# Eley Griffiths Group Mid Cap Fund - Class A



# **Product Disclosure Statement**

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#### About this PDS

This Product Disclosure Statement ("PDS") has been prepared and issued by Equity Trustees Limited ("Equity Trustees", "we" or "Responsible Entity") and is a summary of the significant information relating to an investment in the Eley Griffiths Group Mid Cap Fund - Class A (the "Fund"). It contains a number of references to important information (including a glossary of terms), contained in the Eley Griffiths Group Mid Cap Fund - Class A Reference Guide ("Reference Guide"), each of which forms part of this PDS. You should carefully read and consider both the information in this PDS, and the information in the Reference Guide, before making a decision about investing in the Fund.

The information provided in this PDS is general information only and does not take account of your personal objectives, financial situation or needs. You should obtain financial and taxation advice tailored to your personal circumstances and consider whether investing in the Fund is appropriate for you in light of those circumstances.

The offer to which this PDS relates is only available to persons receiving this PDS in Australia and New Zealand (electronically or otherwise). New Zealand investors must read the Eley Griffiths Group Mid Cap Fund - Class A New Zealand Investor Information Sheet before investing in the Fund. All references to dollars or "\$" in this PDS are to Australian dollars. New Zealand investors wishing to invest in the Fund should be aware that there may be different tax implications of investing in the Fund and should seek their own tax advice as necessary.

This PDS does not constitute a direct or indirect offer of securities in the US or to any US Person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act of 1933 as amended ("US Securities Act"). Equity Trustees may vary this position and offers may be accepted on merit at Equity Trustees' discretion. The units in the Fund have not been, and will not be, registered under the US Securities Act unless otherwise approved by Equity Trustees and may not be offered or sold in the US to, or for, the account of any US Person (as defined in the Reference Guide) except in a transaction that is exempt from the registration requirements of the US Securities Act and applicable US state securities laws.

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# The Reference Guide

Throughout the PDS, there are references to additional information contained in the Reference Guide. You can obtain a copy of the PDS and the Reference Guide, free of charge, by calling +61 2 8311 5175, visiting www.eleygriffithsgroup.com, emailing info@eg-group.com.au or by calling the Responsible Entity.

The information contained in the Reference Guide may change between the day you receive this PDS and the day you acquire the product. You must therefore ensure that you have read the Reference Guide current as at the date of your application.

#### **Updated** information

Information in this PDS is subject to change. We will notify you of any changes that have a material adverse impact on you or other significant events that affect the information contained in this PDS. Any information that is not materially adverse information is subject to change from time to time and may be obtained by calling +61 2 8311 5175, visiting www.eleygriffithsgroup.com, emailing info@eg-group.com.au. A paper copy of the updated information will be provided free of charge on request.

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# 1. About Equity Trustees Limited

## The Responsible Entity

#### **Equity Trustees Limited**

Equity Trustees Limited ABN 46 004 031 298 AFSL 240975, a subsidiary of EQT Holdings Limited ABN 22 607 797 615, which is a public company listed on the Australian Securities Exchange (ASX: EQT), is the Fund's responsible entity and issuer of this PDS. Established as a trustee and executorial service provider by a special Act of the Victorian Parliament in 1888, today Equity Trustees is a dynamic financial services institution which continues to grow the breadth and quality of products and services on offer.

Equity Trustees' responsibilities and obligations as the Fund's responsible entity are governed by the Fund's constitution ("Constitution"), the Corporations Act and general trust law. Equity Trustees has appointed Eley Griffiths Group Pty Limited ("EGG" or "Investment Manager") as the investment manager of the Fund. Equity Trustees has appointed a custodian to hold the assets of the Fund. The custodian has no supervisory role in relation to the operation of the Fund and is not responsible for protecting your interests.

### The Investment Manager

Founded in 2003, Eley Griffiths Group Pty Ltd ("EGG") is a Sydney based boutique investment manager specialising in Australian and New Zealand companies. EGG is the investment manager of the Eley Griffiths Group Small Companies Fund and Eley Griffiths Group Emerging Companies Fund. As well as managing these Funds, EGG manages discrete portfolios for large institutional investors. EGG is wholly owned by its staff.

# 2. How the Eley Griffiths Group Mid Cap Fund - Class A works

The Fund is a registered managed investment scheme governed by the Constitution. The Fund comprises assets which are acquired in accordance with the Fund's investment strategy. Direct investors receive units in the Fund when they invest. In general, each unit represents an equal interest in the assets of the Fund subject to liabilities; however, it does not give investors an interest in any particular asset of the Fund.

If you invest in the Fund through an IDPS (as defined in the Reference Guide) you will not become an investor in the Fund. The operator or custodian of the IDPS will be the investor entered in the Fund's register and will be the only person who is able to exercise the rights and receive the benefits of a direct investor. Your investment in the Fund through the IDPS will be governed by the terms of your IDPS. Please direct any queries and requests relating to your investment to your IDPS Operator. Unless otherwise stated, the information in the PDS applies to direct investors.

#### Applying for units

You can acquire units by completing the Application Form that accompanies this PDS. The minimum initial investment amount for

Completed Application Forms should be sent along with your identification documents (if applicable) to:

Apex Fund Services Pty Ltd ACN 118 902 891 GPO Box 4968 Sydney NSW 2001

Or sending via email to registry@apexgroup.com.

Please note that cash and cheques cannot be accepted.

We reserve the right to accept or reject applications in whole or in part at our discretion. We have the discretion to delay processing applications where we believe this to be in the best interest of the Fund's investors

The price at which units are acquired is determined in accordance with the Constitution ("Application Price"). The Application Price on a Business Day is, in general terms, equal to the Net Asset Value ("NAV") of the Fund, divided by the number of units on issue and adjusted for transaction costs ("Buy Spread"). At the date of this PDS, the Buy Spread is 0.15%.

The Application Price will vary as the market value of assets in the Fund rises or falls.

### Making additional investments

You can make additional investments into the Fund at any time by sending us your additional investment amount together with a completed Application Form. The minimum additional investment into the Fund is \$5,000.

#### Distributions

An investor's share of any distributable income is calculated in accordance with the Constitution and is generally based on the number of units held by the investor at the end of the distribution

The Fund usually distributes income annually at the end of June, however, Equity Trustees may change the distribution frequency without notice. Distributions are calculated effective the last day of each distribution period and are normally paid to investors as soon as practicable after the distribution calculation date.

Investors in the Fund can indicate a preference to have their distribution:

- reinvested back into the Fund; or
- directly credited to their AUD Australian domiciled bank account.

Investors who do not indicate a preference will have their distributions automatically reinvested. Applications for reinvestment will be taken to be received immediately prior to the next Business Day after the relevant distribution period. There is no Buy Spread on distributions that are reinvested.

In some circumstances, the Constitution may allow for an investor's withdrawal proceeds to be taken to include a component of distributable income.

Indirect Investors should review their IDPS Guide for information on how and when they receive any income distribution.

New Zealand investors can only have their distribution directly credited if an AUD Australian domiciled bank account is provided, otherwise it must be reinvested (refer to the Eley Griffiths Group Mid Cap Fund - Class A New Zealand Investor Information Sheet)

#### Access to your money

Investors in the Fund can generally withdraw their investment by completing a Withdrawal Form to withdraw from the Fund and mailing it to:

Apex Fund Services Pty Ltd ACN 118 902 891 GPO Box 4968 Sydney NSW 2001

Or sending via email to registry@apexgroup.com.

The minimum withdrawal amount is \$10,000. Once we receive and accept your withdrawal request, we may act on your instruction without further enquiry if the instruction bears your account number or investor details and your (apparent) signature(s), or your authorised signatory's (apparent) signature(s).

Equity Trustees will generally allow an investor to access their investment within 5 Business Days of acceptance of a withdrawal request by transferring the withdrawal proceeds to such investor's nominated AUD Australian domiciled bank account. However, Equity Trustees is allowed to reject withdrawal requests, and also to make payment up to 21 Business days after acceptance of a request (which may be extended in certain circumstances) as outlined in the Constitution and Reference Guide.

We reserve the right to accept or reject withdrawal requests in whole or in part at our discretion.

The price at which units are withdrawn is determined in accordance with the Constitution ("Withdrawal Price"). The Withdrawal Price on a Business Day is, in general terms, equal to the NAV of the Fund, divided by the number of units on issue and adjusted for transaction costs ("Sell Spread"). At the date of this PDS, the Sell Spread is

The Withdrawal Price will vary as the market value of assets in the Fund rises or falls.

Equity Trustees reserves the right to fully redeem your investment if your investment balance in the Fund falls below \$25,000 as a result of processing your withdrawal request. In certain circumstances, for example, when there is a freeze on withdrawals, where accepting a withdrawal is not in the best interests of investors in the Fund including due to one or more circumstances outside its control or where the Fund is not liquid (as defined in the Corporations Act), Equity Trustees can deny or suspend a withdrawal request and you may not be able to withdraw your funds in the usual processing times or at all. When the Fund is not liquid, an investor can only withdraw when Equity Trustees makes a withdrawal offer to investors in accordance with the Corporations Act. Equity Trustees is not obliged to make such offers.

If you are an Indirect Investor, you need to provide your withdrawal request directly to your IDPS Operator. The time to process a withdrawal request will depend on the particular IDPS Operator and the terms of the IDPS.

### Unit pricing discretions policy

Equity Trustees has developed a formal written policy in relation to the guidelines and relevant factors taken into account when exercising any discretion in calculating unit prices (including determining the value of the assets and liabilities). A copy of the policy and, where applicable and to the extent required, any other relevant documents in relation to the policy will be made available free of charge on request.

#### Additional information

If and when the Fund has 100 or more direct investors, it will be classified by the Corporations Act as a 'disclosing entity'. As a disclosing entity, the Fund will be subject to regular reporting and disclosure obligations. Investors would then have a right to obtain a copy, free of charge, of any of the following documents:

- the most recent annual financial report lodged with ASIC ("Annual Report");
- any subsequent half yearly financial report lodged with ASIC after the lodgement of the Annual Report; and
- any continuous disclosure notices lodged with ASIC after the Annual Report but before the date of this PDS.

Equity Trustees will comply with any continuous disclosure obligation by lodging documents with ASIC as and when required.

Copies of these documents lodged with ASIC in relation to the Fund may be obtained from ASIC through ASIC's website.

#### Further reading

You should read the important information in the Reference Guide about:

- Application cut-off times;
- Application terms;
- Authorised signatories;
- Reports;
- Withdrawal cut-off times;
- Withdrawal terms; and
- Withdrawal restrictions.

under the "Investing in the Eley Griffiths Group Mid Cap Fund -Class A", "Managing your investment" and "Withdrawing your investment" sections before making a decision. Go to the Reference Guide which available www.eleygriffithsgroup.com. The material relating to these matters may change between the time when you read this PDS and the day when you acquire the product.

# 3. Benefits of investing in the Elev Griffiths Group Mid Cap Fund -Class A

### Significant features

The Fund principally invests in the equities of Australian and New Zealand companies listed on the ASX or NZX that fall outside the S&P/ASX50 Index, and some cash. The Fund's investment objective is to outperform the 70% S&P/ASX Mid Cap 50 Accumulation Index and 30% S&P/ASX Small Ordinaries Accumulation Index over a rolling 5 year period. This investment objective is not a forecast. Returns are not quaranteed.

### Significant benefits

There are many benefits of investing in the Fund. Some of the more significant benefits include:

- the potential to generate capital growth over the medium to long term as well as income from its investment in companies listed in Australia and New Zealand
- access to the investment expertise of the Investment Manager
- active risk management (through the form of risk spreading)
- access to investment opportunities that individual investors usually cannot achieve
- managed funds can often invest for less cost than ordinary
- generally, you can add to or withdraw your investment each business day
- you have the right to receive any distributions we make from the
- a robust corporate governance structure and
- clear legal rights.

# 4. Risks of managed investment schemes

All investments carry risks. Different investment strategies may carry different levels of risk, depending on the assets acquired under the strategy. Assets with the highest long-term returns may also carry the highest level of short-term risk. The significant risks below should be considered in light of your risk profile when deciding whether to invest in the Fund. Your risk profile will vary depending on a range of factors, including your age, the investment time frame (how long you wish to invest for), your other investments or assets and your risk tolerance.

The Responsible Entity and the Investment Manager do not guarantee the liquidity of the Fund's investments, repayment of capital or any rate of return or the Fund's investment performance. The value of the Fund's investments will vary. Returns are not guaranteed, and you may lose money by investing in the Fund. The level of returns will vary and future returns may differ from past returns. Laws affecting managed investment schemes may change in the future. The structure and administration of the Fund is also subject to change.

In addition, we do not offer advice that takes into account your personal financial situation, including advice about whether the Fund is suitable for your circumstances. If you require personal financial or taxation advice, you should contact a licensed financial adviser and/or taxation adviser.

# Individual investment risk

Investments to which the Fund is exposed, like shares on a stock exchange, can (and do) fall in value for many reasons, such as changes in a company's internal operations or management, or in its business environment. The Investment Manager aims to reduce these risks with careful analysis of the companies which may impact on the Fund's investments.

#### Market risk

Certain events may have a negative effect on the price of all types of investments within a particular market. These events may include changes in economic, social, technological or political conditions, as well as market sentiment, the causes of which may include changes in governments or government policies, political unrest, wars, terrorism, pandemics and natural, nuclear and environmental disasters. The duration and potential impacts of such events can be highly unpredictable, which may give rise to increased and/or prolonged market volatility.

# Investment Manager risk

Investment managers can be wound up or liquidated, they can cease to manage the relevant fund, their investment methodology can change, they can poorly manage operational risks and their funds can perform poorly. If any of these occurred would do all things reasonably practicable to recover the value of the Fund's investments and seek a new investment manager or strategy, with a similar investment profile if thought appropriate. If the investment strategy changed significantly, you would be notified in accordance with the Corporations Act. Further, only a small number of investment professionals are responsible for managing the Fund and their personal circumstances can change.

#### Fund risk

Risks particular to the Fund include that it could terminate (for example, at a date we decide), the fees and expenses could change (although we would always give you at least 30 days' notice if fees were to increase), we could be replaced as responsible entity and our management and staff could change. There is also a risk that investing in the Fund may give different results than investing individually because of income or capital gains accrued in the Fund and the consequences of investment and withdrawal by other

#### Liquidity risk

There are circumstances under which access to your money may be delayed. Further, the level of overall market liquidity is an important factor that may contribute to the profitability of the Fund and access to your money. Illiquid markets can make it difficult to trade profitably and to realise assets in a timely fashion to meet withdrawal requests. Also, note that units in the Fund are not quoted on any stock exchange so for example you cannot sell them through a stockbroker. From time to time the investment manager may invest in unlisted companies. These will be companies intent on listing on either ASX/NZX but whose securities are presently untradeable.

#### Pandemic and other unforeseen event risk

Health crises, such as pandemic and epidemic diseases, as well as other catastrophes that interrupt the expected course of events, such as natural disasters, war or civil disturbance, acts of terrorism, power outages and other unforeseeable and external events, and the public response to or fear of such diseases or events, have and may in the future have an adverse effect on the economies and financial markets either in specific countries or worldwide and consequently on the value of the Fund's investments. Further, under such circumstances the operations, including functions such as trading and valuation, of the Investment Manager and other service providers could be reduced, delayed, suspended or otherwise disrupted.

#### Multiple unit class risk

The Fund offers separate classes of units for investment. The classes are not separate legal entities and the assets of each class will not be segregated. All of the assets of the Fund are available to meet all of its liabilities, regardless of the class to which such assets or liabilities are attributable. In practice, cross-class liability will usually only arise where any separate class becomes insolvent and is unable to meet all of its liabilities. In this case, all of the assets of the Fund attributable to other separate classes may be applied to cover the liabilities of the insolvent classes. If losses or liabilities are sustained by a class in excess of the assets attributable to such class, such excess may be apportioned to the other classes.

#### Concentration risk

Concentration of investments in the Fund (between individual investments and types of investments) may reduce the potential benefit of diversification. The potential benefit of diversification is to reduce portfolio volatility, all else equal.

#### Small and medium sized company risk

Stocks of smaller and medium companies may involve greater risk than those of larger, more established companies. This is because smaller and medium companies may be in earlier stages of development, may be dependent on a small number of products or services, may lack substantial capital reserves and/or do not have proven track records. Small cap companies may be more adversely affected by poor economic or market conditions, and may be traded in low volumes, which may increase volatility and liquidity risks.

# 5. How we invest your money

Warning: When choosing to invest in the Fund or an option of the Fund, you should consider the likely investment returns, the risks of investing and your investment time frame.

# Investment objective

The Fund's investment objective is to outperform the benchmark over a rolling 5 year period. This investment objective is not a forecast. Returns are not guaranteed.

### Benchmark

70% S&P/ASX Mid Cap 50 Accumulation Index and 30% S&P/ASX Small Ordinaries Accumulation Index

# Minimum suggested time frame

An investment horizon of at least five plus years

#### Risk level

High risk of short term loss

The Fund aims to outperform its benchmark for investments held over the minimum suggested timeframe

### Investor suitability

The Fund is generally suited for persons seeking medium to long term capital growth (5+ years) and those who can tolerate a high level of risk. You should speak with your financial advisor before investing in the Fund

# Investment style and approach

EGG's investment philosophy involves a belief in stock picking, the need for a disciplined stock selection process, rigorous risk control measures and an extensive company visitation programme.

#### Asset allocation

To achieve this investment objective, the asset allocation generally utilised by the Fund: Australian and New Zealand equities: 80 – 100% of the NAV of the Fund Cash and cash equivalents: 0 - 20% of the NAV of the Fund.

The asset allocation is only a target, actual allocations can change significantly and sometimes quickly.

# Changing the investment strategy

The investment strategy and asset allocation parameters may be changed. If a change is to be made, investors in the Fund will be notified in accordance with the Corporations Act.

## Labour, environmental, social and ethical considerations

The Fund is not designed for investors who wish to screen out particular types of companies or investments or are looking for funds that meet specific ESG goals. ESG integration does not imply that the Fund is marketed or authorised as an ESG product in Australia. EQT has delegated the investment function (including ESG responsibilities) to the Investment Manager and the Investment Manager has contemplated that 'Labour, Environmental, Social and Ethical considerations may be taken into account in relation to the investment of the fund.

The Investment Manager considers a company's management of its environmental, social, ethical and governance (ESG) risks to be important factors in its assessment of the quality, and in turn its suitability for investment. Based on publicly available data, ESG factors are ordinarily considered throughout the investment process as part of the fundamental research, investment selection and portfolio construction stages of the process. The Investment Manager conducts a semi-annual review of the portfolio risk based on the data available for such characteristics.

However, it is important to note that the Investment Manager does not have a predetermined view about how far labour standards or environmental, social or ethical considerations will be taken into account in determining which investments to make, the timeframe for monitoring or reviewing investments in light of these considerations, or what will occur and the timeframe in which it will occur if investments cease to meet any of these standards or considerations. Whilst the Investment Manager uses publicly available data to inform itself of ESG factors that may have an impact on the company's valuation and/or portfolio risk, it does not take a consistent approach when assessing such considerations during the investment process or when reviewing a portfolio and such considerations may not determine whether an investment is made or divested. As such, the Investment Manager does not apply any specific methodology to measure individual companies with respect to their ESG standing or apply any specific weighting system to ESG standards or considerations. Investment decisions are discretionary regardless of ESG considerations. Securities of companies may be purchased regardless of potential ESG impacts.

# Further reading

You should read the important information in the Reference Guide about Labour, environmental, social and ethical considerations under "4. Labour, environmental, social and ethical considerations" section before making a decision. Go to the Reference Guide which is available at www.eleygriffithsgroup.com. The material relating to these matters may change between the time when you read this PDS and the day when you acquire the product.

### Fund performance

Up to date information on the performance of the Fund will be available on the Equity Trustees website www.eqt.com.au/insto.

Past performance is not a reliable guide to future performance. Any of the above details could change at any time and without notice. Where we consider the changes are significant, we will notify you of the changes (and, where required, give you 30 days' prior notice).

# 6. Fees and costs

#### **DID YOU KNOW?**

Small differences in both investment performance and fees and costs can have a substantial impact on your long-term

For example, total annual fees and costs of 2% of your investment balance rather than 1% could reduce your final return by up to 20% over a 30-year period (for example, reduce it from \$100,000 to \$80,000).

You should consider whether features such as superior investment performance or the provision of better member services justify higher fees and costs.

You may be able to negotiate to pay lower fees. Ask the Fund or your financial adviser.

#### TO FIND OUT MORE

If you would like to find out more, or see the impact of the fees based on your own circumstances, the Australian Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC) Moneysmart website (www.moneysmart.gov.au) has a managed funds fee calculator to help you check out different fee options.

The information in the following Fees and Costs Summary can be used to compare costs between different simple managed investment schemes. Fees and costs can be paid directly from an investor's account or deducted from investment returns. For information on tax please see Section 7 of this PDS.

Fees and Costs Summary					
Eley Griffiths Group Mid Cap Fund - Class A					
Type of fee or cost	Amount	How and when paid			
Ongoing annual fee	s and costs <sup>1</sup>				
Management fees and costs The fees and costs for managing your investment <sup>2</sup>	1.05% of the NAV of the Fund <sup>3</sup>	The management fees component of management fees and costs are accrued daily and paid from the Fund monthly in arrears and reflected in the unit price. Otherwise, the fees and costs are variable and deducted and reflected in the unit price of the Fund as they are incurred.			
Performance fees Amounts deducted from your investment in relation to the performance of the product	Not applicable				
Transaction costs The costs incurred by the scheme when buying or selling assets	0.23% of the NAV of the Fund <sup>3</sup>	Transaction costs are variable and deducted from the Fund as they are incurred and reflected in the unit price. They are disclosed net of amounts recovered by the buy-sell spread.			
	ated fees and costs (f in or out of the schem	ees for services or when ne)			
Establishment fee The fee to open your investment	Not applicable	Not applicable			
Contribution fee The fee on each amount contributed to your investment	Not applicable	Not applicable			
Buy-sell spread An amount deducted from your investment representing costs incurred in	0.15% upon entry and 0.15% upon exit	These costs are an additional cost to the investor but are incorporated into the unit price and arise when investing			

scheme

transactions by the

application monies and

funding withdrawals

from the Fund and are

not separately charged

to the investor. The Buy

Spread is paid into the

Fund as part of an application and the Sell

Spread is left in the

Fund as part of a

redemption.

Eley Griffiths Group Mid Cap Fund - Class A				
Type of fee or cost	Amount	How and when paid		
Withdrawal fee The fee on each amount you take out of your investment	Not applicable	Not applicable		
Exit fee The fee to close your investment	Not applicable	Not applicable		
Switching fee The fee for changing investment options	Not applicable	Not applicable		

- All fees quoted above are inclusive of Goods and Services Tax (GST) and net of any Reduced Input Tax Credits (RITC). See below for more details as to how the relevant fees and costs are calculated.
- <sup>2</sup> The management fee component of management fees and costs can be negotiated. See "Differential fees" in the "Additional Explanation of Fees and Costs" below.
- <sup>3</sup> The indirect costs component of management fees and costs and transaction costs is based on a reasonable estimate of the costs for the current financial year to date, adjusted to reflect a 12 month period. Please see "Additional Explanation of Fees and Costs" below.

# Additional Explanation of Fees and Costs

#### Management fees and costs

The management fees and costs include amounts payable for administering and operating the Fund, investing the assets of the Fund, expenses and reimbursements in relation to the Fund and indirect costs if applicable.

Management fees and costs do not include performance fees or transaction costs, which are disclosed separately.

The management fees component of management fees and costs of 1.03% p.a. of the NAV of the Fund is payable to the Responsible Entity of the Fund for managing the assets and overseeing the operations of the Fund. The management fees component is accrued daily and paid from the Fund monthly in arrears and reflected in the unit price. As at the date of this PDS, the management fees component covers certain ordinary expenses such as Responsible Entity fees, investment management fees, custodian fees, and administration and audit fees.

The indirect costs and other expenses component of 0.00% p.a. of the NAV of the Fund may include other ordinary expenses of operating the Fund, as well as management fees and costs (if any) arising from interposed vehicles in or through which the Fund invests. The indirect costs and other expenses component is variable and reflected in the unit price of the Fund as the relevant fees and costs are incurred. They are borne by investors, but they are not paid to the Responsible Entity or Investment Manager. The indirect costs and other expenses component

is based on a reasonable estimate of the costs for the current financial year to date, adjusted to reflect a 12 month period.

In relation to the costs that have been estimated, they have been estimated on the basis of relevant information for a similar product offering in the market offered by the Investment Manager.

Actual indirect costs for the current and future years may differ. If in future there is an increase to indirect costs disclosed in this PDS, updates will be provided on Equity Trustees' website at www.eqt.com.au/insto where they are not otherwise required to be disclosed to investors under law.

#### Transaction costs

In managing the assets of the Fund, the Fund may incur transaction costs such as brokerage, buy-sell spreads in respect of the underlying investments of the Fund, settlement costs, clearing costs and applicable stamp duty when assets are bought and sold. Transaction costs also include costs incurred by interposed vehicles in which the Fund invests (if any), that would have been transaction costs if they had been incurred by the Fund itself. Transaction costs are an additional cost to the investor where they are not recovered by the Buy/Sell Spread, and are generally incurred when the assets of the Fund are changed in connection with day-to-day trading or when there are applications or withdrawals which cause net cash flows into or out of the Fund.

The Buy/Sell Spread that is disclosed in the Fees and Costs Summary is a reasonable estimate of transaction costs that the Fund will incur when buying or selling assets of the Fund. These costs are an additional cost to the investor but are incorporated into the unit price and arise when investing application monies and funding withdrawals from the Fund and are not separately charged to the investor. The Buy Spread is paid into the Fund as part of an application and the Sell Spread is left in the Fund as part of a redemption and not paid to Equity Trustees or the Investment Manager. The estimated Buy/Sell Spread is 0.15% upon entry and 0.15% upon exit. The dollar value of these costs based on an application or a withdrawal of \$25,000 is \$37.50 for each individual transaction. The Buy/Sell Spread can be altered by the Responsible Entity at any time and managers or REs web site or fact sheet will be updated as soon as practicable to reflect any change. The Responsible Entity may also waive the Buy/Sell Spread in part or in full at its discretion. The transaction costs figure in the Fees and Costs Summary is shown net of any amount recovered by the Buy/Sell Spread charged by the Responsible Entity.

Transaction costs generally arise through the day-to-day trading of the Fund's assets and are reflected in the Fund's unit price as an additional cost to the investor, as and when they are incurred.

The gross transaction costs for the Fund are 0.38% p.a. of the NAV of the Fund, which

is based on a reasonable estimate of the costs for the current financial year to date, adjusted to reflect a 12 month period.

In relation to the costs that have been estimated, they have been estimated on the basis of relevant information for a similar product offering in the market offered by the Investment Manager.

However, actual transaction costs for future years may differ.

### Can the fees change?

Yes, all fees can change without investor consent, subject to the maximum fee amounts specified in the Constitution. The current maximum management fee to which Equity Trustees is entitled is 2.00% of the GAV of the Fund. However, Equity Trustees does not intend to charge that amount and will generally provide investors with at least 30 days' notice of any proposed increase to the management fees component of management fees and costs. In most circumstances, the Constitution defines the maximum level that can be charged for fees described in this PDS. Equity Trustees also has the right to recover all reasonable expenses incurred in relation to the proper performance of its duties in managing the Fund and as such these expenses may increase or decrease accordingly, without

#### Payments to IDPS Operators

Subject to the law, annual payments may be made to some IDPS Operators because they offer the Fund on their investment menus. Product access is paid by the Investment Manager out of its investment management fee and is not an additional cost to the investor.

# Differential fees

The Investment Manager may from time to time negotiate a different fee arrangement (by way of a rebate or waiver of fees) with certain investors who are Wholesale Clients. Please contact the Investment Manager on +61 2 8311 5175 for further information.

# Example of annual fees and costs for an investment option

This table gives an example of how the ongoing annual fees and costs in the investment option for this product can affect your investment over a 1-year period. You should use this table to compare this product with other products offered by managed investment schemes.

EXAMPLE – Eley Griffiths Group Mid Cap Fund - Class A	
BALANCE OF \$50,000 WITH A CONTRIBUTION OF \$5,000 DURING THE YEAR	

BORING THE TEAR			
Contribution Fees	Nil	For every additional \$5,000 you put in, you will be charged \$0	
Plus Management fees and costs	1.05% p.a.	And, for every \$50,000 you have in the Eley Griffiths Group Mid Cap Fund - Class A you will be charged or have deducted from your investment \$525 each year	
Plus Performance fees	Not applicable	And, you will be charged or have deducted from your investment \$0 in performance fees each year	
Plus Transaction costs	0.23% p.a.	And, you will be charged or have deducted from your investment \$115 in transaction costs	
Equals Cost of Eley Griffiths Group Mid Cap Fund - Class A		If you had an investment of \$50,000 at the beginning of the year and you put in an additional \$5,000 during that year, you would be charged fees and costs of: \$640*  What it costs you will depend on the investment option you choose and the fees you negotiate.	

<sup>\*</sup> Additional fees may apply. Please note that this example does not capture all the fees and costs that may apply to you such as the Buy/Sell Spread.

This example assumes the \$5,000 contribution occurs at the end of the first year, therefore the fees and costs are calculated using the \$50,000 balance only.

Warning: If you have consulted a financial adviser, you may pay additional fees. You should refer to the Statement of Advice or Financial Services Guide provided by your financial adviser in which details of the fees are set out.

ASIC provides a fee calculator on www.moneysmart.gov.au, which you may use to calculate the effects of fees and costs on account balances.

The indirect costs and other expenses component of management fees and costs and transaction costs may also be based on estimates. As a result, the total fees and costs that you are charged may differ from the figures shown in the table.

#### Further reading

You should read the important information in the Reference Guide about fees and costs under the "Fees and other costs" section before making a decision. Go to the Reference Guide which is available at www.eleygriffithsgroup.com. The material relating to these matters may change between the time when you read this PDS and the day when you acquire the product.

# 7. How managed investment schemes are taxed

Warning: Investing in a registered managed investment scheme (such as the Fund) is likely to have tax consequences. You are strongly advised to seek your own professional tax advice about the applicable Australian tax (including income tax, GST and duty) consequences and, if appropriate, foreign tax consequences which may apply to you based on your particular circumstances before investing in the Fund.

The Fund is an Australian resident for tax purposes and does not generally pay tax on behalf of its investors. Australian resident investors are assessed for tax on any income and capital gains generated by the Fund to which they become presently entitled or, where the Fund has made a choice to be an Attribution Managed Investment Trust ("AMIT") and the choice is effective for the income vear, are attributed to them.

# Further reading

You should read the important information in the Reference Guide about Taxation under the "Other important information" section before making a decision. Go to the Reference Guide which is available at www.eleygriffithsgroup.com. The material relating to these matters may change between the time when you read this PDS and the day when you acquire the product.

# 8. How to apply

To invest please complete the Application Form accompanying this PDS, send funds (see details in the Application Form) and your completed Application Form to:

Apex Fund Services Pty Ltd ACN 118 902 891 GPO Box 4968 Sydney NSW 2001

Or sending via email to registry@apexgroup.com.

Please note that cash and cheques cannot be accepted and all applications must be made in Australian dollars.

#### Who can invest?

Eligible persons (as detailed in the 'About this PDS' section) can invest, however individual investors must be 18 years of age or over. Investors investing through an IDPS should use the application form provided by their IDPS Operator.

# Cooling off period

If you are a Retail Client who has invested directly in the Fund, you may have a right to a 'cooling off' period in relation to your investment in the Fund for 14 days from the earlier of:

- confirmation of the investment being received; and
- the end of the fifth business day after the units are issued.

A Retail Client may exercise this right by notifying Equity Trustees in writing. A Retail Client is entitled to a refund of their investment adjusted for any increase or decrease in the relevant Application Price between the time we process your application and the time we receive the notification from you, as well as any other tax and other reasonable administrative expenses and transaction costs associated with the acquisition and termination of the investment.

The right of a Retail Client to cool off does not apply in certain limited situations, such as if the issue is made under a distribution reinvestment plan, switching facility or represents additional contributions required under an existing agreement. Also, the right to cool off does not apply to you if you choose to exercise your rights or powers as a unit holder in the Fund during the 14 day period. This could include selling part of your investment or switching it to another product.

Indirect Investors should seek advice from their IDPS Operator as to whether cooling off rights apply to an investment in the Fund by the IDPS. The right to cool off in relation to the Fund is not directly available to an Indirect Investor. This is because an Indirect Investor does not acquire the rights of a unit holder in the Fund. Rather, an Indirect Investor directs the IDPS Operator to arrange for their monies to be invested in the Fund on their behalf. The terms and conditions of the IDPS Guide or similar type document will govern an Indirect Investor's investment in relation to the Fund and any rights an Indirect Investor may have in this regard.

No cooling off period applies to investments in the Funds by New Zealand Investors.

### Complaints resolution

Equity Trustees has an established complaints handling process and is committed to properly considering and resolving all complaints. If you have a complaint about your investment, please contact us on:

Phone: 1300 133 472 Post: Equity Trustees Limited GPO Box 2307, Melbourne VIC 3001 Email: compliance@eqt.com.au

We will acknowledge receipt of the complaint within 1 Business Day or as soon as possible after receiving the complaint. We will seek to resolve your complaint as soon as practicable but not more than 30 calendar days after receiving the complaint.

If you are not satisfied with our response to your complaint, you may be able to lodge a complaint with the Australian Financial Complaints Authority ("AFCA").

Contact details are: Online: www.afca.org.au Phone: 1800 931 678 Email: info@afca.org.au

Post: GPO Box 3, Melbourne VIC 3001.

The external dispute resolution body is established to assist you in resolving your complaint where you have been unable to do so with us. However, it's important that you contact us first.

# 9. Other information

# Consent

The Investment Manager and Administrator have given and, as at the date of this PDS, have not withdrawn:

their written consent to be named in this PDS as the investment manager or administrator of the Fund; and

their written consent to the inclusion of the statements made about them which are specifically attributed to them, in the form and context in which they appear.

The Investment Manager and Administrator have not otherwise been involved in the preparation of this PDS or caused or otherwise authorised the issue of this PDS. None of the Investment Manager nor their employees or officers accept any responsibility arising in any way for errors or omissions, other than those statements for which they have provided their written consent to Equity Trustees for inclusion in this PDS.

### Further reading

You should read the important information in the Reference Guide about:

- Your privacy;
- The Constitution;
- Anti-Money Laundering and Counter Terrorism Financing ("AML/CTF");
- NAV for the Fund;
- Indirect Investors;
- Information on underlying investments;
- Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act ("FATCA"); and
- Common Reporting Standard ("CRS"),

under the "Other important information" section before making a decision. Go to the Reference Guide which is available at www.eleygriffithsgroup.com. The material relating to these matters may change between the time when you read this PDS and the day when you acquire the product.