# **Federated Hermes Property Unit Trust**

#### **INVESTMENT POLICY AND OBJECTIVES**

To invest in a diversified portfolio of UK commercial properties, including, where appropriate, investments in indirect vehicles and joint ownership structures that offer access to attractive asset portfolios and specialist management teams.

The Trust's objective is to outperform Other Balanced Property Funds component of The MSCI/AREF UK Quarterly Property Fund Index in the medium to long term through a combination of income and capital appreciation.

#### **INVESTOR CONSTITUENCY**

The Trust is open to investment by exempt funds (UK pension funds, charities and investment trusts).

Fund details	
Type of fund	Unauthorised exempt unit
Residence	trust United Kingdom
Launch date	1967.00
Open/closed-ended	Open-ended
Earliest date of winding up	Not applicable
Year-end	25th March
NAV (GBPm)	1279.5

Source: Hermes Real Estate Investment Management Ltd

# Management/professional advisors

Manager	Hermes Alternative Investment Management Limited
Property Investment Manager	Hermes Real Estate Investment Management Limited
Investment Advisor	
Portfolio Manager	Dermot Kiernan
Corporate trustee	National Westminster Bank Plc
Auditors	PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP

Source: Hermes Real Estate Investment Management Ltd

# Investment rates of return, %

		M	SCI/AREF UK Quarterly Property Fund	d Index
	Federated Hermes Property Unit Trust	Other halanced	All balanced funds	All funds
3 months	2.5	2.18	2.19	1.79
Year-to-date	2.5	2.18	2.19	1.79
12 months	1.1	2.46	2.46	0.69
3 years+	3.3	2.73	2.39	1.11
5 years+	5.5	4.60	4.14	3.19
10 years+	8.4	6.77	6.45	5.90

Source: MSCI/AREF UK Quarterly Property Fund Index

Property investment restrictions	
Maximum development exposure	10% of gross asset value
Maximum speculative development exposure	
Maximum lot-size holding as a standing investment	10% of gross asset value
Maximum lot-size holding permitted at purchase	10% of gross asset value
Maximum exposure to limited partnerships	10% of gross asset value
Maximum exposure to joint ventures	10% of gross asset value
Maximum exposure to closed and open-ended property unit trusts	10% of gross asset value

		MSCI/AREF UK	MSCI/AREF UK Quarterly Property Fund Index**			
	Federated Hermes Property Unit Trust	Other balanced funds	All balanced funds	All funds		
Standard retail – South East	7.2	6.0	5.2	4.9		
Standard retail – Rest of UK	0.4	2.1	2.4	3.3		
Shopping centres	1.2	0.7	1.2	3.5		
Retail warehouses	12.0	10.9	10.5	9.0		
All UK retail	20.8	19.7	19.3	20.6		
City offices	5.2	3.9	3.6	3.4		
West End offices	8.3	7.6	8.5	7.6		
Rest of South East offices	8.9	10.8	10.2	7.4		
Rest of UK offices	7.3	6.0	5.6	5.1		
All UK offices	29.7	28.3	27.9	23.5		
South East industrial	29.0	21.7	22.7	18.5		
Rest of UK industrial	4.1	12.0	11.8	9.5		
All UK industrial	33.1	33.7	34.5	28.0		
Other UK properties	11.4	11.3	10.7	21.9		
Cash***	5.0	7.0	7.7	5.9		
Overall	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0		

Sources: \* Hermes Real Estate Investment Management Ltd

<sup>\*\*</sup>MSCI/AREF UK Quarterly Property Fund Index

Property ownership structure					
	Number of assets	Valuation (GBPm)	% of total portfolio		
Direct holdings	72	1,261.2	100.0		
Joint and indirect holdings	0	0	0.0		
Listed investments	0	0	0.0		
Total	72	1,261.2	100.0		

Largest direct investments by lot size & percentage of total portfolio					
Property	Location	Sector	Valuation (GBPm)	% of total portfolio	
8/10,GREAT GEORGE STREET,LONDON,SW1P 3AE	LONDON	Office	55-65	4.9	
MAYBIRD SHOPPING PARK	STRATFORD- UPON-AVON	Retail Park	55-65	4.7	
POLAR PARK	DRAYTON	Industrial	55-65	4.7	
BROKEN WHARF HOUSE	LONDON	Other	55-65	4.5	

10 largest investments as % of portfolio			0.0	40.0
BOUNDARY HOUSE	LONDON	Office	25-35	2.7
THE ROUND FOUNDARY & MARSHALL MILL	LEEDS	Office	35-45	3.1
TEMPLARS SHOPPING PARK	OXFORD	Retail Park	35-45	3.4
SAINSBURYS	D REACONSHEE	Retail Other	35-45	3.5
SOHO SQUARE	LONDON	Office	45-55	3.8
HORNDON INDUSTRIAL ESTATE	RIAL ESTATE BRENTWOOD		55-65	4.5

Direct portfolio structure by lot-size bands					
Value band (GBPm)	Number of	Valuation (GRPm)	% of total		
0 -2.5	17	34.6	2.7		
2.5 - 5	5	18.7	1.5		
5-10	8	57.0	4.5		
10-25	24	420.2	33.3		
25 - 50	13	436.0	34.6		
50 - 100	5	294.9	23.4		
100-150	0	0.0	0.0		
Over 150	0	0.0	0.0		
Total	72	1261.2	100.0		
Average lot		17.5			

Source: Hermes Real Estate Investment Management Ltd

Property Yield		Voids as % o
Net initial yield	4.30%	Investments
Nominal equivalent yield	5.51%	Developments
True equivalent yield	5.54%	Total
Net reversionary yield	5.48%	

Rental income & ERV by type of property				
	Rental income %	Estimated rental value %		
Standard retail	9.2	7.9		
Retail warehousing	19.4	16.2		
Shopping centres	3.1	2.8		
Central London offices	10.9	12.1		
Other offices	20.6	22.3		
Industrial	29.5	29.4		
Other	7.3	9.4		
Overall	100.0	100.0		

Over Renting and Reversionary Potential, % Rent Passing								
Sector	Rent Passing,	Rent Free , %	Development	Investment	Over rented,%	Reversionary	Reversionary	Market
Jectoi	GRP Millions	Rent Passing	vacancy %	vacancy %	Rent Paccing	notential %	notential Net	Value % Rent
Standard retail	5.5	2.2	0.0	10.0	-14.1	5.8	-8.3	103.6
Retail warehous	11.5	1.2	0.0	3.4	-17.9	2.6	-15.3	101.4
Shopping centre	1.9	0.0	0.0	21.2	-21.7	8.5	-13.2	108.5
Central London	6.5	6.0	6.9	25.2	-4.4	40.6	36.2	134.6

Overall	59.5	5.5	0.8	12.2	-7.7	26.6	18.9	121.3
Other	4.3	46.0	0.0	0.0	-10.5	101.4	90.8	155.4
Industrial	17.6	2.7	0.0	8.0	-1.9	22.6	20.6	120.8
Other offices	12.2	1.5	0.0	23.8	-2.2	33.2	31.0	131.6

 $<sup>\</sup>hbox{*} \hbox{Comprising the ERV of developments in progress or contracted which have not been pre-let} \\$ 

Listed Investments			
	% of Issue held	Valuation (GBPm)	Est. % of total portfolio
-	0.0	0.0	0.0
-	0.0	0.0	0.0
-	0.0	0.0	0.0
-	0.0	0.0	0.0
-	0.0	0.0	0.0
	0.0	0.0	0.0

The unexpired term of leases				
Years	% of rent passing			
20 years or greater	4.3			
15 years or greater, but less than 20	2.0			
10 years or greater, but less than 15	1.8			
5 years or greater, but less than 10	28.6			
Less than 5 years	63.3			

Source: Hermes Real Estate Investment Management Ltd

Joint and Indirect pro	operty holdings					
Holdings	Sector	Joint/Indirect	Vehicle Type	Ownership %	Valuation	Est. % of total
-	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
-	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
-	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
-	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
-	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
-	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Source: Hermes Real Estate Investment Management Ltd

Fixe	d rate borrov	vings	Var	iable rate borrov	vings
Amount drawn	(%)	Average	Amount	Rate above	Off balance
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0	0

## Capital value of developments

	Not yet started	In progress+	All developments	complete
GBPm	0	0	0	0
% of all directly held properties	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%

<sup>\*</sup> Includes joint ventures in which the Fund has an interest of 50% or more

Source: Hermes Real Estate Investment Management Ltd

Valuations/performance monitors/affiliations	
Frequency of valuation	Monthly, on 25th of each month except for 24th June and 29th September
Valuers	Knight Frank
Portfolio performance monitored by MSCI	Yes
Constituent of MSCI/AREF UK Quarterly Property Fund Index	Yes
Member of the Association of Real Estate Funds	Full Member

Source: Hermes Real Estate Investment Management Ltd

# Restrictions on holdings of cash/borrowings Maximum total gearing permitted 30% of GAV Cash holdings (maximum) 10% of GAV\* Cash holdings (minimum) No restriction

Source: Hermes Real Estate Investment Management Ltd

The contribution of major tenants to rental income				
Tenant	%			
B&Q PLC	4.8			
Sainsbury's Supermarket Ltd	4.8			
El Group PLC	3.9			
Old Mutual Wealth Business Services Ltd	2.4			
LGC Bioresearch Ltd	2.4			
Circle Express Ltd (under Rico Logistics)	2.3			
Future Cities Catapult Ltd	2.2			
Matalan Retail Ltd	2.2			
Premier Inn Hotels Limited	2.0			
Asda Stores Ltd	1.8			
Three largest tenants' contribution to rental income	13.5			
Five largest tenants' contribution to rental income	18.3			
Ten largest tenants' contribution to rental income	28.8			

Source: Hermes Real Estate Investment Management Ltd

Balance sheet/gearing					
	Direct holdings	Joint holdings	Indirect investments	Listed investments	Total
Balance sheet (GBPm)					
Properties at valuation	1261.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	1261.2
Listed investments	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Debt	-48.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-48.0
Cash	66.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	66.3
Other net assets/liabilities	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total net assets	1279.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	1279.5

Gearing (%)

Net debt (cash)/properties	-1.5	-	-	-	-1.5
Net debt (cash)/equity	-1.4	-	-	-	-1.4

Quarterly data per unit						
As at	31-Dec-19	31-Mar-20	30-Jun-20	30-Sep-20	31-Dec-20	31-Mar-21
Bid (GBp)	6.68	6.62	6.41	6.33	6.36	6.44
Offer (GBp)	7.16	7.11	6.88	6.80	6.80	6.93
Mid (GBp)	6.92	6.87	6.65	6.56	6.58	6.69
Bid/offer spread	6.64%	6.87%	6.84%	6.84%	6.57%	7.06%
Net asset value (GBp)	6.76	6.71	6.50	6.41	6.43	6.53
Quarterly distribution (GBp)	0.06	0.05	0.06	0.04	0.08	0.06
Yield	3.25%	3.15%	3.25%	3.22%	3.86%	3.79%

Source: Hermes Real Estate Investment Management Ltd

#### Unit pricing

ine bid and offer price of the units are calculated on the date of the monthly valuation (i.e. on 25th of each month, except for 24th lune and 29th September). The Trust has no direct fixed-rate horrowings. Performance fees, which are paid annually

#### **Distributions**

Distributions are made quarterly on 15 February, 15 May, 15 August and 15 November for the periods to 25 March, 24 June, 29 September and 25 December, respectively. Income accrues monthly to each registration day

#### Minimum investment/disinvestment

The minimum investment is 10,000 units and applications must be in multiples of 1,000 units.

### Creation, transfer and realisation of units

Units may be purchased on 12 subscription days annually. These are on the 26th of each month (apart from 25th June and 30 September) or the following business day. Redemptions must be notified in writing to take effect on the next following notice day. These are 26 March, 25 June, 30 September and 26 December. Under normal circumstances, the proceeds will be paid three months later, i.e. on the next following notice day. In exceptional circumstances, the Trust Manager may defer the redemption of some or all of the units for up to nine months. In extreme circumstances, as a last resort, which would arise only if a major proportion of unitholders wished to withdraw, the trust would be terminated and the net proceeds distributed to unitholders. The manager will

#### **Taxation**

## **Capital Gains Tax**

The trust is exempt from capital gains tax

#### **Income Tax**

Distributions are paid without withholding income tax.

# Stamp duty reserve tax

Transfers of units are not subject to SDRT.

#### Charges

#### **Annual fees**

Performance fees

Unit holder analysis		
	Number of unitholders	Total % held
Less than 1% of units in issue	65	20.8

1% or greater but less than 2%	20	27.2
2% or greater but less than 4%	6	17.6
4% or greater but less than 8%	4	23.5
Greater than 8.0%	1	10.9
Total	96	100.0
Major investors		
Largest holder	1	10.9
Three largest holders	3	24.5
Five largest holders	5	34.4
Ten largest holders	10	49.8
Internal/external investors		
Internal	0	0.0
External	96	0.0

Liquidity						
Period	Year to Dec 2016	Year to Dec 2017	Year to Dec 2018	Year to Dec 2019	Year to Dec 2020	Year to Dec 2021
Issues and redemptions Units in issue as at start of						
period	222,248,140	224,369,425	235,333,516	236,409,540	220,892,292	212,570,416
Units issued during period	2,121,285	10,964,091	1,076,024	1,091,266	101,358	0
Units redeemed during period	-	-	-	-16,608,514	-8,423,234	-16,474,261
Units in issue at end of period	224,369,425	235,333,516	236,409,540	220,892,292	212,570,416	196,096,155
Unit transfers						
Matched bargains	38,228,416	9,693,738	10,278,563	7,540,990	9,615,145	0
Matched bargains %*	17.04%	4.12%	4.35%	3.41%	4.52%	0.00%

 $<sup>\</sup>ensuremath{^*}$  as % of units in issue at the end of the period