

Market commentary

March was a strong month for UK equities. However, over the first quarter, the UK continued to lag other regions with the FTSE All-Share Index rising just 3.6%. This was partly due to the value bias of the UK equity market and poor economic performance with the UK economy falling into recession in the final six months of 2023 (Bloomberg, 31 March 2024).

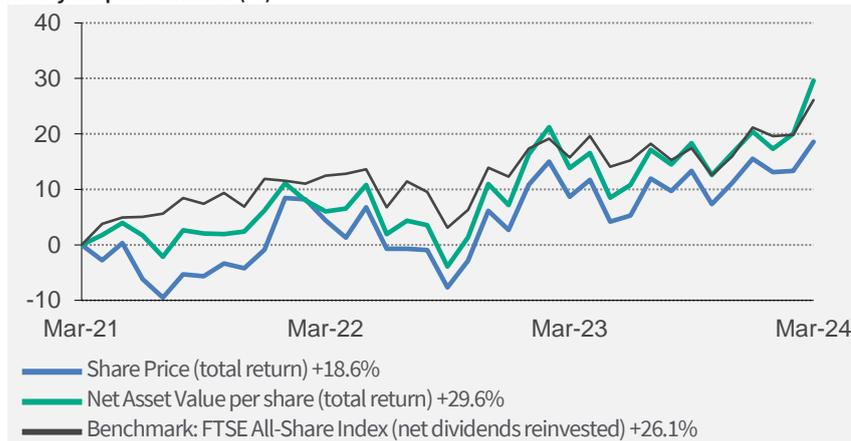
The portfolio performed well in March. The largest contributors to return were **ITV**, **NatWest Group**, and **Anglo American**, while **Capita**, **Currys**, and **International Distribution Services (IDS)** were detractors from performance.

ITV performed well as the company announced a new cost savings programme which they expect to deliver £50m of incremental gross savings and a stronger-than-expected advertising revenue outlook (Bloomberg, ITV, 7 March 2024). Banks **Barclays** and **NatWest Group** performed well as the UK's inflation rate eased more than expected (Bloomberg, 20, March 2024). **Anglo American** was also a contributor to performance helped by copper reaching \$9,000 a ton (Bloomberg, 15 March 2024).

Capita was a detractor from performance as its share price fell following the publication of its latest results which showed its adjusted pretax profit missing estimates (Bloomberg, 6 March 2024). **Currys'** share price fell as both Elliott and JD.com said they do not intend to make an offer for the company (Bloomberg, 11 March 2024; Bloomberg, 15 March 2024); in a trading update, **Currys** said sales have been stronger than expected and increased their profit guidance (**Currys**, 18 March 2024).

UK equities continue to be valued at a significant discount to global equities generally. Accordingly, we believe that, notwithstanding the shorter-term uncertainties, UK equities are priced to offer relatively attractive returns into the future.

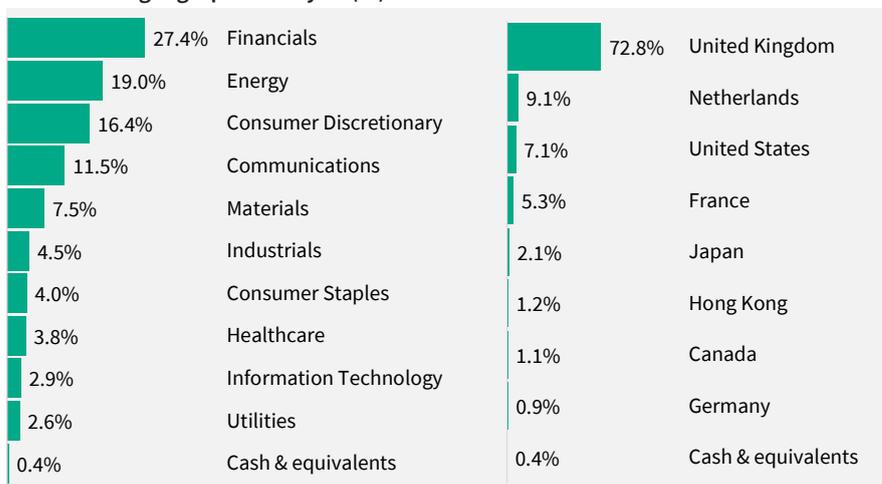
Three-year performance (%)



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Source: Morningstar

Sector and geographic analysis (%)



* Exposures expressed as a % of the gross assets (investments plus cash) of the Company.

Trust objective

To provide growth in income and capital to achieve a long-term total return greater than the benchmark FTSE All-Share Index, through investment primarily in UK securities. The Company's policy is to invest in a broad spread of securities with typically the majority of the portfolio selected from the constituents of the FTSE 350 Index.

Top 10 equity holdings

Company	Sector	(%)
Shell	Energy	7.2
BP	Energy	6.5
NatWest	Financials	5.9
TotalEnergies	Energy	5.3
ITV	Communications	4.9
Aviva	Financials	4.9
Stellantis	Consumer Discretionary	4.8
Barclays	Financials	4.6
NN	Financials	4.3
Marks & Spencer	Consumer Staples	4.0
Total		52.4

No of holdings: 31

Financial data

Gross Assets	£831.8m
Share price (p)	240.50
NAV (p) (cum income)*	268.05
Premium/(Discount), Cum income*	(10.3%)
Historic net yield	4.0%
Net gearing*	7.7%

* Calculated with debt at fair value

Dividend history

Type	Amount (p)	XD date	Pay date
4th interim – 2023	2.50	07.03.24	02.04.24
3rd interim – 2023	2.50	30.11.23	29.12.23
2nd interim – 2023	2.30	24.08.23	29.09.23
1st interim – 2023	2.30	01.06.23	30.06.23

Performance (total return)

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Cumulative returns (%)

	Share Price	NAV	FTSE All-Share
1 month	4.1	7.7	4.8
3 months	2.1	7.3	3.6
3 year	18.6	29.6	26.1
5 year	13.4	22.1	30.3
10 year	46.1	59.0	75.3
Since 30/10/2020	96.6	100.4	55.4

	Share Price	NAV	FTSE All-Share
31.03.23 - 31.03.24	8.6	13.5	8.4
31.03.22 - 31.03.23	4.1	7.4	2.9
31.03.21 - 31.03.22	5.0	6.3	13.0
31.03.20 - 31.03.21	56.7	59.8	26.7
31.03.19 - 31.03.20	-39.0	-41.0	-18.5

Performance, price and yield information is sourced from Morningstar as at 31.03.24.

Temple Bar Investment Trust Plc

Monthly factsheet – 31 March 2024

Trust facts

Launch date: 1926

ISIN: GB00BMV92D64

Sedol: BMV92D6

Ticker: TMPL

Year end: 31 December

Dividends paid: Quarterly in April, June, September and December

Benchmark : FTSE All-Share

Association of Investment Companies (AIC) sector: UK Equity Income

ISA status: May be held in an ISA and Junior ISA

Capital structure:

Ordinary shares in issue:
287,041,012 in circulation
47,322,813 in treasury

Debt:

4.05% private placement loan 2028 £50m
2.99% private placement loan 2047 £25m

Ongoing charge: 0.56%, effective 31 December 2023 Includes a management fee of 0.325%. Excludes borrowing and portfolio transaction costs.

AIFM, Administrator & Company Secretary: Frostrow Capital LLP with effect from 1 July 2023

Portfolio Manager: RWC Asset Management LLP with effect from 30 October 2020

Portfolio Management Team: Ian Lance and Nick Purves

Registrar: Equiniti Financial Services Limited

Depositary & Custodian: Bank of New York Mellon

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Company share price risk

Shares in the Company are bought and sold on the London Stock Exchange. The price you pay or receive, like other listed shares, is determined by supply and demand and may be at a discount or premium to the underlying net asset value of the Company. Usually, at any given time, the price you pay for a share will be higher than the price you could sell it.

Borrowing/leverage risk

The Company has increased its exposure to investments via borrowings and this could potentially magnify any losses or gains made by the Company.

The Company's gearing and discount management policies can be found at <https://www.templebarinvestments.co.uk/investment-approach/investment-policies/>

Interest rate

The value of fixed income assets & liabilities (e.g. bonds) tends to decrease when interest rates and/or inflation rises and increase when interest rates and/or inflation falls.

Concentration risk

The Company's portfolio may be concentrated in a limited number of geographical regions, industry sectors, markets and/or individual positions. This may result in large changes in the value of the portfolio, both up or down, which may adversely impact the Company's performance.

Target market

The Company is suitable for investors seeking an investment that aims to deliver total returns over the longer term (at least five years), is compatible with the needs for retail clients, professional clients and eligible counterparties and is eligible for all distribution channels.

The Company may not be suitable for investors who are concerned about short-term volatility and performance, have low or no risk tolerance or are looking for capital protection, who are seeking a guaranteed or regular income, or a predictable return profile. The Company does not offer capital protection.

Value assessment

Frostrow Capital LLP has conducted an annual value assessment on the Company in line with Financial Conduct Authority (FCA) rules set out in the Consumer Duty regulation. The assessment focuses on the nature of the product, including benefits received and its quality, limitations that are part of the product, expected total costs to clients and target market considerations.

Within this, the assessment considers quality of services, performance of the Company (against both benchmark and peers), total fees (including management fees and entry and exit fees as applicable to the Company) and considers whether vulnerable consumers are able to receive fair value from the product.

Frostrow Capital LLP concluded that the Company is providing value based on the above assessment.

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