



# TM STONEHAGE FLEMING AIM FUND

PREVIOUSLY KNOWN AS TM CAVENDISH AIM FUND







LONG-TERM INVESTMENT HORIZONS





NAVIGATING TO INVESTMENTS WITH CLEAR STRATEGIES

## **KEY FACTS**

Launch Date	5 October 2005
IA Sector	UK Smaller Companies
Fund Size	£136.7m
Dealing Frequency	Daily

#### FEES

Initial Charge	Up to 5.00%
Ongoing Charges <sup>2</sup>	0.69%
Annual Management Charge	0.60%

#### <sup>2</sup> Includes the Annual Management Charge.

#### MINIMUM INVESTMENT

Lump Sum	£50,000
Additional	£5,000
Regular Savings	N/A

#### FUND MANAGER



## PAUL MUMFORD

Paul Mumford has extensive investment experience. Having worked initially as an Analyst for Norris Oakley Brothers and later as a smaller companies expert at R Nivison, he moved to fund management in 1988 when he

joined Glenfriars. He then joined Cavendish Asset Management at the group's formation in 1994. The acquisition of Cavendish Asset Management was made by Stonehage Fleming in July 2020. Paul is the co-manager of the TM Stonehage Fleming Aim Fund and the TM Stonehage Fleming Opportunities Fund.



### NICK BURCHETT

Nick Burchett began his career in 1983 at Strauss Turnbull and subsequently joined W.I. Carr in 1990 which later became Investec Wealth & Investment after a number of mergers and acquisitions. During this period Nick dealt extensively with

Paul Mumford on the analysis of UK equities, markets and execution factors. This partnership made a compelling proposition and after 27 years at Investec he joined Cavendish Asset Management in November 2017 to jointly manage the funds. The acquisition of Cavendish Asset Management was made by Stonehage Fleming in July 2020. Nick is the co-manager of the TM Stonehage Fleming Aim Fund and the TM Stonehage Fleming Opportunities Fund.

#### AWARDS

# INVESTMENT OBJECTIVE

The fund aims to achieve long-term capital growth.

#### INVESTMENT POLICY

The Fund aims to invest mainly in equities on the UK Alternative Investment Market ('AIM'). This will be achieved by an actively managed diversified portfolio of shares spread across any sector of AIM. In addition, the Fund may on occasion invest in fully listed shares of companies with smaller market capitalisations.

#### PORTFOLIO PERFORMANCE



#### STANDARDISED FUND PERFORMANCE (%)

Performance	3m	6m	YTD	lyr	3yrs	5yrs
TM SF AIM B	2.4	12.3	27.6	49.7	64.4	180.8
Numis Alt Markets Index	3.2	10.0	12.9	34.9	22.4	73.3
Peer Group Percentile	91	95	49	62	7	1

#### DISCRETE 12 MONTH PERFORMANCE (%)

12 months to 31 August	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
TM SF AIM B	49.7	4.7	4.9	14.3	49.4
Numis Alt Markets Index	34.9	10.8	-18.1	9.0	29.9
Peer Group Percentile	62	42	1	31	3

#### CALENDAR YEAR PERFORMANCE (%)

Performance	YTD	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
TM SF AIM B	27.6	11.2	36.7	-7.2	32.8	31.4
Numis Alt Markets Index	12.9	19.3	14.7	-17.5	27.4	16.2

Source: Morningstar, % growth, total return, GBP, single price, UK net income reinvested with no initial charges.

#### PERFORMANCE DISCLOSURE

Past performance is not a guide to future performance. The value of investments can fall. Investors may not get back the amount invested. Income from investments may vary and is not guaranteed. For a full list of risks applicable to this fund, please refer to the Prospectus. If the information is not displayed in your base currency, then the return may increase or decrease due to currency fluctuations. Source for all performance is Stonehage Fleming Investment Management Limited as at 31 August 2021. Total return (with dividends) is net of fees.

The fund invests in a broad range of AIM listed companies and some of these carry a higher risk of failure and may be less liquid than shares listed on other exchanges. These shares may be also harder to sell quickly because of this lower liquidity. AIM listed companies may also experience greater price volatility which could also affect the value of the fund.







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#### RISK ANALYSIS

Alpha	10.56	Ex-Post Risk calculations are based on 3 years' worth
Beta	1.01	of monthly data points. Source: Morningstar,
R-Squared	0.81	relative statistics calculated over 3
Standard Deviation	26.07	years using the Numis Alternative Markets
Sharpe Ratio	0.75	Index, total return as at 31/08/2021.

#### ENQUIRIES AND DEALING

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DEALING:	
Thesis Unit Trust Management Limi	ited, PO Box 3733,
Royal Wootton Bassett, Swindon	n, SN4 4BG
SEDOL CODES:	
Class B Share	B0JX3Z5
ISIN CODES:	
Class B Share	GB00B0JX3Z52
LIPPER IDS:	
Class B Share	65009655

#### SECTOR ALLOCATION (%)

Health Care	23.5
Information Technology	22.9
Industrials	22.1
Energy	7.7
Communication Services	6.9
Consumer Discretionary	4.9
Materials	3.8
Real Estate	2.5
Consumer Staples	2.5
Financials	0.9
Cash	2.2

#### TOP TEN HOLDINGS (%)

Totally Plc	3.5
ZOO Digital Group Plc	2.6
Xpediator Plc	2.4
Beximco Pharmaceuticals GDR Regs	2.4
Netcall Plc	2.3
Eagle Eye Solutions Group Plc	2.1
Independent Oil & Gas Plc	2.0
Serica Energy Plc	1.9
Restore Plc	1.8
Advanced Medical Solutions	1.7

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#### PORTFOLIO COMMENTARY

There was a good movement in the Numis Alternative Markets Index (incl. investment companies) which increased by 3.4% in the month. It was mainly due to investor interest focusing on larger companies in the sector where we were underrepresented. Also one of our larger holdings Venture Life fell back after a mixed trading statement. As a result, the TM Stonehage Fleming AIM Fund underperformed with the value increasing by 1.9%.

We were fairly active in the wante increasing by 1.9%. We were fairly active in the month and disposed of our holding in Secure Income REIT where the share price performed strongly and we deem the valuation is now up with events. TP Group shares were also sold after a sharp rise in the share price after a possible takeover approach. Part of the proceeds were used to add to Artisanal Spirits, where the shares have declined through lack of interest following its recent IPO. We also used the opportunity to add to Venture Life after the overreaction to its trading statement and broker estimates remaining intact. Other additions included Access Intelligence after its successful Australian acquisition and Arena Leisure on the award of a Commonwealth Games contract and PGA contract renewal.

It has been a fairly quiet month for company news but most companies seem to be at least trading in line with expectations. Many have now returned to or

#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Derivatives have not been used but are allowed if appropriate for efficient asset management. The Fund only invests in UK assets but is allowed to hold shares on overseas exchanges. This would occur in the event of a company delisting from the London stock market and would not expected to be material. Hence, there would be limited foreign exchange risk.

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exceeded pre-Covid 2019 results. The signs remain positive, and unless there is a further lockdown, the recovery will continue. Inflation might be a concern due to raw material and energy rises, and perhaps some wage rises. We have found that the majority of companies which we meet have been successful in passing on cost increases to customers. The most spectacular rise has been in the spot gas prices and more importantly the forward price curve where producers will now be hedging. We hold several companies that will now be benefitting from this increase in price. The oil and gas sector has been out of favour due to ongoing ESG concerns. However, most, if not all, companies are aware of problems created through climate change and many of our holdings have low relative emissions or are making positive changes to address these issues. The UK will increasingly rely on imported gas and there are many exciting companies in this area of the stock market.

Moving forward, many companies will soon be reporting results and at the smaller market capitalisation end of the stock market there will be opportunities where profit expectations are likely to be exceeded. As the UK emerges from the pandemic many companies will be leaner than before and enter a phase of growth. At the same time, takeover activity could continue to rise and we remain confident about the long term prospects for the fund.

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