PEARSON PLC Form 6-K February 20, 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 February 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

<ol> <li>Identity of the of existing share attached:</li> <li>Reason for the</li> </ol>	es to which	voting righ	nts are	oriate box or l	Pearson PLC te box or boxes):				
An acquisition of	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								Vac	
instruments								Yes	
An event changing the breakdown of voting rights									
Other (please specify): 3. Full name of person(s) subject to the									
notification obligation:					BlackRock, Inc.				
4. Full name of		(s)							
(if different from 5. Date of the tr		d data an							
which the thresh	15th February 2013								
reached:		13th Foliatry 2013							
6. Date on which issuer notified:				19th February 2013					
7. Threshold(s) that is/are crossed or				Holding has gone above 5%					
reached:									
8. Notified details: A: Voting rights attached to shares Class/type of Situation previous Resulting situation after the triggering transaction to the triggering transaction									
if possible using the ISIN CODE			Number of	Number of shares	Number of voting % of voting rights		ting rights		
	Shares		Voting Rights	Direct	Direct	Indirect	Direct	Indirect	
GB0006776081	N/A		N/A	N/A	N/A	38,923,06	9 N/A	4.76%	
B: Qualifying Financial Instruments Resulting situation after the triggering Type of financial Expiration instrument date				Number of voting rights that may be acquired if the instrument is exercised/ converted.		rigl	% of voting rights		
N/A		N/A	N/A		N/A		N/A	A	
C: Financial Instruments with similar economic effect to Qualifying Financial Instruments Resulting situation after the triggering transaction Type of financial Exercise Expiration Exercise/ Number of voting % of voting rights instrument price date rights instrument									

Conversionrefers to

period

CFD 2,052,376 Nominal Delta 0.25% 0.25%

Total (A+B+C)

Number of voting rights Percentage of voting rights

40,975,445 5.01%

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

BlackRock Investment Management (UK) Limited - 40,975,445 (5.01%)

**Proxy Voting:** 

10. Name of the proxy holder:

11. Number of voting rights proxy holder will cease

to hold:

12. Date on which proxy holder will cease to hold

voting rights:

13. Additional information:

BlackRock Regulatory Threshold Reporting Team

14. Contact name:Andrew Manchester15. Contact telephone number:020 7743 5773

Natalie Dale Assistant Company Secretary Pearson plc

20 February 2013

#### **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 February 2013

By: /s/	STEPHEN JONES
	Stephen Jones
	Deputy Secretary