Westminster *e*Forum policy conference:
Next steps for online safety policy and regulation in the UK
Timing: Morning, Tuesday, 11ᵗʰ November 2025
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8.30   Registration

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

9.05   **Taking forward the next phase for online safety - regulatory coordination, emerging challenges, and considerations for future policy development**
Senior representative, policy
Questions and comments from the floor

9.30   **Early indications from updates to online safety regulation - impact, effectiveness, and next steps for additional measures**
stakeholder views on the Protection of Children and Illegal Content Codes of Practice | assessing potential further measures to strengthen online protection | key issues emerging from platform risk assessments | effective age assurance, including alternative approaches | privacy considerations in age assurance and platform design | strategies for tackling CSAM and preventing repeat access | minimising livestream interactions with children | improvements to recommender systems and crisis response protocols | role of technology in tackling illegal content | implementation of digital fingerprinting and hash-matching to prevent viral spread
Joanna Conway, Partner, Deloitte
Colette Collins-Walsh, Head, UK Affairs, 5Rights Foundation
Senior representative, social media
Senior representative, innovation
Senior representative, content provider
Questions and comments from the floor

10.20   **Options for imposing limits on children's smartphone and social media usage**
Senior academic
Questions and comments from the floor

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

10.50   Break

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

11.05   **Priorities for protecting children's privacy online**
Emily Keaney, Deputy Director, Regulatory Policy, Information Commissioner's Office
Questions and comments from the floor

11.30   **'Avoiding unintended consequences for public interest websites'**
Lucy Crompton-Reid, Chief Executive, Wikimedia UK

11.40   **Next steps for transparency reporting, duties on categorised services, and enforcement powers**
addressing disparities in regulatory burdens | impact on smaller platforms and options for supporting effective compliance | strategies for securing compliance and assessing what constitutes reasonable effort | implementation of the fees and penalties regime | effectiveness of enforcement powers | the super-complaints mechanism and identifying systemic issues online | alignment with related legislation such as the Data (Use and Access) Act 2025 and the Crime and Policing Bill | cross-border regulatory coordination and international alignment | legal considerations
Elle Todd, Partner, Reed Smith
Senior representative, consumer
Senior representative, online platform

12.00   Questions and comments from the floor

12.30   **Priorities for the continued implementation of the Online Safety Act 2023**
Mark Bunting, Director, Online Safety Strategy Delivery, Ofcom
Questions and comments from the floor

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