RNS Number : 6165R
Whitbread PLC
12 December 2016

TR-1: NOTIFICATION OF MAJOR INTEREST IN SHARES[i]

1. Identity of the issuer or the underlying issuer of existing shares to which voting rights are attached: [ii]	Whitbread PLC

2 Reason for the notification (please tick the appropriate box or boxes):	
An acquisition or disposal of voting rights	X
An acquisition or disposal of qualifying financial instruments which may result in the acquisition of shares already issued to which voting rights are attached	X
An acquisition or disposal of instruments with similar economic effect to qualifying financial instruments	
An event changing the breakdown of voting rights	
Other (please specify):	

3. Full name of person(s) subject to the notification obligation: [iii]	Aberdeen Asset Managers Limited (and/or acting for its affiliates) as discretionary investment manager on behalf of multiple managed portfolios
4. Full name of shareholder(s) (if different from 3.):[iv]	
5. Date of the transaction and date on which the threshold is crossed or reached: [v]	8 December 2016
6. Date on which issuer notified:	12 December 2016
7. Threshold(s) that is/are crossed or reached: [vi, vii]	5% of total voting rights under management

8. Notified details:

A: Voting rights attached to shares [viii, ix]

Class/type of shares if possible using the ISIN CODE	**Situation previous to the triggering transaction**		**Resulting situation after the triggering transaction**				
	Number of Shares	**Number of Voting Rights**	**Number of shares**	**Number of voting rights**		**% of voting rights** [x]	
			Direct	**Direct** xi	**Indirect** xii	**Direct**	**Indirect**
GB00B1KJJ408	10,624,172	9,163,842	10,474,145		9,013,815		4.92%
US9634101052	6,150	6,150	6,150		6,150		0.00%

B: Qualifying Financial Instruments

Resulting situation after the triggering transaction

Type of financial instrument	**Expiration date** xiii	**Exercise/ Conversion Period** xiv	**Number of voting rights that may be acquired if the instrument is exercised/ converted.**	**% of voting rights**
Rights to recall lent shares			145,307	0.08%

C: Financial Instruments with similar economic effect to Qualifying Financial Instruments [xv, xvi]

Resulting situation after the triggering transaction

Type of financial instrument	Exercise price	Expiration date [xvii]	Exercise/ Conversion period [xviii]	Number of voting rights instrument refers to	% of voting rights [xix, xx]	
					Nominal	Delta

Total (A+B+C)	
Number of voting rights	**Percentage of voting rights**
9,165,272	5.00%

9. Chain of controlled undertakings through which the voting rights and/or the financial instruments are effectively held, if applicable: [xxi]
Aberdeen Asset Management PLC Aberdeen Asset Managers Limited (3.99%)

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:	This notification is due to crossing below the 5% voting right threshold of voting rights attached to shares due to trading and stock being issued out on loan. The total holding including the right to recall lent shares remains above 5%.
14. Contact name:	Ben Van Loon
15. Contact telephone number:	01224 404090

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