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UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16 UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the month of November 2015

PEARSON plc (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

N/A

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

80 Strand London, England WC2R 0RL 44-20-7010-2000 (Address of principal executive office)

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant files or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F:

Form 20-F X Form 40-F

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant by furnishing the information contained in this Form is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Yes No X

NOTIFICATION OF MAJOR INTEREST IN SHARES

1. Identity of the issuer or the underlying issuer of existing shares to which voting rights are attached:

Pearson plc

2. Reason for the notification (please tick the appropriate box or boxes): An acquisition or disposal of voting rights

X

An acquisition or disposal of qualifying financial instruments which may result in the acquisition of shares already issued to which voting rights are attached.

An acquisition or disposal of instruments with similar economic effect to qualifying financial instruments

An event changing the breakdown of voting rights

Other (please specify):

3. Full name of person(s) subject to the notification obligation:

Schroders plc

4. Full name of shareholder(s) (if different from 3.):

Schroder Investment Management Limited

5. Date of the transaction and date on which the threshold is crossed or

reached:

2 December 2015

6. Date on which issuer notified:

7. Threshold(s) that is/are crossed or

reached:

3 December 2015

Above 5%

8. Notified details:

A: Voting rights attached to shares

Class/type of Situation previous Resulting situation after the triggering transaction

shares to the triggering

transaction

if possible using Number Number Number of voting % of voting rights

the ISIN CODE of of Number rights

Shares Voting of shares Direct Indirect Direct Indirect

Rights

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Ordinary shares GB0006776081 Below 5% Below 5% 43,233,562 N/A 42,151,560 N/A 5.134%

B: Qualifying Financial Instruments

Resulting situation after the triggering transaction

Number of voting

Type of financial Expiration Exercise/ rights that may be % of voting instrument date Conversion Period acquired if the rights

instrument is

exercised/ converted.

N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A

C: Financial Instruments with similar economic effect to Qualifying Financial Instruments Resulting situation after the triggering transaction

Type of financial Exercise ExpirationExercise Number of voting rights of voting rights

instrument price date Conversioninstrument refers to

period

Total (A+B+C)

Number of voting rights Percentage of voting rights

42,151,560 5.134%

9. Chain of controlled undertakings through which the voting rights and/or the

financial instruments are effectively held, if applicable:

Schroder Investment Management Limited 42,151,560 5.134%

Proxy Voting:

10. Name of the proxy holder:11. Number of voting rights proxy holder will ceaseN/A

to hold:

12. Date on which proxy holder will cease to hold N/A

voting rights:

This notification is being made based on the 13. Additional information: legal entity position exceeding 5%. Schroders

Plc's position remains as per the previous disclosure. The shares referred to in section 9 are held in portfolios managed by those firms on a discretionary basis for clients under investment management agreements. This disclosure has been calculated based on issue

share capital amount 821,066,980.

14. Contact name: Chloe Talbot 15. Contact telephone number: +44 207 658 6000

Natalie Dale Assistant Company Secretary

Pearson plc 4 December 2015 **SIGNATURE** Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized. PEARSON plc Date: 04 December 2015 By: /s/ STEPHEN JONES Stephen Jones Deputy Secretary

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