

UK COUNCIL FOR CHILD INTERNET SAFETY NEWS BULLETIN - 16 September 2016.

UKCCIS Executive Board Meeting 28 June: The Chair welcomed new Members and thanked everyone, including departing Members, for their commitment to UKCCIS. The Board agreed to create two new Working Groups (on Digital Resilience and Technical issues). It also decided to conclude the Filtering Working Group which was considered to have achieved its aims, and to incorporate the Age Verification Working Group into the Technical Working Group. The Board discussed current work areas and future workplan, including the direction for UKCCIS and child internet safety more generally following the referendum result on the UK's withdrawal from the European Union. Full minutes of this meeting are available at the .gov pages:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/groups/uk-council-for-child-internet-safety-ukccis>

Previous meetings: 8 March 2016, 28 June 2016

Next meeting: 18 October 2016

Government News

New Ministers - We would like to thank Rt Hon Karen Bradley MP for her chairship of UKCCIS and wish her well in her role as Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport.

We welcome Sarah Newton MP Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Vulnerability, Safeguarding and Countering Extremism, Home Office, as UKCCIS co-chair.

Edward Timpson MP, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for Children and Baroness Joanna Shields, Minister for internet Safety and Security remain as co-chairs.

Age Verification Consultation

The government response was published on 5 July and can be found on the UKCCIS page of the GOV.UK website.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/child-safety-online-age-verification-for-pornography>

Digital Economy (DE) Bill - This Bill will put into effect the manifesto commitment to require age verification for access to sites containing pornographic content, set up a regulator and regulatory framework and allow ancillary companies (those supporting vital supporting services such as payment services and advertising) to withdraw services without fear of legal action. The DE Bill containing Clauses on Age Verification was introduced to Parliament on 5 July. The second reading of the Bill took place on 13 September and these Clauses will be debated during the Committee stage of the Bill in October.

Members can follow its progress at <http://services.parliament.uk/bills/2016-17/digitaleconomy.html>

UKCCIS Member News

This section can be used to highlight significant projects and announcements undertaken by UKCCIS members. If you have anything for this section, please e-mail us at ukccis.secretariat@culture.gov.uk. We will endeavour to include contributions, taking account of feedback to keep this relevant.

<p>NSPCC</p>	<p>Published on 15 June, “I Wasn’t Sure It Was Normal To Watch It” is a report on the impact of online pornography on children and young people. The NSPCC and the Children’s Commissioner asked Middlesex University to look into how many children have been exposed to pornography and the impact for them of viewing such content.</p> <p>The research consisted of an online survey of 1001 children and young people aged 11-16 across the UK, an online discussion forum and online focus groups.</p> <p>Report is available at https://www.nspcc.org.uk/services-and-resources/research-and-resources/2016/i-wasnt-sure-it-was-normal-to-watch-it/</p> <p>The NSPCC has also recently published guidance on ‘Sexting and young people: the parent’s view’. It is available on their website: https://www.nspcc.org.uk/services-and-resources/research-and-resources/2016/sexting-young-people-parents-view/</p>
<p>Engage Media Solutions</p>	<p>Digital Kids Show</p> <p>Engage Media Solutions are incredibly excited and proud to announce the launch of the Digital Kids Show. A two-day consumer event focussed on showing children and parents the opportunities the digital world offers. Supporters of the show include BBC, UKIE, Diana Award, IWF, Childnet and DCMS.</p> <p>On October 29th & 30th, Event City in Manchester will welcome 20,000 children and parents to explore the latest opportunities in Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths, Coding & Digital careers, try out the best tech toys, games and devices, meet and interact with some of the UK’s biggest Minecraft YouTubers and CBBC stars, learn about internet safety, take part in Parkour and Free Running workshops, enjoy fairground rides and a huge Total Wipe-out zone, take part in Minecraft for beginners workshops and much much more.</p> <p>This event is the first of its kind and produced to bridge the digital divide between parents and children in a fun and exciting day out for the whole family. For further information about the show please visit www.digitalkidsshows.co.uk UKCCIS members who wish to support or get involved in the event should contact aisha@engagemediasolutions.org</p> <p>Child Internet Safety Summit</p> <p>The Child Internet Safety Summit returns for the fourth year at the QEII Conference Centre in Westminster, featuring government, industry and academic speakers from across the country on November 29th at the QEII Conference Centre, Westminster.</p> <p>Headlining the event for the fourth year are AVG Technologies alongside Microsoft, RM, IWF, Childnet, Diana Award and the SWGFL amongst others. An allocation of 150 delegate places are reserved for teachers from state funded schools to attend free of charge. UKCCIS members are asked to communicate this information to their network of schools.</p> <p>This year’s event will focus on cyberbullying and trolling in schools as well as the prevention and protection of pupils from radicalisation during school hours. More information can be found at www.childinternetsafety.co.uk UKCCIS members who wish to attend or support the event should contact aisha@engagemediasolutions.org</p>

Safer Internet Centre	Safer Internet Day 2017 - SID will be celebrated next year on Tuesday 7 February 2017 with the theme: 'Be the change: unite for a better internet'. Keep an eye on the Safer Internet Centre's website for developments: http://www.saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/2017
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Other news

International Telecommunications Union (ITU)	The ITU's Council Working Group on Child Online Protection has commissioned an online survey on cyberbullying. The deadline for responses is 23 September. UKCCIS Secretariat would like to encourage those with an interest to submit their views: https://rerights.org/operation/operation-8-unkind/
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UKCCIS Working Group updates

Group	Chair / Lead	Remit
1. Filtering	Dave Miles	The Filtering Working Group brings together the UK's leading ISPs, mobile operators and public Wi-Fi providers around the deployment of family-friendly network filters. This multi-stakeholder group's main aim is to share best practice, promote the benefits of filtering and issues that arise from filtering. The group will also track device-side filtering and emerging technologies.

Latest information:

The Filtering Group had its last meeting on 25 May. Members of the Filtering Group felt it was time to bring it to a close. Some current members of the Filtering Group considered that it would be a benefit to UKCCIS if they became a Technical Working Group, looking at a range of issues such as the Internet of Things, virtual reality and working with Mobile Network Operators (MNOs) to address the interference of https encryption with Parental Controls and how this trend could be reversed. The Chair agreed and added that a Technical Working Group could also address age verification. UKCCIS co-chairs would like to thank Dave Miles for his successes in leading this Working Group.

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2. Age Verification	Dr Rachel O'Connell	Represent the interests of Child Internet Safety to Government and other age verification groups, such as Cabinet Office's Electronic Identity Assurance programme boards and the Digital Policy Alliance. UKCCIS members interested in considering the implications of age verification to address one of the longest standing online child safety issues, should contact the UKCCIS Secretariat. (ukccis.secretariat@culture.gov.uk).

Latest information:

The UKCCIS Executive Board considered age verification to be a relevant technical issue. Therefore, the Age Verification Working Group will be incorporated into the newly formed Technical Working Group.

UKCCIS co-chairs would like to thank Dr. O'Connell for her drive and energy, and look forward retaining her expertise for the broader aims of the new Technical Working Group.

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3. Social Media	Ofcom	Production of a practical guide on online safety for providers of social media and interactive services, incorporating existing good practice within the industry, and based on the six ICT Coalition Principles. The long-term aim is to encourage good practice by industry through an outreach programme led by UKCCIS members.

Latest information:

The Social Media Group is in the outreach phase of its work on the practical guide 'Child Online Safety: A Practical Guide for Providers of Social Media and Interactive Services'. Working group members are making individual contributions to outreach, supported by Ofcom, targeting the organisations identified during the group's early planning including relevant start up or developers of the social media and interactive services industry or those likely to be of influence such as tech and legal communities.

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4. Education	CEOP	The group's objectives are: 1. Mapping of the current internet safety landscape in schools and other education settings (to include PRUs and special schools but excluding youth work services and settings). 2. Production of a document for schools and education settings providing supplementary guidance on developing a whole school approach to addressing internet safety. In line with the UKCCIS Social Media Working Group this aims to be a practical guide outlining key issues, providing examples of best practice, things to think about, etc.

Latest information:

We are pleased to announce that "Sexting in Schools and Colleges" was published 15 August 2016 to support schools and colleges on responding to incidents of 'sexting'. Available at: <https://www.gov.uk/government/groups/uk-council-for-child-internet-safety-ukccis>

UKCCIS co-chairs would like to thank Jonathan Baggaley, Chair of the UKCCIS Education working Group for all his hard work in moving this agenda forward. We wish Jono every success in his new role as Chief Executive of the PSHE Association. A new chair will be determined shortly.

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5. Evidence	Prof. Julia Davidson, Middlesex University	Terms of reference: https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/442467/UKCCIS_Evidence_Group_Terms_of_Reference_and_Structure_2015_v2_2.pdf

Latest information:

The Evidence Group will meet next on 3 October.

EG Events

Two events are planned: A roundtable discussion at the LSE focusing on the GDPR and the implications for teenagers and parents; and a conference in spring 2017 focusing upon young people's experience of online adult pornography.

Research Highlights Series –The series has been designed to provide practitioners with easy access to accessible summaries of current and recent research findings; it is managed by Dr Joanne Bryce. There are currently 96 highlights in the series, the latest of which include:

- [96: Sexting and Young People: The Parent's View](#). NSPCC (August 2016) Following an increase in the number of counselling sessions performed by ChildLine, the NSPCC worked with FACTs International to explore how parents can be better supported to help their children around this issue. The research explores parents' knowledge and perceptions of sexting, as well as the types of resources and support that they would like to receive. It will be of benefit to those working with parents, particularly schools and the police, and can be used to inform the materials and services that are provided to parents going forward.
- [95: Children's Media Lives: Year 2 Findings - Social Media and Identity](#). ESRO/Ofcom (January 2016) A summary of the results of Ofcom's Children's Media Lives Study Year 2. This is a small-scale, qualitative study which complements Ofcom's quantitative media literacy surveys. The second wave of ethnographic research was conducted in spring 2015. This Research Highlight presents a summary of the results of the study which relate to social media and identity.
- [94: Children's Media Lives: Year 2 Findings – Role of TV and Search Behaviours](#). ESRO/Ofcom (January 2016) A summary of the results of Ofcom's Children's Media Lives Study Year 2. This is a small-scale, qualitative study which complements Ofcom's quantitative media literacy surveys. This Research Highlight presents a summary of the results of the study which relate to the role of TV, search behaviours and factors that shape trust.
- Other research highlights will be included soon from the EC ISEC policing and industry good practice project which is drawing to a close this month (Prof Davidson, Centre for Abuse and Trauma Studies, Middlesex University).

Research Videos- CEOP has filmed a series of short videos based on EG research that will be available on its website. The first has been completed with Prof Livingstone discussing the digital rights of children online. Videos have also been filmed which include OFCOM on digital lives, the EC ISEC study and the NSPCC/OCC study exploring children's response to adult pornography. The videos will also be available on the Safer Internet website.

Presentation – Dr Jeffrey DeMarco presented the key findings from the EC ISEC study which will be finalised at the end of September and published in early October. The research included national police surveys in 3 EU countries exploring the practice of law enforcement in

responding to online child sexual abuse, a series of industry case studies exploring practice and a survey in 3 EU countries focusing on young people's experiences of online victimisation.

Further information

For quick summaries of the latest UK-relevant research on child internet safety, see <http://www.saferinternet.org.uk/research>.

The UKCCIS Executive Board agreed to create two new Working Groups: a Technical Working Group (chaired by IWF Deputy CEO, Fred Langford), and a Digital Resilience Working Group (co-chaired by Dr. Richard Graham, Consultant Psychiatrist, The Tavistock and Portman NHS Foundation Trust and ParentZone CEO Vicki Shotbolt)

Both Working Groups will meet before October 2016 to propose their Terms of Reference to the Executive Board for approval in October.