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IMPORTANT

The La Trobe US Private Credit Fund (**the Fund**) is a registered Managed Investment Scheme as registered by the Australian Securities & Investments Commission (**ASIC**) on 21 May 2024.

The Fund will terminate on 30 October 2103 unless terminated earlier in accordance with the provisions of the Fund Constitution. La Trobe Financial Asset Management Limited (**La Trobe Financial**), the Responsible Entity, holds an Australian Financial Services Licence issued by ASIC and is an authorised user of the "La Trobe Financial" trademark.

The Financial Report was authorised for issue by the directors of the Responsible Entity on 17 September 2024.

The Responsible Entity has the power to amend and reissue the Financial Report. La Trobe Financial believes that statements of opinion or fact in this document or any accompanying letter which are additional to the Financial Report of the Fund and the Auditor's Report on the Financial Report are accurate. However, none of the related companies of La Trobe Financial assume any responsibility for reliance upon any such statements or any representations expressed or implied or for any omissions which may have occurred in them.

None of the related La Trobe Financial entities herein or any other related companies guarantee particular representations herein.

This Financial Report covers the La Trobe US Private Credit Fund (the Fund) as an individual reporting entity. The Fund is an Australian Registered Managed Investment Scheme ARSN 677 174 382.

The Responsible Entity of the Scheme under the *Corporations Act 2001* is La Trobe Financial Asset Management Limited ABN 27 007 332 363 (La Trobe Financial). The registered office of La Trobe Financial is Level 25, 333 Collins Street, Melbourne, Victoria, Australia 3000. The Investment Manager for the Fund is La Trobe Financial Services Pty Limited.



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Message from the Chief Investment Officer

The launch of our Global Asset Management (LGAM) series was a milestone for La Trobe Financial. Through LGAM we are developing a suite of high-quality investment products which are unique or in hard to access asset classes. These are investment products thoughtfully designed for everyday Australian investors.

Our La Trobe US Private Credit Fund (US Private Credit Fund) is the first of our LGAM products designed to answer that call.

Introducing the US Private Credit Fund

Our US Private Credit Fund offers everyday Australian investors a defensive exposure to U.S. mid-market private credit. It delivers a low-volatility premium monthly income stream, quarterly liquidity, with invested capital hedged to minimise exposure to AUD:USD foreign currency fluctuations.

It was chosen as our first LGAM strategy for three reasons. First, the breadth and depth of the US middle market. Second, the US middle market having the focus and support of the entire US polity. Third, we have unique access to an outstanding pipeline of high-quality, non-cyclical assets through our program sub-adviser, Morgan Stanley.

Investing into the US Middle Market

The US Private Credit Fund provides a unique opportunity for investors to participate in the rebuild of middle America.

The U.S. middle market is already the backbone of the U.S. economy and comprises over 200,000 companies. It accounts for one third of total jobs in the US and 40% of the US GDP. If the U.S. middle market were a stand-alone economy, it would be the third largest in the world. And the U.S. middle market is being rebuilt.

The rebuild of middle America sits as the cornerstone of economic policy for both major political parties and Presidential candidates. This is headlined by the Inflation Reduction Act and the hundreds-of-billions of dollars in public expenditure pledged in support. It is also being driven by deglobalisation, seeing the reshoring of jobs and critical infrastructure to the heartland of the U.S.

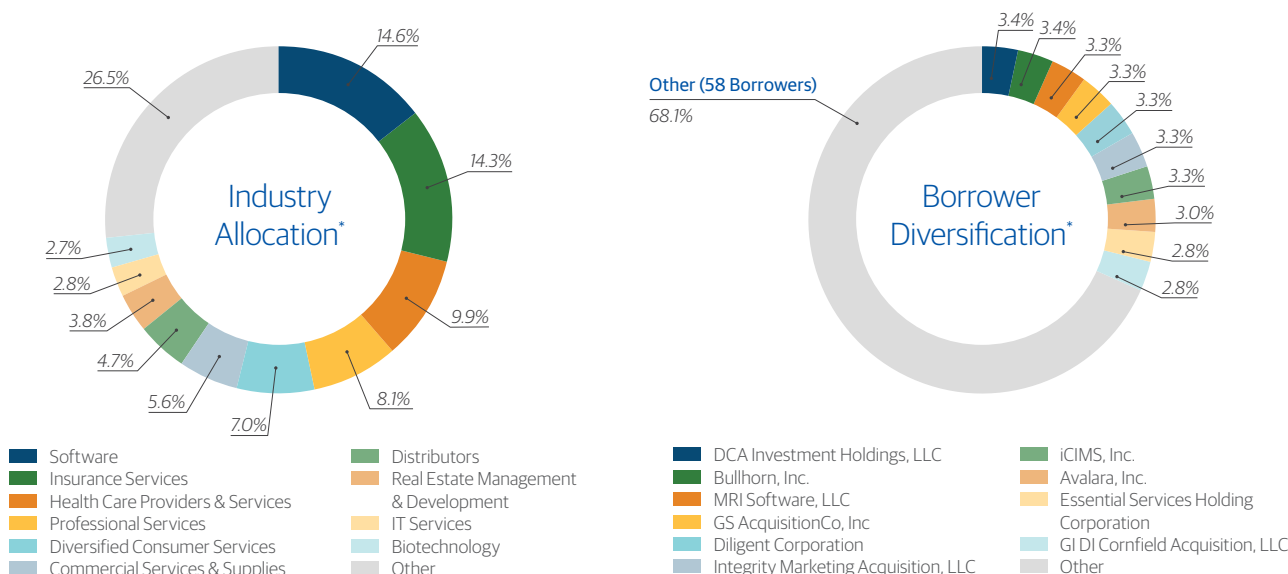
Our Investment Fundamentals

We selected Morgan Stanley as our program sub-adviser as they embrace the same investment fundamentals we prioritise in the construction of investment portfolios: quality of assets, diversification and margin for safety.

We pay rigorous attention to asset quality as it is the **quality of assets** which drives investment outcomes. This means we only deploy capital to borrowers who can generate strong, stable free cash flows in good and bad economies. We reject 95% of the loan opportunities we originate. It is only that very select 5% which pass our rigorous credit assessment processes.

Investor capital is thoughtfully deployed to build and maintain highly **diversified** portfolios. The US Private Credit Fund portfolio is already diverse, with 68 individual loan assets across 26 separate industries and an average investment size of USD3.14m. This ensures that no one investment or sector will unduly impact the performance of our strategy.

Composition of Underlying Loan Assets



* As of June 30, 2024, based on fair market value. No guarantee can be given that the Fund will be able to identify similar or comparable investment opportunities, or have the same overall composition as shown above, in future periods. The Fund's portfolio composition is subject to change any time without notice as permitted by the Fund's offering and governing documents, as may be supplemented and amended. Figures shown are unaudited and are rounded and therefore totals may not sum.

Message from the Chief Investment Officer

We embed conservatism or a margin for safety within our investment portfolio. We do this by focusing on senior secured term loans, meaning no-one can get paid before we do. And we maintain a significant equity cushion beneath our investment, with the average loan-to-valuation ratio of our portfolio at just 42%.

Performing Since Inception

We are pleased that the US Private Credit Fund has delivered its target distribution return of 9% net of fees and pre-FX since inception. It is delivering on its objective of providing a diversified, low-volatility income stream for investors.

\$166.5m

La Trobe US Private Credit Fund – AUM

\$10.0024

NAV Unit Price –ex-basis
(30 June 2024)

\$0.075554

Monthly Distribution per Unit
(30 June 2024)*

9.08%

Annualised Distribution Yield*^

Outlook

We have been delighted with the interest and uptake in our US Private Credit Fund since inception. At the time of writing, we have over \$190 million in AUM. We were pleased to launch our Class B (Retail) offering to market from 1 July 2024, providing everyday Australian investors the opportunity to invest into the strategy. We are receiving strong monthly inflows which we expect to continue as the product is made available on more investment platforms and external ratings are received.

We will be launching more strategies in financial year 2025 and look forward to building out a platform of high-quality investment offerings for our investors.

We thank you for your interest and your investment with La Trobe Financial

Yours sincerely,



Chris Paton

Chief Investment Officer

Melbourne

17 September 2024

* Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance

^ The Annualised distribution rate is calculated by dividing the declared distribution per unit at the end of the month, by the start of month NAV unit price and annualising it over 12 monthly periods.

Directors' Report

The Directors of La Trobe Financial Asset Management Limited (**La Trobe Financial**) as Responsible Entity for the La Trobe US Private Credit Fund (the **Fund**) present this report together with the financial statements of the Fund for the period from 30 October 2023, being the date of execution of the La Trobe US Private Credit Fund Constitution, to 30 June 2024 (the **period**), and auditor's report.

The Fund

The Fund is a managed investment scheme which was registered with the Australian Securities & Investments Commission (**ASIC**) on 21 May 2024 for the purposes of Part 5C.1 of the *Corporations Act 2001*.

During the period, the Fund received application monies from Class A investors (**Wholesale Investors**) pursuant to the terms of the Information Memorandum (**IM**) for Class A units. The first allotment of Class A units to Wholesale Investors occurred on 1 December 2023.

Following the issuance of the Fund's Product Disclosure Statement (**PDS**) on 19 June 2024, the Fund became open to applications from Class B investors (Retail Investors) for Class B units. The first allotment of Class B units to Retail Investors occurred on 1 July 2024.

The Responsible Entity

La Trobe Financial is the Responsible Entity for the Fund which operates under an Australian Financial Services Licence (**AFSL**) (AFSL No. 222213) and an Australian Credit Licence (**ACL**) (ACL No. 222213). The Responsible Entity is a wholly-owned subsidiary of La Trobe Financial Pty Limited.

The Compliance Committee of La Trobe Financial, comprising a majority of Members who are independent, was formed in accordance with Part 5C.5 of the *Corporations Act 2001*. The Compliance Committee's primary focus is to ensure compliance with the licensing and regulatory obligations of the Responsible Entity. The following persons were Members of the Compliance Committee from the date that the Fund was registered as a managed investment scheme and up to the date of this Directors' Report:

Independent Compliance Committee Members

Mr J Marriott, Chairman
Mr G Parlevliet

Executive Compliance Committee Members

Mr C Paton

The following persons were Directors of La Trobe Financial during the period and up to the date of this report:

Mr C Andrews
Mr M Barry
Mr R Donohoue
Mr C Paton

The Investment Manager

The Investment Manager for the Fund is La Trobe Financial Services Pty Limited (**the Investment Manager**), which is a related company of La Trobe Financial and is contracted on normal commercial terms and conditions. No fees are charged by the Investment Manager to the Fund, rather payable by La Trobe Financial and disclosed in Note 16.

The Custodian

The custodian for the Fund is Perpetual Corporate Trust Limited (**the Custodian**), appointed by La Trobe Financial, in its capacity as Responsible Entity for the Fund.

Principal activities

The principal activity of the Fund is the investment of investors' funds into a defensive portfolio of directly originated, senior secured loan assets issued to US middle market companies, owned by some of the world's largest private equity firms, in accordance with the PDS and Fund Constitution.

The Fund seeks to deliver a competitive risk adjusted annualised yield with distributions paid monthly.

The Fund invests the majority of investor's funds indirectly in US middle market private credit, via LGAM US Private Credit Feeder Fund (the **Intermediate Fund**) into LGAM Private Credit LLC (the **Underlying Fund**), an entity advised by MS Capital Partners Adviser Inc (**Morgan Stanley**). The balance of the assets of the Fund is invested in cash and cash-like instruments.

The Underlying Fund is regulated as a business development company under the *Investment Company Act of 1940* (US). The ultimate investments of the Fund are held by the Underlying Fund.

Directors' Report

Significant changes in state of affairs

Other than the acceptance of applications into the Fund by Retail Investors from 1 July 2024, in the opinion of the Directors, there were no significant changes in the state of affairs of the Fund.

Review and results of operations

Profit

The profit before finance costs attributable to unitholders for the period amounted to \$7,896,000, as summarised below.

	30 October 2023 to 30 June 2024 \$'000
Income	8,620
Expenses	724
Profit before finance costs attributable to unitholders for the period	7,896

Distributions

During the period, the Responsible Entity made monthly distributions to Wholesale Investors, as follows:

Month	Distribution (dollars per unit)	Annualised distribution yield**	Distribution paid to investors \$'000
December 2023	0.072582	8.71%	934
January 2024	0.075150	9.06%	1,004
February 2024	0.076069	9.15%	1,080
March 2024	0.076436	9.18%	1,127
April 2024	0.075984	9.11%	1,173
May 2024	0.075086	9.01%	1,205
June 2024	0.075554	9.08%	1,258
Total			7,781

* The annualised distribution rate is calculated by dividing the declared distribution per unit at the end of the month, by the start of month Net Asset Value (NAV)/ unit price and annualising it over 12 monthly periods.

^ Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance.

The distribution yield paid to Wholesale Investors each month is consistent with the annualised target yield of 9.00% per annum, before adjusting for foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations. The ability of the Responsible Entity to make distributions is primarily influenced by the performance of the Underlying Fund and the ability of the Underlying Fund to make distributions to the Fund.

Net Assets

The Net Assets of the Fund at 30 June 2024 was \$166,577,000.

Redemption prices

The redemption price of the Fund (ex-distribution) for Wholesale Investors, Class A units at 30 June 2024 was \$10.0024.

The applications and redemptions applicable to Wholesale Investors and Class A units during the period were as follows:

	30 October 2023 balance \$'000	Applications \$'000	Redemptions \$'000	30 June 2024 balance \$'000
La Trobe US Private Credit Fund	-	166,482	-	166,482

Directors' Report

Indirect cost ratio

The Indirect Cost Ratio (ICR) is a measure of the annual ongoing management fees of the Fund, measured against average funds under management for the year. The calculation of the ICR is on an accruals basis, including management fees charged by La Trobe Financial in its capacity as Responsible Entity and other similar expenses.

This ICR calculation represents total fees incurred on 'funds under management' (FUM). FUM is the monthly average net assets under management for the period. The below ICR calculation applies to Class A units which were the only class of units in existence during the period ending 30 June 2024.

	30 October 2023 to 30 June 2024 \$'000
Total ICR related expenses	724
Average ex-Net Asset Value	147,420
ICR (annualised)	0.83%

Units in the Fund

The movement in units on issue in the Fund during the period 30 October 2023 to 30 June 2024, is disclosed in Note 6 of the financial statements.

The value of the Fund's assets and liabilities is disclosed in the Balance Sheet and derived based on the accounting policies set out in Note 3 of the financial statements.

Events subsequent to balance date

As noted, other than the Fund now accepting Retail Investors from 1 July 2024, no other matter or circumstance has arisen since 30 June 2024 that has significantly affected, or may significantly affect:

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

Environmental regulations

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

Likely developments and expected results of operations

The Fund will continue to be managed in accordance with the investment objectives and guidelines as set out in the governing documents of the Fund and in accordance with the provisions of the Fund Constitution.

Further information on likely developments in the operation of the Fund and the expected results of those operations have not been included in this report because the Directors believe that disclosure would likely result in unreasonable commercial prejudice to future economic opportunities for the Fund.

Related party transactions

Fees paid to La Trobe Financial or its associates out of Fund property during the period are disclosed in Note 16 to the financial statements. Interests in the Fund held by La Trobe Financial or by its directors or related parties during the period are disclosed in Note 17 to the financial statements.

No fees were paid out of the Fund to the directors of La Trobe Financial during the period.

Indemnification and insurance of officers and auditors

No insurance premiums are paid for out of the assets of the Fund in regards to insurance cover provided to either the officers of the Responsible Entity or the auditor of the Fund. So long as the officers of the Responsible Entity act in accordance with the Fund Constitution and the law, the officers remain indemnified out of the assets of the Fund against losses incurred while acting on behalf of the Fund. The auditors of the Fund are in no way indemnified out of the assets of the Fund.

Directors' Report

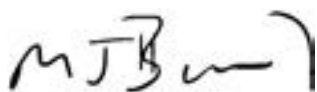
Rounding of amounts

The Fund is of a kind referred to in ASIC *Corporations Instrument 2016/191*, relating to the "rounding off" of amounts. Amounts in the Directors' Report and financial statements have been rounded off in accordance with that Instrument to the nearest thousand dollars, or in certain cases, to the nearest dollar.

Auditor

Ernst & Young (EY) was the auditor for the period. The Auditor's Independence Declaration is set out on the following page and forms part of the Directors' Report.

This report is made in accordance with a resolution of the Directors of La Trobe Financial Asset Management Limited.



Martin Barry

Chief Financial Officer & Director
La Trobe Financial Asset Management Limited
Fund Responsible Entity

Melbourne
17 September 2024

Auditor's Independence Declaration



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Auditor's independence declaration to the directors of La Trobe Financial Asset Management Limited as Responsible Entity for La Trobe US Private Credit Fund

As lead auditor for the audit of the financial report of La Trobe US Private Credit Fund for the period 30 October 2023 to 30 June 2024, I declare to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been:

- a. No contraventions of the auditor independence requirements of the *Corporations Act 2001* in relation to the audit;
- b. No contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit; and
- c. No non-audit services provided that contravene any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Ernst & Young'.

Ernst & Young

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'John MacDonald'.

John MacDonald
Partner
17 September 2024

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Balance Sheet

As at 30 June 2024

	Note	30 June 2024 \$'000
Assets		
Cash and cash equivalents	8	258
Receivables	9	1,895
Financial assets	10	167,512
Total assets		169,665
Liabilities		
Distribution payable	12	1,258
Payables	13	644
Financial liabilities	11	1,186
Total liabilities (excluding net assets attributable to unitholders)		3,088
Net assets attributable to unitholders - Liability	6	166,577

The above Balance Sheet should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Income Statement

For the period 30 October 2023 to 30 June 2024

	Note	Period from 30 October 2023 to 30 June 2024 \$'000
Investment income		
Distribution income		8,521
Gains on financial assets	7	91
Interest income		8
Total revenue		8,620
Expenses		
Management fees		651
Foreign currency management agency fees		31
Remuneration of auditors	19	28
Other operating expenses		14
Total operating expenses		724
Net operating profit		7,896
Financing costs		
Net operating profit attributable to unitholders		7,896
Increase in net assets attributable to unitholders	6	(95)
Distribution paid and payable	12	(7,781)
Withholding tax expense		(20)
Other comprehensive income		-
Total comprehensive income for the period		-

The above Income Statement should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Statement of Equity Adjustments

For the period 30 October 2023 to 30 June 2024

	Period from 30 October 2023 to 30 June 2024 \$'000
Total comprehensive income for the period	-
Direct equity adjustments	-
Total comprehensive income plus direct equity adjustments	-

The above Statement Of Equity Adjustments should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Statement Of Changes In Equity

For the period 30 October 2023 to 30 June 2024

	Period from 30 October 2023 to 30 June 2024 \$'000
Total equity	
- at the start of the period	-
- profit plus direct equity adjustments	-
- transactions with owners	-
Total equity at the end of the period	-

Under Accounting Standards, net assets attributable to unitholders are classified as a liability rather than equity. As a result, there was no equity at the start or end of the period.

The above Statement of Changes in Equity should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Cash Flow Statement

For the period 30 October 2023 to 30 June 2024

	Note	Period from 30 October 2023 to 30 June 2024 \$'000
Cash flows from operating activities		
Purchase of financial assets		(166,232)
Distributions received		6,630
Interest received		6
Management fees paid to the Responsible Entity		(46)
Payment of other expenses		(56)
Net cash outflow from operating activities	18	(159,698)
Cash flows from financing activities		
Proceeds from applications by unitholders		166,482
Payment for redemptions by unitholders		-
Distributions paid to unitholders		(6,523)
Net cash inflow from financing activities		159,959
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		261
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the period		-
Effects of foreign currency exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents		(3)
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period	8	258

The above Cash Flow Statement should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Notes to the Financial Statements

Note 1 – General information

These financial statements cover the La Trobe US Private Credit Fund (the **Fund**), as an individual reporting entity.

The Fund is domiciled and registered in Australia and these financial statements are presented in Australian dollars, which is the Fund's functional currency. The Responsible Entity of the Fund is La Trobe Financial Asset Management Limited (La Trobe Financial). The registered office of La Trobe Financial is Level 25, 333 Collins Street, Melbourne, Victoria, Australia 3000. The Investment Manager for the Fund is La Trobe Financial Services Pty Limited.

A description of the nature of the Fund's operations and its principal activities is included in the Directors' Report which is not part of these financial statements.

Note 2 – Basis of preparation

This is a general purpose financial report that has been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards, other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board (**AASB**), Australian Accounting Interpretations and the *Corporations Act 2001*. La Trobe US Private Credit Fund is a for-profit unit fund 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. Assets and liabilities have been presented in order of liquidity, providing reliable and more relevant information, due to the nature of activities of the Fund. All balances are expected to be recovered or settled within twelve months, except for financial assets at fair value through profit or loss and net assets attributable to unitholders.

The Fund manages financial assets based on the economic circumstances at any given point in time, as well as to meet any liquidity requirements.

Net assets attributable to unitholders are redeemed on demand at the unitholders' discretion, subject to the terms of the Fund Constitution.

These financial statements have been prepared using 'plain English' phrases in lieu of AASB terminology and a separate Income Statement retained as permitted by AASB 101 *Presentation of Financial Statements* in order to improve the transparency of the Financial Report. Key 'plain English' phrases and their equivalent AASB terminology are as follows:

Phrase	AASB Terminology
Balance Sheet	Statement of financial position
Statement of equity adjustments	Statement of comprehensive income
Cash flow statement	Statement of cash flows
Direct equity adjustments	Other comprehensive income
Profit plus direct equity adjustments	Total comprehensive income
Key Executives	Key management personnel

Compliance with Australian and International Accounting Standards

The financial statements of the Fund comply with applicable Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board (**AASB**) and International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (**IASB**).

Rounding of amounts

The Fund is of a kind referred to in Australian Securities and Investments Commission (**ASIC**) *Corporations Instrument 2016/191* and in accordance with that Instrument, amounts in the financial statements have been rounded to the nearest thousand dollars, or in certain cases, to the nearest dollar.

Note 3 – Summary of material accounting policies

The principal accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below.

1. Financial assets and liabilities

a) Classification

Financial Assets

The Fund classifies its investments based on its business model for managing those financial assets and the contractual cash flow characteristics of the financial assets. The Fund's portfolio of financial assets is managed and its performance is evaluated on a fair value basis. The Fund uses readily available fair value information to assess the performance of the Fund and determine the monthly NAV/unit, which is reported to unitholders, and used as a basis for determining the issue and redemption price for units. The Responsible Entity evaluates information about the Fund's financial assets on a fair value basis together with other related financial information, such as distribution yield paid to unitholders.

Financial Liabilities

Forward currency contracts that have a negative fair value are presented as liabilities at fair value with movements being reflected through the profit or loss.

b) Recognition / derecognition

The Fund recognises financial assets and financial liabilities on the date it becomes party to the contractual agreement (trade date) and recognises changes in the fair value of the financial assets or financial liabilities from this date.

Investments are derecognised when the right to receive cash flows from the investments have expired or have been transferred and the Fund has transferred substantially all of the risks and rewards of ownership.

c) Measurement

At initial recognition, the Fund measures financial assets and financial liabilities at fair value. Transaction costs of financial assets and financial liabilities carried at fair value are expensed in the Income Statement.

Subsequent to initial recognition, all financial assets and financial liabilities are measured at fair value. Gains and losses arising from changes in the fair value of the financial assets or financial liabilities are presented in the Income Statement within 'gains/(losses) on financial assets' in the period in which they arise.

For further details on how the fair values of financial instruments are determined, please see Note 15 to the financial statements.

1.1 Cash and cash equivalents

For the purpose of presentation in the statement 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 from the date of acquisition that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value, and may include bank overdrafts.

Payments and receipts relating to the purchase and sale of financial assets are classified as cash flows from operating activities, as movements in the fair value of these investments represents an income generating activity for the Fund.

1.2 Receivables

Receivables may include interest income and distributions. Distributions are accrued when the right to receive payment is established. Interest is accrued at the end of each reporting period from the time of the last payment. Amounts are generally received within 30 days of being recorded as receivables.

1.3 Payables

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

1.4 Net assets attributable to unitholders

Units are redeemable at the unitholder's option subject to the terms of the Fund Constitution. The units are classified as financial liabilities as the Fund has, or will have, more than one class of units. A unitholder can request to redeem units for cash based on the redemption price, which is equal to a proportionate share of the Fund's net asset value. The units are carried at the redemption amount that is payable at the end of the reporting period if the unitholders were to exercise their right to redeem the units in the Fund.

1.5 Forward foreign currency contracts

The Fund may enter into forward foreign currency contracts to manage its exposure to foreign currency risks. Forward foreign currency contracts are used for hedging financial risks as part of the Responsible Entity's approach to risk management. They are not entered into for speculative purposes.

In accordance with AASB 9, forward foreign currency contracts are classified as such where its value will change in response to an underlying variable (e.g. market interest rate, change in FX spot rates). Under AASB 9, the Fund will classify and disclose a derivative transaction by considering the following:

i) Initial recognition

A derivative asset or liability is recognised at fair value on the Fund's Balance Sheet. The fair value is determined based on quoted prices in an active, liquid market. For certain complex, or illiquid derivative instruments, it may be necessary to use projections, estimates and models to determine fair value.

ii) Measurement

Gains or losses arising from the movement in the fair value of the derivative financial asset or liability will be recorded through the Income Statement.

1.6 Distribution payable to unitholders

Distributions are payable as set out in the Fund's Information Memorandum and the Fund Constitution. Such distributions are recognised as payable when they are determined by the Responsible Entity of the Fund.

Unitholders will be taxed on the income attributed to them by the Responsible Entity. In accordance with the Fund Constitution, the Fund fully distributes any attributable income to unitholders by cash or reinvestment. Attributable income is determined by reference to the taxable income of the Fund.

2. Applications and redemptions

Applications received for units in the Fund are recorded net of any application fees payable prior to the issue of units in the Fund. Redemptions from the Fund are recorded gross of any exit fees payable after the cancellation of units redeemed. There are no application or exit fees applicable for the period ended 30 June 2024.

3. Gains or losses arising from Investment income

Distribution income from financial assets is recognised in the Income Statement within distribution income when the Fund's right to receive payments is established, on the applicable ex-date.

Interest income from financial assets at amortised cost is recognised on a time-proportionate basis using the effective interest method and includes interest from cash and cash equivalents.

4. Expenses

All expenses, including management fees, professional fees and foreign currency management agency fees, are recognised in profit or loss on an accruals basis. Any contributions to the hedging reserve, represents payments made by the Fund to the hedging reserve bank account maintained by the Responsible Entity, which is used by the Responsible Entity to assist with meeting the costs of the Fund's hedging arrangements.

5. Income tax

Under current legislation, the Fund is not subject to income tax provided it:

- manages the Fund so that unitholders are presently entitled to all of the income of the Fund each year; or
- attributes the entirety of its taxable income to its unitholders, and unitholders receive distributed amounts on account of those amounts so attributed.

In accordance with legislative requirements, the Responsible Entity may withhold tax from a unitholder's distributions if no Australian Business Number (ABN) or Tax File Number (TFN) is provided.

6. Goods and Services Tax

The GST paid on the costs of various services provided to the Fund, such as Responsible Entity fees (referred to as management fees), has been passed onto the Fund. Management fees have been recognised in the Income Statement net of the amount of GST recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office (ATO). GST recoverable from the ATO at reporting date is included in receivables in the Balance Sheet. Cash flows relating to GST are included in the Statement of Cash Flows on a gross basis.

7. Foreign currency translation

a) Functional and presentation currency

Items included in the Fund's 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 Fund competes for investor application monies and is regulated. The Australian dollar is also the Fund's presentation currency.

b) 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 balance date exchange rates of monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are recognised in the Income Statement.

Non-monetary items that are measured at fair value in a foreign currency are translated using the exchange rates at the date when fair value was determined. Translation differences on assets and liabilities carried at fair value are reported in the Income Statement on a net basis within 'gains/(losses) on financial assets' in the period in which they arise.

8. Use of estimates

The Fund makes estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year. Estimates are continually evaluated and based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. For more information on how fair value is calculated please see Note 15 to the financial statements.

Note 4 – Impact of new accounting standards

New standards, amendments and interpretations effective after 1 July 2024

IFRS 18 *Presentation and Disclosure in Financial Statements* (effective for annual reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2027).

IFRS 18 introduces several new requirements that will impact the presentation and disclosure of the Fund. These include:

- the requirement to classify all income and expense into three defined categories - operating, investing and financing - to improve the structure of the income statement, and requires all entities to provide new defined subtotals, including operating profit. The improved structure and new subtotals will give investors a consistent starting point for analysing performance and make it easier to compare entities.
- enhanced guidance on the aggregation, location and labelling of items across the primary financial statements and the notes.
- mandatory disclosures about management-defined performance measures.

IFRS 18 has not been early adopted in preparing these financial statements, and is not expected to have a material impact on the Fund with respect to future reporting periods and on foreseeable future transactions.

Note 5 – Critical accounting estimates and judgements

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts in the financial statements. Management continually evaluates its judgements and estimates in relation to assets, liabilities, contingent liabilities, revenue and expenses. Management bases its judgements, estimates and assumptions on various factors, including expectations of future events, which management believes to be reasonable under the circumstances.

Areas of judgement include the fair value measurement of financial assets and liabilities.

Please refer to Note 15 for further information in relation to the areas of judgement applied.

Note 6 – Net assets attributable to unitholders

	Period from 30 October 2023 to 30 June 2024 Units	Period from 30 October 2023 to 30 June 2024 \$'000
Wholesale Investors (launch date 1 December 2023)		
Opening balance	-	-
Applications during the period	16,653,291	166,482
Redemptions during the period	-	-
Increase in net assets attributable to unitholders	-	95
Closing balance	16,653,291	166,577

Capital risk management

In accordance with the provisions of the Fund Constitution, each Class A unit represents a right to an individual share in the Fund and does not extend to a right to the underlying assets of the Fund. As at 30 June 2024, there was only one class of units issued being Class A.

Monthly applications and quarterly redemptions are reviewed relative to the liquidity of the Fund's underlying assets on a monthly basis by the Responsible Entity. In accordance with the provisions of the Fund Constitution, the Responsible Entity has the discretion to reject an application for units and to defer or adjust a redemption of units if the exercise of such discretion is in the best interests of all unitholders.

The Fund considers its net assets attributable to unitholders as capital, notwithstanding net assets attributable to unitholders are classified as a liability. The amount of net assets attributable to unitholders can change as the Fund is subject to monthly applications and quarterly redemptions.

Note 7 – Gains/(losses) on financial assets

	Period from 30 October 2023 to 30 June 2024 \$'000
Financial assets	
Gains on financial assets at fair value	841
Forward foreign currency contracts	
(Losses) on forward foreign currency contracts	(750)
Gains on financial assets at fair value	91

Note 8 – Cash and cash equivalents

	2024 \$'000
Cash at bank	258

All cash is held with major Australian banks, which are subject to supervision by the Australian Prudential Regulation Authority (APRA).

Note 9 – Receivables

	2024 \$'000
Distribution receivable	1,879
Other receivables	16
Total	1,895

Note 10 – Financial assets

	2024 \$'000
Units held in the LGAM Private Credit Feeder Fund	167,073
Forward foreign currency contracts	439
Total	167,512

Refer to Note 15 for further information on fair value measurement.

Note 11 – Financial liabilities

	2024 \$'000
Forward foreign currency contracts	1,186
Total	1,186

Refer to Note 15 for further information on fair value measurement.

Note 12 – Distributions paid and payable

Distributions paid and payable during the period were as follows:

Class A units

Monthly distributions were as follows:

Month	Distribution (dollars per unit)	Total distribution (\$'000)
December 2023	0.072582	934
January 2024	0.075150	1,004
February 2024	0.076069	1,080
March 2024	0.076436	1,127
April 2024	0.075984	1,173
May 2024	0.075086	1,205
June 2024	0.075554	1,258
Total		7,781

The June 2024 distribution payable of \$1,258,000 was paid to investors on 5 July 2024.

Note 13 – Payables

	2024 \$'000
Management fee payable	604
Other expenses payable	40
Total	644

In relation to Class A units, the management fee is calculated monthly on the basis of 0.75% per annum of the end of month Class A Net Asset Value of the Fund for the calendar month. The above management fees payable were paid on 10 July 2024.

Note 14 – Financial Risk Management

The investment objective of the Fund is to achieve attractive risk-adjusted returns by indirectly investing in originated senior secured term loans issued to U.S. middle market companies backed by financial sponsors, via the Underlying Fund.

The Fund's activities expose it to a variety of direct financial risks: market risk (including price risk, foreign exchange risk, and interest rate risk), credit risk and liquidity risk.

The management of these risks is carried out by the Responsible Entity under policies approved by the Board of the Responsible Entity, which includes written policies covering specific areas, such as the management of foreign exchange and credit risk.

Neither the Responsible Entity, the Fund, nor their respective associates or Directors or any other person guarantees the success of the Fund, Class A units, the repayment of capital or any particular income return. Investment type products are subject to investment risk, including possible loss of capital invested.

All investments present a risk of loss of capital. The maximum loss of capital is limited to the value of the investments held.

The Fund's overall risk management program focuses on ensuring compliance with the Fund's Information Memorandum (for Wholesale Investors) and/or Product Disclosure Statement (for Retail Investors) and complying with the respective risk management policies. It also seeks to minimise loss of capital invested and maximise the income return for investors, for the level of risk to which the Fund is exposed, noting that there is no public market for either Class A and/or Class B units.

The Fund's policy allows it to use forward foreign currency contracts to mitigate foreign exchange risk.

The Fund uses different methods to measure different types of risk to which it is exposed. These methods are explained below

(a) Market risk

(i) Price Risk

Price risk refers to the Fund's indirect investment in the Underlying Fund via the Intermediate Fund. Units are subject to the indirect risks of the Underlying Fund's investments, which predominantly are in the form of debt instruments. For example, price declines and illiquidity in the corporate debt markets adversely affect the fair value of the Underlying Fund's portfolio investments, reducing the net asset value (NAV) through increased net unrealised depreciation.

The Responsible Entity receives valuations from the Administrator of the Underlying Fund, MS Private Credit Administrative Services LLC (MS Private Credit), in the form of a NAV/unit on a monthly basis, which forms the basis of the value of the Fund's investment in units in the Intermediate Fund, as disclosed in Note 10. The Intermediate Fund invests all of its capital into the Underlying Fund.

The Underlying Fund is predominantly comprised of debt instruments which are selected, invested, and administered by MS Private Credit (affiliated with Morgan Stanley), and are not rated by any rating agency.

Therefore, investments of the Underlying Fund may result in risk and volatility or loss of principal. In the event of a default by a portfolio company on a secured loan of the Underlying Fund, the Underlying Fund will have recourse to the assets collateralising the loan. If the underlying collateral value is less than the loan amount, the Underlying Fund will suffer a loss and the NAV/unit of the Underlying Fund will be reduced. The Underlying Fund invests a portion of the Underlying Fund's capital in second lien and subordinated loans and may make loans that are unsecured, which are subject to the risk that other lenders may be directly secured by the assets of the portfolio company of the Underlying Fund.

The underlying debt instruments are valued by the Administrator using fair value and form part of the NAV/unit of the Underlying Fund. Hence, the Fund has an indirect, rather than a direct exposure to default by a portfolio company on a secured loan.

The Underlying Fund is domiciled outside of Australia. Additional risks may arise when investing overseas, including changes in foreign exchange control regulations, foreign tax legislation, regulation of debt instruments and government policy generally. Additionally, differences in accounting, legal, securities trading and settlement procedures can also impact the value of the units held in the Underlying Fund.

The duration and potential impact of adverse political developments can be unpredictable, which may give rise to increased and/or prolonged market volatility. A general market downturn as a result of political instability may adversely affect the NAV/unit of the Fund's indirect investment in the Underlying Fund, held via the investment in the Intermediate Fund.

At 30 June, the fair value of investments exposed to price risk were as follows:

	2024 \$'000
Units in LGAM Private Credit Feeder Fund	167,073

At 30 June 2024, if the NAV/unit of the Underlying Fund increased or decreased by 10% then the impact on the net assets of the Fund (all other things being equal) would be \$826,000 increase/\$826,000 decrease.

(ii) Foreign exchange risk

Foreign exchange risk arises as the value of assets denominated in other currencies will fluctuate due to changes in exchange rates.

The Fund's units and the value of the assets of the Fund are reported and quoted, in Australian dollars. The units in the Intermediate Fund (indirect investment into the Underlying Fund) is denominated in US Dollars. Currency movements relative to the Australian dollar cause changes in the value of an investor's investment and unit price.

The Responsible Entity has implemented a hedging strategy to manage all capital investments made by Australian dollar investors into the Fund and the subsequent exposures to US dollars through the acquisition of units in the Underlying Fund, via the Intermediate Fund.

Specifically, to manage volatility in this foreign currency movement, the Fund enters into forward foreign exchange contracts to sell US Dollars and buy Australian Dollars at a future point in time at an agreed rate.

The table below summarises the sensitivity of the Fund's operating profit and net assets attributable to unitholders to foreign exchange risk. This represents management's best estimate of a reasonably possible shift in the foreign exchange rates, having regard to historical volatility of those rates.

Cash flow and fair value interest rate risk

In terms of direct exposure to interest rate risk, the table below summarises the Fund's exposure, with the main direct exposure being changes in the floating interest rate on cash and cash equivalents held.

30 June 2024	Floating interest rate \$'000	Fixed interest rate \$'000	Non-interest bearing \$'000	Total \$'000
Financial assets				
Cash and cash equivalents	258	-	-	258
Receivables	-	-	1,895	1,895
Units held in the LGAM Private Credit Feeder Fund	-	-	167,073	167,073
Forward foreign currency contracts	-	-	439	439
Financial liabilities				
Forward foreign currency contracts	-	-	1,186	1,186
Distribution payable	-	-	1,258	1,258
Payables	-	-	644	644
Net exposure	258	-	166,319	166,577

Note that forward foreign currency contracts contains an interest rate differential component via its forward points, which is used to determine the forward rate.

The sensitivity analysis table below shows the direct impact of an increase/decrease of interest rates on the Fund's operating profit and net assets attributable to unitholders through changes in fair value or changes in future cash flows is \$1,000. The analysis is based on the assumption that interest rates changed by +100 basis points and -100 basis points from the 30 June 2024 rates with all other variables held constant.

Summarised sensitivity analysis

The following table summarises the sensitivity of the Fund's operating profit and net assets attributable to unitholders to direct interest rate risk, foreign exchange risk and price risk. 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 interest rates and foreign exchange rates. 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 US economy and markets. As a result, historic variations in risk variables should not be used to predict future variations in the risk variables.

Impact on operating profit / net assets attributable to unitholders:

30 June 2024	Price risk NAV/unit of the Underlying Fund		Interest rate risk		Foreign exchange risk (AUD/USD)	
	(+10%) \$'000	(-10%) \$'000	(+100bps) \$'000	(-100bps) \$'000	(+10%) \$'000	(-10%) \$'000
	826	(826)	1	(1)	442	(540)

In determining the impact of an increase/decrease in net assets attributable to unitholders arising from price risk, interest rate risk and foreign exchange risk, the Responsible Entity has considered expected future movements of the investments in order to determine a reasonably possible shift in assumptions.

With respect to interest rate risk, in addition to its direct risk, the Fund also has an indirect exposure. Specifically, the Underlying Fund's net investment income depends, in part, upon the rate at which it borrows funds and the rate at which it lends funds to counterparties. Many of the Underlying Fund's debt investments and borrowings have floating interest rates that reset on a periodic basis, and many of the investments will be subject to interest rate floors. As a result, a significant change in market interest rates will have a material effect on the Underlying Fund's net investment income.

Credit risk

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

The main concentration of credit risk, to which the Fund is exposed, arises from the Fund's indirect investment in the Underlying Fund, in which portfolio companies may be unable to repay or refinance outstanding principal on their loans at or prior to maturity.

The Fund is also exposed to direct counterparty credit risk on derivative/forward foreign currency contracts and cash and cash equivalents.

In accordance with the Fund's policy, the CIO monitors the Fund's credit position on a daily basis.

At 30 June 2024, all forward foreign currency contracts and cash and cash equivalents are held with counterparties with a Standard & Poor's credit rating of AA- or A+. Management considers the probability of default as remote, 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.

Investments

In the event of a default by a portfolio company on a secured loan of the Underlying Fund, the Underlying Fund will only have recourse to the assets collateralising the loan. Changes in the credit risk of counterparties will result in changes in the fair value of loans held within the Underlying Fund, and ultimately, in a change in fair value of the Fund's units in the LGAM Private Credit Feeder Fund.

The maximum exposure to credit risk before any credit enhancements at the end of each reporting period is the carrying amount of the financial assets.

(b) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is managed in accordance with the provisions of the Fund's Information Memorandum and Product Disclosure Statement. This may include:

- redeeming units from the Underlying Fund; and
- applying a quarterly limit on redemptions of 5% of outstanding units of each class which may involve the scaling back of redemption requests on a pro-rata basis.

(i) Maturities of non-derivative financial liabilities

The table below summarises the Fund's non-derivative financial liabilities into relevant maturity groupings based on the remaining period at the reporting date to the contractual maturity date. The amounts in the table are the contractual undiscounted cash flows. Net assets attributable to unitholders are classified as a financial liability and has been included below because units are redeemed on demand at the unitholder's discretion. However, the Board of Directors of the Responsible Entity does not envisage that the contractual maturity disclosed in the table below will be representative of the actual cash outflows.

At 30 June 2024	< 1 month \$'000	1 - 6 months \$'000	6 - 12 months \$'000	1 - 2 years \$'000
Operating liabilities				
Distribution payable to unitholders	1,258	-	-	-
Responsible entity fees payable	620	-	-	-
Other payables	-	24	-	-
Non-operating liabilities				
Net assets attributable to unitholders	166,577	-	-	-
Contractual cashflows	168,455	24	-	-

(ii) Maturities of derivative financial liabilities

The table below analyses the Fund's gross settled forward foreign currency contracts based on their contractual maturity. The Fund may, at its discretion, settle financial instruments prior to their original contractual settlement date, in accordance with its investment strategy, where permitted by the terms and conditions of the relevant instruments or contracts.

At 30 June 2024	< 1 month \$'000	1 - 6 months \$'000	6 - 12 months \$'000	1 - 2 years \$'000
Forward foreign currency contracts				
Inflows	-	348	91	-
Outflows	(2)	(353)	(831)	-

Note 15 – Fair value measurement

The Fund measures and recognises the following financial assets and liabilities at fair value through profit or loss:

- Units held in the LGAM Private Credit Feeder Fund (see Note 10)
- Forward foreign currency contracts (see Notes 10 and 11).

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

AASB 13 requires disclosure of fair value measurements by level of the following fair value hierarchy:

- quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (**level 1**),
- 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**).

Fair value in an active market (level 1)

The Fund holds no assets or liabilities that are traded in active markets, where the fair value is determined by quoted market prices.

Fair value that contains financial inputs that are observable (level 2)

Forward foreign currency contracts are used by the Fund to economically hedge against foreign currency exchange rate risks on its non-Australian dollar denominated investments. The Fund agrees to receive or deliver a fixed quantity of foreign currency for an agreed upon price on an agreed future date. Forward foreign currency contracts are valued at the prevailing forward price at the end of each reporting period.

Forward foreign currency contracts have been classified as level 2, because their fair value is derived using valuation techniques which use observable market price inputs. Even though forward points are quoted in an active and liquid market, the forward points themselves are based on interest rate differentials.

Fair value that are based on inputs that are not based on observable market data (level 3)

The fair value of the Fund's unitholding in the LGAM Private Credit Feeder Fund (**Intermediate Fund**) is derived using the Net Asset Value per unit of the Intermediate Fund, which is comprised of only one asset, being the Intermediate Fund's investment in the Underlying Fund. The Net Asset Value per Unit of the Underlying Fund is determined and published on a monthly basis by the administrator of the Underlying Fund, MS Private Credit Administrative Services LLC (**MS Private Credit**), an affiliate of Morgan Stanley.

The Underlying Fund is a private, perpetual-life Business Development Company (**BDC or Underlying Fund**), whose units are not listed for trading on a stock exchange or other securities market. The Responsible Entity has classified the Fund's indirect investment in the Underlying Fund, via the Intermediate Fund as a level 3 investment, for the following reasons:

- The Fund is the only investor in the Intermediate Fund and invests investor's funds into a US-domiciled and US-denominated fund-of-one vehicle. Some of the inputs used to determine the fair value of the Underlying Fund are not market observable and are based on assumptions.
- Debt investments are generally fair valued using discounted cash flow analysis techniques, which include discount cash flow valuation models to determine the fair value of its loans.

Recognised fair value measurements

The following table presents the Fund's financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value as at 30 June 2024.

At 30 June 2024	Level 1 \$'000	Level 2 \$'000	Level 3 \$'000	Total \$'000
Financial assets				
Units held in the LGAM Private Credit Feeder Fund	-	-	167,073	167,073
Foreign currency forward contracts	-	439	-	439
Financial liabilities				
Foreign currency forward contracts	-	1,186	-	1,186
Total of assets less liabilities	-	(747)	167,073	166,326

Movement in level 3 assets

A summary of the movement in level 3 investments, for the period ended 30 June 2024, is outlined below:

	Period to 30 June 2024 \$'000
Financial assets	
Opening	-
Investment in the Intermediate Fund	166,232
Sales of units in the Intermediate Fund	-
Gains recognised in profit or loss [^]	841
Total	167,073

[^] total includes unrealised gains recognised in profit or loss attributable to investments held at the end of, or during, the period. If a change in an unobservable input results in a different amount, this may result in a higher or lower fair value measurement.

Note 16 – Related parties

(a) Investment Manager

The contracted Investment Manager for the Fund is La Trobe Financial Services Pty Limited, which is a wholly owned subsidiary of La Trobe Financial Pty Limited.

Investment Manager remuneration

The Investment Manager does not receive any remuneration directly from the Fund. The Investment Manager is paid an investment manager service fee by La Trobe Financial out of the remuneration the Responsible Entity receives from the Fund.

(b) Responsible Entity

The Responsible Entity of the Fund appointed in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001* is La Trobe Financial Asset Management Limited, a wholly owned subsidiary of La Trobe Financial Pty Limited. The relationship between the Responsible Entity and the Fund is established by the Fund Constitution and the *Corporations Act 2001*.

Responsible Entity remuneration

The entitlements of La Trobe Financial Asset Management Limited to remuneration is set out in the Constitution of the Fund being Class A (Wholesale Investors) management fees calculated at 0.75% (exclusive of GST) per annum of the Net Asset Value of the Fund and is accrued monthly. Management fees paid and payable by the Fund to the Responsible Entity are disclosed in the Income Statement and Balance Sheet.

(c) Other related party transactions

Investment in the Fund

La Trobe Financial related entities may invest into the Fund. As at 30 June 2024, related entities held the following Class A units in the Fund:

Name of entity	Number of units held in the Fund at 30 June 2024
La Trobe Financial Investment Pty Ltd (LFAI)	11,318,939

With respect to the Class A units held in the Fund, LFAI received distributions paid and payable of \$5,520,528 for the period to 30 June 2024. LFAI's rights and obligations as an investor are the same as other investors in that class (Class A – Wholesale Investors).

All investment transactions in the Fund have been conducted on normal commercial terms and conditions as outlined in the Fund Constitution, Information Memorandum and PDS.

Details of all transactions in the Fund by the Directors of La Trobe Financial and their related entities and staff of related entities of the Responsible Entity are disclosed in Note 17.

Note 17 – Directors and Key Executives

Directors and Key Executives with authority for strategic direction and management

The following persons were the Executives with authority for planning, directing and controlling the activities of La Trobe Financial as Responsible Entity for the Fund for the period to 30 June 2024 and up to the date of this report:

- Mr C Andrews, President and Chief Executive Officer
- Mr M Barry, Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer
- Mr R Donohoue, Senior Vice President and Chief Operations and Risk Officer
- Mr C Paton, Senior Vice President and Chief Investment Officer

Pursuant to AASB 124 *Related Parties*, Independent Compliance Committee Members are not considered key management personnel and their remuneration and interests in the Fund are not required to be disclosed.

Remuneration

Executives (including executive Directors) are paid by the Investment Manager. Payments made out of the assets of the Fund to La Trobe Financial do not include any amounts attributable to the compensation of Directors and Key Executives.

Director and Key Executive interests in the Fund

Directors, Key Executives and their related entities held the following interests in the Fund (excluding LFAI which is disclosed above) for the period ending 30 June 2024:

30 June 2024	Opening balance (units)	Applications (units)	Redemptions (units)	Closing balance (units)
Mr C Andrews	-	-	-	-
Mr M Barry	-	-	-	-
Mr R Donohoue	-	5,004	-	5,004
Mr C Paton	-	1,000	-	1,000

From time to time, Directors of La Trobe Financial and staff of related entities of the Responsible Entity may invest or redeem their investment in the Fund. All transactions are strictly conducted on the same commercial terms and conditions as those entered into by other non-related Fund investors and are managed in accordance with an investment policy applicable to all Directors and staff conducting personal investments in the Fund. The Responsible Entity maintains a register of all staff-related investments at all times.

Note 18 – Reconciliation of net cash provided by operating activities

Reconciliation of net profit to net cash outflow from operating activities

	Period from 30 October 2023 to 30 June 2024 \$'000
Operating profit	7,896
Increase in financial assets and liabilities	(166,326)
Foreign exchange gains	(3)
(Increase) in distributions receivable	(1,890)
(Increase) in interest receivable	(1)
(Increase) in other receivables	(4)
Increase in management fees payable	604
Increase in accounts payable	26
Net cash outflow from operating activities	(159,698)

Note 19 – Auditor remuneration

Period from 30 October 2023 to 30 June 2024
\$

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(i) Financial report audit services:	
– Audit of the annual financial report of the Fund	39,750 [^]
(ii) Other services	
– Compliance plan audit	15,900 ^{^^}
Total fees paid/payable to auditor of the Fund by the Responsible Entity	55,650

[^] \$27,678 of this was incurred by the Fund, with the balance incurred by the Responsible Entity, out of its management fee.

^{^^} incurred by the Responsible Entity.

Note 20 – Contingencies and commitments

The Fund had no contingent liabilities or contingent assets as at 30 June 2024.

Note 21 – Events subsequent to balance date

Other than the acceptance of applications from Retail Investors into the Fund from 1 July 2024, no matter or circumstance has arisen since 30 June 2024 that has significantly affected, or may significantly affect:

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

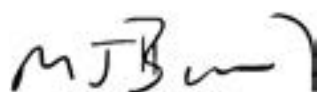
Directors' Declaration

In the opinion of the Directors of the Responsible Entity:

- (a) the financial statements and notes set out on pages 12 to 30 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;
 - (ii) giving a true and fair view of the La Trobe US Private Credit Fund's financial position as at 30 June 2024 and of its performance as represented by the results of its operations, changes in equity and its cash flows, for the period ended on that date; and
- (b) there are reasonable grounds to believe that La Trobe US Private Credit Fund will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

Note 2 to the financial statements confirms that the financial statements also comply with 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 the Responsible Entity.



Martin Barry

Chief Financial Officer & Director
La Trobe Financial Asset Management Limited
Fund Responsible Entity

Melbourne
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Independent Audit Report to the Members



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Independent auditor's report to the members of La Trobe US Private Credit Fund

Opinion

We have audited the financial report of La Trobe US Private Credit Fund (the Fund), which comprises the balance sheet as at 30 June 2024, the income statement, statement of equity adjustments, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the period then ended, notes to the financial statements, including material accounting policy information, and the declaration of the directors of La Trobe Financial Asset Management Ltd (the directors), the Responsible Entity of the Fund.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial report of the Fund is in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001*, including:

- a. Giving a true and fair view of the Fund's financial position as at 30 June 2024 and of its financial performance for the period ended on that date; and
- b. Complying with Australian Accounting Standards and the *Corporations Regulations 2001*.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. 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 Fund in accordance with the auditor independence requirements of 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 also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Information other than the financial report and auditor's report thereon

The directors of the Responsible Entity are responsible for the other information. The other information is the directors' report accompanying the financial report.

Our opinion on the financial report does not cover the other information and accordingly we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial report, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, 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.

If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

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Responsibilities of the directors for the financial report

The directors of the Responsible Entity are responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and the *Corporations Act 2001* and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, the directors are responsible for assessing the Fund's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters relating to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the directors either intend to liquidate the Fund or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial report

Our objectives are 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 the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and 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 this financial report.

As part of an audit in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- ▶ Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- ▶ Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Fund's internal control.
- ▶ Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the directors.
- ▶ Conclude on the appropriateness of the directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Fund's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial report or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Fund to cease to continue as a going concern.
- ▶ Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including the disclosures, and whether the financial report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

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We communicate with the directors regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'John MacDonald'.

John MacDonald
Partner
Melbourne
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