PEARSON PLC Form 6-K July 21, 2017

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 July 2017

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

SUBTOTAL 8. A

1a. Identity of the issuer or the underlying issuer of existing shares to which voting rights are attachedii:  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  X								
An acquisition or disposal of finance An event changing the breakdown of Other (please specify)iii:  3. Details of person subject to the new of the subject to the subject to the new of the subject to the	of votin	ng rights		Q'' 1		1 *		
Name				Silch	Silchester International Investors			
City and country of registered office (if applicable) 4. Full name of shareholder(s) (if different from 3.)v					London, UK			
Name					No individual shareholder holds more than 5% of voting rights.			
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				N/A 20th				
7. Total positions of person(s) subj	cet to ti	ic notification of	ngation	% of voting	,			
		% of voting right shares (total of 8		rights through	Total of both in (8.A + 8.B) (total	ı %	Total number of voting rights of issuervii	
Resulting situation on the date on was threshold was crossed or reached	vhich	10.01%		Nil	10.01%		822,586,857	
Position of previous notification (if applicable)	•	5.04%		Nil	5.04%			
8. Notified details of the resulting situation on the date on which the threshold was crossed or reachedviii A: Voting rights attached to shares								
<i>5 5</i>	per of voting right	r of voting rightsix			% of voting rights			
Class/type ofshares ISIN code (if possible)	-	of Directive 109/EC)	Indirect (Art 10 of D 2004/109/E0		Direct (Art 9 of Directive 1) 2004/109/EC) (DTR5.1)	(A Di 20	direct rt 10 of rective 04/109/EC) TR5.2.1)	
GB0006776081			82,305,309		,	.01%		

82,305,309

10.01%

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

Type of financial instrument	Expirationdatex	Exercise/Conversion Periodxi	Number of voting rights that may be acquired if the instrument is exercised/converted.	% of voting rights
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
		SUBTOTAL 8. B 1	N/A	N/A

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 instrument	Expirationdatex	Exercise/Con Period xi	v <b>eltsysi</b> cal or cash settlementxii	Number of voting rights	% of voting rights
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
			SUBTOTAL 8.B.2	N/A	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

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notification

obligation

is not

controlled

by any

natural

person or

legal

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does not

control

any other

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10. In case of proxy voting, please identify:

Name of Silchester the proxy International holder Investors LLP The number and % of N/A voting rights held The date until which the N/A voting rights will be held

11. Additional informationxvi Silchester International **Investors LLP** ("Silchester") acts as investment manager for certain commingled funds (our "Clients"). In acting for our Clients, Silchester is given full discretion over their investments and is 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.

Place of completion London, UK Date of completion 21st July 2017

Natalie White Deputy Company Secretary Pearson plc

21 July 2017

#### **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 July 2017

By: /s/ NATALIE DALE

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Natalie Dale

Deputy Company Secretary