# Paradice Investment Management Funds Annual report For the year ended 30 June 2024

This financial report covers the following Paradice Investment Management Funds:

Paradice Australian Small Cap Fund ARSN 620 056 091 Paradice Australian Mid Cap Fund ARSN 620 055 138

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This annual report covers the following Paradice Investment Management Funds as individual entities:

Paradice Australian Small Cap Fund

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The Responsible Entity of the Paradice Investment Management Funds is Equity Trustees Limited (ABN 46 004 031 298) (AFSL 240975).

The Responsible Entity's registered office is:

Level 1, 575 Bourke Street Melbourne, VIC 3000.

## **Directors' report**

The directors of Equity Trustees Limited, the Responsible Entity of the Paradice Investment Management Funds (the "Funds"), present their report together with the financial statements of the following Funds for the year ended 30 June 2024:

Paradice Australian Small Cap Fund

Paradice Australian Mid Cap Fund

The Funds are collectively known as "Paradice Investment Management Funds".

## **Principal activities**

The principal activity of each Fund is to invest in accordance with the investment objective and guidelines as set out in the respective Fund's current Product Disclosure Statement and its Constitution.

The Funds did not have any employees during the year.

There were no significant changes in the nature of the Funds' activities during the year.

The various service providers for the Funds are detailed below:

Service	Provider
Responsible Entity	Equity Trustees Limited
Investment Manager	Paradice Investment Management Pty Ltd
Custodian and Administrator	State Street Australia Limited
Statutory Auditor	KPMG

## **Directors**

The following persons held office as directors of Equity Trustees Limited during or since the end of the year and up to the date of this report:

Philip D Gentry	Chairman (resigned 6 June 2024)
Michael J O'Brien	Chairman (appointed 6 June 2024)
Russell W Beasley	
Mary A O'Connor	
David B Warren	
Andrew P Godfrey	(appointed 1 May 2024)

## Review and results of operations

During the year, the Funds continued to invest their funds in accordance with their Product Disclosure Statement and the provisions of their Funds' Constitutions.

The Funds' performance and Funds' benchmark return for the year ended 30 June 2024 were as follows:

Fund name	Benchmark	Net return (net of fees)	Benchmark return
Paradice Australian Small Cap Fund	S&P/ASX Small Ordinaries Total Return Index	15.44	9.34
	Composite 70% of S&P/ASX Midcap 50 Total Return Index and 30% of the S&P/ASX Small Ordinaries Total		
Paradice Australian Mid Cap Fund	Return Index	9.92	7.42

## Directors' report (continued)

## Review and results of operations (continued)

Each Fund's performance is calculated based on the percentage change in the Fund's mid-price over the period (with any distributions paid during the period reinvested). Returns are disclosed after fees and expenses.

The performance of each Fund, as represented by the results of their operations, was as follows:

	Paradice Australian Small Cap Fund		Paradice Australian Mid Ca Fund	
	Year er	ded	Year ended	
	30 June 2024	30 June 2023	30 June 2024	30 June 2023
Profit/(loss) before finance costs attributable to unit holders for the year (\$'000)	2,929	3,656	10,390	12,916
Distributions - Class A				
Distributions paid and payable (\$'000)	1,120	141	204	483
Distributions (cents per unit)	10.69	1.11	5.66	4.89
Distributions - Class B				
Distributions paid and payable (\$'000)	1,124	33	2,896	2,279
Distributions (cents per unit)	16.56	0.21	21.24	3.05
Distributions - Class C				
Distributions paid and payable (\$'000)	-	-	923	1,132
Distributions (cents per unit)	-	-	2.59	2.97

<sup>\*</sup>Distributions (cents per unit) include special distributions paid during the year. For details, refer to Note 10 to the financial statements.

#### Significant changes in the state of affairs

Andrew P Godfrey was appointed as a director of Equity Trustees Limited on 1 May 2024.

Philip D Gentry resigned as a director of Equity Trustees Limited on 6 June 2024.

In the opinion of the directors, there were no other significant changes in the state of affairs of the Funds that occurred during the financial year.

## Matters subsequent to the end of the financial year

No matter or circumstance has arisen since 30 June 2024 that has significantly affected, or may have a significant effect on:

- (i) the operations of the Funds in future financial years; or
- (ii) the results of those operations in future financial years; or
- (iii) the state of affairs of the Funds in future financial years.

## Likely developments and expected results of operations

The Funds will continue to be managed in accordance with the investment objectives and guidelines as set out in the Product Disclosure Statement and the provisions of the Funds' Constitution.

The results of the Funds' operations will be affected by a number of factors, including the performance of investment markets in which the Funds invest. Investment performance is not guaranteed and future returns may differ from past returns. As investment conditions change over time, past returns should not be used to predict future returns.

## Directors' report (continued)

#### Indemnification and insurance of officers

No insurance premiums are paid for out of the assets of the Funds in regard to insurance cover provided to the officers of Equity Trustees Limited. So long as the officers of Equity Trustees Limited act in accordance with the Funds' Constitution and the Law, the officers remain indemnified out of the assets of the Funds against losses incurred while acting on behalf of the Funds.

#### Indemnification of auditor

The auditor of the Funds is in no way indemnified out of the assets of the Funds.

#### Fees paid to and interests held in the Funds by the Responsible Entity and its associates

Fees paid to the Responsible Entity and its associates out of Funds' property during the year are disclosed in Note 16 to the financial statements.

No fees were paid out of Funds' property to the directors of the Responsible Entity during the year.

The number of interests in the Funds held by the Responsible Entity or its associates as at the end of the financial year are disclosed in Note 16 to the financial statements.

#### Interests in the Funds

The movement in units on issue in the Funds during the year is disclosed in Note 9 to the financial statements.

The value of the Funds' assets and liabilities is disclosed in the statements of financial position and derived using the basis set out in Note 2 to the financial statements.

## **Environmental regulation**

The operations of the Funds are not subject to any particular or significant environmental regulations under Commonwealth, State or Territory law.

## Rounding of amounts to the nearest thousand dollars

Amounts in the Directors' report have been rounded to the nearest thousand dollars in accordance with ASIC Corporations (Rounding in Financial/Directors' Reports) Instrument 2016/191, unless otherwise indicated.

## Financial statements presentation

The Funds are entities of the kind referred to by ASIC Corporations (Related Scheme Reports) Instrument 2015/839 and in accordance with that Instrument, Funds with a common Responsible Entity (or related Responsible Entities) can include their financial statements in adjacent columns in a single set of financial reports.

## Auditor's independence declaration

A copy of the Auditor's independence declaration as required under section 307C of the *Corporations Act 2001* is set out on page 6.

## **Directors' report (continued)**

This report is made in accordance with a resolution of the directors of Equity Trustees Limited through a delegated authority given by Equity Trustees Limited's Board.

Andrew P Godfrey

Director

Melbourne

11 September 2024



# Lead Auditor's Independence Declaration under Section 307C of the Corporations Act 2001

To the Directors of Equity Trustees Limited, the Responsible Entity of the following funds:

- Paradice Australian Small Cap Fund
- Paradice Australian Mid Cap Fund

I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, in relation to the audit of the Funds for the financial year ended 30 June 2024 there have been:

- i. no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements as set out in the *Corporations Act 2001* in relation to the audit; and
- ii. no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

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KPMG

Andrew Reeves

Partner

Sydney

11 September 2024

## Statements of comprehensive income

		Paradice Australian Small Cap Fund		Paradice Australian Mid Cap Fund	
		Year en	ded	Year ended	
		30 June 2024	30 June 2023	30 June 2024	30 June 2023
	Note	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Income					
Interest income from financial assets at amortised cost		54	75	127	84
Dividend and distribution income		526	620	3,122	4,514
Net foreign exchange gain/(loss) Net gains/(losses) on financial instruments		(1)	1	-	6
at fair value through profit or loss		3,146	3,588	8,669	10,051
Total income/(loss)		3,725	4,284	11,918	14,655
Expenses					
Management fees and costs		290	420	1,234	1,390
Performance fees	16(g)	454	161	-	-
Withholding taxes	. •(9)	4	6	60	93
Transaction costs		48	41	234	255
Other expenses			_		1
Total expenses		796	628	1,528	1,739
Profit/(loss) before finance costs					
attributable to unit holders for the year		2,929	3,656	10,390	12,916
Finance costs attributable to unit holders					
Distributions to unit holders	10	(2,244)	(174)	(4,023)	(3,894)
(Increase)/decrease in net assets attributable to unit holders	9	(685)	(3,482)	(6,367)	(9,022)
Profit/(loss) for the year					
Other comprehensive income			<u>-</u>	<u> </u>	
Total comprehensive income for the year		<u>-</u>			

The above statements of comprehensive income should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

## Statements of financial position

		Paradice Australian Small Cap Fund As at		Paradice Australian Mid Cap Fund As at	
		30 June 2024	30 June 2023	30 June 2024	30 June 2023
	Note	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Assets					
Cash and cash equivalents	11	796	3,186	2,051	5,387
Receivables	13	172	175	189	300
Due from brokers - receivable for securities sold		-	-	-	168
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	6	14,337	40,487	107,097	129,144
Total assets		<u>15,305</u>	43,848	109,337	134,999
Liabilities					
Distributions payable	10	-	174	1,529	2,065
Payables	14	24	52	131	134
Due to brokers - payable for securities purchased		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	823	1,996
Total liabilities (excluding net assets attributable to unit holders)		24	226	2,483	4,195
Net assets attributable to unit holders - liability	9	15,281	43,622	106,854	130,804

The above statements of financial position should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

## Statements of changes in equity

	Paradice Australian Small Cap Fund		Paradice Australian Mid Cap Fund	
	Year e	ended	Year ended	
	30 June 2024	30 June 2023	30 June 2024	30 June 2023
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Total equity at the beginning of the financial year	-	-	-	-
Profit/(loss) for the year	-	-	-	-
Other comprehensive income				
Total comprehensive income				
Transactions with owners in their capacity as owners	_	_	_	_
Total equity at the end of the financial year*				

<sup>\*</sup>Under Australian Accounting Standards, net assets attributable to unit holders are classified as a liability rather than equity. As a result, there was no equity at the start or end of the financial year.

The above statements of changes in equity should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes with reference to Notes 2(c) and 9.

## Statements of cash flows

		Paradice Australian Small Cap Fund		Paradice Australian Mid Cap Fund	
		Year en	Year ended		ded
		30 June 2024	30 June 2023	30 June 2024	30 June 2023
	Note	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Cash flows from operating activities					
Proceeds from sale of financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss  Payments for purchase of financial instruments at fair value through profit or		36,043	11,118	107,036	103,793
loss		(6,564)	(12,402)	(77,039)	(86,385)
Net foreign exchange gain/(loss)		(1)	1	-	6
Net movement in margin accounts		-	40	_	11
Interest income received from financial					
assets at amortised cost		63	65	131	76
Dividends and distributions received		327	395	2,880	3,559
Other income received		6	206	2	9
Management fees and costs paid		(318)	(403)	(1,236)	(1,416)
Performance fees paid		(454)	(161)	-	-
Transactions costs paid		(48)	(41)	(234)	(255)
Other expenses paid				<u>-</u> _	<u>(1</u> )
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities	12(a)	29,054	(1,182)	31,540	19,397
Cash flows from financing activities					
Proceeds from applications by unit holders		52	5,849	3,320	2,708
Payments for redemptions by unit holders		(29,233)	(3,488)	(35,109)	(13,709)
Distributions paid to unit holders		(2,263)	(592)	(3,087)	(8,693)
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from financing			,		,
activities		(31,444)	1,769	(34,876)	(19,694)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents		(2,390)	587	(3,336)	(297)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		3,186	2,599	5,387	5,684
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year	11	796	3,186	2,051	5,387
Non-cash operating and financing activities	12(b)	338	20,666	1,758	9,397

The above statements of cash flows should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

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## 1 General information

These financial statements cover the below Funds (the "Funds") as individual entities. The Funds are Australian registered managed investment schemes which were constituted on the dates in the below table and will terminate in accordance with the provisions of the Funds' Constitution or by Law.

Paradice Australian Small Cap Fund 23 June 2004

Paradice Australian Mid Cap Fund 01 September 2006

The Responsible Entity of the Funds is Equity Trustees Limited (ABN 46 004 031 298) (AFSL 240975) (the "Responsible Entity"). The Responsible Entity's registered office is Level 1, 575 Bourke Street, Melbourne, VIC 3000. The financial statements are presented in the Australian currency unless otherwise noted.

The principal activity of each Fund is to invest in accordance with the investment objective and guidelines as set out in the respective Fund's current Product Disclosure Statement and its Constitution.

The financial statements were authorised for issue by the directors on the date the Directors' declaration was signed. The directors of the Responsible Entity have the power to amend and reissue the financial statements.

## 2 Summary of material accounting policies

The principal accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all years presented, unless otherwise stated in the following text.

## (a) Basis of preparation

These general purpose financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB) and the *Corporations Act 2001* in Australia. The Funds are for-profit entities for the purpose of preparing the financial statements.

The financial statements are prepared on the basis of fair value measurement of assets and liabilities, except where otherwise stated.

The statements of financial position are presented on a liquidity basis. Assets and liabilities are presented in decreasing order of liquidity and do not distinguish between current and non-current. All balances are expected to be recovered or settled within 12 months, except for investments in financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit or loss and net assets attributable to unit holders.

The Funds manage financial assets at fair value through profit or loss based on the economic circumstances at any given point in time, as well as to meet any liquidity requirements. As such, it is expected that a portion of the portfolio will be realised within 12 months, however, an estimate of that amount cannot be determined as at reporting date.

In the case of net assets attributable to unit holders, the units are redeemable on demand at the unit holders' option. However, holders of these instruments typically retain them for the medium to long term. As such, the amount expected to be settled within 12 months cannot be reliably determined.

(i) Compliance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS)

The financial statements of the Funds also comply with IFRS as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB).

(ii) New and amended standards adopted by the Funds

The Funds have applied the following standards and amendments for the first time for their financial year beginning 1 July 2023:

 AASB 2021-2 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards – Disclosure of Accounting Policies and Definition of Accounting Estimates [AASB 7, AASB 101, AASB 108, AASB 134 & AASB Practice Statement 2].

## (a) Basis of preparation (continued)

(ii) New and amended standards adopted by the Funds (continued)

The amendments have had an impact on the Funds' disclosures of accounting policies, including the requirement to disclose 'material' rather than 'significant' accounting policies, but not on the measurement, recognition or presentation of any items in the Funds' financial statements.

None of the other standards, interpretations or amendments to existing standards that are effective for the first time for the financial year beginning 1 July 2023 have a material impact on the amounts recognised in the prior periods or will affect the current or future periods.

(iii) New standards and interpretations not yet adopted

A number of new standards, amendments to standards and interpretations are effective for annual periods beginning after 1 July 2024 and have not been early adopted in preparing these financial statements.

None of these are expected to have a material effect on the financial statements of the Funds.

### (b) Financial instruments

- (i) Classification
- Financial assets

The Funds classify their financial assets in the following measurement categories:

- those to be measured at fair value through profit or loss; and
- those to be measured at amortised cost.

The Funds classify their financial assets based on their business model for managing those financial assets and the contractual cash flow characteristics of the financial assets.

The Funds' portfolios of financial assets are managed and their performance is evaluated on a fair value basis in accordance with the Funds' documented investment strategy. The Funds' policy is for the Investment Manager to evaluate the information about these financial assets on a fair value basis together with other related financial information.

For equity securities and derivatives, the contractual cash flows of these instruments do not represent solely payments of principal and interest. Consequently, these investments are measured at fair value through profit or loss.

For cash and cash equivalents, receivables and due from brokers, these assets are held in order to collect the contractual cash flows. The contractual terms of these assets give rise, on specified dates, to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest on the principal amount outstanding. Consequently, these are measured at amortised cost.

## Financial liabilities

Derivative contracts that have a negative fair value are presented as liabilities at fair value through profit or loss.

For financial liabilities that are not classified and measured at fair value through profit or loss, these are classified as financial liabilities at amortised cost (distributions payable, management fees and costs payable, withholding tax payable and due to brokers).

## (ii) Recognition and derecognition

The Funds recognise financial assets and financial liabilities on the date they become party to the contractual agreement (trade date) and recognise changes in the fair value of the financial assets or financial liabilities from this date.

## (b) Financial instruments (continued)

## (ii) Recognition and derecognition (continued)

Financial assets are derecognised when the rights to receive cash flows from the financial assets have expired or the Funds have transferred substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership. Financial liabilities are derecognised when the obligation under the liability is discharged, cancelled or expires. When an existing financial liability is replaced by another from the same lender on substantially different terms, or the terms of an existing liability are substantially modified, such an exchange or modification is treated as the derecognition of the original liability and the recognition of a new liability. The difference in the respective carrying amounts is recognised in the statements of comprehensive income.

#### (iii) Measurement

Financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss

At initial recognition, the Funds measure a financial asset at its fair value. Transaction costs of financial assets carried at fair value through profit or loss are expensed in the statements of comprehensive income.

Subsequent to initial recognition, all financial assets at fair value through profit or loss are measured at fair value. Gains and losses arising from changes in the fair value of 'financial assets at fair value through profit or loss' category are presented in the statements of comprehensive income within 'net gains/(losses) on financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss' in the period in which they arise.

For further details on how the fair value of financial instruments is determined please see Note 5 to the financial statements.

#### Financial instruments at amortised cost

For financial assets and financial liabilities at amortised cost, they are initially measured at fair value including directly attributable costs and are subsequently measured using the effective interest rate method less any allowance for expected credit losses.

Cash and cash equivalents, receivables, due from brokers, distributions payable, payables and due to brokers are carried at amortised cost.

#### (iv) Impairment

At each reporting date, the Funds shall estimate a loss allowance on each of the financial assets carried at amortised cost (cash and cash equivalents, receivables and due from brokers) at an amount equal to the lifetime expected credit losses if the credit risk has increased significantly since initial recognition. If, at the reporting date, the credit risk has not increased significantly since initial recognition, the Funds shall measure the loss allowance at an amount equal to 12-month expected credit losses. Significant financial difficulties of the counterparty, probability that the counterparty will enter bankruptcy or financial reorganisation, and default in payments are all considered indicators that the asset is credit impaired. If the credit risk increases to the point that it is considered to be credit impaired, interest income will be calculated based on the net carrying amount adjusted for the loss allowance. A significant increase in credit risk is defined by management as any contractual payment which is more than 30 days past due. Any contractual payment which is more than 90 days past due is considered credit impaired.

The expected credit loss (ECL) approach is based on the difference between the contractual cash flows due in accordance with the contract and all the cash flows that the Funds expect to receive. The shortfall is then discounted at an approximation to the asset's original effective interest rate.

The amount of the impairment loss is recognised in the statements of comprehensive income within other expenses. When a trade receivable for which an impairment allowance had been recognised becomes uncollectible in a subsequent period, it is written off against the allowance account. Subsequent recoveries of amounts previously written off are credited against other expenses in the statements of comprehensive income.

## (b) Financial instruments (continued)

## (v) Offsetting financial instruments

Financial assets and liabilities are offset and the net amount is reported in the statements of financial position when the Funds have a legally enforceable right to offset the recognised amounts, and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously. Income and expenses are presented on a net basis for gains and losses from financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss and foreign exchange gains and losses.

Financial assets and liabilities that have been offset are disclosed in Note 4.

## (c) Net assets attributable to unit holders

Units are redeemable at the unit holders' option; however, applications and redemptions may be suspended by the Responsible Entity if it is in the best interests of the unit holders.

The units can be put back to the Funds at any time for cash based on the redemption price, which is equal to a proportionate share of the Funds' net asset value attributable to the unit holders.

The units are carried at the redemption amount that is payable at the reporting date if the holder exercises the right to put the units back to the Funds.

The Funds' units are classified as a liability as they do not meet the definition of a financial instrument to be classified as equity.

## (d) Cash and cash equivalents

For the purpose of presentation in the statements of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents includes cash on hand, deposits held at call with financial institutions and other short term, highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

Payments and receipts relating to the purchase and sale of investment securities are classified as cash flows from operating activities, as trading of these securities represents the Funds' main income generating activity.

## (e) Income

#### (i) Interest income

Interest income from financial assets at amortised cost is recognised using the effective interest method and includes interest from cash and cash equivalents.

The effective interest method is a method of calculating the amortised cost of a financial asset and of allocating the interest income over the relevant period. The effective interest rate is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash payments or receipts throughout the expected life of the financial instrument, or a shorter period where appropriate, to the net carrying amount of the financial asset. When calculating the effective interest rate, the Funds estimate cash flows considering all contractual terms of the financial instruments (for example, prepayment options) but do not consider future credit losses. The calculation includes all fees paid or received between the parties to the contract that are an integral part of the effective interest rate, including transaction costs and all other premiums or discounts.

#### (ii) Dividends and distributions

Dividend income is recognised on the ex-dividend date with any related foreign withholding tax recorded as an expense. The Funds currently incur withholding tax imposed by certain countries on investment income. Such income is recorded gross of withholding tax in the statements of comprehensive income.

Trust distributions are recognised on an entitlement basis.

#### (f) Expenses

All expenses are recognised in the statements of comprehensive income on an accruals basis.

Management fees and costs cover certain ordinary expenses such as Responsible Entity fees, investment management fees, custodian fees, and administration and audit fees and other operating expense.

#### (g) Income tax

Under current legislation, the Funds are not subject to income tax provided they attribute the entirety of their taxable income to their unit holders on present entitlement basis.

The Funds currently incur withholding taxes imposed by certain countries on investment income and capital gains. Such income or gains are recorded gross of withholding taxes in the statements of comprehensive income. Withholding taxes are included in the statements of comprehensive income as an expense.

#### (h) Distributions

The Funds may distribute their distributable income, in accordance with the Funds' Constitution, to unit holders by cash or reinvestment. The distributions are recognised in the statements of comprehensive income as finance costs attributable to unit holders.

## (i) Increase/decrease in net assets attributable to unit holders

Income not distributed is included in net assets attributable to unit holders. As the Funds' units are classified as financial liabilities, movements in net assets attributable to unit holders are recognised in the statements of comprehensive income as finance costs

#### (j) Foreign currency translation

## (i) Functional and presentation currency

Balances included in the Funds' financial statements are measured using the currency of the primary economic environment in which it operates (the "functional currency"). This is the Australian dollar which reflects the currency of the economy in which the Funds compete for funds and is regulated. The Australian dollar is also the Funds' presentation currency.

#### (ii) Transactions and balances

Foreign currency transactions are translated into the functional currency using the exchange rates prevailing at the dates of the transactions. Foreign exchange gains and losses resulting from the settlement of such transactions and from the translations at year end exchange rates of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are recognised in the statements of comprehensive income.

The Funds do not isolate that portion of unrealised gains or losses on financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss which is due to changes in foreign exchange rates. Such fluctuations are included in the net gains/(losses) on financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss.

## (k) Due from/to brokers

Amounts due from/to brokers represent receivables for securities sold and payables for securities purchased that have been contracted for but not yet delivered by year end. The due from brokers balance is held for collection and is recognised initially at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost.

#### (I) Receivables

Receivables may include amounts for interest, dividends and trust distributions. Dividends and trust distributions are accrued when the right to receive payment is established. Where applicable, interest is accrued on a daily basis. Amounts are generally received within 30 days of being recorded as receivables.

## (m) Payables

Payables include liabilities and accrued expenses owed by the Funds which are unpaid as at the end of the reporting period.

A separate distribution payable is recognised in the statements of financial position.

Distributions declared effective 30 June in relation to unit holders who have previously elected to reinvest distributions are recognised as reinvested effective 1 July of the following financial year.

## (n) Applications and redemptions

Applications received for units in the Funds are recorded net of any entry fees payable prior to the issue of units in the Funds. Redemptions from the Funds are recorded gross of any exit fees payable after the cancellation of units redeemed.

## (o) Goods and services tax (GST)

The GST incurred on the costs of various services provided to the Funds by third parties such as management, administration and custodian services where applicable, have been passed on to the Funds. The Funds qualify for Reduced Input Tax Credits (RITC) at a rate of at least 55%. Hence, fees for these services and any other expenses have been recognised in the statements of comprehensive income net of the amount of GST recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office (ATO). Amounts payable are inclusive of GST. The net amount of GST recoverable from the ATO is included in receivables in the statements of financial position. Cash flows relating to GST are included in the statements of cash flows on a gross basis.

## (p) Use of estimates and judgements

The Funds make estimates, assumptions and judgements that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities within the current and next financial year. Estimates and judgements are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimates are revised and in any future periods effected.

For the majority of the Funds' financial instruments, quoted market prices are readily available. However, certain financial instruments, for example over-the-counter derivatives or unquoted securities, are fair valued using valuation techniques. Where valuation techniques (for example, pricing models) are used to determine fair values, they are validated and periodically reviewed by experienced personnel of the Investment Manager.

The Funds estimate that the resultant expected credit loss (ECL) derived from using impairment model has not materially impacted the Funds. Please see Note 3 for more information on credit risk.

Models use observable data, to the extent practicable. However, areas such as credit risk (both own and counterparty), volatilities and correlations, require management to make estimates and judgements. Changes in assumptions about these factors could affect the reported fair value of financial instruments.

For more information on how fair value is calculated refer to Note 5 to the financial statements.

#### (q) Rounding of amounts

The Funds are entities of a kind referred to in ASIC Corporations (Rounding in Financial/Directors' Reports) Instrument 2016/191 relating to the "rounding off" of amounts in the financial statements. Amounts in the financial statements have been rounded to the nearest thousand dollars, unless otherwise indicated.

## 3 Financial risk management

The Funds' activities expose them to a variety of financial risks including market risk (which incorporates price risk, foreign exchange risk and cash flow and fair value interest rate risk), credit risk and liquidity risk.

The Funds' overall risk management programme focuses on ensuring compliance with the Funds' Product Disclosure Statement and the investment guidelines of the Funds. It also seeks to maximise the returns derived for the level of risk to which the Funds are exposed and seeks to minimise potential adverse effects on the Funds' financial performance. The Funds' policy allows them to use derivative financial instruments in managing their financial risks.

All investments present a risk of loss of capital. The maximum loss of capital on long equity and unit trusts is limited to the fair value of those positions.

The investments of the Funds, and associated risks, are managed by a specialist Investment Manager, Paradice Investment Management Pty Ltd under an Investment Management Agreement (the "IMA") approved by the Responsible Entity, and containing the investment strategy and guidelines of the Funds, consistent with those stated in the Product Disclosure Statement.

The Funds use different methods to measure different types of risk to which they are exposed. These methods are explained below.

## (a) Market risk

#### (i) Price risk

The Funds are exposed to price risk on equity securities listed or quoted on recognised securities exchanges. Price risk arises from investments held by the Funds for which prices in the future are uncertain. Where non-monetary financial instruments are denominated in currencies other than the Australian dollar, the price in the future will also fluctuate because of changes in foreign exchange rates which are considered a component of price risk.

Price risk is managed by Paradice Investment Management Pty Ltd, the Funds' Investment Manager. The Investment Manager mitigates this price risk through diversification and careful selection of securities and other financial instruments in accordance with the investment mandate of the Funds.

The Funds' overall market positions are monitored on a regular basis by the Investment Manager. This information and the compliance with the Funds' Product Disclosure Statement are reported to the Investment Manager's compliance manager and other key management personnel.

The tables at Note 3(b) summarises the sensitivities of the Funds' financial assets and liabilities to price risk. The analysis is based on the reasonably possible shift that the investment portfolio in which the Funds invest move by +/-10% (2023: +/-10%).

## (ii) Foreign exchange risk

The Funds operate internationally and hold both monetary and non-monetary assets denominated in currencies other than the Australian dollar. Foreign exchange risk arises as the value of monetary securities denominated in other currencies fluctuate due to changes in exchange rates. The foreign exchange risk relating to non-monetary assets and liabilities is a component of price risk and not foreign exchange risk. However, the Investment Manager monitors the exposure of all foreign currency denominated assets and liabilities.

Foreign exchange risk is managed by Paradice Investment Management Pty Ltd.

## 3 Financial risk management (continued)

## (a) Market risk (continued)

(ii) Foreign exchange risk (continued)

The Funds did not have material foreign exchange risk exposure as at 30 June 2024 and 30 June 2023.

(iii) Cash flow and fair value interest rate risk

The Funds are exposed to cash flow interest rate risk on financial instruments with variable interest rates. Financial instruments with fixed rates expose the Funds to fair value interest rate risk.

The Funds' interest bearing financial instruments expose them to risks associated with the effects of fluctuations in the prevailing market interest rates on their financial position and cash flows. The impact of interest rate risk on profit and net assets attributable to unit holders is considered immaterial to the Funds and thus is not included in the sensitivity analysis below.

Interest rate risk is managed by Paradice Investment Management Pty Ltd.

## (b) Summarised sensitivity analysis

The following tables summarise the sensitivity of the Funds' operating profit and net assets attributable to unit holders to market risks. The reasonably possible movements in the risk variables have been determined based on management's best estimate, having regard to a number of factors, including historical levels of changes in foreign exchange rates, interest rates and the historical correlation of the Funds' investments with the relevant benchmark and market volatility. However, actual movements in the risk variables may be greater or less than anticipated due to a number of factors, including unusually large market movements resulting from changes in the performance of and/or correlation between the performances of the economies, markets and securities in which the Funds invest. As a result, historic variations in risk variables should not be used to predict future variances in the risk variables.

Paradice Australian Small Cap Fund	assets attrib	rating profit/net utable to unit ders
	Price	e risk
	+10%	-10%
	\$'000	\$'000
As at 30 June 2024	1,434	(1,434)
As at 30 June 2023	4,049	(4,049)

The sensitivity factor for 30 June 2023 was +/-10% for price risk.

Paradice Australian Mid Cap Fund	assets attrib hol	rating profit/net utable to unit ders e risk
	+10%	-10%
	\$'000	\$'000
As at 30 June 2024	10,710	(10,710)
As at 30 June 2023	12,914	(12,914)

The sensitivity factor for 30 June 2023 was +/-10% for price risk.

#### (c) Credit risk

The Funds are exposed to credit risk, which is the risk that a counterparty will be unable to pay their obligations in full when they fall due, causing a financial loss to the Funds.

## 3 Financial risk management (continued)

## (c) Credit risk (continued)

The Funds do not have a significant concentration of credit risk that arises from an exposure to a single counterparty or group of counterparties having similar characteristics. The main concentration of credit risk, to which the Funds are exposed, arises from cash and cash equivalents and amounts due from brokers' balances. None of these assets are impaired nor past their due date. The maximum exposure to credit risk is the carrying of these balances at the reporting date.

The Funds determine credit risk and measure expected credit losses for financial assets measured at amortised cost using probability of default, exposure at default and loss given default. Management considers both historical analysis and forward looking information in determining any expected credit loss. At 30 June 2024 and 30 June 2023, all receivables, amounts due from brokers, cash and short-term deposits are held with counterparties with a credit rating of AA/Aa or higher and are either callable on demand or due to be settled within 1 week. Management considers the probability of default to be close to zero as these instruments have a low risk of default and the counterparties have a strong capacity to meet their contractual obligations in the near term. As a result, no loss allowance has been recognised based on 12-month expected credit losses as any such impairment would be wholly insignificant to the Funds.

## (d) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Funds may not be able to generate sufficient cash resources to settle their obligations in full as they fall due or can only do so on terms that are materially disadvantageous.

Exposure to liquidity risk for the Funds may arise from the requirement to meet daily unit holder redemption requests, margin calls on derivative transactions or to fund foreign exchange related cash flow requirements.

Liquidity risk is managed by Paradice Investment Management Pty Ltd. The Investment Manager mitigates the liquidity risk factor by generally investing in securities that are believed to offer sufficient liquidity to allow investors to withdraw from the Funds as set out in the Product Disclosure Statement.

In order to manage the Funds' overall liquidity, the Responsible Entity has the discretion to reject an application for units and to defer or adjust redemption of units if the exercise of such discretion is in the best interests of unit holders. The Responsible Entity did not reject or withhold any redemptions during 2024 and 2023.

## (i) Maturities of non-derivative financial liabilities

All non-derivative financial liabilities of the Funds in the current period have maturities of less than 1 month.

## 4 Offsetting financial assets and financial liabilities

Financial assets and liabilities are offset and the net amount reported in the statements of financial position when there is a legally enforceable right to offset the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously. The gross and net positions of financial assets and liabilities that have been offset in the statements of financial position are disclosed in the first three columns of the tables below.

Paradice Australian Small Cap Fund did not have any financial assets and liabilities to offset as at 30 June 2024 and 30 June 2023.

Paradice Australian Mid Cap Fund did not have any financial assets and liabilities to offset as at 30 June 2024.

Paradice Australian Mid Cap Fund	Effects of offsetting on the statement of financial position			Related amounts not offset		
·	Gross amounts of financial instruments	Gross amounts set off in the statement of financial position	Net amount of financial instruments presented in the statement of financial position	Amounts subject to master netting arrangements	Collateral received/ pledged	Net amount
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
As at 30 June 2023 Financial assets Derivative financial instruments Total	4 4	(4) (4)				
Financial liabilities Derivative financial instruments Total	4 4	(4)			<u>-</u>	

## (a) Master netting arrangement - not currently enforceable

Agreements with derivative counterparties are based on the International Swaps and Derivatives Association (ISDA) Master Agreement. Under the terms of these arrangements, only when certain credit events occur (such as default), the net position owing/receivable to a single counterparty in the same currency will be taken as owing and all the relevant arrangements terminated. As the Funds do not presently have a legally enforceable right of set-off, these amounts have not been offset in the statements of financial position, but have been presented separately in the above tables.

#### 5 Fair value measurement

The Funds measure and recognise financial assets and financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss on a recurring basis.

- Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss (see Note 6)
- Derivative financial instruments (see Note 7)

The Funds have no assets or liabilities measured at fair value on a non-recurring basis in the current reporting period.

AASB 13 Fair Value Measurement requires disclosure of fair value measurements by level of the following fair value measurement hierarchy:

• Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (level 1);

## 5 Fair value measurement (continued)

- Inputs other than quoted prices included within level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly (level 2); and
- Inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data (unobservable inputs) (level 3).

The Funds value their investments in accordance with the accounting policies set out in Note 2 to the financial statements.

## (a) Valuations using level 1 inputs

The fair value of financial instruments traded in active markets (such as equity securities and listed unit trusts) are based on their quoted market prices at the end of the reporting period without any deduction for estimated future selling costs.

For the majority of their investments, the Funds rely on information provided by independent pricing services for the valuation of their investments.

The quoted market price used for financial instruments held by the Funds is the last traded price. When the Funds hold derivatives with offsetting market risks, it uses mid-market prices as a basis for establishing fair values for the offsetting risk positions and applies this bid or asking price to the net open position, as appropriate.

A financial instrument is regarded as quoted in an active market if quoted prices are readily and regularly available from an exchange, dealer, broker, industry group, pricing service, or regulatory agency, and those prices represent actual and regularly occurring market transactions on an arm's length basis.

An active market is a market in which transactions for the asset or liability take place with sufficient frequency and volume to provide pricing information on an ongoing basis.

## (b) Valuation using level 2 inputs

The fair value of financial instruments that are not traded in an active market is determined using valuation techniques that maximise the use of observable market data and rely as little as possible on entity-specific estimates. If all material inputs required to fair value an instrument are observable, the instrument is included in level 2.

Some of the inputs to these models may not be market observable and are therefore estimated based on assumptions. The output of a model is always an estimate or approximation of a value that cannot be determined with certainty, and valuation techniques employed may not fully reflect all factors relevant to the positions the Fund holds.

 Investments in unlisted managed investment schemes are valued at the redemption price per unit as reported by the underlying fund's investment manager

#### (c) Valuation using level 3 inputs

The fair value of financial instruments that are determined using valuation techniques that rely on material inputs that are not observable are included in level 3 and are therefore estimated based on assumptions. The output of a model is always an estimate or approximation of a value that cannot be determined with certainty, and valuation techniques employed may not fully reflect all factors relevant to the positions the Fund holds.

## 5 Fair value measurement (continued)

## (d) Recognised fair value measurements

The tables below present the Funds' financial assets and financial liabilities measured and recognised at fair value as at 30 June 2024 and 30 June 2023.

Paradice Australian Small Cap Fund	Level 1 \$'000	Level 2 \$'000	Level 3 \$'000	Total \$'000
As at 30 June 2024				
Financial assets				
Equity securities	12,166	-	180	12,346
Listed unit trusts	563	-	-	563
Unlisted managed investment schemes	<u>-</u>	1,428		1,428
Total financial assets	12,729	1,428	180	14,337
As at 30 June 2023				
Financial assets				
Equity securities	33,555	-	27	33,582
Listed unit trusts	952	-	-	952
Unlisted managed investment schemes	<del>-</del>	<u>5,953</u>	<del>-</del> _	5,953
Total financial assets	34,507	5,953	27	40,487
Paradice Australian Mid Cap Fund				
·	Level 1 \$'000	Level 2 \$'000	Level 3 \$'000	Total \$'000
As at 30 June 2024				
Financial assets				
Equity securities	103,106	-	-	103,106
Listed unit trusts	3,991	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	3,991
Total financial assets	107,097	<u>-</u> -	<u> </u>	107,097
As at 30 June 2023				
Financial assets				
Equity securities	127,410	853	-	128,263
Listed unit trusts	881	<u> </u>		881
Total financial assets	128,291	<u>853</u>	<u> </u>	129,144

## 5 Fair value measurement (continued)

## (e) Transfer between levels

Management's policy is to recognise transfers into and transfers out of fair value hierarchy levels as at the end of the reporting period.

For Paradice Australian Mid Cap Fund, there were no transfers between levels in the fair value hierarchy at the end of the reporting period.

The following table presents the transfers between levels for the year ended 30 June 2024 (30 June 2023: nil).

Paradice Australian Small Cap Fund Year ended 30 June 2024	Level 1 \$'000	Level 2 \$'000	Level 3 \$'000
Transfers between levels 1 and 3			
Equity securities	(153)	-	153

## (f) Fair value measurements using significant unobservable inputs (level 3)

The following table presents the movement in level 3 instruments for the year ended 30 June 2024 and 30 June 2023 by class of financial instrument.

Paradice Australian Small Cap Fund	Equity securities \$'000
Opening balance - 1 July 2022	43
Purchases	47
Gains/(losses) recognised in the statement of comprehensive income	(63)
Closing balance - 30 June 2023*	27
Transfers into/(out of) level 3	153
Closing balance - 30 June 2024*	180

<sup>\*</sup>Includes unrealised gains or (losses) recognised in profit or loss attributable to balances held at the end of the reporting period

## (g) Financial instruments not carried at fair value

The financial instruments not measured at fair value through profit or loss include:

- i. Cash and cash equivalents, balances due from/to brokers and receivables/payables under sale and repurchase agreements. These are short-term financial assets and financial liabilities whose carrying values approximate fair value, because of their short-term nature and the high credit quality of counterparties; and
- ii. Net assets attributable to unit holders, as the Funds routinely redeem and issue units at an amount equal to the proportionate share of the each Fund's net assets at the time of redemption, calculated on a basis consistent with that used in these financial statements. Accordingly, the carrying value of net assets attributable to unit holders approximates their fair value. Any difference is not material in the current year or prior year.

## 6 Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

	Paradice Australian Small Cap Fund As at		Paradice Australian Mid Cap Fund As at	
	30 June 2024	30 June 2023	30 June 2024	30 June 2023
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Equity securities	12,346	33,582	103,106	128,263
Unit trusts	1,991	6,905	3,991	881
Total financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	14,337	40,487	107,097	129,144

An overview of the risk exposures and fair value measurements relating to financial assets at fair value through profit or loss is included in Note 3 and Note 5 to the financial statements.

## 7 Derivative financial instruments

In the normal course of business, the Funds enter into transactions in various derivative financial instruments which have certain risks. A derivative is a financial instrument or other contract which is settled at a future date and whose value changes in response to the change in a specified interest rate, financial instrument price, commodity price, foreign exchange rate, index of prices or rates, credit rating or credit index or other variable.

Derivative financial instruments require no initial net investment or an initial net investment that is smaller than would be required for other types of contracts that would be expected to have a similar response to changes in market factors.

Derivative transactions include many different instruments such as forwards, futures and options. Derivatives are considered to be part of the investment process and the use of derivatives is an essential part of the Funds' portfolio management. Derivatives are not managed in isolation. Consequently, the use of derivatives is multifaceted and includes:

- hedging to protect an asset or liability of the Funds against a fluctuation in market values, foreign exchange risk or to reduce volatility;
- a substitution for trading of physical securities; and
- adjusting asset exposures within the parameters set in the investment strategy and adjusting the duration of fixed interest portfolios or the weighted average maturity of cash portfolios.

While derivatives are used for trading purposes, they are not used to gear (leverage) a portfolio. Gearing a portfolio would occur if the level of exposure to the markets exceeds the underlying value of the Funds.

## 7 Derivative financial instruments (continued)

The Funds hold the following derivatives:

## (a) Forward currency contracts

Forward currency contracts are primarily used by the Funds to economically hedge against foreign currency exchange rate risks on their non-Australian dollar denominated trading securities. The Funds agree to receive or deliver a fixed quantity of foreign currency for an agreed upon price on an agreed future date. Forward currency contracts are valued at the prevailing bid price at the end of each reporting period. The Funds recognise a gain or loss equal to the change in fair value at the end of each reporting period.

## (b) Warrants

Warrants are an option to purchase additional securities from the issuer at a specified price during a specified period. Warrants are valued at the prevailing market price at the end of each reporting period. The Funds recognise a gain or loss equal to the change in fair value at the end of each reporting period.

The Funds' derivative financial instruments measured at fair value at year end are detailed below:

The Paradice Australian Small Cap Fund did not hold any derivatives as at 30 June 2023.

The Paradice Australian Mid Cap Fund did not hold any derivatives as at 30 June 2024.

	Paradice	Paradice Australian Small Cap Fund			
	Contractual/ notional \$'000	Assets \$'000	Liabilities \$'000		
As at 30 June 2024					
Warrants* Total derivatives	<u>13</u> 13	<u> </u>			

<sup>\*</sup>The fair value of warrants for Paradice Australian Small Cap Fund was \$394 as at 30 June 2024 and rounded to Nil.

## 7 Derivative financial instruments (continued)

	Paradice Australian Mid Cap Fund			
	Contractual/ notional \$'000	Assets \$'000	Liabilities \$'000	
As at 30 June 2023				
Forward currency contracts* Total derivatives	4	<u>-</u>	<del>-</del>	

<sup>\*</sup>The fair value of forward currency contracts for Paradice Australian Mid Cap Fund was (\$4) as at 30 June 2023 and rounded to Nil.

Information about the Funds' exposure to credit risk, foreign exchange risk, interest rate risk and about the methods and assumptions used in determining fair values is provided in Note 3 and Note 5 to the financial statements. The maximum exposure to credit risk at the end of the reporting period is the carrying amount of each class of derivative financial instruments disclosed above.

#### 8 Structured entities

## Paradice Australian Small Cap Fund

A structured entity is an entity that has been designed so that voting or similar rights are not the dominant factor in deciding who controls the entity, and the relevant activities are directed by means of contractual arrangement.

Paradice Australian Small Cap Fund (the Fund) considers all investments in unlisted managed investment schemes (the "Schemes") to be structured entities. The Fund invests in Schemes for the purpose of capital appreciation and/or earning investment income.

The exposure to investments in unrelated Schemes at fair value is disclosed in Note 5 as investment in unlisted managed investment schemes.

The fair value of the Schemes is included in financial assets at fair value through profit or loss in the statement of financial position.

The Fund's maximum exposure to loss from its interest in the Schemes is equal to the fair value of its investments in the Schemes as there are no off-balance sheet exposures relating to any of the Schemes. Once the Fund has disposed of its units in a Scheme it ceases to be exposed to any risk from that Scheme.

During the year ended 30 June 2024, total gains/(losses) incurred on investments in the Schemes were (\$942,336) (30 June 2023: \$713,465). The Fund also earned distribution income of \$162,961 (30 June 2023: \$134,446) as a result of its interests in the Schemes.

## 9 Net assets attributable to unit holders - liability

The Funds' units are classified as a liability as they do not meet the definition of a financial instrument to be classified as equity.

Movements in the number of units and net assets attributable to unit holders during the year were as follows:

## Paradice Australian Small Cap Fund

	Year ended				
	30 June 2024	30 June 2024	30 June 2023	30 June 2023	
	Units '000	\$'000	Units '000	\$'000	
Class A					
Opening balance	12,810	25,469	1,677	2,907	
Applications	10	20	12,239	23,701	
Redemptions	(11,177)	(21,059)	(1,204)	(2,391)	
Reinvestment of distributions	66	131	98	169	
Increase/(decrease) in net assets attributable to unit holders		(621)		1,083	
Closing balance	1,709	3,940	12,810	25,469	
Class B					
Opening balance	15,868	18,153	15,056	15,041	
Applications	28	32	183	204	
Redemptions	(7,293)	(8,174)	(979)	(1,097)	
Reinvestment of distributions	21	24	1,608	1,606	
Increase/(decrease) in net assets attributable to unit holders		1,306		2,399	
Closing balance	8,624	11,341	15,868	18,153	
Closing balance	-	15,281	-	43,622	

## 9 Net assets attributable to unit holders - liability (continued)

	Paradice Australian Mid Cap Fund				
	Year ended				
	30 June 2024	30 June 2024	30 June 2023	30 June 2023	
	Units '000	\$'000	Units '000	\$'000	
Class A					
Opening balance	9,877	16,126	10,493	16,053	
Redemptions	(8,552)	(13,011)	(616)	(1,000)	
Increase/(decrease) in net assets attributable to unit					
holders	<u>-</u>	<u>(791</u> )	<del>_</del> -	1,073	
Closing balance	1,325	2,324	9,877	16,126	
Class B					
Opening balance	74,763	78,624	73,181	72,137	
Applications	814	864	1,166	1,226	
Redemptions	(16,359)	(17,407)	(6,027)	(6,436)	
Reinvestment of distributions	1,380	1,472	6,443	6,389	
Increase/(decrease) in net assets attributable to unit					
holders	<u> </u>	4,631	<u> </u>	5,308	
Closing balance	60,598	68,184	74,763	78,624	
Class C					
Opening balance	37,339	36,054	39,921	36,121	
Applications	2,387	2,456	1,522	1,482	
Redemptions	(4,654)	(4,691)	(6,393)	(6,273)	
Reinvestment of distributions	-	-	2,289	2,083	
Increase/(decrease) in net assets attributable to unit					
holders	<u>-</u> .	2,527		2,641	
Closing balance	35,072	36,346	37,339	36,054	
Closing balance	-	106,854	-	130,804	

As stipulated within the each Fund's Constitution, each unit represents a right to an individual share in the Funds and does not extend to a right in the underlying assets of the Funds.

There are two separate classes of units for Paradice Australian Small Cap Fund and three separate classes of units for Paradice Australian Mid Cap Fund. Each unit has the same rights attaching to it as all other units of the Funds.

Units are redeemed on demand at the unit holders' option. However, holders of these instruments typically retain them for the medium to long term. As such, the amount expected to be settled within twelve months after the end of the reporting period cannot be reliably determined.

## Capital risk management

The Funds consider their net assets attributable to unit holders as capital, notwithstanding that net assets attributable to unit holders are classified as a liability. The amount of net assets attributable to unit holders can change significantly on a daily basis as the Funds are subject to daily applications and redemptions at the discretion of unit holders.

Daily applications and redemptions are reviewed relative to the liquidity of the Funds' underlying assets on a daily basis by the Responsible Entity. Under the terms of the Funds' Constitution, the Responsible Entity has the discretion to reject an application for units and to defer or adjust redemption of units if the exercise of such discretion is in the best interests of unit holders.

## 10 Distributions to unit holders

The distributions declared during the year were as follows:

	Paradice Australian Small Cap Fund			Paradice Australian Mid Cap Fund					
		Year e	nded			Year ended			
	30 June 2024	30 June 2024	30 June 2023	30 June 2023	30 June 2024	30 June 2024	30 June 2023	30 June 2023	
	\$'000	CPU	\$'000	CPU	\$'000	CPU	\$'000	CPU	
Distributions - Class A									
October*	1,120	10.69	-	-	152	1.78	-	-	
December	-	-	-	-	23	1.72	225	2.28	
June (payable)			141	1.11	29	2.16	258	2.61	
Total distributions	1,120	10.69	141	1.11	204	5.66	483	4.89	
Distributions - Class B									
December	-	-	-	-	900	1.25	1,067	1.43	
January*	1,124	16.56	-	-	-	-	-	-	
April*	-	-	-	-	975	18.30	-	-	
June (payable)		<u>-</u>	33	0.21	1,021	1.69	1,212	1.62	
Total distributions	1,124	16.56	33	0.21	2,896	21.24	2,279	3.05	
Distributions - Class C									
December	-	-	-	-	444	1.22	537	1.38	
June (payable)			<u>-</u> .	<u>-</u>	479	1.37	595	1.59	
Total distributions					923	2.59	1,132	2.97	
Total distributions	2,244	-	174	-	4,023	-	3,894		

<sup>\*</sup>The October 2023 (CPU: \$10.69), January 2024 (CPU: \$16.56) distributions represent special distribution paid by Paradice Australian Small Cap Fund and the October 2023 (CPU: \$1.78), April 2024 (CPU: \$18.30) distributions represent special distributions paid by the Paradice Australian Mid Cap Fund due to multiple unit holders redemptions of greater than 5% of the net assets of each Fund. Due to these redemptions, as outlined in the Product Disclosure Statement, a portion of the withdrawal proceeds represented distributable income to the redeeming unit holders. Refer to each Fund's Product Disclosure Statement for details on special distributions.

## 11 Cash and cash equivalents

Ti Cash and cash equivalents					
	Paradice Australian Small Ca Fund		Paradice Australian Mid Cap Fund		
	As	As at		at	
	30 June 2024	30 June 2023	30 June 2024	30 June 2023	
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	
Cash at bank	796	3,186	2,051	5,387	
Total cash and cash equivalents	796	3,186	2,051	5,387	

## 12 Reconciliation of profit/(loss) to net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities

	Paradice Australian Small Cap Fund		Paradice Australian Mid Ca Fund	
	Year end	ded	Year en	ded
	30 June 2024 \$'000	30 June 2023 \$'000	30 June 2024 \$'000	30 June 2023 \$'000
(a) Reconciliation of profit/(loss) to net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities				
Profit/(loss) for the year	-	-	-	-
Increase/(decrease) in net assets attributable to unit holders	685	3,482	6,367	9,022
Distributions to unit holders	2,244	174	4,023	3,894
Proceeds from sale of financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss	36,043	11,118	107,036	103,793
Payments for purchase of financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss  Net (gains)/losses on financial instruments at fair	(6,564)	(12,402)	(77,039)	(86,385)
value through profit or loss	(3,146)	(3,588)	(8,669)	(10,051)
Dividend and distribution income reinvested	(183)	(835)	(286)	(925)
Net movement in margin accounts	-	40	-	11
Net change in receivables	3	812	111	59
Net change in payables	(28)	17	(3)	(21)
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities	29,054	(1,182)	31,540	19,397
<b>(b) Non-cash operating and financing activities</b> The following applications were satisfied by in specie asset transfer	-	18,056	_	-
The following distribution payments to unit holders were satisfied by the issue of units under the distribution reinvestment plan	155	1,775	1,472	8,472
The following purchases of investments were satisfied by the participation in dividend and distribution reinvestment plans	183	<u>835</u>	286	925
Total non-cash operating and financing activities	338	20,666	1,758	9,397

## 13 Receivables

10 Receivables				
		Paradice Australian Small Cap Fund As at		alian Mid Cap d
	As a			at
	30 June 2024	30 June 2023	30 June 2024	30 June 2023
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Interest receivable	2	11	6	10
Dividends and distributions receivable	167	155	156	261
GST receivable	3	9	27	29
Total receivables	172	175	189	300

## 14 Payables

ayuwioo	Paradice Australian Small Cap Fund As at		Paradice Australian Mid Cap Fund As at	
	30 June 2024 \$'000	30 June 2023 \$'000	30 June 2024 \$'000	30 June 2023 \$'000
Management fees and costs payable Withholding tax payable Total payables	24 - 24	52 52	127 4 131	129 <u>5</u> 134

## 15 Remuneration of auditors

During the year, the following fees were paid or payable for services provided by the auditors of the Funds:

	Paradice Australian Small Cap Fund Year ended		Paradice Australian Mid Cap Fund		
			Year ended		
	30 June 2024	30 June 2023	30 June 2024	30 June 2023	
	\$	\$	\$	\$	
KPMG					
Audit and other assurance services					
Audit of financial statements	11,626	10,815	19,183	17,845	
Total auditor remuneration and other assurance services	11,626	10,815	19,183	17,845	
Taxation services					
Tax compliance services	10,176	10,236	10,176	10,236	
Total remuneration for taxation services	10,176	10,236	10,176	10,236	
Total remuneration of KPMG	21,802	21,051	29,359	28,081	
PricewaterhouseCoopers					
Audit and other assurance services  Audit of compliance plan	2,400	2,346	2,400	2,346	
Total auditor remuneration and other assurance services	2,400	2,346	2,400	2,346	
Total remuneration of PricewaterhouseCoopers	2,400	2,346	2,400	2,346	

The auditors' remuneration is borne by the Funds. Fees are stated exclusive of GST.

## 16 Related party transactions

The Responsible Entity of the Paradice Investment Management Funds is Equity Trustees Limited (ABN 46 004 031 298) (AFSL 240975). Accordingly, transactions with entities related to Equity Trustees Limited are disclosed below.

The Responsible Entity has contracted services to Paradice Investment Management Pty Ltd to act as Investment Manager for the Funds and State Street Australia Limited to act as Custodian and Administrator for the Funds. The contracts are on normal commercial terms and conditions.

## 16 Related party transactions (continued)

#### (a) Key management personnel

## (i) Directors

Key management personnel include persons who were directors of Equity Trustees Limited at any time during or since the end of the financial year and up to the date of this report.

Philip D Gentry Chairman (resigned 6 June 2024)
Michael J O'Brien Chairman (appointed 6 June 2024)

Russell W Beasley Mary A O'Connor David B Warren

Andrew P Godfrey (appointed 1 May 2024)

(ii) Responsible Entity

Other than fees paid to the Responsible Entity, there were no other transactions.

## (iii) Other key management personnel

There were no other key management personnel with responsibility for planning, directing and controlling activities of the Funds, directly or indirectly during the financial year.

## (b) Transactions with key management personnel

There were no transactions with key management personnel during the reporting period.

## (c) Key management personnel unit holdings

Key management personnel did not hold units in the Funds as at 30 June 2024 (30 June 2023: nil).

## (d) Key management personnel compensation

Key management personnel are paid by EQT Services Pty Ltd. Payments made from the Funds to Equity Trustees Limited do not include any amounts directly attributable to the compensation of key management personnel.

## (e) Key management personnel loans

The Funds have not made, guaranteed or secured, directly or indirectly, any loans to key management personnel or their personally related entities at any time during the reporting period.

## (f) Other transactions within the Funds

Apart from those details disclosed in this note, no key management personnel have entered into a material contract with the Funds during the financial year and there were no material contracts involving management personnel's interests existing at year end.

#### (g) Responsible Entity fees, Investment Manager's fees and other transactions

Under the terms of the Funds' Constitution and Product Disclosure Statement for the Funds, the Responsible Entity and the Investment Manager are entitled to receive fees.

The Investment Manager is also entitled to a performance fee.

## 16 Related party transactions (continued)

## (g) Responsible Entity fees, Investment Manager's fees and other transactions (continued)

The transactions during the year and amounts payable as at year end between the Funds, the Responsible Entity and the Investment Manager were as follows:

	Paradice Australian Small Cap Fund Year ended		Paradice Australian Mid Cap Fund Year ended	
	30 June 2024	30 June 2023	30 June 2024	30 June 2023
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Management fees for the year	230,930	341,373	1,112,059	1,235,175
Performance fees for the year	454,433	160,764	-	-
Responsible Entity fees for the year	11,210	16,554	51,765	57,218
Management fees payable at year end	23,852	50,206	122,987	124,661
Responsible Entity fees payable at year end	594	1,471	4,227	4,492

Under the terms of the Funds' Constitution and Product Disclosure Statement, management fees and costs includes responsible entity fees paid to the Responsible Entity, management fees paid to the Investment Manager and other costs (such as custody fees, administration fees and audit fees) paid to other unrelated parties. Please refer to the Funds' Product Disclosure Statement for information on how management fees and costs are calculated.

Under the terms of the Funds' Constitution and Product Disclosure Statement, the Investment Manager is also entitled to receive a performance fee in relation to the performance of the Funds. For information on how performance fees are calculated please refer to the Funds' Product Disclosure Statement.

## (h) Related party unit holdings

Parties related to the Funds (including Equity Trustees Limited, their related parties and other schemes managed by Equity Trustees Limited and the Investment Manager) held no units in the Funds as at 30 June 2024 (30 June 2023: nil).

## (i) Investments

Paradice Australian Small Cap Fund held investments in the following schemes which are also managed by Paradice Investment Management or their related parties:

## Paradice Australian Small Cap Fund

As at 30 June 2024	Fair value of investment	Interest held %	Distributions received \$	Distributions receivable	Units acquired during the year	Units disposed during the year
Paradice Micro Investment Fund*	1,428,134	0.80	12,459	150,502	169,761	6,210,895
As at 30 June 2023 Paradice Micro Investment Fund*	5,952,988	2.57	26,287	108,159	5,780,000	604,350

<sup>\*</sup>Paradice Investment Management Pty Ltd is the Trustee of the Paradice Micro Investment Fund.

The Paradice Australian Mid Cap Fund did not hold any investments in Equity Trustees Limited or their related parties during the year (30 June 2023: nil).

## 17 Events occurring after the reporting period

No significant events have occurred since the end of the year which would impact on the financial position of the Funds as disclosed in the statements of financial position as at 30 June 2024 or on the results and cash flows of the Funds for the year ended on that date.

## 18 Contingent assets and liabilities and commitments

There were no outstanding contingent assets, liabilities or commitments as at 30 June 2024 and 30 June 2023.

## **Directors' declaration**

In the opinion of the directors of the Responsible Entity:

- (a) The financial statements and notes set out on pages 7 to 35 for the Paradice Investment Management Funds are in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including:
  - (i) complying with Australian Accounting Standards, the *Corporations Regulations 2001* and other mandatory professional reporting requirements; and
  - (ii) giving a true and fair view of the Funds' financial position as at 30 June 2024 and of their performance for the financial year ended on that date.
- (b) There are reasonable grounds to believe that the Funds will be able to pay their debts as and when they become due and payable; and
- (c) Note 2(a) confirms that the financial statements also comply with the International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board.

This declaration is made in accordance with a resolution of the directors of Equity Trustees Limited through a delegated authority given by Equity Trustees Limited's Board.

Andrew P Godfrey Director

Melbourne 11 September 2024



# Independent Auditor's Report

## To the unitholders of:

- · Paradice Australian Small Cap Fund
- Paradice Australian Mid Cap Fund

## (the Funds)

## **Opinion**

We have audited the *Financial Reports* of the Funds.

In our opinion, the accompanying Financial Reports of the Funds give a true and fair view, including of the Funds' financial position as at 30 June 2024 and of its financial performance for the year then ended, in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, in compliance with *Australian Accounting Standards* and the *Corporations Regulations 2001*.

## The Financial Reports comprise:

- Statements of Financial Position as at 30 June 2024
- Statements of Comprehensive Income,
   Statements of Changes in Equity and Statements of Cash Flows for the year then ended
- · Notes, including material accounting policies
- Directors' Declaration

## **Basis for opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with *Australian Auditing Standards*. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the Financial Report* section of our report.

We are independent of the Funds in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001* and the ethical requirements of the *Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including Independence Standards)* (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the Financial Report in Australia. We have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements.

## Other Information

Other Information is financial and non-financial information in Funds' annual report which is provided in addition to the Financial Report and the Auditor's Report. The Directors of the Responsible Entity are responsible for the Other Information.

Our opinion on the Financial Report does not cover the Other Information and, accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion or any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the Financial Report, our responsibility is to read the Other Information. In doing so, we consider whether the Other Information is materially inconsistent with the Financial Report or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.



We are required to report if we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this Other Information and based on the work we have performed on the Other Information that we obtained prior to the date of this Auditor's Report we have nothing to report.

## Responsibilities of the Directors for the Financial Report

The Directors of the Responsible Entity are responsible for:

- preparing the Financial Report in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001, including giving a true
  and fair view of the financial position and performance of the Funds, and in compliance with
  Australian Accounting Standards and the Corporations Regulations 2001
- implementing necessary internal control to enable the preparation of a Financial Report in accordance
  with the Corporations Act 2001, including giving a true and fair view of the financial position and
  performance of the Funds, and that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or
  error
- assessing the Funds' ability to continue as a going concern and whether the use of the going
  concern basis of accounting is appropriate. This includes disclosing, as applicable, matters related to
  going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless they either intend to liquidate
  the Funds or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

## Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the Financial Report

Our objective is:

- to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Financial Report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; and
- to issue an 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 *Australian Auditing Standards* 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 the Financial Report.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the Financial Report is located at the *Auditing and Assurance Standards Board* website at: <a href="http://www.auasb.gov.au/auditors\_responsibilities/ar4.pdf">http://www.auasb.gov.au/auditors\_responsibilities/ar4.pdf</a>. This description forms part of our Auditor's Report.

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Andrew Reeves

Partner

Sydney

11 September 2024