

PHOENIX UNIT TRUST MANAGERS

MANAGER'S ANNUAL REPORT

For the year: 2 May 2022 to 1 May 2023

PUTM UK STOCK MARKET FUND



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

Investment review

Dear Investor

Welcome to the PUTM UK Stock Market Unit Trust annual report for the 12 months to 1 May 2023.

Performance Review

Over the review period, the accumulation units in the PUTM UK Stock Market Unit Trust returned 8.46% (Source: State Street Global Advisors (SSGA) for 12 months to 01/05/23). Over the same period, the FTSE 100 Index returned 8.17%. (Source: SSGA. Total return, 12 months to 01/05/23).

In the table below, you can see how the Fund performed against its benchmark over the last five discrete one-year periods.

Standardised Past Performance

	May 22-23 % growth	May 21-22 % growth	May 20-21 % growth	May 19-20 % growth	May 18-19 % growth
PUTM UK Stock Market Unit Trust	8.46	12.60	22.21	-16.88	3.22
FTSE 100 Index	8.17	12.35	22.15	-17.14	3.15

Source: Fund performance is SSGA to 1 May for each year. Prior to 2023, source is FactSet.
Benchmark index performance is SSGA; FTSE 100 Index to 1 May for each year. Prior to 2023, source is FactSet.

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.

Investment review

Market Review

The UK stock market, as represented by the FTSE All-Share Index, rose over the period. The FTSE 100 Index, home of multinational companies that often benefit from a weak pound, held up well in the initial global market sell-off. In contrast, the FTSE 250 Index, which contains smaller companies typically more focused on the domestic UK economy, lagged the FTSE 100 Index due to continued growth concerns and finished lower over the 12-month period.

Several factors explained the FTSE 100 Index's relative resilience. As well as benefiting from currency effects, it is home to many so-called defensive shares that tend to hold their value better when the stock market falls. It also contains several energy and mining companies. These were boosted by high commodity prices, particularly after the outbreak of war in Eastern Europe.

Inflation loomed large on the UK economic landscape. The annual consumer inflation rate increased steadily, hitting a 41-year high of 11.1% in October, before it began to recede. The Bank of England reacted to surging inflation with successive interest-rate rises, taking its base rate from 0.25% at the start of 2022 to 3.50% by the calendar year's end. In 2023, the Bank increased its base rate by 0.50% in February and 0.25% in March. In part due to surging food prices, UK inflation has remained stubbornly high, despite 11 straight interest-rate rises.

Market Outlook

The sharp market falls in March were a reminder that a period of rapidly rising rates brings with it a new set of challenges to various business models. The market reaction to bank failures in the US indicated the high level of uncertainty currently present in many investors' minds. Tightening credit and the ongoing squeeze on consumer spending from high inflation remain important factors, but predicting how macroeconomic conditions will evolve is, as ever, close to impossible. However, we have been reassured to see continued progress as companies have reported, and we have even seen a sense of optimism emerge among company leaders. The valuation of the UK market in aggregate remains attractive against global indices.

Portfolio of investments (unaudited)

Investments held at 1 May 2023

Holding	Investment	Market value £	Percentage of total net assets %
	United Kingdom (01/05/22 – 98.36%)		98.15
	Aerospace & Defence (01/05/22 – 1.83%)		2.13
51,081	BAE Systems	514,641	1.49
145,839	Rolls-Royce	220,071	0.64
	Banks (01/05/22 – 9.04%)		9.93
269,345	Barclays	428,690	1.24
341,293	HSBC Holdings	1,947,759	5.66
1,141,268	Lloyds Banking Group	546,040	1.59
93,859	NatWest Group	243,658	0.71
40,079	Standard Chartered	250,173	0.73
	Beverages (01/05/22 – 4.70%)		4.20
3,231	Coca Cola	77,867	0.23
37,589	Diageo	1,367,676	3.97
	Chemicals (01/05/22 – 0.54%)		0.62
2,273	Croda International	156,655	0.45
3,036	Johnson Matthey	58,944	0.17
	Construction & Materials (01/05/22 – 1.20%)		1.41
12,801	CRH (London Listed)	486,566	1.41
	Electricity (01/05/22 – 0.97%)		0.95
17,852	SSE	326,156	0.95
	Electronic & Electrical Equipment (01/05/22 – 0.45%)		0.42
6,357	Halma	145,385	0.42
	Equity Investment Instruments (01/05/22 – 0.65%)		0.69
8,831	Foreign & Colonial Investment Trust	79,302	0.23
24,931	Scottish Mortgage Investment Trust	158,212	0.46
	Financial Services (01/05/22 – 2.85%)		2.96
16,303	3i Group	281,879	0.82
6,362	Hargreaves Lansdown	50,145	0.15
6,527	London Stock Exchange	533,386	1.55
39,919	M&G Prudential	80,596	0.23
14,914	Schroders	71,617	0.21
	Fixed Line Telecommunications (01/05/22 – 0.68%)		0.60
16,666	Airtel Africa	19,949	0.06
118,921	BT Group	187,301	0.54
	Food & Drug Retailers (01/05/22 – 1.47%)		1.35
9,035	Ocado Group	45,058	0.13
30,592	Sainsbury (J)	84,740	0.25
119,585	Tesco	334,121	0.97
	Food Producers (01/05/22 – 0.27%)		0.33
5,840	Associated British Foods	112,274	0.33
	Forestry & Paper (01/05/22 – 0.36%)		0.30
8,261	Mondi	103,634	0.30

Portfolio of investments (unaudited)

Investments held at 1 May 2023

Holding	Investment	Market value £	Percentage of total net assets %
	Gas, Water & Multiutilities (01/05/22 – 2.93%)		3.09
99,316	Centrica	112,177	0.33
62,097	National Grid	708,837	2.06
4,277	Severn Trent	124,888	0.36
10,819	United Utilities Group	116,412	0.34
	General Industrials (01/05/22 – 1.18%)		0.88
21,295	Smith (DS)	65,503	0.19
6,619	Smiths Group	109,942	0.32
4,331	Smurfit Kappa	126,552	0.37
	General Retailers (01/05/22 – 1.03%)		2.22
16,036	B&M European Value	75,947	0.22
2,927	Frasers Group	22,348	0.06
83,627	Haleon	294,367	0.85
41,549	JD Sports Fashion	65,980	0.19
35,057	Kingfisher	89,360	0.26
2,136	Next Group	143,027	0.42
2,928	RELX (EUR)	76,812	0.22
2,928	RELX PLC RTS	–	–
	Healthcare Equipment & Services (01/05/22 – 0.59%)		0.72
27,453	Convatec Group	60,012	0.17
1,971	NMC Health+	–	–
14,610	Smith & Nephew	190,441	0.55
	Household Goods (01/05/22 – 2.98%)		3.18
16,930	Barratt Developments	84,091	0.24
1,868	Berkeley Group Holdings	82,136	0.24
5,484	Persimmon	70,744	0.21
12,174	Reckitt Benckiser	782,545	2.27
59,580	Taylor Wimpey	75,547	0.22
	Industrial Engineering (01/05/22 – 0.43%)		0.62
1,219	Spirax Sarco Engineering	133,420	0.39
4,331	Weir Group	78,868	0.23
	Industrial Metals (01/05/22 – 0.11%)		–
8,238	Evrax*	–	–
	Industrial Transportation (01/05/22 – 0.15%)		–
	Life Insurance (01/05/22 – 3.50%)		3.39
46,204	Aviva	193,410	0.56
102,345	Legal & General	237,850	0.69
46,606	Prudential	553,679	1.61
9,213	St.James's Place	109,727	0.32
34,040	Standard Life Aberdeen	71,756	0.21
	Media (01/05/22 – 3.88%)		3.74
24,552	Informa	175,792	0.51
11,658	Pearson	102,847	0.30
29,365	RELX	770,831	2.24
14,196	Rightmove	80,974	0.23
17,197	WPP	156,837	0.46

Portfolio of investments (unaudited)

Investments held at 1 May 2023

Holding	Investment	Market value £	Percentage of total net assets %
	Mining (01/05/22 – 8.88%)		7.51
20,130	Anglo American	488,756	1.42
5,926	Antofagasta	85,986	0.25
3,205	Endeavour Mining	66,536	0.19
3,183	Fresnillo	22,797	0.07
212,372	Glencore	991,777	2.88
18,456	Rio Tinto	927,783	2.70
	Mobile Telecommunications (01/05/22 – 1.62%)		1.13
406,909	Vodafone Group	388,639	1.13
	Non-Life Insurance (01/05/22 – 0.30%)		0.68
4,838	Admiral Group	110,790	0.32
11,044	Beazley	64,552	0.19
5,000	Hiscox	58,400	0.17
	Oil & Gas Producers (01/05/22 – 11.90%)		12.68
299,029	BP	1,560,632	4.53
117,185	Shell	2,804,823	8.15
	Personal Goods (01/05/22 – 5.01%)		5.92
6,086	Burberry Group	156,654	0.45
42,209	Unilever	1,883,139	5.47
	Pharmaceuticals & Biotechnology (01/05/22 – 12.73%)		11.29
24,971	AstraZeneca	2,922,106	8.49
66,947	GSK	963,501	2.80
	Real Estate Investment Services (01/05/22 – 0.26%)		0.38
5,366	Unite Group	50,870	0.15
11,844	Land Securities	78,170	0.23
	Real Estate Investment Trusts (01/05/22 – 1.25%)		0.88
15,605	British Land Real Estate Investment Trust	61,000	0.18
2,734	Pershing Square Holdings	76,443	0.22
20,136	Segro Real Estate Investment Trust	165,276	0.48
	Software & Computer Services (01/05/22 – 0.93%)		0.71
15,862	Auto Trader Group	100,153	0.29
17,706	Sage Group	144,269	0.42
	Support Services (01/05/22 – 5.49%)		4.51
7,230	Ashtead Group	326,362	0.95
5,778	Bunzl	181,603	0.53
1,675	DCC (London listed)	81,824	0.24
15,440	Experian Group	428,460	1.24
2,807	Intertek Group	116,013	0.34
21,243	Melrose Industries	86,671	0.25
41,646	Rentokil Initial	259,038	0.75
7,782	RS Group	70,972	0.21
	Tobacco (01/05/22 – 4.52%)		4.10
37,632	British American Tobacco	1,100,736	3.20
15,849	Imperial Brands	310,086	0.90

Portfolio of investments (unaudited)

Investments held at 1 May 2023

Holding	Investment	Market value £	Percentage of total net assets %
	Travel & Leisure (01/05/22 – 3.68%)		4.63
29,605	Compass Group	616,376	1.79
9,802	Entain	140,855	0.41
2,978	Flutter Entertainment	468,737	1.36
3,011	InterContinental Hotels	162,594	0.47
61,916	International Consolidated Airlines	91,574	0.27
3,496	Whitbread	112,257	0.33
	Portfolio of investments	33,783,364	98.15
	Net other assets	635,860	1.85
	Net assets	34,419,224	100.00

Unless otherwise stated, all investments are approved securities being either officially listed in a member state or traded on or under the rules of an eligible securities market.
 *These shares are currently suspended.

Top ten purchases and sales

For the year ended 1 May 2023

Purchases	Cost £	Sales	Proceeds £
Reckitt Benckiser	108,581	Shell	389,457
Harbour Energy	93,468	Ferguson Newco	354,196
Foreign & Colonial Investment Trust	79,361	AstraZeneca	230,030
Centrica	77,306	BP	179,872
Weir Group	71,585	Glencore	141,966
Beazley	70,487	Meggitt	114,041
Johnson Matthey	64,668	HSBC Holdings	88,777
Standard Life Aberdeen	63,323	Vodafone Group	86,076
AstraZeneca	62,582	Unilever	83,068
Homeserve	62,341	Diageo	80,539
Subtotal	753,702	Subtotal	1,748,022
Other purchases	951,805	Other sales	1,713,680
Total purchases for the year	1,705,507	Total sales for the year	3,461,702

Statistical information

Comparative table

	01/05/23 pence	Accumulation 01/05/22 pence	01/05/21 pence
Change in net assets per unit			
Opening net asset value per unit	412.36	367.32	296.07
Return before operating charges*	31.45	45.26	71.48
Operating charges	(0.28)	(0.22)	(0.23)
Return after operating charges*	31.17	45.04	71.25
Distributions on accumulation units	(14.47)	(14.36)	(10.87)
Retained distributions on accumulation units	14.47	14.36	10.87
Closing net asset value per unit	443.53	412.36	367.32
*after direct transaction costs of: ^	0.12	0.20	0.10

Performance

Return after charges	7.56%	12.26%	24.07%
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Other information

Closing net asset value (£000)	34,419	34,866	33,700
Closing number of units	7,760,292	8,455,405	9,174,648
Operating charges	0.07%	0.05%	0.06%
Direct transaction costs	0.03%	0.05%	0.03%

Prices⁺

Highest unit price (pence)	450.10	419.00	371.20
Lowest unit price (pence)	382.50	363.80	288.70

^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.

Statistical information

Investment objective

The Fund aims to provide a total return (a combination of capital growth and income) by delivering an overall return in line with the FTSE 100 Index (the "Index") before fees.

Investment policy

The Fund will seek to physically replicate the Index, which consists of a diversified portfolio of UK equities. This process will involve investing in components of the Index, though not necessarily in the same proportions of the Index at all times. Consequently, the Fund may not track the Index exactly but will contain a meaningful exposure to the market. Stock index futures contracts may also be used to manage the cash portion of the Fund. It is intended that the Fund will normally be close to fully invested as outlined above. The Scheme may also invest in deposits and money market instruments and use derivative contracts.

Investment strategy

It is anticipated that for the Fund that in normal market conditions the tracking error of the Fund will be a maximum of 0.5%.

The tracking error measures the standard deviation of the relative returns. It is the annualised standard deviation of the returns of a fund minus those of its benchmark (relative returns) and not the standard deviation of each fund's unique returns. The lower the tracking error of a fund, the more the fund resembles its benchmark or the market regarding risk and return characteristics. Small differences in returns between the index tracking fund and the index (and tracking error) are due to levels of cash, expenses and portfolio turnover.

Revenue distribution and pricing

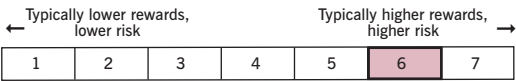
Units of the Fund are available as Accumulation units (where revenue is reinvested to enhance the unit price). There will be two potential distributions in each accounting year: an interim distribution as at 1 November and a final distribution as at 1 May.

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.

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 (01/05/22: 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 class:

- Accumulation

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 risks of investing in this Fund:

- The small differences in the returns between the index tracking Fund and the Index (and tracking error) are due to levels of cash, expenses and portfolio turnover.
- Counterparty Risk: the insolvency of any institutions providing services such as safekeeping of assets or acting as counterparty to derivatives or other instruments, may expose the Fund to financial loss.
- 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 are available online at www.phoenixunittrust.co.uk.

Annual financial statements

For the year ended 1 May 2023

Statement of total return

	Notes	01/05/23		01/05/22	
		£	£	£	£
Income					
Net capital gains	4		1,269,457		2,700,284
Revenue	5	1,176,922		1,290,443	
Expenses	6	(19,436)		(17,829)	
Interest payable and similar charges		(2)		(172)	
Net revenue before taxation		1,157,484		1,272,442	
Taxation	7	(1,418)		(11,038)	
Net revenue after taxation		<u>1,156,066</u>		<u>1,261,404</u>	
Total return before distributions		2,425,523		3,961,688	
Distributions	8	<u>(1,156,066)</u>		<u>(1,261,406)</u>	
Change in unitholders' funds from investment activities		<u>1,269,457</u>		<u>2,700,282</u>	

Statement of change in unitholders' funds

	01/05/23		01/05/22	
	£	£	£	£
Opening net assets		34,866,301		33,700,313
Amounts receivable on issue of units	165,969		1,155,217	
Amounts payable on cancellation of units	<u>(3,020,648)</u>		<u>(3,922,188)</u>	
		(2,854,679)		(2,766,971)
Change in unitholders' funds from investment activities		1,269,457		2,700,282
Retained distributions on accumulation units		<u>1,138,145</u>		<u>1,232,677</u>
Closing net assets		<u>34,419,224</u>		<u>34,866,301</u>

Annual financial statements

As at 1 May 2023

Balance sheet

	Notes	£	01/05/23	£	01/05/22	£
Assets:						
Fixed assets:						
Investments			33,783,364		34,294,367	
Current assets:						
Debtors	9	177,915		197,151		
Cash and bank balances	10	470,475		404,743		
Total current assets			648,390		601,894	
Total assets			34,431,754		34,896,261	
Liabilities:						
Creditors:						
Bank overdraft	11	(919)		–		
Other creditors	12	(11,611)		(29,960)		
Total creditors			(12,530)		(29,960)	
Net assets			34,419,224		34,866,301	
Unitholders' funds			34,419,224		34,866,301	

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.

These financial statements are prepared on a going concern basis. The Manager has made an assessment of the Fund's ability to continue as a going concern, and is satisfied it has the resources to continue in business for the foreseeable future and is not aware of any material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt on this assessment. This assessment is made for a period of 12 months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue and considers liquidity, declines in global capital markets, known redemption levels, expense projections and key service provider's operational resilience.

(b) Valuation of investments

The quoted investments of the Fund have been valued at bid dealing prices as at 12 noon on 28 April 2023, the last valuation point in the accounting year, in accordance with the Trust Deed.

(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 exchange ruling at 12 noon, 28 April 2023, the last valuation point in the accounting year.

(d) Revenue

Dividends receivable from equity investments and distributions receivable from collective investment schemes are 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 are accounted for on an accruals basis. Expenses of the Fund are charged against revenue, except for the costs associated with the purchase and sale of investments, which are charged to capital.

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.

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) Stock dividends

It is the policy of the Fund, where applicable, to distribute the revenue element of stock dividends.

(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.

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.

Notes to the financial statements

Note 4 Net capital gains

The net capital gains during the year comprise:

	01/05/23	01/05/22
	£	£
Gains on non-derivative securities	1,245,192	2,649,488
Gains on derivative contracts	15,486	48,807
Currency (losses)/gains	(6,858)	940
Handling charges	(2,637)	(1,416)
Capital special dividends	18,274	2,465
Net capital gains	<u>1,269,457</u>	<u>2,700,284</u>

Note 5 Revenue

	01/05/23	01/05/22
	£	£
UK dividends	1,123,146	1,198,583
UK REIT property income distributions	10,065	10,291
Overseas dividends	39,112	81,501
Bank interest	4,576	68
Liquidity interest	23	–
Total revenue	<u>1,176,922</u>	<u>1,290,443</u>

Note 6 Expenses

	01/05/23	01/05/22
	£	£
(a) Payable to the Manager or associates of the Manager and agents of either of them: Manager's periodic charge	<u>5,000</u>	<u>5,627</u>
	<u>5,000</u>	<u>5,627</u>
(b) Payable to the Trustee or associates of the Trustee and agents of either of them: Trustee's fees	<u>1,602</u>	<u>1,398</u>
(c) Other expenses: Audit fee	6,509	7,431
Safe custody charges	1,049	602
Printing & stationery	445	890
FCA fee	(218)	104
Professional fees	<u>5,049</u>	<u>1,777</u>
	<u>12,834</u>	<u>10,804</u>
Total expenses	<u>19,436</u>	<u>17,829</u>

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Note 7 Taxation

	01/05/23 £	01/05/22 £
(a) Analysis of tax charge for the year		
Overseas withholding tax	892	4,345
Reclaimable tax written off	526	6,693
Total taxation (Note 7(b))	<u>1,418</u>	<u>11,038</u>
(b) Factors affecting the tax charge for the year		
The tax assessed for the year is higher/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>1,157,484</u>	<u>1,272,442</u>
Corporation tax at 20% (01/05/22: 20%)	231,497	254,488
Effects of:		
Revenue not subject to taxation	(232,451)	(256,016)
Overseas withholding tax	892	4,345
Reclaimable tax written off	526	6,693
Excess management expenses (utilised)/unutilised	<u>954</u>	<u>1,528</u>
Total tax charge for the year (Note 7(a))	<u>1,418</u>	<u>11,038</u>

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

- (c) Provision for deferred taxation
At 1 May 2023 the Fund had a potential deferred tax asset of £26,599 (01/05/22: £25,645) in relation to surplus management expenses of £132,519 (01/05/22: £127,746) and non trading deficits of £477 (01/05/22: £477). It is unlikely that the 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 or the prior year.

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:

	01/05/23 £	01/05/22 £
Interim	543,753	613,023
Final	<u>594,392</u>	<u>619,654</u>
	<u>1,138,145</u>	<u>1,232,677</u>
Amounts deducted on cancellation of units	20,552	31,612
Amounts added on issue of units	<u>(2,631)</u>	<u>(2,883)</u>
Net distribution for the year	<u>1,156,066</u>	<u>1,261,406</u>
Net revenue after taxation	1,156,066	1,261,404
Movement of undistributed revenue	–	2
Net distribution for the year	<u>1,156,066</u>	<u>1,261,406</u>

Details of the distribution per unit are set out in the tables on page 23.

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Note 9 Debtors

	01/05/23	01/05/22
	£	£
Sales awaiting settlement	–	22,595
Accrued income	174,474	170,414
Overseas tax recoverable	3,441	3,824
Safe custody charges prepaid	–	318
Total debtors	<u>177,915</u>	<u>197,151</u>

Note 10 Cash and bank balances

	01/05/23	01/05/22
	£	£
Cash and bank balances	<u>470,475</u>	<u>404,743</u>
Total cash and bank balances	<u>470,475</u>	<u>404,743</u>

Note 11 Bank overdraft

	01/05/23	01/05/22
	£	£
Amounts due to futures clearing houses	<u>919</u>	<u>–</u>
Total bank overdraft	<u>919</u>	<u>–</u>

Note 12 Other creditors

	01/05/23	01/05/22
	£	£
Cancellations awaiting settlement	–	20,200
Manager's periodic charge payable	866	448
Trustee's fees payable	291	284
Safe custody charges payable	463	–
Audit fee payable	7,526	8,544
FCA fee payable	–	218
Handling charges payable	–	266
Transaction charge payable	<u>2,465</u>	<u>–</u>
Total other creditors	<u>11,611</u>	<u>29,960</u>

Note 13 Reconciliation of units

	Accumulation
Opening units issued at 02/05/22	8,455,405
Unit movements in year:	
Units issued	40,463
Units cancelled	<u>(735,576)</u>
Closing units at 01/05/23	<u>7,760,292</u>

Note 14 Contingencies and commitments

At 1 May 2023 the Fund had no outstanding calls on partly paid shares, no potential underwriting commitments or any other contingent liabilities (01/05/22: £nil).

Note 15 Related party transactions

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

The Manager is 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, holding 100% of the units at the year end (01/05/22: 100%).

The Fund has a holding in Phoenix Group Holdings which is a related party to the Fund.

Manager's periodic charge paid to the Manager, Phoenix Unit Trust Managers Limited, (and registration fees paid to Standard Life Investments (Mutual Funds) Limited) or its associates are shown in Note 6(a) and details of the units issued and cancelled by the Manager are shown in the Statement of change in net assets attributable to unitholders and Note 8. Any balances due to/from the Manager or its associates at 1 May 2023 in respect of these transactions are shown in Notes 9 and 12.

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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 01/05/23			Net currency assets 01/05/22		
	Monetary exposure	Non- monetary exposure	Total exposure	Monetary exposure	Non- monetary exposure	Total exposure
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Sterling	468,837	32,928,070	33,396,907	520,724	33,575,101	34,095,825
Euro	10,917	855,294	866,211	8,327	719,266	727,593
US Dollar	156,106	–	156,106	42,883	–	42,883
	635,860	33,783,364	34,419,224	571,934	34,294,367	34,866,301

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, 1.36% (01/05/22: 1.16%) 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.

Sensitivity analysis

Interest rate risk sensitivity

As the majority of the Fund's financial assets are non-interest bearing, the Fund is only subject to limited exposure to fair value interest rate risk due to fluctuations in levels of market interest rates and therefore, no sensitivity analysis has been provided.

Foreign currency risk sensitivity

As the majority of the Fund's financial assets are in the base currency of the Fund (Sterling), the Fund is only subject to limited exposure to fluctuations in foreign currency and therefore, no sensitivity analysis has been provided.

Market price risk sensitivity

A five percent increase in the value of the Fund's portfolio would have the effect of increasing the return and net assets by £1,689,168 (01/05/22: £1,714,718). A five percent decrease would have an equal and opposite effect.

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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.

For the year ended 01/05/23

Level	1	2	3	Total
Investment assets	£	£	£	£
Equities	33,783,364	–	–	33,783,364
	33,783,364	–	–	33,783,364

For the year ended 01/05/22

Level	1	2	3	Total
Investment assets	£	£	£	£
Equities	34,257,733	–	36,634	34,294,367
	34,257,733	–	36,634	34,294,367

Note 18 Portfolio transaction costs

For the year ended 01/05/23

	Value	Commission		Taxes		Other expenses		Total costs
Analysis of total purchases costs	£	£	%	£	%	£	%	£
Equity transactions	1,666,865	252	0.02	7,395	0.44	696	0.04	1,675,208
Corporate actions	30,299	–	–	–	–	–	–	30,299
Total	1,697,164	252		7,395		696		1,705,507

	Value	Commission		Taxes		Other expenses		Total costs
Analysis of total sales costs	£	£	%	£	%	£	%	£
Equity transactions	3,048,010	(572)	(0.02)	(16)	–	(88)	–	3,047,334
Corporate actions	414,368	–	–	–	–	–	–	414,368
Total	3,462,378	(572)		(16)		(88)		3,461,702

The Fund has paid £911 as commission on purchases and sales of derivatives transactions for the year ended 01/05/23.

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

Commission	0.01%
Taxes	0.02%
Other expenses	0.00%

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Note 18 Portfolio transaction costs (continued)

For the year ended 01/05/22

	Value	Commission		Taxes		Other expenses		Total costs
Analysis of total purchases costs	£	£	%	£	%	£	%	£
Equity transactions	3,374,831	617	0.02	13,126	0.39	2,423	0.07	3,390,997
Corporate actions	49,768	–	–	–	–	–	–	49,768
Total	3,424,599	617		13,126		2,423		3,440,765

	Value	Commission		Taxes		Other expenses		Total costs
Analysis of total sales costs	£	£	%	£	%	£	%	£
Equity transactions	4,624,401	(836)	(0.02)	(12)	–	(158)	–	4,623,395
Corporate actions	189,724	–	–	–	–	–	–	189,724
Total	4,814,125	(836)		(12)		(158)		4,813,119

The Fund has paid £59 as commission on purchases and sales of derivatives transactions for the year ended 01/05/22.

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

Commission	0.00%
Taxes	0.04%
Other expenses	0.01%

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 0.05% (01/05/22: 0.04%) being the difference between the respective bid and offer prices for the Fund's investments.

Distribution tables

For the year ended 1 May 2023

Interim distribution in pence per unit

Group 1: units purchased prior to 2 May 2022
Group 2: units purchased 2 May 2022 to 1 November 2022

	Net income	Equalisation	2023 pence per unit paid 1 Jan	2022 pence per unit paid 1 Jan
Accumulation				
Group 1	6.8098	—	6.8098	7.0359
Group 2	0.3253	6.4845	6.8098	7.0359

Final distribution in pence per unit

Group 1: units purchased prior to 2 November 2022
Group 2: units purchased 2 November 2022 to 1 May 2023

	Net income	Equalisation	2023 pence per unit payable 1 Jul	2022 pence per unit paid 1 Jul
Accumulation				
Group 1	7.6594	—	7.6594	7.3285
Group 2	1.1417	6.5177	7.6594	7.3285

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.

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.

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 Stock Market Fund 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.

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 of the PUTM UK Stock Market Fund ("the Trust") for the period ended 1 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
29 August 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
29 August 2023

Craig Baker, Director
Andrew Moss, Director

Independent auditor's report to the unitholders of the PUTM UK Stock Market Unit Trust

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of the PUTM UK Stock Market Unit Trust ("the Fund") for the year ended 1 May 2023 which comprise the Statement of Total Return, the Statement of Change in Unitholders' Funds, 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).

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Fund as at 1 May 2023 and of the net revenue and the net capital gains 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.

Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the Fund Manager's ("the Manager") use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

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 Fund's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of 12 months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the Manager with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report. However, because not all future events or conditions can be predicted, this statement is not a guarantee as to the Fund's ability to continue as a going concern.

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.

Independent auditor's report to the unitholders of the PUTM UK Stock Market 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 rules 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 24, 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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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 Fund's 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.
- 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
29 August 2023

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.

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. 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.

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

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 Stockmarket Unit Trust. This has been performed based on the information available as at 1 May 2023.

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.

Notes

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