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The Manager
ASX Market Announcements
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Dear Shareholders,

Please find attached Hearts and Minds Investments Limited's December Investment Update.

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For and on behalf of the board,

Tom Bloomfield Company Secretary



### **Investment Objective**

Provide a concentrated portfolio of long-only positions in 25-35 Australian and global securities based on the highest conviction ideas from respected fund managers. The Company forgoes any investment fees and instead donates to leading Australian medical research institutes.

#### **Portfolio Commentary**

Markets finished the calendar year strongly with good gains in both December and November. The strong finish resulted in outsized returns for the US markets for calendar year 2023, although those returns were concentrated in the so called Magnificent Seven stocks. For December, the S&P 500 increased 4.7%, and the Nasdaq increased 6.1%. The Australian dollar continued to strengthen increasing 3% to US\$0.681 cents which subdued the increase in the MSCI World Index in AUD which was up 1.3% in December. The HM1 portfolio performed well in December increasing 5.1% resulting in a calendar year return of 10.5% for 2023. Since inception in November 2018, the HM1 portfolio has delivered an annualised pre-tax investment return of 8.5% pa and has paid dividends totalling 46 cents per share.

In this month's update we provide an update on major portfolio moves in December and links to a series of conversations with a selection of our Core Fund Managers and medical researchers.

The Core Portfolio performed well in December led by Zillow which was up 40% due to increased real estate search activity and expectations that rates will begin to come down in the second half of next year. Block also benefited and was up 21% for the month following strong third quarter results and an improved earnings outlook.

The Conference Portfolio has got off to a solid start up 6% since inception in November. In particular, Dan Loeb's recommendation of Bath and Body Works is up 40% since purchase recovering well from its Q3 profit warning which assisted the entry price for our investment. Swire Pacific which was pitched by Tom Naughton of Prusik Investment Management is up 24% on the back of the announcement of a significant buyback that should underpin the stock at these levels. We have also enjoyed solid early gains on Webster Financial Corporation and Wise PLC.

On the negative side, our two Chinese listed stocks, China Tourism Duty Free and Miniso Group have continued to struggle down 10% and 19% respectively in December on the back of continued weakness in these sectors. We continue to have conviction in these names. We are pleased with our recent investment performance and believe the portfolio is well positioned going into 2024.

Pre-Tax NTA	\$2.91
Post-Tax NTA	\$2.94
Share Price (ASX: HM1)	\$2.41
Investment Performance p.a. (Since inception 14 Nov 2018)	8.5%
Latest Dividend (Interim paid 19 October 2023)	7cps
Fully Franked Dividend Yield <sup>1</sup>	5.6%
Cash Weighting	4%
Profits Reserve (At 30 June 2023)	67cps
Available Franking Credits <sup>2</sup> (At 30 June 2023)	56cps
Cumulative Medical Research Funding	\$43.9m

<sup>1</sup>Fully franked dividend of 13.5cps divided by share price at 31 December 2023. <sup>2</sup>Represents the level of future dividends (expressed as cents per share) that can be fully franked. All figures as at 31 December 2023 unless otherwise stated. Fund inception 14 Nov 2018. This communication has been prepared by Hearts and Minds Investments Limited (ABN 61 628 753 220). In preparing this document the investment objectives, financial situation or particular needs of an individual have not been considered. You should not rely on the opinions, advice, recommendations and other information contained in this publication alone. This publication has been prepared to provide you with general information only. It is not intended to take the place of professional advice and you should not take action on specific issues in reliance on this information. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance.



#### **HM1 Investment Performance**

Investment Performance	1 month 6 months 1 year	3 years	Since Inception		
Investment renormance	1 111011111	o months	ı yeai	per annum	per annum
HM1 Investment Performance	5.1%	3.1%	10.5%	-4.5%	8.5%
MSCI World Index (AUD)	1.3%	4.2%	21.5%	9.9%	10.3%

HM1 Investment Performance is calculated after expenses and before taxes. The comparator is the MSCI World price index in AUD. Source: Citco Fund Services and www.msci.com. Inception 14 Nov 2018.

### **Dividend History**

Divi	dend History	2021	2022	2023	2024 (Interim)
Div	idends – fully franked	12cps	13.5cps	13.5cps	7.0cps

### **Top 10 Portfolio Holdings**

Represents 49% of total portfolio holdings (in alphabetical order)

BHP

BHP

MA NYSE



Intercontinental Exchange Ltd

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ICE.NYSE

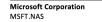






Block Inc SQ.NYSE







Formula One Group





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Guzman Y Gomez



#### **Conference Portfolio Holdings**

Represents 31% of total portfolio holdings (in alphabetical order)



AIA Insurance 1299.HKG



Miniso Group 9896.HKG



UniCredit UCG.BIT



Ashland ASH.NYSE



NexGen Energy NXG.ASX



Webster Bank WBS.NYSE Bath&BodyWorks

Bath & Body Works BBWI.NYSE



ResMed RMD.ASX

7wise

Wise WISE.LON

Games Workshop GAW.LON



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Telix Pharmaceuticals



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#### **Core Fund Managers**















#### **Conference Fund Managers**

























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