

# ANNUAL REPORT

### For the year ended 31 March 2020

## **CLARITY FUNDS**

#### Details of the scheme

### Name of the Scheme

Clarity Funds Scheme (Scheme). The Scheme comprises the following eight retail funds:

- Clarity Trans-Tasman Value Fund (previously "Clarity Trans-Tasman Fund")
- Clarity Dividend Yield Fund
- Clarity Fixed Income Fund
- Clarity Global Shares Fund
- Clarity Diversified Income Fund
- Clarity Diversified Growth Fund
- Clarity Capital Group New Perspective Fund
- Clarity New Zealand Equity Fund

(each a Fund and together the Funds or Clarity Funds).

## Type of Scheme

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

## Manager

Clarity Funds Management Limited (Clarity).

### Supervisor

The New Zealand Guardian Trust Company Limited.

#### **Product Disclosure Statement**

The current Product Disclosure Statement for the Clarity Funds is dated 24 April 2020 and is open for applications.

## Fund Updates

The latest Fund Updates for each of the Clarity Funds are for the quarter ended 30 June 2020 and were made publicly available on 28 July 2020. Copies of these can be found at www.clarityfunds.co.nz or on the offer register www.business.govt.nz/disclose from 28 July 2020.



### Financial Statements and Auditor's report

The financial statements and auditor's report for the Scheme for the period ended 31 March 2020 (the **Accounting Period**) have been lodged with the Registrar. The auditor's report did not contain any materially adverse findings nor was it qualified or modified in any respect.

A copy of these can be accessed on the scheme register www.business.govt.nz/disclose.

## Information on contributions and scheme participants

There were eight 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 as at 1 April 2019	Units on issue as at 31 March 2020
Clarity Trans-Tasman Value Fund	44,067,862	34,423,267
Clarity Dividend Yield Fund	81,894,821	94,532,701
Clarity Fixed Income Fund	141,795,660	165,561,669
Clarity Global Shares Fund	35,220,031	29,093,737
Clarity Diversified Income Fund	2,360,958	2,873,052
Clarity Diversified Growth Fund	1,195,534	926,731
Clarity - Capital Group New Perspective Fund	0	9,578,771
Clarity New Zealand Equity Fund	0	1,735,686

## Changes relating to the Scheme

During the Accounting Period the following material changes have been made to the Scheme, the Statement of Investment Policy and Objectives (SIPO), and the management of the Scheme.

The Scheme introduced two new retail fund offerings, being the Clarity New Zealand Equity Fund and Clarity - Capital Group New Perspective Fund, both effective 25 October 2019. In late October 2019, the Scheme reduced the annual fund charges for the Clarity Fixed Income Fund and Clarity Diversified Income Fund. The Clarity Trans-Tasman Value Fund commenced quarterly distributions from November 2019.

Some changes were made to the market benchmarks for the Clarity Dividend Yield Fund, Clarity Diversified Income Fund, Clarity Trans-Tasman Value Fund and Clarity Diversified Growth Fund, effective 25 October 2019. The SIPO was updated to recognise these changes.

Since the end of the Accounting Period, further changes were made to single security limit and range limits for the Clarity New Zealand Equity Fund.



No related party transactions were entered into during the Accounting Period that were not at arm's-length and enacted on normal commercial terms.

To see the updated details, please refer to the current Clarity Funds PDS and SIPO. These are available from our website, **www.clarityfunds.co.nz** or **on** the scheme register (SCH10600) at **www.business.govt.nz/disclose**.

## Other information for particular types of managed funds

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

Fund	Unit price (\$) as at 1 April 2019	Unit price (\$) as at 31 March 2020
Clarity Trans-Tasman Value Fund	2.5141	2.0448
Clarity Dividend Yield Fund	1.4601	1.1932
Clarity Fixed Income Fund	1.1226	1.1227
Clarity Global Shares Fund	2.7956	2.6046
Clarity Diversified Income Fund	2.6054	2.4664
Clarity Diversified Growth Fund	2.7103	2.4089
Clarity New Zealand Equity Fund	Not Applicable	2.2165
Clarity - Capital Group New Perspective Fund	Not Applicable	2.3042

## Changes to persons involved in the scheme

## Directors and Key Personnel

During the Accounting Period, Josh Wilson was appointed as the Chief Investment Officer on 8 April 2019.

## Supervisor

The New Zealand Guardian Trust Company Limited was the Supervisor during the Accounting Period.

The Board of The New Zealand Guardian Trust Company Limited at 31 March 2020 comprised:

- Robin Flannagan
- James Douglas

There were no changes to the directors of The New Zealand Guardian Trust Company Limited during the Accounting Period.

## Administration Manager

MMC Limited was the administration manager for the Scheme throughout the Accounting Period.



## Investment Manager

MFS International Australia Pty Limited was the sub investment manager for the Clarity Global Shares Fund, and Capital International Management Company Sarl was the sub investment manager for the Clarity - Capital Group New Perspective Fund throughout the Accounting Period.

## Custodian and Securities Registrar

BNP Paribas Fund Services Australasia Pty Limited was the Scheme's custodian and MMC Limited was the securities registrar throughout the Accounting Period.

#### **Auditor**

PricewaterhouseCoopers New Zealand was the auditor for 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. Information about the Funds and Clarity such as Fund Updates, annual reports and the latest unit prices can be found on the Clarity website www.clarityfunds.co.nz. You can obtain a copy of these documents, free of charge, from us using the contact details below.

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

Information	How to obtain
Fund Updates	Copies of the latest Clarity Fund Updates are available on www.clarityfunds.co.nz, on the offer register (OFR10601) at www.business.govt.nz/disclose or on request from us.
Product Disclose Statement (PDS)	A copy of the current Clarity Funds PDS is available on www.clarityfunds.co.nz, on the offer register (OFR10601) 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 Clarity Funds is available on the scheme register (SCH10600) at www.business.govt.nz/disclose or on request from us.
Other Material Information (OMI)	A copy of the latest Clarity Funds OMI is available on www.clarityfunds.co.nz, on the offer register (OFR10601) at www.business.govt.nz/disclose or on request from us.
Unit Price	The latest unit prices are available on our website <b>www.clarityfunds.co.nz</b> or on request from us.
Trust Deed	A copy of the Trust Deed is available on the scheme register (SCH10600) at www.business.govt.nz/disclose.
Financial Statements	A copy of the latest Financial Statements is available on the scheme register (SCH10600) at www.business.govt.nz/disclose.



## Contact details and complaints

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

### Manager

### Clarity Funds Management Limited

Level 1, 87 Hurstmere Road Takapuna, Auckland 0622

PO Box 33-1106

Takapuna, Auckland 0740

Telephone: 09 308 1450
Email: info@clarityfunds.co.nz

Please direct queries or complaints

to Pam Watson, Operations Manager

### Supervisor

### The New Zealand Guardian Trust Company Limited

Level 14, 191 Queen Street

Auckland 1010

PO Box 274, Shortland Street

Auckland 1140

Telephone: 0800 683 909

Email: ct-auckland@nzgt.co.nz

Attention: Clarity Funds Relationship Manager

You may also contact the securities registrar, MMC Limited using the following details:

#### **MMC Limited**

Level 25, QBE Centre, 125 Queen Street, Auckland 1010

PO Box 106 039, Auckland City, Auckland 1143

Telephone: 09 309 8926

If, having exhausted these alternatives, you wish to pursue your complaint further, you may contact:

### Insurance and Financial Services Ombudsman Scheme

Level 2, Solnet House, 70 The Terrace, Wellington 6143

PO Box 10-845, Wellington 6143

Telephone: 0800 888 202

Email: info@ifso.nz

Insurance and Financial Services Ombudsman Scheme (IFSO) is an independent dispute resolution scheme approved under the Financial Service Providers (Registration and Dispute Resolution) Act 2008.

Clarity is a member of IFSO.

Further information about referring a complaint to IFSO can be found at www.ifso.nz. There is no cost to you in referring a complaint to the IFSO.



Or:

## Financial Services Complaints Limited

Level 4, 101 Lambton Quay, Wellington 6011

PO Box 5967, Wellington 6140

Telephone: 0800 347 257

Email: info@fscl.org.nz or complaints@fscl.org.nz

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 +64 09 308 1450 or visit our website www.clarityfunds.co.nz

