MI Downing Monthly Income Fund

May 2019



Portfolio commentary

In April, the Fund was up 3.95% while the MSCI UK All Cap Total Return Index was up 2.65%. Key contributors were Photo-Me International (up 20.50%) and FireAngel Safety Technology (up 73.81%). Key detractors included Maintel Holdings (down 9.42%) and Ramsdens Holdings (down 6.30%).

Photo-Me, the instant-service equipment group, issued a trading update for the year ending 30 April 2019. Management reported that the group has continued to expand its high margin self-service laundry operations which will make up an increasing proportion of the group's total revenue in the medium term. Operations in Continental Europe and Asia are growing in line with management's expectations and strong performance in Japan has continued in the second half of the financial year. Separately, the group announced the acquisition of Sempa, a specialist in commercialised self-service fresh fruit juice equipment.

FireAngel, one of Europe's leading developers and suppliers of home safety products, has restructured its banking facilities alongside a placing and open offer which raised £6.0 million. This will provide working capital, improve the balance sheet, and create stability for the business. We believe that the market responded positively to the raise and took comfort in the level of the company directors' participation.

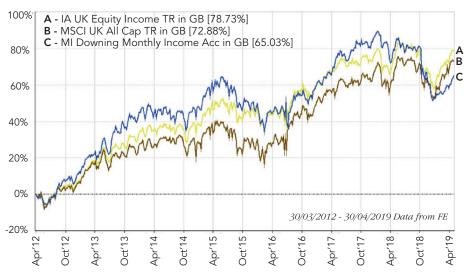
Maintel, a provider of managed communications services for the private and public sectors, made no material announcements during the month. We believe the share price was impacted by the company's share incentive plan acquiring 1,139 ordinary shares of 1p each in the capital of the company at a price of 585p per share with certain options being granted under the company share option plan.

Ramsdens, the diversified financial services provider and retailer, issued a pre-close trading update reporting that the group has continued to trade in line with the board's initial expectations for the year. However, the business has been tested by the negative sentiment surrounding the UK retail market and continued uncertainty surrounding Brexit. That said, the board has confidence in the group making further progress on its strategic objectives in the year ahead.

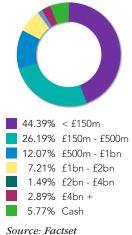
All performance figures for securities include net reinvested income where applicable. Source: Factset and FE Analytics.

Performance

Quartile ranking



Market	Cap	Break	down



Top 10 Holdings

	% of Fund
Duke Royalty	7.29
Lok'nStore Group	5.80
Ramsdens Holdings	5.56
Circle Property	4.33
Real Good Food*	4.13
Morses Club	4.06
Chesnara	4.06
PPHE Hotel Group	4.00
Photo-Me International	3.93
Urban Logistics	3.52
Total	46.68

Source: Maitland Institutional Services *Holding includes a 0.05% equity and 4.08% debt split

	Cumulative performance							
	6m		1y			Зу		5y
MI Downing Monthly Income Acc	0.48%		-8.98	8%	1	3.00%		12.79%
IA UK Equity Income TR index	5.80%		0.70	%	2	3.38%		30.97%
MSCI UK All Cap TR index	6.22%		2.38	%	3	3.29%		33.60%
Quartile ranking	4th		4th	n		4th		4th
	Discrete performance							
	30/04/2018 30/04/2019		/04/2017 /04/2018	30/04 30/04		30/04/20 30/04/20		30/04/2014 30/04/2015
MI Downing Monthly Income Acc	-8.98%		3.85%	19.	55%	-8.79%	/ 2	9.43%
IA UK Equity Income TR index	0.70%		5.18%	16.	49%	-2.42%	6	8.79%
MSCI UK All Cap TR index	2.38%	1	8.32%	20.	19%	-6.12%	6	6.76%

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Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future results.

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Key Facts

Fund objective To achieve a high level of income, together with long-term capital growth

Launch date 14 June 2010

Conversion date 1 April 2012¹

IMA sector UK Equity Income

Currency UK Sterling

Types of shares Income & Accumulation

Fund size

(Income & Accumulation shares combined) £42.1m

Yield 4.9%

Income paid

Monthly

Number of holdings

Prices as at 30 April 2019	
Accumulation shares:	189.77p
Income shares:	123.56p

Charges

Initial charge0%Annual management charge0.75%Ongoing charges0.97%3charged to capital

Minimum investment

Lump sum	£1,000
Subsequently	£500
Monthly savings	£100

SEDOL and ISIN numbers

Accumulation shares: SEDOL B61JRG2 ISIN GB00B61JRG28 Income shares: SEDOL B625QM8 ISIN GB00B625QM82

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Investment Manager

Downing LLP was appointed Investment Manager to the Fund on 1 June 2015. Following the change of ACD, the Fund name was changed to MI Downing Monthly Income Fund from 31 March 2017.

Platforms and wraps

AJ Bell Hargreaves Lansdown All Funds James Hay Ascentric Old Mutual Wealth Aviva Novia Cofunds Nucleus Elevate Standard life Fidelity (Inst) Transact Fidelity (FFN) Zurich

¹The conversion date refers to the date the investment objective and policy were changed. ²The historic yield reflects distributions declared over the previous 12 months net of tax as a percentage of the share price, as at the first business day of the current month. The yield will vary and investors may be subject to tax on their distributions. Fund charges and expenses are charged to capital, effectively increasing the distribution(s) for the year by the amount of the charges and constraining capital performance by the same amount. ³Ongoing charges are based on expenses, including annual management charge. This figure may vary. It excludes portfolio transaction costs. The ongoing charges figure as at 30 September 2018 is 0.97% and is currently capped at 1.00%.

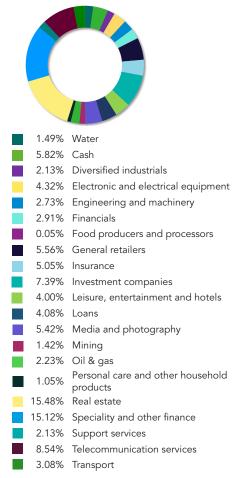
Fund Manager - James Lynch

James draws on experience gained in managing an established micro-cap fund as well as time spent as a private equity and venture capital investor. Investment committee
Stephen Whittaker: Fund Founder &

Consultant

John Bearman: Independent Chairman Judith MacKenzie: Non-Independent Member Donald Robertson: Independent Member Darrell O'Dea: Independent Member

Sector Breakdown



Source: Maitland Institutional Services

Income Distribution

Period to	Income
31/05/2018	0.4513p
29/06/2018	0.6253p
31/07/2018	0.3228p
31/08/2018	0.6311p
28/09/2018	0.5787p
31/10/2018	0.6021p
30/11/2018	0.6454p
31/12/2018	0.4498p
31/01/2019	0.2832p
28/02/2019	0.2383p
31/03/2019	0.7669p
30/04/2019	0.4500p

Source: Maitland Institutional Services and Downing LLP

Statistics correct as at 30/04/2019. Performance figures source: FE Analytics. Fund performance is based on accumulation shares, indices include net reinvested income. Trustnet one-crown rating for the three year performance to 31/01/19, source Trustnet/F.E. Performance figures are for the period from when the investment objective and policy were changed on 1 April 2012, so that the fund was primarily invested in equities. Past performance is not a guide to future returns. The value of the fund and the income from it may go down as well as up, so you may not get back the amount you invested. The tax treatment of the Fund may change and such changes cannot be foreseen. Tax treatment depends on the individual circumstances of each investor.

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