Lothbury Property Trust

Fund Description

Lothbury Property Trust is a sub-fund of Lothbury Global Institutional Funds (LGIF), an umbrella unit trust. On 25 March 2014, LGIF was authorised as a Qualifying Investor Alternative Investment Fund.

Lothbury Property Trust as a sub-fund of LGIF is authorised by the Irish Central Bank under section 4 of the Unit Trusts Act, 1990.

Fund Objectives

The Fund's Investment objective is to provide investors with capital appreciation and secure income returns, through prudent investment in assets across the UK's principal property sectors and geographic regions. It holds property investments which are readily saleable in the open market, with a core portfolio of prime assets to achieve stable returns, combined with active management initiatives to add value and enhance returns. The Fund can own property directly or through holding units in Property Unit Trusts.

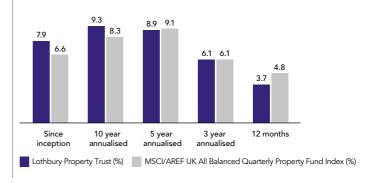
Fund Data

As at 31 March 2019

Net Asset Value	£1,724,206,100.14
Net Asset Value per Unit	£1,985.02
Indicative Subscription Price per Unit	£2,104.12
Indicative Redemption Price per Unit	£1,951.80
Quarterly Distribution per Unit	£15.45

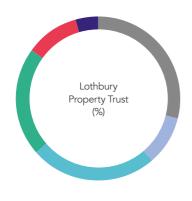
Fund Returns

As at 31 March 2019



Sector Breakdown

As at 31 March 2019



		Lothbury Property Trust (%)	Benchmark* (%)
	Retail	29.1	13.1
	Retail Warehouse	9.7	13.9
	Office	24.9	29.1
	Industrial	21.3	29.2
(<u>o</u>)	Living/Alternatives	10.8	9.7
£	Cash	4.2	5.1

^{*} Benchmark is the MSCI/AREF UK All Balanced Quarterly Property Fund Index Note: Total percentages may be slightly higher or lower than 100% due to rounding.

Feature

The benefits of RPI leases

An attractive feature of the Lothbury Property Trust portfolio is the significant amount of income which is secured on leases which are subject to inflation linked rental uplifts. These are either linked to the Retail Price Index (RPI) or the Consumer Price Index (CPI) and these lease structures effectively mean that this element of the Fund's income has inbuilt growth.

As at the end of Q1 2019, over 18% of Lothbury's income was secured on these type of inflation linked leases. These leases are either subject to annual rental uplifts or five yearly rent reviews where the income growth is compounded over the five year period. In addition, another positive feature of these types of leases is that they frequently have minimum uplifts (collars) and maximum uplifts (caps).

The Fund has a variety of different asset types which benefit from inflation linked lease structures which include;

- Supermarkets in Cambridge, Manchester, Bristol, London and Calne
- Industrial/ logistics properties in Leeds, Birmingham and Greenford in London
- A Travelodge hotel in Edinburgh
- Student accommodation in Durham and Camberwell in London

The Supermarket properties are let to tenants including Tesco, Sainsburys and Asda and mostly benefit from annual uplifts with attractive caps and collars. By way of example, the Sainsburys property in Fallowfield in Manchester benefits from a minimum annual rental uplift of 3% pa and a maximum annual uplift of 5% pa.

The logistics properties which have inflation linked leases are secured on tenants including Dunlop Aircraft Tyres Limited, Fed ex, Tesco and Perspex Distributions. The Dunlop asset is a recent acquisition for the Fund and is let on a new 25 year lease with minimum inflation linked annual uplifts of 2% and maximum uplifts of 4%.

The Travelodge hotel property in Edinburgh is another recent purchase for the portfolio and has a further 26 years remaining on the lease and benefits from 5 yearly uncapped inflation linked rent reviews.

The two student accommodation properties are secured on the strong university covenants of Durham University and Goldsmiths University. The Durham property was built by Lothbury in 2017 and comprises of 418 student bedrooms. The lease expires in 2042 and benefits from annual uplifts geared to the retail price index with minimum uplifts of 1% and maximum uplifts of 4%.

All of these assets add an attractive element of rental growth to the portfolio which due to the strong financial strength of the tenants should be resilient and dependable. In addition, properties with these types of lease structures generally benefit from strong investor demand and are therefore considered a particularly liquid part of the portfolio.

Fund Activity



Dunlop Aircraft Tyres, Birmingham

During Q1, the Fund purchased two assets: a Travelodge hotel in Edinburgh for £13.7 million, and an industrial asset in Birmingham, let to Dunlop Aircraft Tyres, for £16.8 million. The hotel purchase exchanged in Q4 2018 and subsequently completed in January 2019. The lease to Travelodge, which is linked to RPI rent reviews, will generate an income of £568,817 per annum, with a further rental uplift expected in 2020. There are over 26 years remaining on the lease.

The industrial asset was purchased by way of a sale-and-leaseback to Dunlop Aircraft Tyres on a 25-year RPI-linked lease, with annual uplifts. The initial rental income is £879,909 per annum. There were no disposals over the quarter.

A key letting for the quarter was the letting of 31 James Street, Covent Garden, to ICC Gifts at a rent of £780,000 per annum on a 5-year lease. This was agreed simultaneously with a surrender of the lease to Cambridge Satchel Company. A new letting was completed at 4 Hardman Street, Manchester to UBS at a rent of £104,013 per annum on a 10 year term subject to a tenant's break option at Year 5.

The lease to The Range at London Road Retail Park, Salisbury, completed in January. The rental income is to be £414,199 per annum following a reduced rent incentive period. A lease renewal for 5 years was agreed with Gap at the Clarendon Centre at a rent of £340,000 per annum. The lease contains rolling landlord break options to facilitate the future redevelopment of the scheme. Rent reviews on Premier Park. Manchester: 28 James Street Covent Garden; The Clarendon Centre, Oxford, 230 High Street, Exeter and Colndale Industrial Estate, Poyle produced an additional income of £141,520 per annum for the Fund, representing an uplift of 6.5% overall.

UK Property Market

After a strong Q4 2018, Q1 2019 was more subdued with caution around Brexit weighing most clearly on the traditional core sectors. The £10.9bn total volume was the lowest since Q3 2016 in the aftermath of the EU Referendum. While volume was only 26% below the five-year quarterly average, the contrast with Q4 2018 was wider, down 34%. This is the largest quarter-on-quarter percentage fall in five years, according to LSH (LSH UKIT Q1 2019). Q1 saw only 19 deals above £100m, the lowest since Q4 2012 and significantly below the average of 31.

Office transactions fell 60% quarter-onquarter to a ten year low of £2.7bn. With the uncertainty on the high street, Retail volumes sank to an all-time low for £1.1bn in Q1. Industrial volumes of £1.4bn were 40% below Q4 2018's record but only 18% below average. Activity remained high within the Industrial sector with the reduction in turnover reflecting a lack of large lot-size/ portfolio deals.

Meanwhile, the Specialist/Alternative sectors continued to see strong activity, reflecting ongoing appetite for long-income deals and diversification. Amid a subdued Q1 for the three core sectors, for the first time on record, alternatives collectively accounted for more than half of the total volume. Q1 provided further evidence of the growing traction in the emerging Build to Rent Residential sector. The guarter saw 12 forward funding deals.

The LSH All Property average transaction yield moved out by 14 bps during Q1, albeit from an 11 year low, to stand at 5.48%. Falls in retail property prices were evident in Q1.



Connex 45, Leeds

In contrast the average industrial yield fell below the 5% mark, to stand at a record low of 4.79%. Although this demonstrates the strength of values in the industrial sector, it arguably reflects investors' appetite on more defensive, prime assets.

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Data

All fund data as at 31 March 2019, unless stated otherwise.

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Unit Holder Information

Launch Date

2 February 2000.

Valuation Point

11.59pm on the last Irish business day of each month.

Prospectus and Trust Deed

Copies of the Prospectus, Trust Deed and Application Form are available from Lothbury Investment Management Limited.

Subscriptions

Monthly. Applications to be received by the last Irish business day of the month. Settlement to take place in the first week of the following month. Minimum investment is €100,000.

Redemptions

Quarterly. Notice to be served ten Irish business days before the last Irish business day in the quarter. The unit holder will be notified of the redemption price. Redemptions paid on the last Irish business day of the following quarter.

Secondary Market Trading

Monthly. No Stamp Duty is payable on the purchase of existing units.

Distributions

Quarterly. On the last Irish business day of April, July, October and January. Charges Investment Management fee of 0.70% per annum.

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