# 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): July 30, 2019

# Willis Towers Watson Public Limited Company

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Ireland (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

provisions:

001-16503 (Commission File Number) 98-0352587 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

c/o Willis Group Limited, 51 Lime Street, London, EC3M 7DQ, England and Wales (Address, including Zip Code, of Principal Executive Offices)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (011) 44-20-3124-6000

Not Applicable (Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

	Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)			
	Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)			
	Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))			
	Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))			
Secu	ecurities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act			
	Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered	
Ordinary Shares, nominal value \$0.000304635 per share		WLTW	NASDAQ Global Select Market	
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (17 CFR §230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (17 CFR §240.12b-2 of this chapter).				
Emerging growth company $\square$				
	f an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or evised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.			

#### Item 8.01 Other Events.

As previously announced, on March 30, 2019, Willis Towers Watson Public Limited Company (the "Company") entered into an Agreement and Plan of Merger (the "Merger Agreement"), with CD&R TZ Holdings, Inc. ("TZ Holdings"), the owner of MG, LLC (d/b/a/ TRANZACT), a portfolio company of funds managed by Clayton, Dubilier & Rice, LLC, pursuant to which a wholly owned subsidiary of the Company will merge with and into TZ Holdings.

On July 30, 2019, the Company and TZ Holdings entered into Amendment No. 1 to the Merger Agreement, pursuant to which, among other things, the purchase price payable by the Company at closing was increased from \$1.2 billion to \$1.3175 billion, subject to certain adjustments, and the potential earn-out payment due upon the achievement of certain financial targets in 2019 and 2020 was decreased to approximately \$17 million, payable in cash.

On July 30, 2019, the Company issued a press release announcing that it had completed its acquisition of TZ Holdings. A copy of the press release is filed as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

#### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Willis Towers Watson Press Release, dated as of July 30, 2019

# 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 hereunto duly authorized.

# Willis Towers Watson Public Limited Company

(Registrant)

Date: July 30, 2019 By: /s/ Neil D. Falis

Name: Neil D. Falis

Title: Deputy Company Secretary

# Willis Towers Watson completes acquisition of TRANZACT

**ARLINGTON, VA, July 30, 2019** — Willis Towers Watson (NASDAQ: WLTW), a leading global advisory, broking and solutions company, announced today that following the satisfaction of customary closing conditions and receipt of regulatory approval, it has completed its acquisition of TRANZACT, a direct-to-consumer health care organization that links individuals to U.S. insurance carriers.

TRANZACT will operate as an integral part of Willis Towers Watson's Benefits Delivery and Administration (BDA) business, which focuses on the development and delivery of administrative solutions for employers, employees and retirees. The company will continue to use the TRANZACT brand in the market.

"We are happy to announce that Willis Towers Watson has closed its acquisition of TRANZACT," said Gene Wickes, head of Willis Towers Watson's BDA segment. "We are excited to welcome the TRANZACT team into Willis Towers Watson and work together to further their capabilities and proven success in the direct-to-consumer U.S. health care market – a significant growth opportunity for us going forward."

TRANZACT markets a wide breadth of products including Medicare Advantage, Medicare Supplement, Prescription Drug Plan and an array of ancillary products, including dental, vision, life and indemnity. TRANZACT employs approximately 1,300 individuals, including 850 licensed agents.

#### **About Willis Towers Watson**

Willis Towers Watson (NASDAQ: WLTW) is a leading global advisory, broking and solutions company that helps clients around the world turn risk into a path for growth. With roots dating to 1828, Willis Towers Watson has 45,000 employees serving more than 140 countries and markets. We design and deliver solutions that manage risk, optimize benefits, cultivate talent, and expand the power of capital to protect and strengthen institutions and individuals. Our unique perspective allows us to see the critical intersections between talent, assets and ideas — the dynamic formula that drives business performance. Together, we unlock potential. Learn more at willistowerswatson.com.

#### **Forward Looking Statements**

This document contains "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. You can identify these statements and other forward-looking statements in this document by words such as "may", "will", "would", "expect", "anticipate", "believe", "estimate", "plan", "intend", "continue", or similar words, expressions or the negative of such terms or other comparable terminology. These statements include, but are not limited to, the benefits of the acquisition of TRANZACT to the Willis Towers Watson BDA business, including future financial and operating results, plans, objectives, expectations and intentions and other statements that are not historical facts. Such statements are based upon the current beliefs and expectations of Willis Towers Watson's management and are subject to significant risks and uncertainties. Actual results may differ from those set forth in the forward-looking statements. All forward-looking disclosure is speculative by its nature.

There are important risks, uncertainties, events and factors that could cause our actual results or performance to differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements contained herein, including, but not limited to, the following: the ability of Willis Towers Watson to successfully integrate TRANZACT's operations and employees and realize benefits, including the acceleration of our direct-to-consumer strategy at the times and to the extent anticipated; the potential impact of the consummation of the transaction on relationships, including with employees, suppliers, customers and competitors; changes in general economic, business and political conditions, including changes in the financial markets; significant competition in the marketplace; and compliance with extensive government regulation. Factors also include those described under "Risk Factors" in the company's most recent 10-K filing and subsequent filings filed with the SEC.

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Although we believe that the assumptions underlying our forward-looking statements are reasonable, any of these assumptions, and therefore also the forward-looking statements based on these assumptions, could themselves prove to be inaccurate. In light of the significant uncertainties inherent in the forward-looking statements included in this document, our inclusion of this information is not a representation or quarantee by us that our objectives and plans will be achieved.

Our forward-looking statements speak only as of the date made and we will not update these forward-looking statements unless the securities laws require us to do so. In light of these risks, uncertainties and assumptions, the forward-looking events discussed in this release may not occur, and we caution you against relying on these forward-looking statements.

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