

#### **Market commentary**

Global equity markets were weaker in March on trade war fears and concerns of stagflation. In the US, new tariffs were announced on steel, aluminium and autos; beyond that there were concerns about reciprocal tariffs to be announced on the 2nd April. Tariffs also caused concerns about higher levels of inflation and lowering economic growth.

The largest contributors to performance were **Shell** and **ITV**. The largest detractors from performance were **International Consolidated Airlines (IAG)**, **Standard Chartered** and **Barclays**.

Shell's share price rose ahead of their Capital Markets Day. At the CMD it was announced that Shell plans to grow sales of LNG by up to 5% each year until 2030, focus on cost reductions, and aim to return up to half its cash from operations to investors. ITV's share price rose following the release of its 2024 results at the beginning of the month with ITV announcing that they expect to recoup their cumulative investment in ITVX by the end of 2025, much earlier than anticipated.

IAG was the largest detractor from performance during the month. European airlines were weaker as US peers cut profit expectations on soft demand, and then later in the month IAG suffered as Heathrow Airport shut down due to a fire. Banks Barclays and Standard Chartered were detractors from performance, with their share prices falling on tariff concerns. **Pearson** was also a detractor during the month as the share price fell on concerns over weakening growth in US higher education.

UK equities continue to be valued at a significant discount to global equities generally. Accordingly, we believe that, notwithstanding the shorter-term uncertainties, UK equities are priced to offer relatively attractive returns into the future.

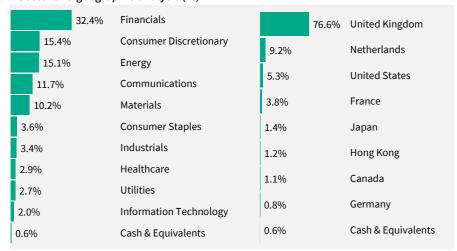
#### Three-year performance (%)



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Source: Frostrow Capital LLP

# Sector and geographic analysis (%)\*



<sup>\*</sup> Exposures expressed as a % of the gross assets (investments plus cash) of the Company.

# **Temple Bar Investment Trust Plc**

Monthly factsheet - 31 March 2025

## **Trust objective**

To provide growth in income and capital to achieve a long-term total return greater than the benchmark FTSE All-Share Index, through investment primarily in UK securities. The Company's policy is to invest in a broad spread of securities with typically the majority of the portfolio selected from the constituents of the FTSE 350 Index.

Top 10 equity ho	ldings	(%)
Shell	Energy	6.3
NatWest	Financials	6.1
Barclays	Financials	5.4
Standard Chartered	Financials	5.0
BP	Energy	4.9
Aviva	Financials	4.8
ITV	Communications	4.6
NN	Financials	4.5
TotalEnergies	Energy	3.8
Marks & Spencer	<b>Consumer Staples</b>	3.6
Total	·	49.0

No of holdings: 35

## **Financial data**

Gross Assets	£930.3m
Share price (p)	293.50
NAV (p) (cum income)*	305.58
Premium/(Discount), Cum income*	(4.0%)
Net yield	3.8%
Net gearing*	6.3%
*Calculated with debt at fair value	

# **Dividend history**

Туре	Amount (p)	XD date	Pay date
4th interim – 2024	3.00	06.03.25	02.04.25
3rd interim – 2024	3.00	21.11.24	30.12.24
2nd interim - 2024	2.75	22.08.24	27.09.24
1st interim – 2024	2.50	30.05.24	28.06.24

# Performance (total return)

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## Cumulative returns (%)

	Share	NAV	FTSE
	Price		All-Share
1 month	-0.3	-1.4	-2.2
3 months	9.0	6.0	4.5
3 year	43.6	44.3	23.3
5 year	136.3	145.2	76.5
10 year	86.8	83.6	81.7
Since 30/10/2020	149.9	137.3	71.6
'	Share	NAV	FTSE
' <u> </u>	Share Price	NAV	FTSE All-Share
31.03.24 - 31.03.25		NAV 18.5	
31.03.24 - 31.03.25 31.03.23 - 31.03.24	Price		All-Share
	Price 27.1	18.5	All-Share 10.5
31.03.23 - 31.03.24	<b>Price</b> 27.1 8.6	18.5 13.5	All-Share 10.5 8.4
31.03.23 - 31.03.24 31.03.22 - 31.03.23	Price 27.1 8.6 4.1	18.5 13.5 7.4	All-Share 10.5 8.4 2.9

Performance, price and yield information is sourced from Frostrow Capital LLP.

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Trust facts

Launch date: 1926

ISIN: GB00BMV92D64

Sedol: BMV92D6

Ticker: TMPL

Year end: 31 December

Dividends paid: Quarterly in April, June,

September and December

Benchmark: FTSE All-Share

**Association of Investment Companies** 

(AIC) sector: UK Equity Income

ISA status: May be held in an ISA and Junior

#### Capital structure:

Ordinary shares in issue: 284,604,378 in circulation 49,759,447 in treasury

4.05% private placement loan 2028 £50m 2.99% private placement loan 2047 £25m

Ongoing charges: 0.61%, effective 31 December 2024 Includes a management fee of 0.325%. Excludes borrowing and portfolio transaction costs.

AIFM, Administrator & Company Secretary:

Frostrow Capital LLP (effective from 1 July 2023)

## Portfolio Manager:

RWC Asset Management LLP (effective from 30 October 2020)

#### Portfolio Management Team:

Ian Lance and Nick Purves

Registrar: Equiniti Limited

Depositary & Custodian: Bank of New York

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## Company share price risk

Shares in the Company are bought and sold on the London Stock Exchange. The price you pay or receive, like other listed shares, is determined by supply and demand and may be at a discount or premium to the underlying net asset value of the Company. Usually, at any given time, the price you pay for a share will be higher than the price you could sell it.

#### Borrowing/leverage risk

The Company has increased its exposure to investments via borrowings and this could potentially magnify any losses or gains made by the Company.

The Company's gearing and discount management policies can be found at https://www.templebarinvestments.co.uk/investment-approach/investment-policies/

The value of fixed income assets & liabilities (e.g. bonds) tends to decrease when interest rates and/or inflation rises and increase when interest rates and/or inflation falls.

#### **Concentration risk**

The Company's portfolio may be concentrated in a limited number of geographical regions, industry sectors, markets and/or individual positions. This may result in large changes in the value of the portfolio, both up or down, which may adversely impact the Company's performance.

## **Target market**

The Company is suitable for investors seeking an investment that aims to deliver total returns over the longer term (at least five years), is compatible with the needs for retail clients, professional clients and eligible counterparties and is eligible for all distribution channels.

The Company may not be suitable for investors who are concerned about short-term volatility and performance, have low or no risk tolerance or are looking for capital protection, who are seeking a guaranteed or regular income, or a predictable return profile. The Company does not offer capital protection.

# Value assessment

Frostrow Capital LLP has conducted an annual value assessment on the Company in line with Financial Conduct Authority (FCA) rules set out in the Consumer Duty regulation. The assessment focuses on the nature of the product, including benefits received and its quality, limitations that are part of the product, expected total costs to clients and target market considerations.

Within this, the assessment considers quality of services, performance of the Company (against both benchmark and peers), total fees (including management fees and entry and exit fees as applicable to the Company) and considers whether vulnerable consumers are able to receive fair value from the product.

Frostrow Capital LLP concluded that the Company is providing value based on the above assessment.

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