

PEARSON PLC  
Form 6-K  
August 16, 2013

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 2013

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 Yes  
 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: Legal & General Group Plc (L&G)

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

5. Date of the transaction and date on which the threshold is crossed or reached: 14 August 2013

6. Date on which issuer notified: 15 August 2013

7. Threshold(s) that is/are crossed or reached: L&G (Below 3%)

## 8. Notified details:

## A: Voting rights attached to shares

Class/type of shares	Situation previous to the triggering transaction		Resulting situation after the triggering transaction				
	Number of Shares	Number of Voting Rights	Number of shares	Number of voting rights		% of voting rights	
if possible using the ISIN CODE				Direct	Indirect	Direct	Indirect
Ordinary 25p	32,385,175 (As on 27/10/2011)			Below 3%			

## B: Qualifying Financial Instruments

## Resulting situation after the triggering transaction

Type of financial instrument	Expiration date	Exercise/ Conversion Period	Number of voting rights that may be acquired if the	% of voting rights
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instrument is  
exercised/ converted.

C: Financial Instruments with similar economic effect to Qualifying Financial Instruments

Resulting situation after the triggering transaction

Type of financial instrument	Exercise price	Expiration date	Exercise/ Conversion period	Number of voting rights refers to	% of voting rights	Nominal	Delta
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Total (A+B+C)

Number of voting rights	Percentage of voting rights
	Below 3%

9. Chain of controlled undertakings through which the voting rights and/or the financial instruments are effectively held, if applicable:

Legal & General Group Plc (Direct and Indirect) (Group)

Legal & General Investment Management (Holdings) Limited (LGIMH) (Direct and Indirect)

Legal & General Investment Management Limited (Indirect) (LGIM)

Legal & General Group Plc (Direct) (L&G) (Below 3% = LGAS, LGPL & PMC)

Legal & General Investment Management (Holdings) Limited (Direct) (LGIMHD)      Legal & General Insurance Holdings Limited (Direct) (LGIH)

Legal & General Assurance (Pensions Management) Limited (PMC)      Legal & General Assurance Society Limited (LGAS & LGPL)

Legal & General Pensions Limited (Direct) (LGPL)

Proxy Voting:

10. Name of the proxy holder:      N/A

11. Number of voting rights proxy holder will cease to hold:      N/A

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

13. Additional information:      Notification using the total voting rights figure of 818,306,238

14. Contact name:      Angela Hayter (LGIM)

15. Contact telephone number:      020 3124 3851

Natalie Dale  
Assistant Company Secretary  
Pearson plc

16 August 2013

PEARSON plc

Date: 16 August 2013

By: /s/ STEPHEN JONES

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Stephen Jones  
Deputy Secretary