between the respective bid and offer prices for the Fund's investments.

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## Distribution tables

For the year ended 31 May 2023

### Interim distribution in pence per unit

Group 1: units purchased prior to 1 June 2022

Group 2: units purchased 1 June 2022 to 30 November 2022

	Net income	Equalisation	2023 pence per unit paid 31 Jan	2022 pence per unit paid 31 Jan
<b>Income*</b>				
Group 1	n/a	n/a	n/a	8.6380
Group 2	n/a	n/a	n/a	8.6380
<b>Accumulation</b>				
Group 1	17.6140	—	17.6140	19.9545
Group 2	17.6140	0.0000	17.6140	19.9545

### Final distribution in pence per unit

Group 1: units purchased prior to 1 December 2022

Group 2: units purchased 1 December 2022 to 31 May 2023

	Net income	Equalisation	2023 pence per unit payable 31 Jul	2022 pence per unit paid 31 Jul
<b>Income*</b>				
Group 1	n/a	n/a	n/a	8.8039
Group 2	n/a	n/a	n/a	8.8039
<b>Accumulation**</b>				
Group 1	n/a	n/a	n/a	19.5975
Group 2	n/a	n/a	n/a	19.5975

\* Income Fund Class was terminated on 23 August 2022.

\*\* The Fund cancelled all of its remaining units on 12 May 2023.

### Equalisation

This applies only to units purchased during the distribution period (Group 2 units). It is the average amount of revenue included in the purchase price of all Group 2 units and is refunded to the holders of these units as a return of capital. Being capital it is not liable to income tax but must be deducted from the cost of the units for capital gains tax purposes.

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## Responsibilities of the manager and the trustee

- a) The Manager of the Fund is required by the Financial Conduct Authority's Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook ('the Sourcebook') to prepare financial statements for each annual accounting period which give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Fund at the end of that period and the net revenue or expense and the net gains or losses on the property of the Fund for the period then ended.

In preparing these financial statements, the Manager is required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are prudent and reasonable;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed subject to any material departure disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the basis that the Fund will continue in operation unless it is inappropriate to presume this. For reasons stated in the Manager's report and Note 1(a), the financial statements have been prepared on a break up basis.

The Manager is also required to manage the Fund in accordance with the Trust Deed, the Prospectus and the Sourcebook, maintain proper financial records to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Statement of Recommended Practice for Authorised Funds as issued by the IA in May 2014 (amended June 2017) and the Sourcebook and take reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

- b) The Depositary in its capacity as Trustee of the PUTM UK Listed Equity Unit Trust must ensure that the Trust is managed in accordance with the Financial Conduct Authority's Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook, the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000, as amended, (together "the Regulations"), the Trust Deed 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 Trust and its investors.

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

The Depositary must ensure that:

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

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



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# Trustee's report and directors' statement

## **Statement of the Depositary's Responsibilities in Respect of the Scheme and Report of the Depositary to the Unitholders PUTM UK Listed Equity Unit Trust of the PUTM Unit Trusts ("the Trust") for the Period Ended 31 May 2023.**

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

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

London  
28 September 2023

HSBC Bank plc

## **Directors' statement**

In accordance with the requirements of the Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook as issued and amended by the Financial Conduct Authority, we hereby certify the report on behalf of the Directors of Phoenix Unit Trust Managers Limited.

Birmingham

Craig Baker, Director  
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# Independent auditor's report to the unitholders of the PUTM UK Listed Equity Unit Trust

## Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of the PUTM UK Listed Equity Unit Trust ("the Fund") for the year ended 31 May 2023 which comprise the Statement of Total Return, the Statement of Change in Net Assets Attributable to Unitholders, the Balance Sheet, the Distribution Tables and the related notes, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards including FRS 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable to the UK and Republic of Ireland' (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The financial statements have been prepared on a break up basis, as disclosed in note 1(a).

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Fund as at 31 May 2023 and of the net revenue and the net capital losses on the scheme property of the Fund for the year then ended; and
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

## 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 below.

We are independent of the Fund in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the Financial Reporting Council's (FRC) 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.

## Emphasis of matter – financial statements prepared on a break up basis

We draw attention to Note 1(a) to the financial statements which explains that the Manager intends to wind up the Fund and therefore does not consider it to be appropriate to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements. Accordingly, the financial statements have been prepared on a break up basis as described in Note 1(a). Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

## 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 Manager 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 this report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

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 this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of the other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

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# Independent auditor's report to the unitholders of the PUTM UK Listed Equity Unit Trust

## Opinions on other matters prescribed by the rules of the Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook of the Financial Conduct Authority ('the FCA')

In our opinion:

- the financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice relating to Authorised Funds, the rules of the Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook of the Financial Conduct Authority and the Trust Deed;
- there is nothing to indicate that proper accounting records have not been kept or that the financial statements are not in agreement with those records; and
- the information given in the Manager's report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared 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 matter in relation to which the Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook of the Financial Conduct Authority requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- we have not received all the information and explanations which, to the best of our knowledge and belief, are necessary for the purposes of our audit.

## Responsibilities of the Manager

As explained more fully in the Manager's responsibilities statement set out on page 22, the Manager 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 Manager 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 Manager is responsible for assessing the 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 Manager either intends to liquidate the Fund or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

## 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.

## 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 irregularities, including fraud.

The risk of not detecting a material misstatement due to fraud is higher than the risk of not detecting one resulting from error, as fraud may involve deliberate concealment by, for example, forgery or intentional misrepresentations, or through collusion. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below. However, the primary responsibility for the prevention and detection of fraud rests with both those charged with governance of the entity and management.

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# Independent auditor's report to the unitholders of the PUTM UK Listed Equity Unit Trust

Our approach was as follows:

- We obtained an understanding of the legal and regulatory frameworks that are applicable to the Fund and determined that the most significant are United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, the Investment Management Association Statement of Recommended practice (the "IMA SORP"), the FCA Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook, the Fund's Trust Deed and the Prospectus.
- We understood how the Fund is complying with those frameworks through discussions with the Manager and the Fund's administrator and a review of the Fund's documented policies and procedures.
- We assessed the susceptibility of the Funds' financial statements to material misstatement, including how fraud might occur by considering the risk of management override, specifically management's propensity to influence revenue and amounts available for distribution. We identified a fraud risk with respect to the incomplete or inaccurate income recognition through incorrect classification of special dividends and the resulting impact to amounts available for distribution. We tested the appropriateness of management's classification of material special dividends as either a capital or revenue return and incorporated unpredictability into the nature, timing and extent of our testing.
- Based on this understanding we designed our audit procedures to identify non-compliance with such laws and regulations. Our procedures involved review of the reporting to the Manager with respect to the application of the documented policies and procedures and review of the financial statements to test compliance with the reporting requirements of the Fund.
- Due to the regulated nature of the Fund, the Statutory Auditor considered the experience and expertise of the engagement team to ensure that the team had the appropriate competence and capabilities to identify non-compliance with the applicable laws and regulations.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at <https://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 unitholders of the Fund, as a body, pursuant to Paragraph 4.5.12 of the rules of the Collective Investment Schemes Sourcebook of the Financial Conduct Authority.

Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the unitholders of the Fund 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 Fund and the unitholders of the Fund as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Ernst & Young LLP  
Statutory Auditor  
Edinburgh  
28 September 2023

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## Corporate information (unaudited)

The information in this report is designed to enable unitholders to make an informed judgement on the activities of the Fund during the period it covers and the results of those activities at the end of the period.

Phoenix Unit Trust Managers Limited is part of the Phoenix Group.

Unit prices appear daily on our website [www.phoenixunittrust.co.uk](http://www.phoenixunittrust.co.uk).

Administration & Dealing: 0345 584 2803 (between the hours of 9am & 5pm).

### Remuneration

The Manager has adopted a remuneration policy, up-to-date details of which can be found on [www.phoenixunittrust.co.uk](http://www.phoenixunittrust.co.uk). This statement describes how remuneration and benefits are calculated and identifies the committee which oversees and controls this policy. A paper copy of these details can be requested free of charge from the Manager.

This statement fulfils Phoenix Unit Trust Managers Limited's ('the Manager') obligations as an authorised UK UCITS Manager in respect of compliance with the UCITS V Remuneration Code and contains relevant remuneration disclosures.

PUTM Unit Trusts are managed by Phoenix Unit Trust Managers Limited, which is a subsidiary of Phoenix Life Limited, part of The Phoenix Group plc ('the Group').

The Remuneration Committee ('the Committee') of the Group has established a Remuneration Policy which applies to all entities of the Group. The guiding principles of this policy ensure sound and effective risk management so as not to encourage risk-taking outside of the Group's risk appetite, and support management in the operation of their business through identification of minimum control standards and key controls. The Committee approves the list of UK UCITS Code Staff annually and identified UK UCITS Code Staff are annually notified of their status and the associated implications.

Further information on the Group Remuneration Policy can be found in the Group annual reports and accounts which can be found on [www.phoenixgroup.com](http://www.phoenixgroup.com).

The below table provides detail of remuneration provided, split between fixed and variable remuneration, for UK UCITS Code Staff (defined as all staff whose professional activities have material impact on the risk profiles of the fund it manages).

### As at 31 December 2022

	Headcount	Total remuneration
<b>Phoenix Unit Trust Managers</b>	2	99,305.63
of which		
Fixed Remuneration	2	65,211.04
Variable Remuneration	1	34,094.59
Carried Interest	n/a	
<b>Highest paid Director's Remuneration</b>		<b>39,922.40</b>

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## Corporate information (unaudited)

The Directors are employed by fellow entities of the Group. The total compensation paid to the Directors of the Manager is in respect of services to the Manager, irrespective of which entity within the Phoenix Group has paid the compensation.

Please note that due to the employment structure and resourcing practices of the Group, the staff indicated in this table may also provide services to other companies in the Group.

The table states the actual number of employees who are fully or partly involved in the activities of the Manager, no attempt has been made to apportion the time spent specifically in support of each fund as this data is not captured as part of the Manager's normal processes.

The remuneration disclosed is the total remuneration for the year and has been apportioned between the provisions of services to the Manager and not the Fund.

Total remuneration can include any of the following;

- Fixed pay and annual/long term incentive bonuses.
- Where fixed pay is directly attributable to PUTM Unit Trusts (for example, fees for Phoenix Unit Trust Managers Limited), 100% of those fees.
- For other individuals, pro-rated using the average AUM of PUTM Unit Trusts (as a proportion of the aggregate average AUM of The Phoenix Group plc) as proxy.

Senior Management includes – PUTM Board and PUTM Executive Committees.

Other Code Staff includes all other UCITS Code Staff not covered by the above.

### Assessment of Value

We are required to perform an annual assessment of the value for money for each unit class of PUTM UK Listed Equity Unit Trust. This was performed and included in the previous annual report based on the information available as at 31 May 2022. The fund closed on 12 May 2023, but a copy of the summary from the reporting period up to 31 May 2022 is available below:

We have performed this review having regard to a wide range of factors. In doing so, we have made comparison with the other unit classes of the relevant fund, with the unit classes and sub-funds within our fund ranges and also with comparable unit classes and sub-funds in the rest of the market.

Broadly speaking, assessment of value requires consideration of a combination of factors, including the return achieved, the price paid, the risk taken and the quality and range of services provided by the asset manager. This also needs to be considered in the context of the investment objectives and policy for the Fund, the target investor and the recommended holding period.

In considering cost, regard needs to be had to the total cost of investing, including any adviser charges, platform charges, adviser fees and the on-going annual management charge. Regard also needs to be had to the degree of active management; as an investor, you would not be receiving value, if you were being charged fees for active portfolio management, where in fact, the Fund's composition of performance is staying very close to a benchmark. These factors also need to be considered in the context of the size of the portfolio and the ability of larger funds to benefit from economies of scale. As regards performance, it is important that performance is considered over an appropriate timescale given the Fund's objectives, and should be measured net of fees.

Based on our assessment of the value of each unit class, PUTM can confirm that the Fund meets all of the required Assessment of Value criteria. No immediate action is required.

Further details of the Assessment of Value can be found at the following link;  
<http://www.phoenixunittrust.co.uk/report-and-accounts.aspx>

### Risks

The price of units and the revenue from them can go down as well as up and investors may not get back the amount they invested, particularly in the case of early withdrawal. Tax levels and reliefs are those currently applicable and may change. The value of any tax relief depends on personal circumstances.

Management charges on some funds are charged to capital and therefore a reduction in capital may occur. Depending on the fund, the value of your investment may change with currency movements.

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### Authorised status

This Fund is an Authorised Unit Trust scheme under  
section 243 of the Financial Services & Markets Act  
2000 and is categorised under the Collective  
Investment Schemes Sourcebook as a UK UCITS fund.

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