FORM 6-K

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

Report of Foreign Private Issuer Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the month ended July, 2009

ICON plc

(Registrant's name)

0-29714 (Commission file number)

South County Business Park, Leopardstown, Dublin 18, Ireland (Address of principal executive offices)

If "Yes" is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b):82 N/A

EXHIBIT LIST

<u>Exhibit</u>	<u>Description</u>
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99.1 Icon plc Press Release

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.

ICON plc

Date: July 9, 2009

<u>/s/ Ciaran Murray</u> Ciaran Murray Chief Financial Officer

Letter to Shareholders of ICON plc

DUBLIN--(BUSINESS WIRE)--July 9, 2009--

Dear All

We wish to advise that we have extended the voting deadline for the resolutions to be put before the shareholders at our Annual General Meeting on July 20, 2009, to allow shareholders further time to consider the proposed resolutions. The voting deadline has been extended from 5.00 pm Eastern Standard Time on July, 10, 2009 to 5.00 pm Eastern Standard Time on July 16, 2009. Please be advised that the internet and telephone voting deadline will be 11.59pm on July 15, 2009.

Regards

Ciaran Murray, CFO

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About ICON plc

ICON plc (NASDAQ:ICLR) (ISIN:IE0005711209) is a global provider of outsourced development services to the pharmaceutical, biotechnology and medical device industries. The Company specialises in the strategic development, management and analysis of programs that support clinical development - from compound selection to Phase I-IV clinical studies. ICON currently has over 7,000 employees, operating from 71 locations in 38 countries.

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