

# Key Information Document ("KID")

Aberforth Geared Value & Income Trust plc  
Zero Dividend Preference shares



## Purpose

This document provides you with key information about this investment product. It is not marketing material. The information is required by law to help you understand the nature, risks, costs, potential gains and losses of this product and to help you compare it with other products.

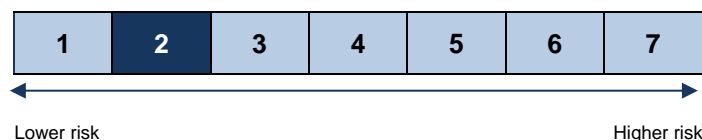
## Product

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| <b>Product:</b>              | Aberforth Geared Value & Income Trust plc - Zero Dividend Preference shares  |
| <b>Manufacturer (AIFM):</b>  | Aberforth Partners LLP (Aberforth)   |
| <b>Product ISIN:</b>         | GB00BPJMQ360   |
| <b>Website:</b>              | <a href="http://www.aberforth.co.uk/trusts-and-funds/aberforth-geared-value-income-trust-plc">www.aberforth.co.uk/trusts-and-funds/aberforth-geared-value-income-trust-plc</a> |
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| <b>Regulator:</b>            | Financial Conduct Authority  |
| <b>Document valid as at:</b> | 01/07/2024   |

## What is this product?

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| <b>Type:</b>                     | Aberforth Geared Value & Income Trust plc (the Company) is an investment trust whose shares are listed on the London Stock Exchange and an Alternative Investment Fund under the Alternative Investment Fund Managers Directive.   |
| <b>Objectives:</b>               | <p>The Company's investment objective is to provide Ordinary Shareholders with high total returns, incorporating an attractive level of income, and to provide Zero Dividend Preference (ZDP) Shareholders with a pre-determined final capital entitlement of 160.58 pence per ZDP Share on the planned winding up date of <b>30 June 2031</b>.</p> <p>The Company's shares are bought and sold via markets. Typically, at any given time on any given day, the price you pay for a share will be higher than the price at which you could sell it.</p> <p>The Company was launched on 1 July 2024 and has a planned winding up date of <b>30 June 2031</b>.</p> <p>The Company's Ordinary shares are geared by the capital entitlement of the ZDP shares. This will magnify any gains or losses made by the assets attributable to the Ordinary shares.</p> <p>The ZDP shares have a gross redemption yield of 7.0% at launch, based on the issue price of 100p. ZDP shareholders do not receive any dividends.</p> |
| <b>Intended retail investor:</b> | <p>This product is suitable for investors planning to hold an investment for the medium to long-term (until the planned winding up date of <b>30 June 2031</b>) and is designed to be used as one component in an investment portfolio – <b>potential investors in the Company's Zero Dividend shares are advised to consult their professional investment advisers in respect of any investment decision in relation to those shares.</b></p>   |

## What are the risks and what could I get in return?



The risk indicator assumes you hold your investment for a minimum of 5 years. The actual risk can vary significantly if you sell your investment within a shorter timeframe and you may get back less. You may not be able to sell your investment easily, or may have to sell at a price that significantly impacts on how much you get back.

### Risk indicator

The summary risk indicator is a guide to the level of risk of this product compared to other products. It shows how likely it is that the product will lose money because of movements in the markets.

We have classified this product as class 2 out of 7, which is a low risk class.

This classifies the potential volatility from future performance at a low level, and poor market conditions are likely to impact the capacity for you to receive a positive return on investment. This classification is based on the **volatility of the proxy**, as described in "Other relevant information", over 5 years.

Investments in shares of smaller companies are generally considered to carry a higher degree of risk. The performance of shares of smaller companies may be more volatile than the shares of larger companies over short time periods. This product does not include any protection from future market performance so you could lose some or all of your investment.

## Investment Performance Information

### Factors likely to affect future returns:

The ZDP shares have a fixed capital entitlement subject to the Company having sufficient Capital at the entitlement date of **30 June 2031**. The factor most likely to determine the outcome of the investment and have an impact on performance is the application of the product's value investment philosophy, which targets high total returns and an attractive level of income. This involves the purchase of shares in companies that are selling below their intrinsic value ("value stocks"). Consistent application of investment process does not guarantee superior returns in each and every year, but, there is evidence that it can produce results that meet the investment objective over the long term.

### What could affect my return positively?

The Zero Dividend Preference Shares have a gross redemption yield of 7.0% at launch. ZDP shares do not receive any dividends. The Company's ability to meet the ZDP share entitlement is linked to its Net Asset Value at the wind up date of **30 June 2031**. The market value of ZDP shares may be affected by changes in general interest rates, downward movements may lead to an increase in the market value of these shares. The Company's portfolio can benefit from consistent application of a value investment style, which enhances investment returns: within the DNSCI (XIC), this is supported by historical evidence which indicates that value stocks have out-performed growth stocks since the index's inception. The value cohort of the index is populated by cyclical companies which may benefit the portfolio valuation in certain economic conditions. The Company's investment returns will be determined, over a reasonable time frame, by the underlying progress of its diversified portfolio of investee companies.

### What could affect my return negatively?

The market value of ZDP shares may be affected by changes in general interest rates, upward movements may lead to a reduction in the market value of these shares. The ZDP shares rank in priority to the capital entitlement of ordinary shares. Having sufficient capital at winding up for repayment of ZDP entitlements is linked to underlying performance of the portfolio and may impact the return. In view of the cyclical nature of the value cohort of the index, it is likely that concerns about a recession would disproportionately affect the valuations of a portfolio, such as the Company, selected under a value investment philosophy. Concern about recession may lead to a negative return from the portfolio and from the DNSCI (XIC).

### Adverse market conditions:

The Company was launched on 1 July 2024 and has a planned winding up date of **30 June 2031**. This product does not include any protection from future market performance so you could lose some or all of your investment if sold under adverse market conditions. Investments in shares of smaller companies are generally considered to carry a higher degree of risk. The performance of shares of smaller companies may be more volatile than the shares of larger companies over short time periods.

## What happens if Aberforth Geared Value & Income Trust plc is unable to pay out?

As a shareholder of the Company you would not be able to make a claim to the Financial Services Compensation Scheme about the Company in the event that the Company is unable to pay out.

## What are the costs?

The Reduction in Yield (RIY) illustrates the impact the total costs you pay may have on your investment return. The total costs take into account one-off, ongoing and incidental costs.

The amounts shown here are the cumulative costs of the product itself, for three different holding periods, and assume you invest 10,000 GBP. The figures are estimates and may change in the future.

The person selling you or advising you about this product may charge you other costs. If so, this person will provide you with information about these costs and show you the impact that all costs will have on your investment over time.

### Costs over time

| Investment 10,000 GBP           | If you cash in after 1 year | If you cash in after 2 years | If you cash in after 5 years |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Total costs                     | 0 GBP                       | 0 GBP                        | 0 GBP                        |
| Impact on return (RIY) per year | 0%                          | 0%                           | 0%                           |

### Composition of costs

The table below shows the impact each year of the different types of costs on the investment return you might get at the end of the recommended holding period and what the different cost categories mean.

|               |             |       |  |
|---------------|-------------|-------|--|
| One-off costs | Entry costs | 0.00% | The impact of the costs you pay when entering your investment. |
|               | Exit costs  | 0.00% | The impact of the costs of exiting your investment.            |

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| Ongoing costs    | Portfolio transaction costs | 0.00% | The impact of the costs of Aberforth buying and selling underlying investments in the product's portfolio.   |
|                  | Other ongoing costs         | 0.00% | The impact of the expenses necessarily incurred in the operation of the product. This includes the annual management fee paid to Aberforth and the cost of gearing employed. |
| Incidental costs | Performance fee             | 0.00% | There is no performance fee.   |
|                  | Carried interests           | 0.00% | There are no carried interests.  |

## How long should I hold it and can I take my money out early?

**Recommended minimum holding period:** 5 years

The Company has a planned winding up date of **30 June 2031**. Any investment in this product should be viewed as a medium to long-term investment and therefore you should be prepared to stay invested until the planned winding up date. You may sell your investment before the end of the recommended holding period without penalty/charge.

## How can I complain?

As a shareholder of the Company, you do not have a right to complain to the Financial Ombudsman Service (FOS) about the management of the Company. Complaints about the Company, or this KID, should be sent to:

**Address:** 14 Melville Street, Edinburgh, EH3 7NS  
**Website:** [www.aberforth.co.uk/contact-us](http://www.aberforth.co.uk/contact-us)  
**E-mail:** [enquiries@aberforth.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@aberforth.co.uk)

We will then handle your request and provide you with a response as soon as possible.

## Other relevant information

The cost, performance and risk calculations included in this KID follow the methodology prescribed by the PRIIPs Regulation. The Company was launched on 1 July 2024. As a result, the data and calculations relating to the risk indicator, performance scenarios and costs for this product are based on using the constant daily increment of the assets attributable to the Zero Dividend Preference shares as a proxy or on estimates, in accordance with the methodology prescribed in the PRIIPs Regulation.

As stated in the section "What are the risks and what could I get in return?" above, the scenarios of estimated future performance are based on evidence from the past on how the value of the proxy for this product has varied and are not an exact indicator or guarantee of future performance. The cost figures shown in the "What are the costs?" section above differ materially from the Ongoing Charges Figure published on the Aberforth website. This is because none of the Company's costs are attributed to the Zero Dividend Preference shares. Further information on the Company is available at [www.aberforth.co.uk](http://www.aberforth.co.uk).

A detailed list of the risks associated with investing in this product, together with risks relevant to the market in which this Company invests, is available from the Risk Warnings section at [www.aberforth.co.uk](http://www.aberforth.co.uk). Aberforth does not provide investors with investment advice. This document has been issued for information purposes only. It does not contain any investment recommendations or an invitation to invest in the product. Investors should consider seeking advice from an authorised financial adviser prior to making any investment decisions.