Adaptimmune Therapeutics PLC Form 8-K October 27, 2016

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

Current Report

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of

the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): October 27, 2016

ADAPTIMMUNE THERAPEUTICS PLC

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

England and Wales (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) **1-37368** (Commission File Number) Not Applicable (IRS Employer Identification No.)

101 Park Drive, Milton Park

Abingdon, Oxfordshire OX14 4RY

United Kingdom

(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(44) 1235 430000

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(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On October 27, 2016, Adaptimmune Therapeutics plc (the Company) issued a press release announcing the appointment of Giles Kerr to its Board of Directors as an independent Non-Executive Director effective from November 1, 2016. Mr. Kerr will also serve as a member of the Company s Audit Committee. The Company also announced the planned retirement of Mr. Ian Laing who will step down from the Company s Board on December 31, 2016. The press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 hereto and is incorporated by reference herein.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits. The following exhibit is furnished as part of this Report on Form 8-K:

Exhibit No.

Description of Exhibit

99.1 Press Release dated October 27, 2016 regarding Board changes.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, hereunto duly authorized.

ADAPTIMMUNE THERAPEUTICS PLC

Date: October 27, 2016

By:

/s/ Margaret Henry Name: Margaret Henry Title: Corporate Secretary

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