# WS Raynar UK Smaller Companies Fund

a sub fund of: WS Raynar Portfolio Management Funds Featured Share Class: F Accumulation

**Factsheet** August 2024



#### PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT

Portfolio Manager:

Philip Rodrigs

Founder of Raynar Portfolio Management



18 Years Experience: Managing UK equity funds since 2006, Philip is a multi award winner. Honoured as an allsector Morningstar 'Outstanding Talent', Philip has been twice named as IW's UK Small Cap Fund Manager of the Year.

Launch Date: 1 July 2024

Fund AUM: £23.6m

Raynar AUM: £106.6m

Valuation Point: 12 Noon

ISA Eligible: Yes

Year End Date: 30 April

#### Risk & Reward Profile:

Typical	lly lower re	wards	Typically higher rewards			
Lower risk Higher risk						
1	2	3	4	5	6	7

This fund is ranked 6 because its investment universe has experienced relatively high rises and falls over the past five years

#### Platform Availability:

- Aegon
- Al Bell
- Allfunds
- Calastone
- Clearstream
- **EFG Bank**
- **FNZ**
- Hargreaves Lansdown
- Quilter
  - Platform

Interactive

Investors

- Securities
- Raymond James
- **UBP Bank**
- **UBS**
- Waystone (direct)

More in progress and others available upon request - please enquire.

### **Fund Objective**

To achieve capital growth, over any five-year period, after all costs and charges incurred. Capital invested is at risk and there is no guarantee the objective will be achieved over the time period.

The fund will invest at least 80% of the value of its assets in a diversified portfolio of smaller companies that are incorporated, domiciled or have a significant part of their business in the UK.

### **Fund Performance**

**Fund NAV:** 

Class F – Accumulation shares total return

Benchmark:

Deutsche Numis UK Smaller Companies plus

AIM ex Investment Companies Total Return index

### Performance (%) since Fund Launch:



Source: BNY. This performance information relates to the past. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future returns. Investing involves risk. The value of an investment can go down as well as up which means that sale proceeds could be less than you originally invested.

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Top Ten Holdings	% of Fund
Just Retirement	2.3%
Hunting Precision Engineering	2.1%
Funding Circle	2.0%
LSL Property Services	1.9%
Integrafin Platform	1.8%
FRP Advisory	1.7%
TP ICAP	1.7%
Mitie Business Services	1.7%
Mitchells & Butlers	1.6%
Plus500	1.6%
Total Number of Holdings	77

Sector Allocation*	% of Fund
Diversified Financial Services	19.6%
Business Services	11.5%
Manufacturing	11.2%
Consumer Discretionary	11.1%
Consumer Staples & Utilities	9.3%
Real Estate & Fittings	9.1%
Technology	8.5%
Construction	7.9%
Basic Materials	6.1%
Healthcare	2.8%
Cash	2.9%

<sup>\*</sup>Sector Allocation Source: Raynar Portfolio Management. Sector categorisations are chosen by the portfolio manager which, in their opinion, best describes the predominant driver of the underlying investments. Investments may be re-categorised.

### **Manager Commentary**

In only the Fund's second month, a second major positive catalyst for the UK Smaller Companies sector came to pass. After the well-received election result, the Bank of England cut the base rate of interest by 0.25% - the first cut of this cycle. Market pricing suggests further cuts are now anticipated, with the Bank of England being joined by many other central banks around the world in reducing the cost of financing. This is welcome news for smaller companies in particular which have historically performed well in previous rate cutting cycles.

It is pleasing to observe the fund achieving new highs after global market tumult early in the month. This has further extended the outperformance compared to the benchmark which now stands at c+2.4% after just two months. Encouragingly, this was driven by a top conviction holding delivering a strong reaction to extremely good results. Retirement annuity specialist insurer **Just Retirement** surged +18.1% amidst buoyant demand. Insolvency advisor **FRP Advisory**'s +16.2% advance pushed it into the Top 10 after reporting strong results in late July. The firm is taking share in a market which is booming as it typically does at this phase of the cycle. Also pushing into the Top 10, **Plus500**'s +10.5% rise was aided by well received results that reminded that this global trading platform tends to benefit from the bouts of volatility such as at the start of August. In amongst other well received reporters were some which weren't. The UK's **Domino's Pizza** was exited as franchisees were granted price cuts at the expense of shareholders. **4Imprint** was exited despite inline results – slowing trading in the US leaves little wiggle room remaining in the event that the US election proves disruptive.

Share Classes	Class A Accumulation	Class A Income	Class F Accumulation	Class F Income
Inception Date	1 <sup>st</sup> July 2024	1 <sup>st</sup> July 2024	1st July 2024	1st July 2024
ISIN	GB00BRBGSY51	GB00BRBGSZ68	GB00BRBGT088	GB00BRBGT195
SEDOL	BRBGSY5	BRBGSZ6	BRBGT08	BRBGT19
Bloomberg Ticker	WSRPMAA LN	WSRPMAI LN	WSRPMFA LN	WSRPMFI LN
Minimum Initial Investment	n/a	n/a	£2m (Enquire)	£2m (Enquire)
Minimum top-up Investment	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Initial Charge	0%	0%	0%	0%
Buying and Selling	Daily, 0%	Daily, 0%	Daily, 0%	Daily, 0%
Capped Max Ongoing Charge	1.20%	1.20%	0.95%	0.95%
of which Investment Management Charge	0.75%	0.75%	0.50%	0.50%

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