



APN AREIT FUND **OCTOBER 2016** 

APN's investment philosophy is focussed on generating consistent income returns by actively managing a portfolio of high yielding, Australian commercial property securities. Established in 2009, the APN AREIT Fund (the Fund) was designed with this specific mandate in mind.

The Fund is focussed on delivering a competitive yield with lower risk than the market. Underlying stocks are selected based on a highly disciplined investment approach that has been in place since 1996. The Fund provides access to a wide spread of property-based revenue streams that are specifically analysed, selected and weighted with the aim of delivering strong and sustainable income returns.

The Fund is suited to medium to long term investors seeking a relatively high monthly income and some capital growth over the long term.

## **Current running yield**

APN AREIT Fund
5.87% pa<sup>1</sup>

AREIT Index<sup>4</sup> **4.60% pa**<sup>1</sup>

#### Performance 30 September 2016

	1 month	3 months	6 months	1 year	3 years pa	5 years pa	Since inception⁵pa	Standard deviation since inception pa
APN AREIT Fund Income <sup>2</sup>	0.45%	1.36%	3.05%	7.21%	7.86%	8.73%	8.47%	
APN AREIT Fund Total return <sup>3</sup>	(3.21%)	(1.77%)	7.12%	21.40%	17.64%	19.30%	16.88%	12.21%
AREIT Index <sup>4</sup>	(4.31%)	(1.88%)	7.18%	20.88%	17.68%	19.58%	13.90%	14.62%
Over performance/ (Under perfomance)	1.10%	0.11%	(0.06%)	0.52%	(0.04%)	(0.28%)	2.98%	

- As at 30 September 2016. Current running yield is calculated daily by dividing the annualised distribution rate by the latest entry unit price. Distributions may include a capital gains component. Distributions are not guaranteed and past performance is not an indicator of future returns.
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- 3 Returns after all fees and expenses. Assumes distributions are reinvested. Investors' tax rates are not taken into account when calculating returns. Past performance is not an indicator of future performance.
- 4 S&P/ASX 300 Property Trust Accumulation Index.
- 5 Fund inception 19 January 2009.

## **Fund overview**

The APN AREIT Fund ("Fund") is a property securities fund predominantly investing in listed Australian Real Estate Investment Trusts (AREITs).

#### **Investment objectives**

The primary investment objectives of the Fund are to:

- provide a high level of distributable income by achieving a gross annual income yield (before management fees and expenses) that is equivalent to at least 110% of the average yield of the S&P/ASX 200 AREIT Dividend Yield;
- endeavour to deliver a tax advantaged income component of distributed income;
- provide a level of capital growth which at least matches increases in CPI over a 5-7 year time horizon; and
- provide lower than market volatility.

#### **Benefits**

- Income focussed.
- Distributions paid monthly.
- Access to a diversified portfolio of quality listed property securities which offer relatively high yields.
- Actively managed portfolio whereby underlying securities are valued and re-weighted.
- 100% liquidity.
- Lower than market volatility.
- Nil entry and exit fees.
- Tax advantaged income component.

#### This Fund is suited to:

- Investors seeking relatively consistent and high levels of income.
- Investors seeking tax effective income.
- SMSFs investors managing their own retirement.
- Investors wanting access to a diversified portfolio of quality AREITs.
- Medium to long term investment.

AT A GLANCE			
Type of fund	Property securities fund		
Commencement date	19 January 2009		
Fund size	\$1,222.25m as at 30 September 2016		
Investment timeframe	5 - 7 years		
Minimum investment amount	\$1,000		
Minimum additional amount	\$500 (\$100 per month with regular investment savings plan)		
Income distribution	Monthly - payable 10 days after the end of the month		
Unit pricing	Daily		
Withdrawals	Daily		
Distribution reinvestment plan	Available		
Borrowing	Nil		
Entry and exit fees	Nil		
Management costs	0.85% pa		
Buy/sell spread	0.25% buy and 0.25% sell		

#### Research ratings

- SQM Research<sup>6</sup> 4.25 Star Superior rating (September 2016)
- Zenith<sup>7</sup> Recommended rating (July 2016)
- Lonsec<sup>8</sup> Recommended rating (June 2016)
- Morningstar<sup>9</sup> Analyst Rating<sup>TM</sup> Silver (May 2015)











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# APN AREIT Fund vs S&P/ASX 300 Property Trust Accumulation Index (AREIT Index) total return since inception



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Note: \$1,000 invested since commencement in January 2009.

Top 5 AREIT holdings 30 September 2016

Stock	Sector	% of APN AREIT Fund	% of AREIT Index <sup>11</sup>
Scentre Group	Retail	23%	21%
Vicinity Centres	Retail	11%	0%
Stockland	Diversified	11%	8%
Charter Hall Retail REIT	Retail	6%	1%
Westfield Group	Office	5%	16%

11 S&P/ASX 300 Property Trust Accumulation Index.

#### Asset class allocation 30 September 2016

AREITs<sup>12</sup> 98% Cash 2%

12 Australian Real Estate Investment Trusts.

Note: Cash includes accrued income and accrued expenses. Asset allocations may change depending on market conditions and in accordance with the Fund's mandate.

### Underlying property sector allocation 30 September 2016

Retail	62%	Office	19%	
Industrial	12%	Other	7%	

#### **Availability**

AMP North, Asgard, Asgard Infinity, ASX mFund, Austchoice, Avanteos, BT Wrap, BT Wrap Essentials, CFS FirstWrap, Emerald Wrap, Freedom of Choice, Hub24, IOOF Portfolio Service, IOOF Pursuit, Lifetrack, Linear, Macquarie Wrap, MLC Wrap, Navigator, Netwealth, OnePath Oasis, Portfolio Care, Powerwrap, Praemium, SMF

## **About the Manager**

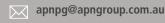
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#### **Investment team**

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Fund Analyst, Real Estate Securities









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## **Quarterly fund commentary**

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### How the AREIT Fund performed -**Quarterly ending June 2016**

The APN AREIT Fund (the Fund) provided a total return of 9.05% pa<sup>1</sup> for the guarter ended 30 June 2016, underperforming the S&P/ASX 300 Property Accumulation Index (AREIT Index) by 0.18%. Since inception (January 2009), the Fund has delivered a total return of 17.78% pa<sup>1</sup> outperforming the AREIT Index by 3.09% pa over the same period.

Over the guarter, the stocks impacting the Fund's underperformance relative to the AREIT Index were our overweight positions in underperforming stocks such as Charter Hall Retail (CQR) which was up 6.81% and Cromwell Group (CMW) which was down 0.36%, along with underweight positions in relatively stronger stocks like Dexus Property Group which was up 16.18%.

### **The Market**

The AREIT Index delivered a total return of 9.23% in Q416, underperforming the broader market (as measured by the S&P/ASX 300 Accumulation Index) which returned 3.98% over the quarter.

Over the last twelve months, the AREIT Index delivered a total return of 24.59%, outperforming the broader market by 23.72%.

The **Diversified sector** was up 10.15% over the quarter. The two main factors influencing performance were Folkestone Education Trust (FET) (up 14.10%) and Stockland (SGP) (up 13.23%).

The Office sector was up 11.51% over the quarter with Dexus Property Group (DXS) (up 16.18%) and GDI Property Group (up 7.39%) key influencers.

The **Retail sector** was up 8.32% with Scentre Group (SCG) (up 10.81%) and BWP Trust (BWP) (up 8.93%) the key factors contributing to the sub sector's performance.

The **Industrial sector** was up 8.42% over the quarter largely reflecting the performances of 360 Capital Industrial Fund (TIX) (up 8.76%) whilst Goodman Group (GMG) (up 8.41%) also contributed.

#### In the news

Key news and announcements throughout the guarter mainly included developments regarding the takeover bids from Centuria and Growthpoint (GOZ) to acquire all the shares of GPT Metro Office Fund (GMF):

- GOZ announced a takeover bid to acquire all the shares of GMF for an implied consideration of \$2.50 per GMF share. GOZ also acquired a 12.98% stake in GMF from GPT Group
- GOZ's takeover bid represents a 3.7% increase on the previous revised proposal and compares to the current Centuria proposal of \$2.46 per GMF share.
- GOZ also announced that it acquired a 12.98% stake in GMF from GPT Group for \$2.45ps in cash.

#### **BREXIT:**

■ The UK voted to end its 43 year membership of the EU sending a shockwave through global equity markets.

Australian Federal Elections:

 Australia's double-dissolution election on 2 July has delivered a narrow, and as yet unclear, outcome with neither major party yet to confirm victory.

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