

# **ANNUAL REPORT**

For the year ended 31 March 2025

# **DEVON FUNDS**

### **Details of the Scheme**

### Name of the Scheme

**DEVON INVESTMENT FUNDS SCHEME (Scheme)** 

The Scheme comprises the following nine retail Funds as at 31 March 2025:

- Devon Alpha Fund
- Devon Australian Fund
- Devon Diversified Income Fund
- Devon Dividend Yield Fund
- Devon Sustainability Fund
- Devon Trans-Tasman Fund
- Devon Global Impact Bond Fund
- Devon Global Sustainability Fund
- Artesian Green and Sustainable Bond Fund (NZD)

(each a Fund and together the Funds or Devon Funds)

### Type of Scheme

The Scheme is a registered Managed Investment Scheme (MIS) which is an "other" managed fund i.e. a managed fund that is not a KiwiSaver scheme, workplace savings scheme or superannuation scheme.

### Manager

Devon Funds Management Limited (Devon)

## **Supervisor**

The New Zealand Guardian Trust Company Limited



### **Product Disclosure Statement**

The current Product Disclosure Statements for the Devon Funds and Artesian Green and Sustainable Bond Fund (NZD) are dated 10 December 2024. Both are open for applications.

# **Fund Updates**

The latest Fund Updates for each of the Devon Funds are for the quarter ended 30 June 2025 and were made publicly available on 28 July 2025. Copies of these can be found on the offer register www.companiesoffice.govt.nz/disclose.

## **Financial Statements and Auditor's report**

The financial statements and auditor's report for the retail Funds listed above for year ending 31 March 2025 (the **Accounting Period**) have been lodged with the Registrar. A copy of these can be accessed on the scheme register **www.business.govt.nz/disclose**.

The auditor's report did not contain any materially adverse findings nor was it qualified or modified in any respect.

# Information on contributions and scheme participants

There were nine retail managed investment products on issue during the Accounting Period.

The table below sets out the number of units on issue in each Fund at the start and at the end of the Accounting Period.

Fund	Units on issue	Units on issue
	as at 1 April 2024	as at 31 March 2025
Devon Alpha Fund	58,173,414	69,718,238
Devon Australian Fund	7,073,582	6,308,703
Devon Diversified Income Fund	3,948,901	3,212,446
Devon Dividend Yield Fund	9,781,287	8,215,643
Devon Sustainability Fund	8,434,546	8,973,974
Devon Trans-Tasman Fund	14,952,488	23,744,424
Devon Global Impact Bond Fund	36,557,781	53,722,962
Devon Global Sustainability Fund	28,889,998	28,530,866
Artesian Green and Sustainable Bond Fund (NZD)	7,948,868	27,565,894



# Changes relating to the scheme

During the Accounting Period the following material changes have been made to the Scheme, the Product Disclosure Statement (PDS), Statement of Investment Policy and Objectives (SIPO), and Other Material Information (OMI).

- Artesian Green and Sustainable Bond Fund (NZD): Removed all references to 'corporate' bonds or bonds issues by 'corporations' and added further detail to the to better articulate the types of bonds the Underlying Fund invests into.
- Devon Diversified Income Fund:
  - The benchmark was changed from "OCR + 1.5%" to "75% Bloomberg New Zealand Bond Composite 0-5 Year Index and 25% 50:50 composite of the S&P/NZX50 (Gross) Index and the S&P/ASX200 (Accumulation) Index fully hedged to NZD."
  - The minimum suggested investment timeframe was changed from "1 year" to "3 years".
- ➤ Devon Sustainability Fund (the **Fund**): An amendment was made to the wording of the objective of the Fund. The previous and current versions of the objective for the Fund are shown below:

### Previous wording:

**Objective:** This Fund aims to generate capital growth over the long term by actively managing your New Zealand and Australian equity investments. The Fund also aims to deliver a 5% return above the MSCI ESG benchmark over a rolling three-year period.

### Current wording:

**Objective:** This Fund aims to generate capital growth over the long term by actively managing your New Zealand and Australian equity investments. The Fund also aims to deliver an MSCI ESG rating greater than the MSCI ESG rating of the Benchmark.

To see the updated details, current copies of these can be found on the offer register (PDS and OMI) and the scheme register (SIPO) www.business.govt.nz/disclose.

No related party transactions were entered into during the Accounting Period that were not on arm's length terms.



# Other information for particular types of managed funds

The table below sets out the unit prices for the Funds at the start and at the end of the Accounting Period.

Fund	Unit price (\$)	Unit price (\$)
	as at 1 April 2024	as at 31 March 2025
Devon Alpha Fund	2.3802	2.2467
Devon Australian Fund	1.7916	1.7587
Devon Diversified Income Fund	1.4620	1.4765
Devon Dividend Yield Fund	1.9202	1.7927
Devon Sustainability Fund	3.3825	3.2223
Devon Trans-Tasman Fund	4.8986	4.7467
Devon Global Impact Bond Fund	1.3755	1.3555
Devon Global Sustainability Fund	1.8984	1.9907
Artesian Green and Sustainable Bond Fund (NZD)	1.0485	1.0517

# Changes to persons involved in the scheme

## Manager

Devon Funds Management Limited was the manager during the Accounting Period.

### **Directors and Key Personnel**

During the accounting period Chris Gaskin resigned as Portfolio Manager.

There were no other changes to the directors or key personnel of Devon during the Accounting Period.

## **Supervisor**

The New Zealand Guardian Trust Company Limited was the supervisor throughout the Accounting Period. The Board of The New Zealand Guardian Trust Company Limited at 31 March 2025 comprised: Robin Flannagan, Bryan Connor and Sarah Graydon.



## **Administration Manager and Securities Registrar**

Apex Group Limited was the administration manager and securities registrar for the Scheme throughout the Accounting Period.

### Custodian

During the Accounting Period, BNP Paribas Fund Services Australasia Pty Limited acted as the custodian to the Scheme, with the exception of the Artesian Green and Sustainable Bond Fund (NZD). During the Accounting Period, the New Zealand Guardian Trust Company Limited acted as the custodian to the Artesian Green and Sustainable Bond Fund (NZD).

#### **Auditor**

PwC was the auditor to the Scheme throughout the Accounting Period

### How to find further information

Further information relating to the Scheme and the Funds including the Trust Deed, SIPO and financial statements is available on the offer register and the scheme register at www.business.govt.nz/disclose. A copy of information on the offer register or scheme register is available on request to the Registrar of Financial Service Providers. Information about the Funds and Devon, such as Fund Updates, Monthly Reports and the latest unit prices, can be found on the Devon website **www.devonfunds.co.nz**. You can obtain a copy of these documents, free of charge, from us using the contact details below.

See below how to obtain the latest information on the Funds.

Information	How to obtain
Fund Updates	Copies of the latest Devon Fund Updates are available on www.devonfunds.co.nz, on the offer register (OFR10754) at www.business.govt.nz/disclose or on request from us.
Product Disclose Statement (PDS)	A copy of the current Devon Funds PDS and Artesian Green and Sustainable Bond Fund (NZD) PDS are available on www.devonfunds.co.nz, on the offer register (OFR10754) at www.business.govt.nz/disclose or on request from us.
Statement of Investment Policy and Objectives (SIPO)	A copy of the latest SIPO for the Devon Funds and Artesian Green and Sustainable Bond Fund (NZD) are available on the scheme register (SCH10753) at www.business.govt.nz/disclose or on request from us.
Other Material Information (OMI)	A copy of the latest Devon Funds OMI is available on the offer register (OFR10754) at www.business.govt.nz/disclose or on request from us.



Unit Prices	The latest unit prices are available on our website www.devonfunds.co.nz or on request from us.
Trust Deed	A copy of the Trust Deed is available on the scheme register (SCH10753) at www.business.govt.nz/disclose.
Financial Statements	A copy of the latest Financial Statements is available on the scheme register (SCH10753) at www.business.govt.nz/disclose.

# **Contact details and complaints**

If you have any queries or complaints about the Scheme, you can contact Devon, in the first instance, or The New Zealand Guardian Trust Company using the details provided below

**Company Limited** 

Manager Supervisor

Devon Funds Management Limited The New Zealand Guardian Trust

PO Box 105609 PO Box 274 Shortland Street

Auckland City 1143 Auckland 1140

Telephone: 0800 944 049 Telephone: : 0800 300 299
Email: compliance@devonfunds.co.nz Email: ct-auckland@nzgt.co.nz

Please direct queries or complaints to Niall Hartigan

You may also contact the securities registrar using the following details:

#### **Apex Group Limited**

Level 25, QBE Centre, 125 Queen Street Auckland City 1010 PO Box 106 039 Auckland City Auckland 1143

Telephone: 09 309 8926

Devon is a member of the Insurance & Financial Services Ombudsman Scheme (**IFSO**), an approved independent dispute resolution scheme for the purposes of the Financial Service Providers (Registration and Dispute Resolution) Act 2008. If you are not satisfied with the response received from Devon, you may refer the matter (free of charge), directly to the IFSO using the following details:

#### **Insurance & Financial Services Ombudsman Scheme**

PO Box 10-845, Wellington 6143

Telephone: 0800 888 202 Email: info@ifso.nz

Further information about referring a complaint to IFSO can be found at www.ifso.nz.



Alternatively, you can contact:

### **Financial Services Complaints Limited**

Level 4, 101 Lambton Quay, Wellington 6011 PO Box 5967, Wellington 6145 Telephone: 0800 347 257

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Email: info@fscl.org.nz or <a href="mailto:complaints@fscl.org.nz">complaints@fscl.org.nz</a>

Financial Services Complaints Limited (FSCL) is an independent dispute resolution scheme approved under the Financial Service Providers (Registration and Dispute Resolution) Act 2008.

The New Zealand Guardian Trust Company Limited is a member of FSCL.

Further information about referring a complaint to FSCL can be found at www.fscl.org.nz. There is no cost to you in referring a complaint to FSCL.

If you have any questions please contact us on 0800 944 049 or visit our website www.devonfunds.co.nz

