PEARSON PLC Form 6-K August 21, 2018

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 August 2018

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

TR-1: Standard form for notification of major holdings

1a. Identity of the issuer or the underlying issuer of existing shares to which voting rights are attached: 1b. Please indicate if the issuer is a non-UK issuer (please mark with an "X" if appropriate) Non-UK issuer 2. Reason for the notification (please mark the appropriate box or boxes with an "X") An acquisition or disposal of voting rights An acquisition or disposal of financial instruments An event changing the breakdown of voting rights Other (please specify)iii: i. Type 1 Disclosure as per the Transparency Directive II Regulation								X X
3. Details of person subject to the notification obligationiv Name Schroders plc City and country of registered office (if applicable) 4. Full name of shareholder(s) (if different from 3.)v Name						-		
City and country of registered office (if applicable) 5. Date on which the threshold was crossed or reachedvi: 6. Date on which issuer notified (DD/MM/YYYY): 7. Total positions of person(s) subject to the notification obligation								
Resulting situation on the date on which threshold was crossed or reached Position of previous notification (if applicable)			of voting rights res (total of 8. A		% of voting rights to financial instruments(total of 8.B 1 + 8.B 2)		Total of both in % (8.A + 8.B) total	Total number of voting rights of issuervii
			392%		0.001%		13.393%	781,057,074
		13.849%			N/A		13.849%	
8. Notified details of the resulting situation on the date on which the threshold was crossed or reachedviii A: Voting rights attached to shares								
Class/type of shares ISIN code (if possible)	(Art 9 of Directive		Indirect (Art 10 of Directive 2004/109/EC) (DTR5.2.1)	% of voting rights Direct (Art 9 of Directive 2004/109/EC) (DTR5.1)		Indirect (Art 10 of Directive 2004/109/EC) (DTR5.2.1)		

104,601,668

13.392%

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GB0006776081

SUBTOTAL 8. A

104,601,668

2

B 1: Financial Instruments according to Art. 13(1)(a) of Directive 2004/109/EC (DTR5.3.1.1 (a))

Number of voting

Exercise/Conversion rights that may be Type of financial

N/A

Expirationdatex instrument

acquired if the Periodxi instrument is

% of voting rights

exercised/converted.

CFD N/A 9,050

0.001%

SUBTOTAL 8. B 9.050

0.001%

B 2: Financial Instruments with similar economic effect according to Art. 13(1)(b) of Directive 2004/109/EC (DTR5.3.1.1 (b))

Type of financial

Expirationdatex

Physical Exercise/Conversion Number of voting

% of voting rights

instrument

N/A

rights settlementxif Period xi

N/A N/A

SUBTOTAL 8.B.2

N/A

9. Information in relation to the person subject to the notification obligation (please mark the applicable box with an "X")

Person subject to the notification obligation is not controlled by any natural person or legal entity and does not control any other undertaking(s) holding directly or indirectly an interest in the (underlying) issuerxiii Full chain of controlled undertakings through which the voting rights and/or thefinancial instruments are effectively held starting with the ultimate controlling natural person or legal entityxiv (please add additional X rows as necessary)

both if it equals or % of voting rights if it equals or is % of voting rights through financial higher than the notifiable instruments if it equals or is higher than the is higher threshold notifiable threshold than the

notifiable threshold

Total of

Schroders plc

Schroder Administration

Limited

Namexv

Schroder Wealth

Holdings Limited

Schroder & Co. Limited

Schroders plc

Schroder Administration

Limited

Schroder Wealth Holdings Limited Schroders (C.I.) Limited

Schroders plc Schroder Administration Limited Schroder International Holdings Limited

Schroder Investment
Management Limited

12.933%

N/A

12.934%

10. In case of proxy voting, please identify: Name of the proxy holder The number and % of voting rights held The date until which the voting rights will be held

11. Additional informationxvi

The disclosure is being made due to a legal entity crossing below the 13% threshold.

Place of completion London, UK
Date of completion 20 August 2018

Natalie White Deputy Company Secretary Pearson plc

21 August 2018

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: 21 August 2018

By: /s/ NATALIE WHITE

Natalie White

Deputy Company Secretary