Westminster *e*Forum policy conference:
Child online safety in the UK - next steps for regulation, policy and practice
Timing: Morning, Tuesday 14th January 2025
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8.30   Registration

9.00   **Chair's opening remarks**
            Senior Parliamentarian

9.05   **Latest developments in online safety policy - advocacy and industry practice, and key considerations for regulatory frameworks and implementation**
            Professor Sonia Livingstone, Professor, Department of Media and Communications, London School of Economics and Political Science
            Questions and comments from the floor

9.30   **Social media sector roles, responsibilities and priorities for child online safety**
            Senior representative, social media

9.40   **Stakeholder priorities for regulation, industry best practice, promoting digital literacy and tackling key threats**
            assessing the direction of government policy | key considerations for regulation | risk assessment and liability for online harm and misinformation | opportunities and threats associated with AI and wider innovation | balancing freedom of expression and online safety | specific concerns such as screen time-extending features and recommender systems | improving child media literacy | addressing body-image and depressive content concerns | privacy considerations | information provision to authorities, emergency services and the legal justice system | relationships between offline and online spaces
            Hannah Swirsky, Head, Policy and Public Affairs, Internet Watch Foundation
            Senior representative, legal
            Senior representative, victims
            Senior representative, content provider
            Senior representative, education

10.15   Questions and comments from the floor

10.40   **Chair's closing remarks**
            Senior Parliamentarian

10.45   Break

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11.00   **International cooperation and the future of online safety**
            Prabhat Agarwal, Head, Digital Services and Platforms Unit, European Commission
            Questions and comments from the floor

11.25   **The future role of internet providers in creating safer online spaces for young people**
            Senior representative, internet

11.35   **Latest thinking on collaboration, challenges and practical steps for creating a child-safe online environment**
            opportunities for collaboration | opportunities for use of AI and wider innovation in protecting children | addressing threats that technology can amplify | age verification | challenges in identifying, classifying and moderating journalistic content | technical and outcomes-based evidence in assessing harm reduction effectiveness | moderating livestreams and homepage feeds
            John Carr, Secretary, UK Children's Charities' Coalition on Internet Safety
            Iain Corby, Executive Director, Age Verification Providers Association
            Senior representative, advocacy
            Senior representative, innovation

12.05   Questions and comments from the floor

12.30   **Key considerations for online safety regulation and policy going forward**
            Senior representative, regulation
            Questions and comments from the floor

12.55   **Chair's and Westminster *e*Forum closing remarks**
            Senior Parliamentarian
            Thomas Howard, Westminster *e*Forum