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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 May 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

3 May 2016

Pearson plc (the "Company")

Notification of Directors' and PDMRs' Interests

Long-Term Incentive Plan

In 2001, the Company established the Pearson Long-Term Incentive Plan (the "LTIP"). Its purpose is to link management's long-term reward with Pearson's financial performance and returns to shareholders. Since 2006, the annual LTIP awards have been based around three performance measures: relative total shareholder return, return on invested capital and earnings per share growth. The LTIP was renewed and approved by shareholders in 2011. The operation of the LTIP is governed by the remuneration policy approved by shareholders at the Annual General Meeting on 25 April 2014.

2016 Award

On 3 May 2016, the Company made a grant of performance-related restricted shares to executive directors and other members of the Pearson Executive under the LTIP. This represents the company's annual grant of long-term incentives to executive directors and other members of the Pearson Executive for 2016.

The awards will vest on 3 May 2019 as follows:

- a) one-half of the award will be based on Pearson's earnings per share in 2018;
- b) one-third of the award will be based on Pearson's return on invested capital in 2018; and
- c) one-sixth of the award will be based on Pearson's total shareholder return performance relative to the constituents of the FTSE World Media Index over the three-year period 1 January 2016 to 31 December 2018

Subject to meeting the performance conditions in full, and the retention of shares that vest on 3 May 2019 for a further two years, the maximum number of shares that John Fallon, CEO, may receive is: 383,000 and the maximum number of shares that Coram Williams, CFO, may receive is: 222,000.

The awards are consistent with the remuneration policy approved by shareholders at the Annual General Meeting on 25 April 2014 and were made on the following basis:

Name	Title	Restricted shares Share price on		Face value on date of award	
		awarded	date of award	£	% of base salary
					at date of award
John Fallon	CEO	383,000	805.00p	£3,083,150	395%
Coram Williams	CFO	222,000	805.00p	£1,787,100	347%

Subject to meeting the performance conditions in full, and the retention of shares that vest on 3 May 2019 for a further two years, the maximum number of shares that the other members of the Pearson Executive may receive is as follows:

Name Title Restricted shares awarded

Albert Hitchcock 200,000

Chief

Technology and Operations

Officer

Tim Bozik President Global 180,000

Product

President Core **Rod Bristow** 180,000

Markets

President North 180,000 Don Kilburn

America

Gio Giovanelli President Growth 180,000

Markets

Bob Whelan President 180,000

> Pearson Assessments

Michael Barber Chief Education 150,000

Advisor

Kate James Chief Corporate 160,000

> Affairs and Global Marketing Officer

Chief Human Melinda Wolfe 160,000

> Resources Officer

Further details of the LTIP and its performance measures are contained in Pearson's annual report and accounts.

This notification is made in accordance with DTR 3.1.4R.

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: 03 May 2016

By: /s/ STEPHEN JONES

Stephen Jones Deputy Secretary