

SMITH & NEPHEW PLC  
Form 6-K  
November 15, 2017

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

November 15, 2017

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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registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2 (b) : 82- n/a.

15 November 2017

Smith & Nephew plc (the "Company")

Transaction in Own Shares

The Company has today cancelled 309,247 of its Ordinary Shares of US 20¢ each ("Shares") previously held in Treasury. These shares were issued in connection with employee share schemes in Quarter 2 2017 and have been purchased as part of a programme to keep the total issued share capital broadly constant.

Following the cancellation of these Shares the Company holds 16,204,451 of its shares in Treasury. The Company's issued share capital, with one voting right per share consists of 874,647,859 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 FCA's Disclosure and Transparency Rules.

This announcement is made in accordance with the requirements of LR 12.6.4.

Vickie Reuben  
Deputy Company Secretary  
Smith & Nephew plc  
Tel: 01923 477320

## 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.

Smith & Nephew Plc  
(Registrant)

Date: November 15, 2017

By: /s/ Susan Swabey  
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Susan Swabey  
Company Secretary