SMITH & NEPHEW PLC Form 6-K January 31, 2011

## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

Report of Foreign Private Issuer

Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

31 January 2011

Commission File Number 001-14978

SMITH & NEPHEW plc (Registrant's name)

15 Adam Street London, England WC2N 6LA (Address of registrant's principal executive offices)

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Yes No X

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## SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authoriz	
	Smith & Nephew Plc (Registrant)
Date: January 31, 2011	
	By: /s/ Susan Henderson
Susan Henderson	Company Secretary

31 January 2011

Smith & Nephew plc (the "Company")

Voting Rights and Capital

In conformity with Rule 5.6 of the FSA's Disclosure and Transparency Rules:-

The total issued share capital of Smith & Nephew plc at 31 January 2011 comprised 953,285,695 ordinary shares of US20¢ each, including 62,720,798 ordinary shares held in treasury.

The Company's issued share capital, with one voting right per share, therefore consists of 890,564,897 ordinary shares of US20¢ each. This is the figure which should be used by shareholders as the denominator when determining whether they are required to notify their interest in, or a change to their interest in, the Company under the FSA's Disclosure and Transparency Rules.

Gemma Parsons
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