PEARSON PLC Form 6-K October 20, 2016

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 October 2016

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: NOTIFICATION OF MAJOR INTEREST IN SHARESi

1. Identity of the issuer or the underlying issuerof existing shares to which voting rights areattached: ii

2. Passon for the patification (please)

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

Silchester International Investors LLP

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

Silchester International Investors International Value Equity Taxable Trust

Silchester International Investors International Value Equity Trust

Silchester International

Investors International Value Equity **Group Trust**

Silchester International Investors Tobacco Free International Value Equity

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5. Date of the

transaction and date 19th October onwhich the threshold is 2016 crossed orreached: v

6. Date on which issuer 19th October

notified: 2016

7. Threshold(s) that

is/are crossed orreached: vi, vii Crossing above 5%

8. Notified details:

A: Voting rights attached to shares viii, ix

Resulting situation after the Situation previous to the triggering transaction triggering transaction

Class/type of shares

Number of % of voting

if possible using the ISIN shareotingrights rights x

 $Number of Shares \\ Number of Voting Rights$ **CODE** Direct Indirect xii DirectIndirect

GB0006776081 41,437,136 5.04% 40,775,547 40,775,547

B: Qualifying Financial Instruments

Resulting situation after the triggering transaction

% of Type of financialinstrument Expirationdate Exercise/Conversion Period Number of

> xiii votingrights that votingrights xiv

> > may beacquired if theinstrument

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				isexercised/ converted.		
N/A	N/A	N/A		N/A	N/A	
C: Financial Instruments with similar economic effect to Qualifying Financial Instruments xv, xvi Resulting situation after the triggering transaction Number of voting rights % of voting rights Exercise Exercise Conversion						
Type of financialinstrument	price	Expiration date xvii	period xviii	instrument refers to	XiX, XX	
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Nominal N/A	Delta N/A
Total (A+B+C) Number of voting rights 41,437,136				Percentage 5.04%		
9. Chain of controlled undertakings through which the voting rights and/or thefinancial instruments are effectively held, if applicable: xxi N/A						
Proxy Voting: 10. Name of the proxy holder: 11. Number of voting rights proxy holder will ceaseto hold: 12. Date on which proxy holder will cease to holdvoting rights:	Silchester International Investors LLP N/A N/A					
13. Additional information:	("Silchester manager f Question 4 acting for	International Investorer") acts as investment or the clients detailed above (our "Clients our Clients, Silchest discretion over their	nt d in "'). In er are			

investments and are empowered to vote on their behalf. However, we do not act as our Clients' custodian and therefore shares are not held in our

name but in the name of each Client's custodian bank.

The increase in Silchester's holdings was due to a series of transactions over a series of different trading days. The figure shown in the box related to the position prior to the transaction represents shares controlled by Silchester immediately prior to crossing 5%.

Notification is provided based on the total voting rights figure of 822,120,897.

14. Contact name: Timothy J. Linehan, Senior Partner

15. Contact telephone number: 0207 518 7125

Natalie Dale Deputy Company Secretary Pearson plc

20 October 2016

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: 20 October 2016

By: /s/ NATALIE DALE

-----Natalie Dale

Company Secretary

Deputy