

SIGNET GROUP PLC  
Form 6-K  
October 19, 2007

**FORM 6-K**

**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, D.C. 20549**

**Special Report of Foreign Issuer**

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

For the date of October 19, 2007

**SIGNET GROUP plc**  
(Translation of registrant's name into English)

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**15 Golden Square**  
**London W1F 9JG**  
**England**  
(Address of principal executive office)

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover Form 20-F or Form 40F.

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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

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1. Identity of the issuer or the underlying issuer of existing shares to which voting rights are attached: Signet Group plc

2. Reason for the notification (please tick the appropriate box or boxes):

An acquisition or disposal of voting rights

An acquisition or disposal of financial instruments which may result in the acquisition of shares already issued to which voting rights are attached

An event changing the breakdown of voting rights x

3. Full name of person(s) subject to the notification obligation: BT Pension Scheme Trustees Limited trustee of the BT Pension Scheme Section 9 for further

4. Full name of shareholder(s) (if different from 3.) N/A

5. Date of the transaction and date on which the threshold is crossed or reached: 17 October 2007

6. Date on which issuer notified: 18 October 2007

7. Threshold(s) that is/are crossed or reached: 3%

8. Notified details:

A: Voting rights attached to shares

| Class/type of shares<br>if possible using the ISIN CODE | Situation previous to the Triggering transaction |                              | Resulting situation after the triggering transaction |          | Number of voting rights ix |             | % of Direct |
|---|--|------------------------------|--|----------|----------------------------|-------------|-------------|
|   | Number of Shares                                 | Number of Voting Rights viii | Direct   | Indirect | Direct x                   | Indirect xi |             |
| B1HTFP6   | 69,831,494                                       | 69,831,494                   |  |          |                            | 67,159,513  | 0%          |
| GB00B1HTFP68  |  |                              |  |          |                            |             |             |
| ORD US\$0.009   |  |                              |  |          |                            |             |             |

B: Financial Instruments

Resulting situation after the triggering transaction xii

| Type of financial instrument | Expiration date xiii | Exercise/ Conversion Period/ Date xiv | Number of voting rights that may be acquired if the instrument is exercised/ converted. | % of v rights |
|------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------------|---|---------------|
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Total (A+B)

| Number of voting rights | % of voting rights |
|-------------------------|--------------------|
| 67,159,513              | 3.938%             |

9. Chain of controlled undertakings through which the voting rights and/or the financial instruments

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### **effectively held, if applicable:**

BT Pension Scheme Trustees Limited is the parent undertaking of Britel Fund Trustees Limited, which is the parent undertaking of Hermes Pensions Management Limited. Hermes Pensions Management Limited is the parent undertaking of Britel Fund Trustees Limited.

1.Hermes Investment Management Limited (voting rights held in this issuer: 0.182%)..

2.Hermes Focus Asset Management Limited (voting rights held in this issuer: 3.529%)

3.Hermes Equity Ownership Services limited (voting rights held in this issuer: 0.226%)

4.Hermes Assured Limited (included with number 1.)

Please see Section 13 for further information.

### **Proxy Voting:**

**10. Name of the proxy holder:** See Comment in Section 13

**11. Number of voting rights proxy holder will cease to hold:** See Comment in Section 13

**12. Date on which proxy holder will cease to hold voting rights:** See Comment in Section 13

**13. Additional information:** Hermes Equity Ownership Services Limited hold the voting rights on behalf of the above entities under a standing proxy contained in services agreements with various underlying clients, which is the ultimate parent undertaking for the purposes of the investment manager exemption in DTR 5.1.5.

Hermes Investment Management Limited hold the voting rights on behalf of the above entities under a standing proxy contained in investment management agreements with various underlying clients, which is the ultimate parent undertaking for the purposes of the investment manager exemption in DTR 5.1.5.

Hermes Focus Asset Management Limited hold the voting rights on behalf of the above entities under a standing proxy contained in partnership agreements with various limited partners, which is the ultimate parent undertaking for the purposes of the investment manager exemption in DTR 5.1.5.

All voting rights held on behalf of the above entities are aggregated for the purposes of DTR 5.2.1(a). The aggregation is made at the lower threshold of 3% and above because Hermes Equity Ownership Services Limited does not manage in the capacity of an investment manager for the purposes of the investment manager exemption in DTR 5.1.5.

This disclosure is made by BT Pension Scheme Trustees Limited, which is the ultimate parent undertaking for the purposes of the investment manager exemption in DTR 5.2.1(e).

**14. Contact name:** Margaret Moss/Valerie Davidson

**15. Contact telephone number:** 020 7680 2125/ 020 7680 2177

### ANNEX NOTIFICATION OF MAJOR INTERESTS IN SHARES XVI

#### **A: Identity of the person or legal entity subject to the notification obligation**

**Full name** (including legal form for legal entities): BT Pension Scheme Trustees Limited as

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| entities)  | trustee of the BT Pension Scheme and<br>Hermes Pensions Management Limited  |
| <b>Contact address</b> (registered office for<br>legal entities)                     | Lloyds Chambers, 1 Portsoken Street,<br>London E1 8HZ   |
| <b>Phone number</b>  | 020 7702 0888   |
| <b>Other useful information</b> (at least legal<br>representative for legal persons) | BT Pension Scheme Trustees Limited is<br>the parent undertaking of the group of<br>companies subject to the notification<br>obligation as indirect holders of voting<br>rights for the purpose of DTR 5.2.1(a) and<br>5.2.1(e). |

### Identity of the notifier

**Full name:** Mark Andrew Jenkins - Group Company Secretary  
**Contact address:** Signet Group plc, 15 Golden Square, London, W1F 9JG  
**Phone number:** 0870 90 90 301

## SIGNATURES

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.

**SIGNET GROUP plc**

By: /s/ Walker Boyd

Name: Walker Boyd  
Title: Group Finance Director

Date: October 19, 2007