

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES

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or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * <u>CLIMAX JOHN DR</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>C/O ICON PLC</u> <u>SOUTH COUNTY BUSINESS PARK, LEOPARDSTOWN</u> (Street) <u>DUBLIN</u> <u>D18X5R3</u> (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) <u>03/18/2026</u>	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>ICON PLC</u> [<u>ICLR</u>]	
		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) ☒ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)	
		5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	
		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) ☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person	

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Ordinary Shares	1,196	D	
Ordinary Shares	285,151	I	Held by Poplar Limited ⁽¹⁾
Ordinary Shares	1,310	I	Held by White Poplar Limited ⁽²⁾

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)							
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			
Stock Options	(3)	05/18/2026	Ordinary Shares	5,005	125.74	D	
Restricted Share Units	(4)	(4)	Ordinary Shares	1,732	(4)	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. The reporting person is the majority shareholder of Poplar Limited and, as a result, may be deemed to beneficially own the shares held by Poplar Limited. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares except to the extent of the reporting person's pecuniary interest therein.
2. The reporting person is the majority shareholder of White Poplar Limited and, as a result, may be deemed to beneficially own the shares held by White Poplar Limited. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares except to the extent of the reporting person's pecuniary interest therein.
3. Fully vested.
4. These restricted share units were granted on May 22, 2025 and vest in full on, where applicable, the later of (i) the first anniversary of the grant date and (ii) the date of payment of withholding taxes. Each restricted share unit represents a contingent right to receive one ordinary share of the Issuer upon vesting, with a nominal conversion price equal to the par value of the ordinary shares (EUR 0.06) per underlying share automatically deducted from the reporting person's pay in connection with vesting.

Remarks:

Due to the issuer's status as a foreign private issuer pursuant to Rule 3a12-3(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Act"), the reporting person's transactions in the issuer's equity securities are exempt from Sections 16(b) and 16(c) of the Act. Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney.

/s/ Erina Joan Fox, as
Attorney-in-Fact
** Signature of Reporting Person
03/18/2026
Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5 (b)(v).

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL BY THESE PRESENTS, that the undersigned does hereby constitute and appoint Diarmaid Kevin Cunningham, Simon Peter Hollywood and Erina Joan Fox as the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact to, as applicable:

- (1) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as a director of ICON plc (the "Company"), and submit to the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") a Form ID, including amendments thereto, and any other documents necessary or appropriate to obtain codes and passwords enabling the undersigned to make electronic filings with the SEC of reports required by Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act") and the rules thereunder, Rule 144 under the Securities Act of 1933 (the "Securities Act"), and any amendments to the foregoing;
- (2) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as a director of the Company, Forms 3, 4 and 5 in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Exchange Act and the rules thereunder, Forms 144 in accordance with Rule 144 under the Securities Act, and any amendments to the foregoing;
- (3) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Forms 3, 4 or 5 or Forms 144, complete and execute any amendment or amendments thereto, and timely file such form with the SEC and any stock exchange or similar authority; and
- (4) take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally required by, the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve to such attorney-in-fact's discretion.

The undersigned hereby grants to each such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney-in-fact's substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this Power of Attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorneys-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming, nor is the Company assuming, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Exchange Act or Rule 144 under the Securities Act.

The undersigned acknowledges that each such attorney-in-fact shall not be liable to the undersigned or to any other person for any act or omission taken in good faith and in a manner reasonably believed to be within the scope of authority granted under this Power of Attorney. Each such attorney-in-fact shall not be liable for any loss, damage, or expense incurred by reason of any act or omission in connection with the exercise or purported exercise of authority under this Power of Attorney, except to the extent resulting from such attorney-in-fact's willful misconduct, or fraud. The undersigned undertakes and agrees to indemnify the attorneys-in-fact against all actions, claims, demands, proceedings, costs, charges, expenses and other losses, damages, or expenses that may be made against the attorneys-in-fact by reason of acting pursuant to this Power of Attorney.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4 and 5 or Forms 144, as applicable, with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions in securities issued by the Company, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorneys-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of the 16th day of March, 2026.

By: /s/ Dr. John Climax
Dr. John Climax