

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD 9 SEPTEMBER 2016 TO 31 MARCH 2017

BEING THE FIRST FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR
THE NZ TOP 10 FUND FOLLOWING THE RESETTLEMENT OF THE NZX10 FUND AS THE NZ TOP
10 FUND ON 7 NOVEMBER 2016

Presented by Smartshares Limited, Manager of the NZ Top 10 Fund

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All correspondence and enquiries to the Manager about the Fund should be addressed to the Manager, Smartshares Limited, at the above address.

Smartshares Limited (the 'Manager') and Public Trust (the 'Supervisor') are parties to a trust deed dated 24 June 2014 as amended and restated on 9 September 2016 (the 'Trust Deed') which sets out the terms and conditions on which units in the funds within the Smartshares Exchange Traded Funds are offered for subscription, whether to the public or otherwise.

The Trust Deed provides that each fund is to be established by the Manager and the Supervisor entering into an establishment deed setting out the specific terms and conditions relating to that fund.

The NZ Top 10 Fund (the 'Fund') was created by an establishment deed dated 9 September 2016 between the Manager and Supervisor. The Fund replicates the group investment fund which was known as the NZX 10 Fund. On 26 October 2016 unitholders in the NZX 10 Fund resolved by extraordinary resolution that it was to be resettled as a unit trust. As a result, on 7 November 2016, its assets and liabilities were resettled on the Fund. The units in the NZX 10 Fund were then redeemed for units in the Fund.

STATEMENT BY THE MANAGER

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements and notes are drawn up in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Practice in New Zealand ('NZ GAAP'), and fairly present the financial position of the Fund as at 31 March 2017, and the results of its financial performance and cash flows for the period ended 31 March 2017 in accordance with the requirement of the Trust Deed.

It is believed that there are no circumstances that may materially and adversely affect any interest of the unitholders in the assets other than those already disclosed in this report.

For and on behalf of the Manager: Smartshares Limited

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Director	Director

This statement was approved for signing at a meeting of the Directors on 25 May 2017.

STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2017

		Period Ended
	Note	31 March 2017 \$'000
INCOME	11000	\$ 000
Dividend income		1,593
Securities lending income		5
Net changes in fair value of financial assets at fair value through profit or loss		1,294
Total income		2,892
EXPENSES		
Management fees expense	7	(185)
Total expenses		(185)
Profit before tax		2,707
Income tax expense	1	(36)
Profit after tax		2,671
Other comprehensive income		
Total comprehensive income		2,671
EARNINGS PER UNIT		
Basic and diluted earnings per unit (cents per unit)	4	4.75

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN UNITHOLDERS' FUNDS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2017

		Period Ended 31 March 2017 \$'000
Unitholders' funds at the beginning of the period		-
Total comprehensive income for the period		2,671
Subscriptions from unitholders		77,440
Redemptions by unitholders	6	(1,380)
Distributions to unitholders	5	(1,245)
		74,815
Unitholders' funds at the end of the period		77,486

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31 MARCH 2017

	Note	As At 31 March 2017 \$'000
ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents		750
Receivables		1,005
Investments in equity securities held at fair value through profit or loss	2	75,964
TOTAL ASSETS		77,719
LIABILITIES		
Management fees payable	7	(4)
Taxation payable		(14)
Deferred tax liability		(22)
Funds held for unit purchases		(193)
TOTAL LIABILITIES		(233)
UNITHOLDERS' FUNDS		77,486
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND UNITHOLDERS' FUNDS		77,719

For and on behalf of the Manager, Smartshares Limited, who authorised the issue of the financial statements on 25 May 2017.

B Miller G Elliffe
Chairman Director
Smartshares Limited Smartshares Limited

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2017

	Period Ended 31 March 2017 \$'000
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	
Cash was provided from:	
Dividend income received	589
Securities lending income received	4
Cash was applied to:	
Management fees paid	(181)
Net cash flows from operating activities	412
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES	
Cash was provided from:	
Sale of investments	56
Net repayments from the Manager	19
Cash was applied to:	
Purchase of investments	(778)
Net cash flows from investing activities	(703)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES	
Cash was provided from:	
Subscriptions received from unitholders	2,309
Cash was applied to:	
Redemptions paid to unitholders	(23)
Distributions paid to unitholders	(1,245)
Net cash flows from financing activities	1,041
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	750
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the period	
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period	750
Reconciliation of profit after tax to net cash flows from operating activities	
Profit after tax	2,671
Net changes in fair value of financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	(1,294)
Increase in taxation payable	14
(Increase) in deferred tax liability	22
Increase in management fees payable	4
Increase in receivables	(1,005)
Net cash flows from operating activities	412

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2017

GENERAL INFORMATION

The NZ Top 10 Fund (the 'Fund') is a for-profit fund registered in New Zealand and established under the Financial Markets Conduct Act 2013 ('FMC Act 2013'). It is offered under a registered managed investment scheme known as the Smartshares Exchange Traded Funds. Smartshares Limited, the Manager of the Fund is a FMC reporting entity for the purpose of the FMC Act 2013.

The Fund is governed by the Trust Deed dated 24 June 2014 as amended and restated on 9 September 2016 between the Manager and the Supervisor. The Fund was established on 9 September 2016, and commenced operation on 7 November 2016.

The Fund replicates the group investment fund which was known as the NZX 10 Fund, which was resettled as the Fund on 7 November 2016.

The Fund's units are quoted on the NZX Main Board. The Fund is a passive investment fund that tracked the S&P/NZX 10 Index (the 'Index'). As prescribed by the Trust Deed, the Fund invests in the securities included in the Index broadly in proportion to the weightings of the Index. Investments in equity securities are valued at fair value according to last traded market prices on the NZX Main Board on 31 March 2017 (see Note 2).

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The principal accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below.

Reporting period

These are the Fund's first financial statements and are for the period 9 September 2016 to 31 March 2017.

Basis of preparation

The financial statements of the Fund have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the FMC Act 2013, Financial Reporting Act 2013, New Zealand equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards ('NZ IFRS') and International Financial Reporting Standards ('IFRS'). The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified by the revaluation of financial assets at fair value through profit or loss. The functional currency of this entity is the same as the presentation currency of these financial statements being the New Zealand Dollar ('NZD'), rounded to the nearest thousand.

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with NZ IFRS requires the use of certain critical accounting estimates. It also requires the Smartshares Board of Directors to exercise its judgement in the process of applying the Fund's Statement of Accounting Policies.

Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

(a) Classification

The Fund classifies its investments in equity securities held at fair value as financial assets at fair value through profit or loss. These financial assets are designated by the Smartshares Board of Directors at inception as their performance was managed and evaluated on a fair value basis in accordance with a documented investment strategy.

(b) Recognition/derecognition

Purchases and sales of investments are recognised on the trade date - the date on which the Fund committed to purchase or sell the investment. Investments are derecognised when the rights to receive cash flows from the investments had expired or the Fund has transferred substantially all risks and rewards of ownership.

(c) Measurement

Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss are recognised at fair value. Gains and losses arising from changes in the fair value of the 'financial assets at fair value through profit or loss' category are presented in the Statement of Comprehensive Income when they arise. Dividend income from financial assets at fair value through profit or loss is recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income within dividend income when the Fund's right to receive payment is established.

(d) Fair value estimation

The fair value of the financial instruments is based on quoted market prices at the reporting date. The quoted market price used for financial assets held by the Fund is the last traded market price.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2017

Receivables

Trade receivables and other receivables that have fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market are classified as 'receivables'. Receivables are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method less impairment.

Payables

Trade payables and other payables are recognised when the entity becomes obliged to make future payments resulting from the purchase of goods and services, and are measured at amortised cost.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash at banks, net of bank overdrafts. Operating activities in the Statement of Cash Flows include all transactions or events that are not investing or financing activities. Investing activities are those activities that relate to the acquisition, holding and disposal of investments and securities not falling within the definition of cash. Financing activities are those activities that relate to cash contributions to and from, or distributions to the unitholders.

Units

The Fund issues units, which provide the holder with a beneficial interest in the Fund. The units can be put back to the Fund via a basket redemption, in accordance with the redemption rules as defined in the Trust Deed, for securities of the constituent companies in proportion to the Index and of a proportion of cash held in the Fund.

The units are issued and redeemed based on the Fund's net asset value per unit at the time of issue or redemption. The Fund's net asset value per unit is calculated by dividing the net assets attributable to the unitholders by the total number of outstanding units. In accordance with the provisions of the Trust Deed investment positions are valued based on the last traded market price for the purpose of determining the net asset value per unit for subscriptions and redemptions.

Dividend income

Dividend income is recognised when the right to receive payment is established.

Distributions to unitholders

Distributions are made up of income received from the investments and security lending income less expenses paid and allowances for future liabilities. Income from investments held is attributed to unitholders on the basis of the number of units held at the record date of the distribution. To the extent that imputation credits are available, distributions to unitholders will be fully imputed. The record date for the Fund is on the last business day of May and November in each year. Currently distributions to unitholders are made on a semi-annual basis directly from the fund within 20 business days of the record date.

Taxation

The Fund is domiciled in New Zealand and is registered as a Portfolio Investment Entity ('PIE').

The Fund is liable for tax at the prevailing company tax rate on taxable dividends from the investments in securities listed in Note 2 and securities lending income after the deduction of management fees. With most of this income, the Fund is able to utilise imputation credits to satisfy the tax liability. The Fund pays tax to the extent that the imputation credits do not cover the tax liability in full.

Deferred tax is recognised in respect of temporary differences at the Statement of Financial Position date between the tax bases of assets and liabilities and their carrying amounts for financial reporting purposes. Current and deferred tax is measured using the tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at the reporting date. The temporary differences relate to accrued dividends.

Goods and services tax (GST)

The Fund is not registered for GST and consequently all components of the financial statements are stated inclusive of GST where appropriate.

Securities lending

The Fund enters into securities lending transactions whereby it gives loans of securities recognised on the Statement of Financial Position, but retains either all or substantially all of the risks and rewards of the lent securities or a portion of them. As all or substantially all risks and rewards are retained, the lent securities are not derecognised.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2017

Segment information

The Fund operates solely in the business of investment management, investing in New Zealand equities. For the period ended 31 March 2017, 4 equity investments individually contributed 10% or more of the Fund's dividend income. The individual dividend income received from these four equity investments was \$168,000, \$251,000, \$170,000 and \$415,000.

Issued but not yet effective accounting standards

A number of accounting standards have been issued or revised that are not yet effective as at 9 November 2016, and have not been applied in preparing the financial statements. The Fund does not plan to adopt these standards early. The standards which are relevant to the Fund are as follows:

- NZ IFRS 9 Financial Instruments Effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2018. The impact of any changes has not yet been determined.
- NZ IFRS 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers Effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2018. The impact of any changes has not yet been determined.

1. TAXATION	
	31 March 2017
	\$'000
Tax expense comprises:	
Current tax expense	(14)
Deferred tax movement	(22)
Total tax expense	(36)
The prima facie income tax expense on profit before tax from operations reconciles to the income tax expanse as follows:	pense in the financial statements
Income tax expense	
	31 March 2017
	\$'000
Profit before tax	2,707

Profit before tax	2,707
Income tax using the statutory income tax rate 28%	(758)
Net changes in fair value of financial assets	362
Non taxable income	259
Gross up of imputation credits	(39)
	(176)
Less imputation credits and other tax credits	140_
Income tax expense as per Statement of Comprehensive Income	(36)

Income tax expense as per Statement of Comprehensive Income	(36)
Deferred tax	31 March 2017
2000.00 11.2	\$'000
Current period movement	(22)
Closing balance	(22)

Imputation credit account (ICA)

31 March 2017 \$'000

Imputation credits available for use in subsequent periods

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2017

2. INVESTMENTS IN EQUITY SECURITIES HELD AT FAIR VALUE THROUGH PROFIT OR LOSS

	31	As at 31 March 2017	
	Number of Shares	Fair value	
Underlying securities	'000	\$'000	
Auckland International Airport Limited	1,683	11,376	
Contact Energy Limited	1,296	6,559	
Fletcher Building Limited	1,257	10,460	
Fisher & Paykel Healthcare Corporation Limited	1,028	9,972	
Meridian Energy Limited	2,182	6,111	
Ryman Healthcare Limited	842	7,085	
Sky City Entertainment Group Limited	1,198	4,973	
Sky Network Television Limited	705	2,764	
Spark New Zealand Limited	3,320	11,620	
Z Energy Limited	725	5,044	
		75,964	

All investments are designated at inception as being at fair value through profit or loss. The fair values of investments are calculated using the last traded market price at the reporting date. The investments are registered in the name of JBWere (NZ) Nominees Limited, the custodian of the Fund.

3. FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

Financial instruments measured at fair value can be categorised across the following 3 levels based on the degree to which their fair value is 'observable':

Level 1 - Fair value measurements are derived from quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities;

Level 2 - Fair value measurements are derived from inputs other than quoted prices included within level 1 that are observable either directly or indirectly;

Level 3 - Fair value measurements are derived from valuation methods that include inputs that are not based on observable market data.

All financial instruments of the Fund measured at fair value are categorised as level 1 in the hierarchy. There were no transfers between levels in the period ended 31 March 2017.

4. EARNINGS PER UNIT

The basic earnings per unit (EPU) is calculated by dividing the net profit/(loss) after tax attributable to the unitholders by the weighted average number of units on issue during the period.

The Fund's diluted EPU is the same as the basic EPU since the Fund had not issued any instrument with dilutive potential.

Profit after tax (\$'000)	2,671
Weighted average number of units ('000)	56,233
Basic and diluted earnings per unit (cents per unit)	4.75

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2017

5. DISTRIBUTION PAYABLE TO UNITHOLDERS

	31 March 2017 \$'000
Opening distribution payable	-
Distributions accrued to unitholders	1,245
Distributed to unitholders	(1,245)
Closing distribution payable	_

Distributions declared and paid

		Distribution per unit	
	Year ended	(cents per unit)	31 March 2017 \$'000
November 2016 (paid December 2016)	31/03/2017	2.24	1,245
			1,245

6. UNITHOLDERS' FUNDS

The Fund was established on 9 September 2016 by way of the Manager depositing \$100 with the Supervisor.

On 7 November 2016 the Fund received assets and liabilities as a result of the resettlement of the NZX 10 Fund. A total of 56,583,000 units in the Fund were issued for a total value of \$76,090,000, represented by:

	\$1000
Investments in equity securities held at fair value through profit or loss	74,581
Cash and cash equivalents	1,488
Receivables	21_
	76,090

As at 31 March 2017 there were 56,583,000 units on issue.

All issued units are fully paid and redeemable, and are quoted on the NZX Main Board. The Fund's net asset attributable to unitholders were represented by these units. The relevant movements are shown on the Statement of Changes in Unitholders' Funds.

The number of units allotted during the period ended 31 March 2017 was 57,583,000 for total value of \$77,440,000.

The number of units redeemed during the period ended 31 March 2017 was 1,000,000 for total value of \$1,380,000.

	31 March 2017
	'000
Movement in the number of units	
Balance at the beginning of the period	-
Subscriptions received during the period	57,583
Redemptions made during the period	(1,000)
Units on issue at the end of the period	56,583

The net asset value of each unit per the financial statements is \$1.36942. Any difference between the net asset value announced to the market for 31 March 2017 and the net asset value per the financial statements is due to different unit pricing methodology.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2017

7. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Related party holdings

Key management personnel are the Directors of the Manager. There were no transactions with key management personnel during the period.

The Fund is managed by Smartshares Limited, which is a wholly owned subsidiary of NZX Limited, a company listed on the NZX Main Board.

SuperLife Invest managed investment scheme ("SLI"), a scheme managed by Smartshares Limited, also a wholly owned subsidiary of NZX Limited, is an investor in the Fund.

As at 31 March 2017 the SLI scheme held 5,637,000 units valued at \$7,711,000 in the Fund.

Distributions

The Fund paid distributions of \$126,000 to SLI for the period ended 31 March 2017. The balance remaining as payable at the end of the period was \$nil.

Management fees

The Manager received management fees from the Fund. Under the Trust Deed the Manager pays the supervisor, custodian, registrar and auditor on behalf of the Fund and receives direct purchase application fees and interest earned on cash at banks.

For the period ended 31 March 2017, total direct purchase application fees amounted to \$2,000 and the total interest earned on cash at banks amounted to \$7,000.

Total gross management fees excluding rebates for the period ended 31 March 2017 amounted to \$185,000 with \$4,000 of outstanding accrued management fees due to the Manager at the end of the period.

Other related party transactions

The audit fee paid by the Manager for the audit of the Fund for the period ended 31 March 2017 was \$5,000.

The Fund has entered into a securities lending agreement with New Zealand Clearing Limited ('NZCL'), a wholly owned subsidiary of NZX Limited. Securities lent were backed against the collateral of the borrower. As at 31 March 2017 the value of securities the Fund had on loan to NZCL was \$2,535,000.

Total security lending fees for the period ended 31 March 2017 amounted to \$5,000, with the accrued fees due to the Fund of \$1,000. The fees earned by the fund above represent fifty percent of the total fee earned from the securities lending agreement the Fund has with NZCL. The other fifty percent is income of the Manager for administering the securities lending agreement.

8. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

Strategy in using financial instruments

The Fund utilises a number of financial instruments in the course of its normal investing activities. Details of the significant accounting policies and methods adopted, including the criteria for recognition, the basis of measurement and the basis on which income and expenses are recognised in respect of each class of financial asset and financial liability are disclosed in the Statement of Accounting Policies.

The financial instruments not accounted for at fair value through the profit and loss are short-term financial assets and financial liabilities whose carrying amounts approximate fair value.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2017

8. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (Continued)

Financial instruments by category

As at 31 March 2017 \$'000

Loans and receivables

Cash and cash equivalents

Receivables

750
1,005

Financial assets at fair value through profit and loss

Investments in equity securities held at fair value through profit or loss 75,964

Other financial liabilities

Management fees payable
Funds held for unit purchases
(193)

The Fund's activities expose it to a variety of financial risks: market price risk, credit risk, liquidity risk and securities lending risk. The risk management policies used by the Fund are detailed below:

8a. Market price risk

The Fund's equity securities are exposed to market price risk arising from uncertainties about future prices of the financial instruments.

Because the Fund tracks a New Zealand equity index and is fully invested in the index's underlying New Zealand equity securities, the value of the Fund will move up and down with the New Zealand market.

A 10% increase/decrease in equity prices as at 31 March 2017 would have increased/decreased net profit and unitholder funds by \$7,596,000.

8b. Credit risk

The Fund is exposed to the potential risk of financial loss resulting from the failure of counterparties to honour fully the terms and conditions of a contract with the Fund. Financial instruments that subject the Fund to credit risk consisted primarily of cash and receivables.

The maximum credit risk of financial instruments is considered to be their carrying value. The risk of non-recovery of monetary assets is considered very low due to the quality of counterparties dealt with.

The Fund does not require collateral or other security to support financial instruments with credit risk. Maximum exposures to credit risk at the reporting date are:

31 March 2017 \$'000 750 1,005

Cash and cash equivalents
Receivables

Cash and cash equivalents

The Fund's cash and cash equivalents balances are held with ANZ Bank New Zealand Limited ('ANZ') and Bank of New Zealand Limited ('BNZ').

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2017

8. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (Continued)

The table below discloses the Standard & Poor's credit rating for the Fund's cash and cash equivalents balance with each bank at the reporting date.

31 March 2017

	Balance	Credit rating
	\$'000	
ANZ	277	AA-
BNZ	<u>473</u>	AA-
	<u>750</u>	

8c. Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Fund will encounter difficulty in meeting obligations associated with the financial liabilities that are settled by delivering cash or another financial asset.

The Fund's investments in listed securities are considered readily realisable, as they are quoted on the NZX Main Board. In addition, liquidity risk associated with redemptions is managed by meeting redemptions in the form of baskets rather than cash. The Fund meets its redemption obligations by returning the proportionate number of underlying securities in return for the units. Liquidity risk for the Fund was therefore low.

8d. Securities lending risk

A number of possible risks arise from the securities lending program implemented for the Fund. These include, but are not limited to, the risk that a borrower of securities will fail to deliver equivalent securities on termination of a loan or will encounter financial difficulties (resulting in delays in or failure to redeliver securities to the Fund), the risk of failure of the central counterparty settlement system, the risk that the contract relating to the lending will for whatever reason not be legally enforceable or documented correctly (resulting, for example, in an inability to enforce an obligation to re-transfer securities) and the risk that the operational procedures adopted in respect of the Fund will result in errors, fraud or misconduct that will cause a loss to the Fund.

In order to limit the Fund's exposure to risk that may arise as a result of securities lending, the Fund has a limitation of 50% of the value of its securities it may lend at any point in time. Individual or multiple securities can be lent at any given time, for a minimum of one day. Fees are charged accordingly.

At 31 March 2017, the single borrower of the Fund's securities was New Zealand Clearing Limited ('NZCL'), a wholly owned subsidiary of NZX Limited. Securities lent were backed by collateral of the borrower.

On 31 March 2017 the value of securities the Fund had on loan to NZCL was \$2,535,000.

9. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

The Fund had no commitments or contingencies as at 31 March 2017.

10. EVENTS AFTER THE REPORTING PERIOD

Since 31 March 2017, there have been no matters or circumstances not otherwise dealt with in the financial statements that have significantly affected or may significantly affect the Fund.



Independent Auditor's Report

To the unitholders of NZ Top 10 Fund

Report on the financial statements

Opinion

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements of NZ Top 10 Fund (the fund) on pages 3 to 14:

- present fairly in all material respects the fund's financial position as at 31 March 2017 and its financial performance and cash flows for the year ended on that date; and
- ii. comply with New Zealand Equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards and International Financial Reporting Standards.

We have audited the accompanying financial statements which comprise:

- the statement of financial position as at 31 March 2017:
- the statement of comprehensive income, statement of changes in unitholders' funds and statement of cash flows for the year then ended; and
- notes, including a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.



Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (New Zealand) ("ISAs (NZ)"). We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

We are independent of the fund in accordance with Professional and Ethical Standard 1 (Revised) Code of Ethics for Assurance Practitioners issued by the New Zealand Auditing and Assurance Standards Board and the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants' Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (IESBA Code), and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements and the IESBA Code.

Our responsibilities under ISAs (NZ) are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the financial statements section of our report.

Our firm has also provided other assurance services to the fund in relation to reporting to the supervisor. Subject to certain restrictions, employees of our firm may also deal with the fund on normal terms within the ordinary course of trading activities of the business of the fund. These matters have not impaired our independence as auditor of the fund. The firm has no other relationship with, or interest in, the fund.



Materiality

The scope of our audit was influenced by our application of materiality. Materiality helped us to determine the nature, timing and extent of our audit procedures and to evaluate the effect of misstatements, both individually and on the financial statements as a whole. The materiality for the financial statements as a whole was set at \$777,000 determined with reference to a benchmark of the fund's total assets. We chose the benchmark because, in our view, this is a key measure of the fund's performance.

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Key Audit Matters

Key audit matters are those matters that, in our professional judgement, were of most significance in our audit of the financial statements in the current period. We summarise below those matters and our key audit procedures to address those matters in order that the members as a body may better understand the process by which we arrived at our audit opinion. Our procedures were undertaken in the context of and solely for the purpose of our statutory audit opinion on the financial statements as a whole and we do not express discrete opinions on separate elements of the financial statements.

The key audit matter

How the matter was addressed in our audit

Carrying amount of investments

Refer to Note 2 to the Financial Statements.

The fund's portfolio of investments makes up 97.7% of total assets. We do not consider these investments to be at high risk of significant misstatement, or be subject to a significant level of judgement, because they comprise liquid, listed investments. However, due to their materiality in the context of the financial statements as a whole, they are considered to be the area which had the greatest effect on our overall audit strategy and allocation of resources in planning and completing our audit.

Our audit procedures included:

- documenting and understanding the processes in place to record investment transactions and to value the portfolio. This included evaluating the control environment in place at the administration manager by obtaining and reading a report issued by an independent auditor on the design and operation of those controls
- agreeing the 31 March 2017 valuation of listed equity investments to externally quoted prices
- agreeing investment holdings to confirmations received from the administration manager

We did not identify any material differences in relation to the carrying amount of investments.



Other Information

The Manager, on behalf of the fund, is responsible for the other information included in the entity's Annual Report. Other information may include the Chairman's report, fund highlights, disclosures relating to corporate governance and statutory information. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover any other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

The Annual Report is expected to be made available to us after the date of this Independent Auditor's Report. Our responsibility is to read the Annual Report when it becomes available and consider whether the other information it contains is materially inconsistent with the financial statements, or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appear misstated. If so, we are required to report such matters to the Manager.



Use of this Independent Auditor's Report

This report is made solely to the members as a body. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the members those matters we are required to state to them in the Independent Auditor's Report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to



anyone other than the members as a body for our audit work, this report, or any of the opinions we have formed.



Responsibilities of the Manager for the financial statements

The Manager, on behalf of the fund, are responsible for:

- the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting practice in New Zealand (being New Zealand Equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards) and International Financial Reporting Standards;
- implementing necessary internal control to enable the preparation of a set of financial statements that is fairly presented and free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; and
- assessing the ability to continue as a going concern. This includes disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless they either intend to liquidate or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.



Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the financial statements

Our objective is:

- to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; and
- to issue an Independent Auditor's Report that includes our opinion.

Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs NZ will always detect a material misstatement when it exists.

Misstatements can arise from fraud or error. They are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of these financial statements is located at the External Reporting Board (XRB) website at:

https://www.xrb.govt.nz/Site/Auditing_Assurance_Standards/Current_Standards/Page2.aspx_

This description forms part of our Independent Auditor's Report.

Brent Manning

For and on behalf of

KPMG

KPMG Wellington

25 May 2017