J Sainsbury plc (the 'Company')

Notification of transactions by Persons Discharging Managerial Responsibilities ('PDMRs')

The Company has been notified that the following PDMRs acquired ordinary shares of 28⁴/₇ pence each (the '**Shares**') in the Company on 6 October 2016 through their participation in Sainsbury's Share Purchase Plan (the '**SSPP**'). The Shares were purchased at £2.451 each.

| PDMR | Number of Shares acquired under the SSPP |
|------------------|--|
| John Rogers | 47 |
| Tim Fallowfield | 47 |
| Paul Mills-Hicks | 40 |
| Sarah Warby | 47 |
| Angie Risley | 47 |
| Jon Rudoe | 47 |

The Notification of Dealing Forms for each PDMR can be found below.

This notification is made in accordance with the requirements of the Market Abuse Regulation.

For further information please contact:

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| 1 | Details of the person discharging managerial responsibilities / person closely associated | | | | |
|----|---|---|--|--|--|
| a) | Name | John Rogers | | | |
| 2 | Reason for the notification | on | | | |
| a) | Position/status | Executive Director | | | |
| b) | Initial notification /Amendment | Initial notification | | | |
| 3 | Details of the issuer, emission allowance market participant, auction platform, auctioneer or auction monitor | | | | |
| a) | Name | J Sainsbury plc | | | |
| b) | LEI | N/A | | | |
| 4 | 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 | | | | |
| a) | Description of the financial instrument, type of instrument Identification code | Ordinary shares of 28 ⁴ / ₇ pence each ISIN: GB00B019KW72 | | | |
| b) | Nature of the transaction | Purchase of shares under the SSPP | | | |

| c) | Price(s) and volume(s) | Price(s) £2.451 | Volume(s) | | |
|----|--|----------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------|--|
| d) | Aggregated information - Aggregated volume - Price | Aggregate Price £2.451 | Aggregate Volume 47 | Aggregate Total £115.20 | |
| e) | Date of the transaction | 6 October 2016 at 11:23 (UTC +1) | | | |
| f) | Place of the transaction | XLON | | | |

| 1 | Details of the person discharging managerial responsibilities / person closely associated | | | | | |
|----|---|--|---|-------------------------|--|--|
| a) | Name | Tim Fallowfield | Tim Fallowfield | | | |
| 2 | Reason for the notification | on | | | | |
| a) | Position/status | Company Secreta | ary and Corporate | e Services Director | | |
| b) | Initial notification /Amendment | Initial notification | | | | |
| 3 | Details of the issuer, emi auctioneer or auction mo | | market participa | nnt, auction platform, | | |
| a) | Name | J Sainsbury plc | | | | |
| b) | LEI | N/A | | | | |
| 4 | | (s): section to be repeated for (i) each type of instrument; (ii) (iii) each date; and (iv) each place where transactions have | | | | |
| a) | Description of the financial instrument, type of instrument Identification code | ISIN: GB00B01 | Ordinary shares of 28 ⁴ / ₇ pence each ISIN: GB00B019KW72 | | | |
| b) | Nature of the transaction | Purchase of sha | Purchase of shares under the SSPP | | | |
| c) | Price(s) and volume(s) | Price(s) £2.451 | | | | |
| d) | Aggregated information - Aggregated volume - Price | Aggregate Price £2.451 | Aggregate Volume 47 | Aggregate Total £115.20 | | |
| e) | Date of the transaction | 6 October 2016 at 11:23 (UTC +1) | | | | |
| f) | Place of the transaction | XLON | | | | |

| 1 | Details of the person disc associated | ischarging managerial responsibilities / person closely | | | | |
|----|---|--|---------------------------|-------------------------|--|--|
| a) | Name | Paul Mills-Hicks | Paul Mills-Hicks | | | |
| 2 | Reason for the notification | n | | | | |
| a) | Position/status | Food Commercia | al Director | | | |
| b) | Initial notification /Amendment | Initial notification | | | | |
| 3 | Details of the issuer, emi auctioneer or auction mo | | market particip | eant, auction platform, | | |
| a) | Name | J Sainsbury plc | | | | |
| b) | LEI | N/A | | | | |
| 4 | | (s): section to be repeated for (i) each type of instrument; (ii) (iii) each date; and (iv) each place where transactions have | | | | |
| a) | Description of the financial instrument, type of instrument Identification code | Ordinary shares of 28 ⁴ / ₇ pence each ISIN: GB00B019KW72 | | | | |
| b) | Nature of the transaction | Purchase of sh | ares under the S | SPP | | |
| c) | Price(s) and volume(s) | Price(s) £2.451 | | | | |
| d) | Aggregated information | Annanata | | A company to | | |
| | - Aggregated volume | Aggregate Price £2.451 | Aggregate Volume 40 | Aggregate Total £98.04 | | |
| | - Price | 321101 | 1 | 1 20.0 1 | | |
| e) | Date of the transaction | 6 October 2016 at 11:23 (UTC +1) | | | | |
| f) | Place of the transaction | XLON | | | | |

| 1 | Details of the person discharging managerial responsibilities / person closely associated | | | |
|----|---|--|--|--|
| a) | Name | Sarah Warby | | |
| 2 | Reason for the notificati | on | | |
| a) | Position/status | Marketing Director | | |
| b) | Initial notification /Amendment | Initial notification | | |
| 3 | Details of the issuer, em | ission allowance market participant, auction platform, | | |
| | auctioneer or auction monitor | | | |
| a) | Name | Name J Sainsbury plc | | |
| b) | LEI | N/A | | |

| 4 | 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 | | | |
|----|---|--|--|--|
| a) | Description of the financial instrument, type of instrument Identification code | Ordinary shares of 28 ⁴ / ₇ pence each ISIN GB00B019KW72 | | |
| b) | Nature of the transaction | Purchase of shares under the SSPP | | |
| c) | Price(s) and volume(s) | Price(s) Volume(s) £2.451 47 | | |
| d) | Aggregated information - Aggregated volume - Price | Aggregate Aggregate Price Volume Total £2.451 47 £115.20 | | |
| e) | Date of the transaction | 6 October 2016 at 11:23 (UTC +1)) | | |
| f) | Place of the transaction | XLON | | |

| 1 | Details of the person discharging managerial responsibilities / person closely associated | | | | | |
|----|---|--|---------------------------|-------------------------------|-----|--|
| a) | Name | Angie Risley | Angie Risley | | | |
| 2 | Reason for the notification | n | | | | |
| a) | Position/status | Group HR Director | r | | | |
| b) | Initial notification /Amendment | Initial notification | | | | |
| 3 | Details of the issuer, emi | | narket participa | ant, auction platfo | rm, | |
| | auctioneer or auction mo | nitor | | | | |
| a) | Name | J Sainsbury plc | | | | |
| b) | LEI | N/A | | | | |
| 4 | | on(s): section to be repeated for (i) each type of instrument; (ii) on; (iii) each date; and (iv) each place where transactions have | | | | |
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| b) | Nature of the transaction | Purchase of shares under the SSPP | | | | |
| c) | Price(s) and volume(s) | Price(s) Volume(s) £2.451 47 | | | | |
| d) | Aggregated information - Aggregated volume -Price | Aggregate Price £2.451 | Aggregate Volume 47 | Aggregate Total £115.20 | | |

| e) | Date of the transaction | 6 October 2016 at 11:23 (UTC +1) |
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| f) | Place of the transaction | XLON |

| 1 | Details of the person discharging managerial responsibilities / person closely associated | | | | | |
|----|---|--|---------------------------|-------------------------|--|--|
| a) | Name | Jon Rudoe | Jon Rudoe | | | |
| 2 | Reason for the notification | n | | | | |
| a) | Position/status | Digital and Techr | nology Director | | | |
| b) | Initial notification /Amendment | Initial notification | | | | |
| 3 | Details of the issuer, emi auctioneer or auction mo | | market partici | pant, auction platform, | | |
| a) | Name | J Sainsbury plc | | | | |
| b) | LEI | N/A | | | | |
| 4 | | (s): section to be repeated for (i) each type of instrument; (ii) (iii) each date; and (iv) each place where transactions have | | | | |
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| c) | Price(s) and volume(s) | Price(s) £2.451 | | | | |
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