PEARSON PLC Form 6-K March 31, 2010

# 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 March, 2010

## **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

This Report includes the following documents:

1. A press release from Pearson plc announcing Director/PDMR Shareholding

# NOTIFICATION OF TRANSACTIONS OF DIRECTORS/PERSONS DISCHARGING MANAGERIAL RESPONSIBILITY AND CONNECTED PERSONS

All relevant boxes should be completed in block capital letters.

1. Name of the issuer

2. State whether the notification relates to (i) a transaction notified in accordance with DTR 3.1.2R; (ii) a disclosure made in accordance with LR 9.8.6R(1); or (iii) a disclosure made in accordance with section 793 of the Companies Act 2006.

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## BOTH (i) AND (ii)

 Name of person discharging managerial responsibilities/director 4. State whether notification relates to a person connected with a person discharging managerial responsibilities/director named in 3 and identify the connected person

# **RONA FAIRHEAD**

#### N/A

5. Indicate whether the notification is 6 in respect of a holding of the person referred to in 3 or 4 above or in respect of a non-beneficial interest<sup>1</sup>

Description of shares (including class), debentures or derivatives or financial instruments relating to shares

# **ORDINARY SHARES OF 25P EACH**

# **HOLDING**

- 7. Name of registered shareholder(s) 8. State the nature of the transaction and, if more than one, the number of shares held by each of them

## **RONA FAIRHEAD**

Number of shares, debentures or financial instruments relating to shares acquired

#### **SALE**

10. Percentage of issued class acquired (treasury shares of that class should not be taken into account when calculating percentage)

N/A

N/A

- 11. Number of shares, debentures or financial instruments relating to shares disposed
- 12. Percentage of issued class disposed (treasury shares of that class should not be taken into account when calculating percentage)

#### **50,000 SHARES**

#### 0.006161%

13. Price per share or value of transaction

14. Date and place of transaction

#### £10.423

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15. Total holding following 16. Date issuer informed of transaction notification and total percentage holding following notification (any treasury shares should not be taken into account when calculating percentage)

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337,502 0.04159%

If a person discharging managerial responsibilities has been granted options by the issuer complete the following boxes

17. Date of grant

18. Period during which or date on which it can be exercised

N/A

N/A

19. Total amount paid (if any) for grant of the option

20. Description of shares or debentures involved (class and number)

N/A

N/A

- grant) or indication that price is to be fixed at the time of exercise
- 21. Exercise price (if fixed at time of 22. Total number of shares or debentures over which options held following notification

N/A

N/A

- 23. Any additional information
- 24. Name of contact and telephone number for queries:

N/A

**DAKSHA HIRANI 020 7010 2256** 

Name of duly authorised officer of issuer responsible for making notification

# DAKSHA HIRANI, ASSISTANT COMPANY SECRETARY

Date of notification: 31 MARCH 2010

Notes: This form is intended for use by an issuer to make a RIS notification required by DTR 3.14.

- (1) An issuer making a notification in respect of a transaction relating to the shares or debentures of the issuer should complete boxes 1 to 16, 23 and 24.
- An issuer making a notification in respect of a derivative relating the shares of the issuer should complete (2) boxes 1 to 4, 6, 8, 13, 14, 16, 23 and 24.
- An issuer making a notification in respect of options granted to a director/person discharging managerial (3) responsibilities should complete boxes 1 to 3 and 17 to 24.
- (4) An issuer making a notification in respect of a financial instrument relating to the shares of the issuer (other than a debenture) should complete boxes 1 to 4, 6, 8, 9, 11, 13, 14, 16, 23 and 24.

# **SIGNATURE**

| Pursuan   | t to th | ne req | quirements | of the | Securities | Exchange | Act of | 1934, | the registrant | has duly | caused | this | report |
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| to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized. |         |        |            |        |            |          |        |       |                |          |        |      |        |

PEARSON plc

Date: 31 March, 2010

By: /s/ STEPHEN JONES

Stephen Jones
Deputy Secretary