

**PEARSON PLC**  
**(the "Company")**

**Notification of Director and PDMRs' Interests**

Below are details of purchases (made under the Company's Non-Executive Directors' Share Purchase Plan) of Pearson plc ordinary shares of 25p each and American Depositary Receipts (ADRs) made on the London and New York Stock Exchanges on behalf of the Company's Chairman and Non-Executive Directors on 14 December 2018:

<b>Name of Director</b>	<b>No. of Shares Purchased</b>	<b>Price per Share*</b>	<b>Total Holding Following Notification</b>
Elizabeth Corley	1,516	£9.39	13,245
Vivienne Cox	230	£9.39	6,282
Tim Score	2,288	£9.39	26,489
Lincoln Wallen	425	£9.39	6,346

<b>Name of Director</b>	<b>No. of ADRs Purchased</b>	<b>Price per ADR*</b>	<b>Total Holding Following Notification</b>
Joshua Lewis	347	\$11.84	12,524
Linda Lorimer	448	\$11.84	8,902
Michael Lynton	322	\$11.84	3,488
Sidney Taurel	2,734	\$11.84	89,422

\* rounded to two decimal places.

The following notifications, made in accordance with the requirements of the EU Market Abuse Regulation, give further detail.

**Notification and public disclosure of transactions by persons discharging managerial responsibilities and persons closely associated with them**

<b>1</b>	<b>Details of the person discharging managerial responsibilities/person closely associated</b>	
a)	Name	Elizabeth Corley
<b>2</b>	<b>Reason for the notification</b>	
a)	Position/status	Non-Executive Director

b)	Initial notification /Amendment	Initial notification	
<b>3</b>	<b>Details of the issuer, emission allowance market participant, auction platform, auctioneer or auction monitor</b>		
a)	Name	Pearson plc	
b)	LEI	2138004JBXWWJKIURC57	
<b>4</b>	<b>Details of the transaction(s): section to be repeated for (i) each type of instrument; (ii) each type of transaction; (iii) each date; and (iv) each place where transactions have been conducted</b>		
a)	Description of the financial instrument, type of instrument  Identification code	Ordinary shares of 25 pence each in Pearson plc  ISIN: GB0006776081	
b)	Nature of the transaction	Purchase of shares arising from Company's Non-Executive Directors' Share Purchase Plan	
c)	Price(s) and volume(s)	Price(s)	Volume(s)
		Purchase price: £9.392 per share	1,516
d)	Aggregated information - Aggregated volume - Price	Aggregated volume: 1,516 shares  Aggregated price: £14,238.27	
e)	Date of the transaction	14 December 2018	
f)	Place of the transaction	London Stock Exchange (XLON)	

<b>1</b>	<b>Details of the person discharging managerial responsibilities/person closely associated</b>		
a)	Name	Vivienne Cox	
<b>2</b>	<b>Reason for the notification</b>		
a)	Position/status	Non-Executive Director	
b)	Initial notification /Amendment	Initial notification	
<b>3</b>	<b>Details of the issuer, emission allowance market participant, auction platform, auctioneer or auction monitor</b>		

a)	Name	Pearson plc	
b)	LEI	2138004JBXWWJKIURC57	
<b>4</b>	<b>Details of the transaction(s): section to be repeated for (i) each type of instrument; (ii) each type of transaction; (iii) each date; and (iv) each place where transactions have been conducted</b>		
a)	Description of the financial instrument, type of instrument  Identification code	Ordinary shares of 25 pence each in Pearson plc  ISIN: GB0006776081	
b)	Nature of the transaction	Purchase of shares arising from Company's Non-Executive Directors' Share Purchase Plan	
c)	Price(s) and volume(s)	Price(s)	Volume(s)
		Purchase price: £9.392 per share	230
d)	Aggregated information - Aggregated volume - Price	Aggregated volume: 230 shares  Aggregated price: £2,160.16	
e)	Date of the transaction	14 December 2018	
f)	Place of the transaction	London Stock Exchange (XLON)	

<b>1</b>	<b>Details of the person discharging managerial responsibilities/person closely associated</b>		
a)	Name	Tim Score	
<b>2</b>	<b>Reason for the notification</b>		
a)	Position/status	Non-Executive Director	
b)	Initial notification /Amendment	Initial notification	
<b>3</b>	<b>Details of the issuer, emission allowance market participant, auction platform, auctioneer or auction monitor</b>		
a)	Name	Pearson plc	
b)	LEI	2138004JBXWWJKIURC57	
<b>4</b>	<b>Details of the transaction(s): section to be repeated for (i) each type of instrument; (ii) each type of transaction; (iii) each date; and (iv) each place</b>		

<b>where transactions have been conducted</b>		
a)	Description of the financial instrument, type of instrument  Identification code	Ordinary shares of 25 pence each in Pearson plc  ISIN: GB0006776081
b)	Nature of the transaction	Purchase of shares arising from Company's Non-Executive Directors' Share Purchase Plan
c)	Price(s) and volume(s)	Price(s)
		Volume(s)
		Purchase price: £9.392 per share
d)	Aggregated information - Aggregated volume - Price	Aggregated volume: 2,288 shares  Aggregated price: £21,488.90
e)	Date of the transaction	14 December 2018
f)	Place of the transaction	London Stock Exchange (XLON)

<b>1</b>	<b>Details of the person discharging managerial responsibilities/person closely associated</b>	
a)	Name	Lincoln Wallen
<b>2</b>	<b>Reason for the notification</b>	
a)	Position/status	Non-Executive Director
b)	Initial notification /Amendment	Initial notification
<b>3</b>	<b>Details of the issuer, emission allowance market participant, auction platform, auctioneer or auction monitor</b>	
a)	Name	Pearson plc
b)	LEI	2138004JBXWWJKIURC57
<b>4</b>	<b>Details of the transaction(s): section to be repeated for (i) each type of instrument; (ii) each type of transaction; (iii) each date; and (iv) each place where transactions have been conducted</b>	
a)	Description of the financial instrument, type of instrument	Ordinary shares of 25 pence each in Pearson plc

	Identification code	ISIN: GB0006776081	
b)	Nature of the transaction	Purchase of shares arising from Company's Non-Executive Directors' Share Purchase Plan	
c)	Price(s) and volume(s)	Price(s)	Volume(s)
		Purchase price: £9.392 per share	425
d)	Aggregated information - Aggregated volume - Price	Aggregated volume: 425 shares Aggregated price: £3,991.60	
e)	Date of the transaction	14 December 2018	
f)	Place of the transaction	London Stock Exchange (XLON)	

<b>1</b>	<b>Details of the person discharging managerial responsibilities/person closely associated</b>		
a)	Name	Joshua Lewis	
<b>2</b>	<b>Reason for the notification</b>		
a)	Position/status	Non-Executive Director	
b)	Initial notification /Amendment	Initial notification	
<b>3</b>	<b>Details of the issuer, emission allowance market participant, auction platform, auctioneer or auction monitor</b>		
a)	Name	Pearson plc	
b)	LEI	2138004JBXWWJKIURC57	
<b>4</b>	<b>Details of the transaction(s): section to be repeated for (i) each type of instrument; (ii) each type of transaction; (iii) each date; and (iv) each place where transactions have been conducted</b>		
a)	Description of the financial instrument, type of instrument	American Depositary Receipts (ADRs) in Pearson plc (each ADR represents one ordinary share of 25 pence in Pearson plc)	
	Identification code	ISIN: US7050151056	

b)	Nature of the transaction	Purchase of shares arising from Company's Non-Executive Directors' Share Purchase Plan	
c)	Price(s) and volume(s)	Price(s)	Volume(s)
		Purchase price: \$11.8386 per ADR	347
d)	Aggregated information - Aggregated volume - Price	Aggregated volume: 347 ADRs. Aggregated price: \$4,107.99	
e)	Date of the transaction	14 December 2018	
f)	Place of the transaction	New York Stock Exchange (XNYS)	

<b>1</b>	<b>Details of the person discharging managerial responsibilities/person closely associated</b>		
a)	Name	Linda Lorimer	
<b>2</b>	<b>Reason for the notification</b>		
a)	Position/status	Non-Executive Director	
b)	Initial notification /Amendment	Initial notification	
<b>3</b>	<b>Details of the issuer, emission allowance market participant, auction platform, auctioneer or auction monitor</b>		
a)	Name	Pearson plc	
b)	LEI	2138004JBXWWJKIURC57	
<b>4</b>	<b>Details of the transaction(s): section to be repeated for (i) each type of instrument; (ii) each type of transaction; (iii) each date; and (iv) each place where transactions have been conducted</b>		
a)	Description of the financial instrument, type of instrument	American Depositary Receipts (ADRs) in Pearson plc (each ADR represents one ordinary share of 25 pence in Pearson plc)	
	Identification code	ISIN: US7050151056	
b)	Nature of the transaction	Purchase of shares arising from Company's Non-Executive Directors' Share Purchase Plan	
c)	Price(s) and volume(s)	Price(s)	Volume(s)

		Purchase price: \$11.8386 per ADR	448
d)	Aggregated information - Aggregated volume - Price	Aggregated volume: 448 ADRs. Aggregated price: \$5,303.69	
e)	Date of the transaction	14 December 2018	
f)	Place of the transaction	New York Stock Exchange (XNYS)	

<b>1</b>	<b>Details of the person discharging managerial responsibilities/person closely associated</b>		
a)	Name	Michael Lynton	
<b>2</b>	<b>Reason for the notification</b>		
a)	Position/status	Non-Executive Director	
b)	Initial notification /Amendment	Initial notification	
<b>3</b>	<b>Details of the issuer, emission allowance market participant, auction platform, auctioneer or auction monitor</b>		
a)	Name	Pearson plc	
b)	LEI	2138004JBXWWJKIURC57	
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b)	Nature of the transaction	Purchase of shares arising from Company's Non-Executive Directors' Share Purchase Plan	
c)	Price(s) and volume(s)	Price(s)	Volume(s)
		Purchase price: \$11.8386 per ADR	322
d)	Aggregated information	Aggregated volume: 322 ADRs.	

	- Aggregated volume - Price	Aggregated price: \$3,812.03
e)	Date of the transaction	14 December 2018
f)	Place of the transaction	New York Stock Exchange (XNYS)

<b>1</b>	<b>Details of the person discharging managerial responsibilities/person closely associated</b>	
a)	Name	Sidney Taurel
<b>2</b>	<b>Reason for the notification</b>	
a)	Position/status	Chairman
b)	Initial notification /Amendment	Initial notification
<b>3</b>	<b>Details of the issuer, emission allowance market participant, auction platform, auctioneer or auction monitor</b>	
a)	Name	Pearson plc
b)	LEI	2138004JBXWWJKIURC57
<b>4</b>	<b>Details of the transaction(s): section to be repeated for (i) each type of instrument; (ii) each type of transaction; (iii) each date; and (iv) each place where transactions have been conducted</b>	
a)	Description of the financial instrument, type of instrument  Identification code	American Depositary Receipts (ADRs) in Pearson plc (each ADR represents one ordinary share of 25 pence in Pearson plc)  ISIN: US7050151056
b)	Nature of the transaction	Purchase of shares arising from Company's Non-Executive Directors' Share Purchase Plan
c)	Price(s) and volume(s)	Price(s)
		Volume(s)
	Purchase price: \$11.8386 per ADR	2,734
d)	Aggregated information - Aggregated volume - Price	Aggregated volume: 2,734 ADRs.  Aggregated price: \$32,366.73
e)	Date of the transaction	14 December 2018



f)	Place of the transaction	New York Stock Exchange (XNYS)
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