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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 August, 2008

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 or connected persons

This form is intended for use by an *issuer* to make a RIS notification required by DR 3.14R(1).

- (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.
- (2) An *issuer* making a notification in respect of a derivative relating the *shares* of the *issuer* should complete boxes 1 to 4, 6, 8, 13, 14, 16, 23 and 24.
- (3) An issuer making a notification in respect of options granted to a director/person discharging managerial 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.

Please complete all relevant boxes should in block capital letters.

1. Name of the *issuer*

PEARSON PLC

3. Name of person discharging4. managerial responsibilities/director

ROBIN FREESTONE

5. Indicate whether the notification is in6 respect of a holding of the *person* referred to in 3 or 4 above or in respect of a non-beneficial interest¹

HOLDING

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

ROBIN FREESTONE

9 Number of *shares*, debentures or 10. financial instruments relating to

- 2. State whether the notification relates to (i) a transaction notified in accordance with *DR* 3.1.4R(1)(a)
 - (ii) *DR* 3.1.4(R)(1)(b) a disclosure made in accordance with section 324 (as extended by section 328) of the Companies Act 1985; or (iii) both (i) and (ii)

BOTH (i) AND (ii)

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

N/A

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

ORDINARY 25P EACH

State the nature of the transaction

EXERCISE OF WORLDWIDE SAVE FOR SHARE OPTIONS

Percentage of issued *class* acquired (*treasury shares* of that *class* should not be taken into

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shares acquired account when calculating percentage) 1866 0.0023% 11. Number of shares, debentures or 12. Percentage of issued *class* disposed (*treasury* shares of that class should not be taken into financial instruments relating to shares disposed account when calculating percentage) N/A N/A 13. Price per share or value of 14. Date and place of transaction transaction 1 AUGUST 2008 LONDON £5.076 15. Total holding following notification 16. Date issuer informed of transaction and total percentage holding following notification (any treasury **1 AUGUST 2008** shares should not be taken into account when calculating percentage) 32,391 0.00401% 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 20. Description of shares or debentures involved (class and number) of the option N/A N/A 21. Exercise price (if fixed at time of 22. Total number of *shares* or debentures over grant) or indication that price is to be which options held following notification fixed at the time of exercise N/A N/A Any additional information 24. Name of contact and telephone number for 23. queries: JENNIFER BURTON, N/A ASSISTANT COMPANY SECRETARY,

Name and signature of duly authorised officer of *issuer* responsible for making notification
JENNIFER BURTON
ASSISTANT COMPANY SECRETARY

Date of notification __ _1 AUGUST 2008_____

020 7010 2256.

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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: 01 August 2008

By: /s/ STEPHEN JONES

Stephen Jones

Deputy Secretary