

# Monthly Factsheet **28 February 2022**

| Launch Date         | 12 May 1999 |
|---------------------|-------------|
|                     |             |
| Gross Assets        | £59.0m      |
| Net Assets          | £41.9m*     |
| Bank Debt           | £nil        |
| Core Dividend Yield | 5.2%**      |
| Yield incl Special  | 5.4%***     |
|                     |             |

|                                      | Zero<br>Dividend<br>Preference<br>Shares | Ordinary<br>Shares |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| <b>Share Price</b> (price per share) | 118.50p                                  | 192.00p            |
| NAV<br>(Price per share)             | 117.76p                                  | 200.98p*           |
| Premium / (Discount to NAV)          | 0.63%                                    | (4.47)%            |
| Share Capital                        | 14,500,000^                              | 20,850,000         |

<sup>\*</sup>includes unaudited revenue reserve to 28/02/2022

#### **Fund Managers**



David Horner qualified as a chartered accountant in 1984 with Deloitte before joining 3i Corporate Finance Limited in 1986. In May 1993 he joined Strand Partners Limited, and was appointed a director in January 1994, where he carried out a range of corporate finance assignments identifying, structuring and managing investments in quoted and unquoted companies. In June 1997 he left to

set up Chelverton Asset Management Limited and, in May 1999, he launched the Chelverton UK Dividend Trust, which he still co-manages. He has also co-managed the Chelverton UK Equity Income Fund since launch. In 2013 he resigned his membership of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, as his career is now fully involved in fund management.



Oliver Knott joined Chelverton Asset Management in January 2020. He has extensive experience in UK small and mid cap equities having joined Brewin Dolphin as a generalist salesman after graduating from the University of Essex with a 1st class honours degree in Politics, Philosophy and Economics. Prior to joining Chelverton, he worked as an equity analyst for N+1 Singer, in

their highly respected technology research franchise. Oliver is a CFA Charterholder.

# Chelverton UK Dividend Trust plc

(Formerly Chelverton Small Companies Dividend Trust plc)

# **Investment Objective and Policy**

The investment objective of the Company is to provide Ordinary shareholders with a high income and opportunity for capital growth, having provided a capital return sufficient to repay the full final capital entitlement of the Zero Dividend Preference shares issued by the wholly owned subsidiary company SDV ZDP 2025 PLC.

The Company's investment policy is that:

- The Company will invest in equities in order to achieve its investment objectives, which are to
  provide both income and capital growth, predominantly through investment in mid and smaller
  capitalised UK companies admitted to the Official List of the UK Listing Authority and traded on
  the London Stock Exchange Main Market or traded on AIM.
- The Company will not invest in preference shares, loan stock or notes, convertible securities or fixed interest securities or any similar securities convertible into shares; nor will it invest in the securities of other investment trusts or in unquoted companies.

## **Monthly Manager Commentary**

In the first part of the month equity investors were focussed on the implications of rising inflation and the corresponding style shift away from growth towards value when, at the end of the month, Russia invaded Ukraine. After such an extreme event the immediate reaction was an increase in volatility in equity markets and our universe of small and mid-cap companies was relatively badly affected as investors quickly sought some sort of sanctuary in liquidity. Defensive sectors such as utilities held up well initially and the sanctions imposed on Russia served to inflate oil and gas prices and buoy share prices in the sector. As ever at times like this the initial sell off is indiscriminate in nature and we suffered as we are relatively underweight in commodity stocks and defensives. We believe that investment fundamentals will reverse this sharp sell-off over time and we have already seen the first signs of the market recovering from the initial shock. In the domestic economy attention will then focus back on the impact of increases in the cost of living on the consumer and rising cost inflation for the companies that we invest in.

Reassuringly, at the stock level, the results season has started well and most companies are reporting figures at least in line with market estimates. It appears that cost increases are largely being passed on, albeit with some time lags. In a difficult month Vector Capital was our best relative performer followed Diversified Energy, Kitwave and Bloomsbury. On the downside MTI Wireless Edge sold off due to its exposure to Russia (c.5% of net profits), although the shares have since recovered after a strong set of results alongside confirmation that it had exited its operations in Russia. McColls, Portmeirion and TP ICAP also detracted from performance in the month, although the latter has also bounced more recently on expectations that it will benefit from steadily rising interest rates. One major positive for us recently is that a good number of our companies have reported dividends ahead of our expectations, implying that management teams are more positive on the medium term outlook.

## **Annual Returns % GBP**

28/02/2022

|                                                                    | 2022* | 2021  | 2020   | 2019  | 2018   | 2017  | 2016  | 2015      | 2014  | 2013  | 2012  | 2011   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|--------|-------|--------|-------|-------|-----------|-------|-------|-------|--------|
| Share Price<br>Ordinary Shares                                     | -7.69 | 35.61 | -16.50 | 33.39 | -32.16 | 27.59 | 13.81 | 29.3<br>6 | -4.26 | 79.11 | 19.72 | 2.82   |
| Share Price<br>Morningstar<br>Investment Trust UK<br>Equity Income | -3.42 | 20.55 | -7.84  | 22.53 | -10.39 | 13.42 | 7.43  | 5.96      | 3.31  | 35.82 | 19.75 | -1.86  |
| NAV<br>Ordinary Shares                                             | -9.97 | 39.52 | -15.97 | 25.31 | -24.50 | 24.37 | 4.96  | 24.79     | 4.82  | 56.76 | 36.46 | -13.94 |
| NAV<br>Morningstar<br>Investment Trust UK<br>Equity Income         | -3.69 | 23.17 | -7.78  | 25.75 | -5.81  | 11.15 | 8.39  | 8.60      | 3.66  | 30.61 | 17.30 | -2.30  |

Source: Chelverton Asset Management Limited and Morningstar Past performance is not a quide to future results \* Year to Date

# **Dividend History**

|                  | 2021-22 | 2020-21 | 2019-20 | 2018-19 | 2017-18 | 2016-17 | 2015-16 | 2014-15 | 2013-14 |
|------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
|                  | p       | p       | p       | p       | p       | p       | p       | p       | p       |
| First interim    | 2.75    | 2.50    | 2.40    | 2.19    | 2.02    | 1.85    | 1.70    | 1.575   | 1.475   |
| Second interim   | 2.75    | 2.50    | 2.40    | 2.19    | 2.02    | 1.85    | 1.70    | 1.575   | 1.475   |
| Third interim    |         | 2.50    | 2.40    | 2.19    | 2.02    | 1.85    | 1.70    | 1.575   | 1.475   |
| Fourth interim   |         | 2.50    | 2.40    | 2.40    | 2.40    | 2.40    | 2.40    | 2.40    | 2.40    |
| Subtotal         | 5.50    | 10.00   | 9.60    | 8.97    | 8.46    | 7.95    | 7.50    | 7.125   | 6.825   |
| % increase       | 10.00   | 4.17    | 7.02    | 6.00    | 6.40    | 6.00    | 5.30    | 4.40    | 3.40    |
| Special dividend |         | 0.272   | N/A     | 2.50    | 0.66    | 1.86    | 1.60    | 0.30    | 2.75    |
| TOTAL            | 5.50    | 10.272  | 9.60    | 11.47   | 9.12    | 9.81    | 9.10    | 7.425   | 9.575   |

The Key Information Document ("KID") is available on the Chelverton website - www.chelvertonam.com

<sup>\*\*</sup>calculation includes last four dividends divided by the NAV per share

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<sup>^</sup>redeemed at 133.18p -30/04/2025



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#### **Directors**

The Rt Hon the Lord Lamont of Lerwick Chairman

**Andrew Watkins** 

William van Heesewijk

**Howard Myles** 

#### Calendar

Year End 30 April
AGM September
Dividends (Declared) March, June, September, December

Management Fee 1%

Ongoing Fee 2.33%\*

Charge to Capital

Charge to Capital

Management Fee and
Bank Interest
(75% to Capital:
25% to Revenue)

### **Price Information**

|         | ZDP                | ORDS    |  |  |
|---------|--------------------|---------|--|--|
| Reuters | SDVP.L             | SDV.L   |  |  |
| SEDOL   | BZ7MQD8            | 0661582 |  |  |
| Market  | Canaccord<br>Numis |         |  |  |

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# **Chelverton UK Dividend Trust plc**

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# **Top Twenty Holdings**

| Holding             | Sector                                 | % of Portfolio |
|---------------------|----------------------------------------|----------------|
| Belvoir Lettings    | Real Estate                            | 3.91%          |
| Diversified Energy  | Energy                                 | 3.00%          |
| Alumasc             | Construction and Materials             | 2.72%          |
| UP Global Sourcing  | Consumer Products and Services         | 2.44%          |
| Jarvis Securities   | Financial Services                     | 2.23%          |
| iEnergizer          | Industrial Goods and Services          | 2.14%          |
| STV                 | Media                                  | 1.91%          |
| Personal Group      | Insurance                              | 1.75%          |
| Coral Products      | Industrial Goods and Services          | 1.73%          |
| MP Evans            | Food, Beverage and Tobacco             | 1.73%          |
| Devro               | Food, Beverage and Tobacco             | 1.72%          |
| DFS Furniture       | Retail                                 | 1.68%          |
| Chesnara            | Insurance                              | 1.66%          |
| Kitwave             | Personal Care, Drug and Grocery Stores | 1.66%          |
| Premier Miton Group | Financial Services                     | 1.63%          |
| Redde Northgate     | Industrial Goods and Services          | 1.61%          |
| Finncap Group       | Financial Services                     | 1.55%          |
| Vertu               | Retail                                 | 1.53%          |
| Randall & Quilter   | Insurance                              | 1.53%          |
| Curtis Banks        | Financial Services                     | 1.51%          |
| Total               |                                        | 39.64%         |

## Income of the Top Ten Holdings

Sector Breakdown %

Telecommunications

Personal Care, Drug and Grocery

Basic Resources

Utilities

Banks

Total

| Sector %                       | % of<br>Portfolio |  |
|--------------------------------|-------------------|--|
| Financial Services             | 19.6%             |  |
| Industrial Goods and Services  | 15.3%             |  |
| Construction and Materials     | 9.3%              |  |
| Consumer Products and Services | 9.0%              |  |
| Real Estate                    | 7.6%              |  |
| Insurance                      | 7.2%              |  |
| Retail                         | 6.3%              |  |
| Media                          | 5.5%              |  |
| Food, Beverage and Tobacco     | 4.6%              |  |
| Travel and Leisure             | 4.4%              |  |
| Energy                         | 3.0%              |  |

2.4%

1.9%

1.8%

1.1%

100.0%

# Market Cap Breakdown

|                 | % of portfolio | No of stocks |
|-----------------|----------------|--------------|
| Above £1bn      | 6.58%          | 4            |
| £500m - £1bn    | 16.23%         | 12           |
| £250m - £500m   | 20.27%         | 16           |
| £100m - £250m   | 26.59%         | 18           |
| Below £100m     | 30.33%         | 25           |
| Cash and Income | 0.00%          | 0            |
| Total           | 100.00%        | 75           |
|                 |                |              |

28%

### Risk Factors

The value of investments and the income from them may go down as well as up and you may not get back your original investment. Investment trusts can borrow money to make additional investments on top of shareholders funds (gearing). If the value of these investments fall in value, gearing will magnify the negative impact on performance. Particular share classes may also be structurally geared by other share classes that have earlier entitlement to the Company's assets up to a predetermined limit. If an investment trust incorporates a large amount of gearing the value of its shares may be subject to sudden and large falls in value and you could get back nothing at all. Some split capital shares have higher risk characteristics than conventional equities which can result in capital erosion. An investor could lose all of their capital, Smaller companies are riskier and less liquid than larger companies which means their share price may be more volatile. Some of the annual management fee is currently charged to the capital of the Fund. Whilst this increases the yield, it will restrict the potential for optial growth. The level of yield may be subject to fluctuation and is not guaranteed. Net Asset Value ("NAV") performance is not the same as share price performance and investors may not realise returns the same as NAV performance.

**Risk Rating of Shares** Zero Dividend Preference Shares - Medium Ordinary shares - High

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<sup>\*</sup> As at 30/04/21, calculated in accordance with AIC guidelines. Please see annual report for more details