

## Bellevue Healthcare Trust Zero Discount Policy – Your Questions Answered

### 1. How exactly will this zero discount policy work?

It seeks to balance supply and demand for the Company's shares through:

- **Share buy backs:** When the Company's share price trades at a discount to its NAV we will buy back shares in the market to help align the share price with NAV.
- **Issuing shares:** When the Company's shares trade at or above NAV, we will seek to issue new shares (or sell shares from treasury) to meet demand.
- **Active market engagement:** The board will monitor market conditions, investor demand and trading activity to seek to ensure the policy is effective.

If the buyback authority from shareholders (currently 14.99% of the Company's shares can be bought back) is running low, the board will seek shareholder approval for additional share buyback authority.

### 2. As the investment trust shrinks in size due to share buybacks, what are the implications?

Because some of the Company's costs are fixed, the expense ratio (cost of running the fund as a proportion of its size) will rise slightly. The board will keep the size of the fund under review.

### 3. What if the Company's shares trade at a premium to NAV?

Should the Company's shares trade at a premium to NAV, the board will seek to issue new shares (or sell shares from treasury) to meet investor demand. This would enlarge the Company and reduce the expense ratio. Shares can only be issued (or sold from treasury) at or above NAV, to avoid economic dilution of existing shareholders.

### 4. Will you be transparent about buy backs and share issuances?

Transparency is at the heart of this policy. We will disclose buybacks and issuances as part of our regulatory announcements.

### 5. What about shareholders who wish to be invested for the long term?

This policy is designed to benefit all investors. Under the policy, shareholders will have the ability to sell at or near NAV through the year, rather than just at the annual redemption point in each year.

### 6. Have other investment trusts made zero discount policies a success?

Yes. A good example is Personal Assets Trust which has maintained a share price close to NAV for years. The key ingredients are consistent execution, transparent communication, and strong board oversight — all of which we, the board of Bellevue Healthcare Trust, are committed to.

### 7. Surely the more important task is to improve investment performance?

Yes. Investment performance is paramount and a zero discount policy is no substitute for investment returns.

The board remains committed to strong returns, since no policy can succeed without compelling investment performance, allowing shareholders the benefit from exposure to Bellevue Healthcare Trust plc's high conviction, long-only approach, unconstrained by market cap, sub sector or region.