



# Formal Minutes of the Joint Committee on the draft Online Safety Bill in Session 2021–22

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They include:

- the names of the members who attended (all or part of) each meeting of the Committee;
- declarations of members' interests;
- details of written and oral evidence reported to the House by the Committee;
- any other formal decisions taken by the committee (recorded as 'orders' or 'resolutions'), for example to begin an inquiry, to report evidence to the House, to make a visit or to appoint a specialist adviser; and
- visits made by the Committee.

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## Appointment of the Joint Committee

The House of Lords and House of Commons agreed the following motions to establish the Joint Committee.

### House of Lords Minute, 19 July 2021

*Draft Online Safety Bill* Lord Ashton of Hyde, on behalf of The Lord Privy Seal (Baroness Evans of Bowes Park), moved that it is expedient that a Joint Committee of Lords and Commons be appointed to consider and report on the draft Online Safety Bill presented to both Houses on 12 May (CP 405), and that the Committee should report on the draft Bill by 10 December. The motion was agreed to and a message was sent to the Commons.

### House of Commons Votes and Proceedings, 21 July 2021

Draft Online Safety Bill (Joint Committee)

*Resolved*, That this House concurs with the Lords Message of 19 July, that it is expedient that a Joint Committee of Lords and Commons be appointed to consider and report on the draft Online Safety Bill (CP 405) presented to both Houses on 12 May.

*Ordered*, That a Select Committee of six Members be appointed to join with a Committee appointed by the Lords to consider the draft Online Safety Bill.

That the Committee should report by 10 December.

That the Committee shall have power—

- (i) to send for persons, papers and records;
- (ii) to sit notwithstanding any adjournment of the House;
- (iii) to report from time to time;
- (iv) to appoint specialist advisers;
- (v) to adjourn from place to place within the United Kingdom; and

That Debbie Abrahams, Damian Collins, Darren Jones, John Nicolson, Dean Russell and Suzanne Webb be members of the Committee.—(*David T C Davies.*)

### House of Lords Minute, Thursday 22 July 2021

Draft Online Safety Bill A message was brought from the Commons on 21 July that they concur with the Lords Message of 19 July, that it is expedient that a Joint Committee of Lords and Commons be appointed to consider and report on the draft Online Safety Bill (CP 405) presented to both Houses on 12 May.

That a Select Committee of six Members be appointed to join with a Committee appointed by the Lords to consider the draft Online Safety Bill.

That the Committee should report by 10 December.

That the Committee shall have power—

- (i) to send for persons, papers and records;
- (ii) to sit notwithstanding any adjournment of the House;
- (iii) to report from time to time;
- (iv) to appoint specialist advisers; and
- (v) to adjourn from place to place within the United Kingdom.

**On 25 October 2021, the House of Commons and House of Lords agreed amendments to the Joint Committee's terms of reference as follows:**

### House of Commons Votes and Proceedings, 25 October 2021

Draft Online Safety Bill (Joint Committee) (Power to travel outside the United Kingdom)

*Ordered*, That the Order of the House of 21 July 2021 appointing a Select Committee to join with a Committee of the Lords to consider and report on the draft Online Safety Bill (CP 405) be amended by leaving out the words "to adjourn from place to place within the United Kingdom" and inserting the words "to adjourn from place to place".—(Amanda Solloway.)

### House of Lords Minute, 25 October 2021

Draft Online Safety Bill The Senior Deputy Speaker (Lord Gardiner of Kimble) moved, further to the resolution of the House of 22 July, that the Committee should also have power to meet outside Westminster. The motion was agreed to.

## Tuesday 27 July 2021

### Members present

Debbie Abrahams MP  
Lord Black of Brentwood  
Lord Clement-Jones  
Damian Collins MP  
Lord Gilbert of Panteg  
Darren Jones MP  
Baroness Kidron  
Lord Knight of Weymouth  
John Nicolson MP  
Dean Russell MP

Lord Stevenson of Balmacara  
Suzanne Webb MP

## Declaration of interests

Members' Interests as recorded in the Commons Register of Members' Interests and the Lords Register of Interests were declared. Other declarations were made (see Appendix).

Damian Collins MP drew attention to non-pecuniary interests as an unpaid partner of Infotagion LLP and board member of the Center for Countering Digital Hate as set out in the Register of Members' Interests.

Dean Russell MP drew attention to a pecuniary interest, consultancy work for the Data & Marketing Association as set out in the Register of Members' Interests.

## Election of chair

Damian Collins MP was called to the Chair.

*Ordered*, That the Chair report his election to the House of Commons

## Procedural and administrative matters

The Committee considered this matter.

*Resolved*, That the Committee examine witnesses in public, except where it otherwise orders.

## Future Programme

The Committee considered this matter.

*Resolved*, That the Committee issue a Call for Evidence, with written submissions to be received by 17 September.

## Adjournment

Adjourned till 4 pm on Tuesday, 7 September.

## Tuesday 7 September 2021

### Members present

Debbie Abrahams MP  
Lord Black of Brentwood  
Lord Clement-Jones  
Damian Collins MP  
Lord Gilbert of Panteg  
Darren Jones MP  
Baroness Kidron  
Lord Knight of Weymouth  
John Nicolson MP  
Dean Russell MP  
Suzanne Webb MP

### Future Programme

The Committee considered this matter.

### Adjournment

Adjourned till 9:30 am on Thursday, 9 September

## Thursday 9 September 2021

### Members present

Debbie Abrahams MP  
Lord Black of Brentwood  
Lord Clement-Jones  
Damian Collins MP  
Lord Gilbert of Panteg  
Darren Jones MP  
Baroness Kidron  
Lord Knight of Weymouth  
John Nicolson MP  
Dean Russell MP  
Lord Stevenson of Balmacara  
Suzanne Webb MP

### Written Evidence

*Ordered*, That the following written evidence be reported to the House of Commons for publication:

Media and Communication Department, London School of Economics (OSB0001)  
Mrs Friese Peach (OSB0002)  
Keoghs LLP (OSB0003)

Somerset Bridge Group Ltd. (OSB0004)  
Antisemitism Policy Trust (OSB0005)  
BBFC (OSB0006)  
EFL, Kick It Out, The Football Association, The Premier League (OSB0007)  
Epilepsy Society (OSB0008)  
Center for Countering Digital Hate (OSB0009)

## Future Programme

The Committee considered this matter.

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Damian Collins MP declared a relevant non-pecuniary interest as a member of the Center for Countering Digital Hate's advisory board.

Imran Ahmed, CEO and Founder, Center for Countering Digital Hate; Sanjay Bhandari, Chair, Kick It Out, Edleen John, Director of International Relations, Corporate Affairs and Co-Partner for Equality, Diversity and Inclusion, Football Association, Rio Ferdinand, former footballer; Danny Stone MBE, Director, Antisemitism Policy Trust and Nancy Kelley, Chief Executive, Stonewall, gave oral evidence.

## Adjournment

Adjourned till 2:00 pm on Monday, 13 September

## Monday 13 September 2021

### Members present

Debbie Abrahams MP  
Lord Black of Brentwood  
Lord Clement-Jones  
Damian Collins MP  
Lord Gilbert of Panteg  
Baroness Kidron  
Lord Knight of Weymouth  
John Nicolson MP  
Dean Russell MP  
Lord Stevenson of Balmacara  
Suzanne Webb MP

### Written Evidence

The following written evidence was reported to the House of Commons for publication:

OSB0010 - medConfidential (OSB0010)  
OSB0011 - Department of Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, Home Office (OSB0011)  
OSB0012 - Snap Inc. (OSB0012)

## Future Programme

The Committee considered this matter.

## Draft Online Safety Bill

Baroness Kidron declared a relevant non-pecuniary interest as Chair of the 5Rights Foundation.

Clare Pelham, Chief Executive, Epilepsy Society; Matt Harrison, Public Affairs and Parliamentary Manager, Royal Mencap Society; Nina Jankowicz, Author and Global Fellow, Wilson Center; Izzy Wick, Director of UK Policy, 5Rights Foundation; Ian Russell, Chief Executive, Molly Rose Foundation. gave oral evidence.

## Adjournment

Adjourned till 9:45 am on Thursday, 16 September

## Thursday 16 September 2021

### Members present

Debbie Abrahams MP  
Lord Black of Brentwood  
Lord Clement-Jones  
Damian Collins MP  
Lord Gilbert of Panteg  
Darren Jones MP  
Baroness Kidron  
Lord Knight of Weymouth  
John Nicolson MP  
Dean Russell MP  
Lord Stevenson of Balmacara  
Suzanne Webb MP

### Written Evidence

*Ordered,* That the following written evidence be reported to the House of Commons for publication:

OSB0013 - Nathan Silver  
OSB0015 - Vodafone UK  
OSB0016 - Alliance for Intellectual Property  
OSB0017 - Barnardo's  
OSB0018 - Common Sense  
OSB0019 - Office of the Children's Commissioner  
OSB0020 - Work and Pensions Committee  
OSB0021 - Ofcom  
OSB0023 - The Naked Truth Project (NTP)  
OSB0024 - Quilter  
OSB0025 - International Justice Mission

OSB0026 - Clean up the Internet  
OSB0027 - Global Action Plan  
OSB0028 - Henry Jackson Society  
OSB0029 - Coadec  
OSB0030 - Anti-Defamation League (ADL)  
OSB0031 - Mumsnet  
OSB0033 – Glassdoor  
OSB0034 - Sara Khan, Former Lead Commissioner at Commission for Countering Extremism, and  
Sir Mark Rowley, Former Assistant Commissioner (2014-2018) at Metropolitan Police Service

## Draft Online Safety Bill

The Committee considered this matter.

## Adjournment

Adjourned till 2:00 pm on Monday, 20 September

## Monday 20 September 2021

### Members present

Debbie Abrahams MP  
Lord Black of Brentwood  
Lord Clement-Jones  
Damian Collins MP  
Lord Gilbert of Panteg  
Baroness Kidron  
Lord Knight of Weymouth  
John Nicolson MP  
Dean Russell MP  
Suzanne Webb MP

### Written Evidence

*Ordered*, That the following written evidence be reported to the House of Commons for publication:

OSB0062 – Information Commissioner, Elizabeth Denham CBE  
OSB0095 – Carnegie Trust UK  
OSB0134 – Wikimedia UK  
OSB0145 – Dr Edina Harbinja, Senior Lecturer in Media and Privacy Law at Aston University

### Future Programme

The Committee considered this matter.

Resolved, That the Committee work with the Minderoo Centre for Technology & Democracy, University of Cambridge and the LSE Department of Media and Communications to host roundtable



discussions on safety by design, anonymity and age verification, and freedom of speech, rights and effective regulation in the draft Bill.

Resolved, That the Committee work with the All Party Parliamentary Group on Digital Responsibility and Regulation to host an open event for parliamentarians to give their views on the draft Bill.

## Adjournment

Adjourned till 9:30 am on Thursday, 23 September

## Thursday 23 September 2021

### Members present

Debbie Abrahams MP  
Lord Black of Brentwood  
Damian Collins MP  
Lord Gilbert of Panteg  
Darren Jones MP  
Baroness Kidron  
Lord Knight of Weymouth  
John Nicolson MP  
Dean Russell MP  
Lord Stevenson of Balmacara  
Suzanne Webb MP

### Written Evidence

*Ordered*, That the following written evidence be reported to the House of Commons for publication:

OSB0035 - Professional Players Federation  
OSB0036 - Money and Mental Health Policy Institute  
OSB0037 - All-Party Parliamentary Group on Commercial Sexual Exploitation  
OSB0038 - COST Action CA16207 - European Network for Problematic Usage of the Internet  
OSB0040 - Transform Hospital Group Limited  
OSB0041 - Hacked Off  
OSB0042 - Aviva Plc  
OSB0043 - Board of Deputies of British Jews  
OSB0044 - Financial Conduct Authority  
OSB0045 - LGBT Foundation  
OSB0047 - Centenary Action Group, Glitch, Antisemitism Policy Trust, Stonewall, Women's Aid, Compassion in Politics, End Violence Against Women Coalition, Imkaan, Inclusion London, The Traveller Movement  
OSB0048 - HOPE not hate  
OSB0049 - Legal to Say. Legal to Type.  
OSB0050 - Compassion in Politics  
OSB0051 - CIFAS  
OSB0052 - Tech Against Terrorism

OSB0053 - Match Group  
OSB0054 - SWGfL  
OSB0055 - Bumble Inc.  
OSB0056 - Full Fact  
OSB0057 - Ms. Daphne Keller (Director, Program on Platform Regulation at Stanford Cyber Policy Center)  
OSB0058 - Reddit, Inc.  
OSB0059 - ISPA (The Internet Service Provider Association)  
OSB0060 - Trustworthy Autonomous Hub  
OSB0061 - British Horseracing Authority  
OSB0063 - Dr Martin Moore (Senior Lecturer at King's College London)  
OSB0064 - The Independent Media Association  
OSB0066 - Damian Tambini (Distinguished Policy Fellow and Associate Professor at London School of Economics and Political Science)  
OSB0067 - Advisory Committee For Scotland.  
OSB0068 – SumOfUs  
OSB0070 - RSA  
OSB0071 - Dr Kim Barker (Senior Lecturer in Law at Open University); Dr Olga Jurasz (Senior Lecturer in Law at Open University)  
OSB0072 - Twitter  
OSB0073 - British & Irish Law, Education & Technology Association  
OSB0074 - BBC  
OSB0075 - Mencap  
OSB0076 - Microsoft  
OSB0077 - Mr Mark Taber (Consumer Finance Expert, Campaigner & Media Contributor at Mark Taber)  
OSB0079 - Association of British Insurers  
OSB0080 - UK Interactive Entertainment  
OSB0081 - Girlguiding  
OSB0082 - Direct Line Group  
OSB0083 - Stonewall  
OSB0084 - Refuge  
OSB0085 - Care  
OSB0086 - Who Targets Me  
OSB0087 - British Retail Consortium (BRC)  
OSB0088 - UK Finance  
OSB0090 - Sport and Recreation Alliance  
OSB0091 - Cloudflare  
OSB0092 - IMPRESS  
OSB0093 - Premier Christian Communications Ltd  
OSB0094 - Logically  
OSB0096 - 5Rights Foundation  
OSB0097 - Glitch  
OSB0098 - techUK  
OSB0099 - Publishers Association  
OSB0100 - Electrical Safety First  
OSB0101 - Ada Lovelace Institute  
OSB0102 - PIMFA

OSB0103 - Internet Matters  
OSB0104 - CEASE (Centre to End All Sexual Exploitation)  
OSB0105 - Women in Sport  
OSB0106 - Barclays Bank  
OSB0107 - News Media Association  
OSB0108 - Polis Analysis  
OSB0109 - NSPCC  
OSB0110 - Internet Watch Foundation (IWF)  
OSB0111 - 5 Sports: The Football Association, England and Wales Cricket Board, Rugby Football Union, Rugby Football League and Lawn Tennis Association, The FA  
OSB0113 - MoneySavingExpert  
OSB0114 - Peers for Gambling Reform  
OSB0115 - Which?  
OSB0116 - Innovate Finance  
OSB0117 - Revolut  
OSB0118 - Open Rights Group

## Future Programme

The Committee considered this matter.

*Resolved*, That the Committee intends to visit Brussels to meet with the European Commission and others about the Digital Services Act.

*Ordered*, That the Chair seek an amendment to the Committee's terms of reference to allow it to undertake the visit.

## Specialist advisers

Ordered, that Jacqueline Hughes, Dr Charles Kriel and Dr Bertie Vidgen be appointed specialist advisers to assist the Committee in its scrutiny of the draft Bill (For details of declarations of interests, see Appendix).

## Draft Online Safety Bill

Baroness Kidron declared a non-pecuniary interest as a colleague of Professor Sonia Livingston in her work on the Digital Futures Commission.

William Perrin, Trustee at Carnegie Trust UK, Dr Edina Harbinja, Senior Lecturer in Media and Privacy Law at Aston University, Professor Sonia Livingstone, Professor of Social Psychology at LSE Department of Media and Communications, Professor Clare McGlynn, Professor of Law at Durham University; Jimmy Wales, Founder of Wikipedia; Elizabeth Denham CBE, Information Commissioner, Stephen Bonner, Executive Director - Regulatory Futures & Innovation, Information Commissioner's Office, gave oral evidence.

## Adjournment

Adjourned till 9:30 am on Thursday, 14 October.

## Wednesday 13 October 2021

Members of the Committee held a roundtable discussion on safety by design in conjunction with the Minderoo Centre for Technology & Democracy, University of Cambridge in accordance with the Committee's resolution of 20 September.

## Thursday 14 October 2021

### Members present

Damian Collins MP (in the Chair)  
Debbie Abrahams MP  
Lord Black of Brentwood  
Lord Clement-Jones  
Lord Gilbert of Panteg  
Darren Jones MP  
Baroness Kidron  
Lord Knight of Weymouth  
John Nicolson MP  
Dean Russell MP  
Lord Stevenson of Balmacara  
Suzanne Webb MP

### Written Evidence

*Ordered,* That the following written evidence be reported to the House of Commons for publication:

OSB0014 - Professor Clare McGlynn (Professor of Law at Durham University)  
OSB0121 - Prof Andy Phippen (Professor of Digital Rights at Bournemouth University)  
OSB0122 - The Age Verification Providers Association  
OSB0123 - Patreon Inc.  
OSB0124 - Parent Zone  
OSB0125 - Mr Hadley Newman  
OSB0126 - Professor Jacob Rowbottom  
OSB0127 - Virgin Media 02  
OSB0128 - Shout Out UK  
OSB0129 - Adam Smith Institute  
OSB0130 – Yoti  
OSB0131 - Dr Amy Orben (College Research Fellow at Emmanuel College, University of Cambridge)  
OSB0132 - Internet Association  
OSB0133 - DMG Media  
OSB0135 - Lloyds Banking Group plc  
OSB0136 - Big Brother Watch  
OSB0137 - Engine Advocacy  
OSB0138 – Reset  
OSB0139 - Action for Primates, Lady Freethinker

OSB0140 - Young Epilepsy  
OSB0142 - WebGroup Czech Republic, a.s., NKL Associates s.r.o.  
OSB0143 - Digital Identity Net U.K. Ltd  
OSB0144 - Dr Francesca Sobande (Lecturer in Digital Media Studies at Cardiff University)  
OSB0146 - The LEGO Group  
OSB0147 – Facebook  
OSB0148 - Office of the City Remembrancer, City of London Corporation  
OSB0149 - Molly Rose Foundation  
OSB0150 - Global Action Plan, on behalf of the End Surveillance Advertising to Kids coalition, The Mission and Public Affairs Council of the Church of England, Global Witness, New Economics Foundation, Foxglove Legal, Fairplay, 5Rights Foundation, Andrew Simms, New Weather Institute, Dr Elly Hanson, Avaaz  
OSB0151 - Gambling Related Harm All Party Parliamentary Group  
OSB0152 - Dr Mikolaj Barczentewicz (Senior Lecturer in Law at University of Surrey)  
OSB0153 - Rachel Coldicutt  
OSB0154 - Professional Publishers Association (PPA)  
OSB0155 - Dr Emma Briant (Research Associate at Bard College)  
OSB0157 - Dr Dimitris Xenos (Lecturer in Law at Cardiff Metropolitan University)  
OSB0159 – Demos  
OSB0160 - Competition and Markets Authority  
OSB0161 - Baroness Floella Benjamin, DBE  
OSB0162 - The Investment Association  
OSB0163 - BT Group  
OSB0164 - Paul Davis (Director of Fraud at TSB Bank Plc)  
OSB0165 – Sky  
OSB0166 - The National Union of Journalists (NUJ)  
OSB0167 - Mr John Carr (Secretary at Children's Charities' Coalition on Internet Safety)  
OSB0168 - Mobile UK  
OSB0169 - Wikimedia UK  
OSB0171 - Guardian Media Group  
OSB0172 - Evolving Internet Standards and Services Undermine User Safety Andrew Campling (Director at 419 Consulting Ltd)  
OSB0173 - End the Virus of Racism  
OSB0174 - Zoom Video Communications  
OSB0175 – Google  
OSB0176 - M&G PLC  
OSB0177 - Sky, BT, Channel 4, COBA, ITV, NBC Universal, TalkTalk, Virgin Media O2, Warner Media  
OSB0178 – Local Government Association  
OSB0179 – Crown Prosecution Service  
OSB0180 – The Conscious Advertising Network  
OSB0181 – TikTok  
OSB0183 – Schillings International LLP  
OSB0185 - Gumtree UK  
OSB0186 – Confederation of British Industry  
OSB0187 – Independent Schools Council  
OSB0188 – defenddigitalme  
OSB0191 – LGBT Foundation

OSB0192 – defenddigitalme (Confidentiality requested) NOT Published  
OSB0193 – Professor Andrew Przbylski, Associate Professor, Senior Research Fellow, University of Oxford  
OSB0194 – Global Partners Digital  
OSB0195 – Catch 22  
OSB0196 – Dignify  
OSB0197 – Hargreaves Lansdown  
OSB0198 – Arise Foundation  
OSB0199 – Reform Political Advertising  
OSB0200 – TalkTalk  
OSB0201 – Dame Margaret Hodge MP  
OSB0202 – APPG coalition  
OSB0203 – Reset – supplementary written evidence on international comparisons  
OSB0204 – ITV  
OSB0205 – 5Rights Foundation  
OSB0206 – 5Rights Foundation

## Draft Online Safety Bill

Guillame Chaslot, Founder, Algo Transparency, Renee DiResta, Research Manager, Stanford Internet Observatory, Laura Edelson, Researcher, New York University, gave oral evidence.

## Adjournment

The Committee adjourned until Monday, 18 October at 1:45 pm.

## Monday 18 October 2021

### Members present

Damian Collins MP, in the Chair  
Debbie Abrahams MP  
Lord Black of Brentwood  
Darren Jones MP  
Baroness Kidron  
Lord Knight of Weymouth  
John Nicolson MP  
Dean Russell MP  
Suzanne Webb MP

## Draft Online Safety Bill

The Committee considered this matter.

Lord Black of Brentwood declared a relevant interest as a director of the Advertising Standards Board of Finance.

Rocio Concha, Director of Policy and Advocacy and Chief Economist, Which?, Martin Lewis OBE, Founder and Chair, MoneySavingExpert.com and Money and Mental Health Policy Institute; Mark Steward, Executive Director of Enforcement and Market Oversight, Financial Conduct Authority, Guy Parker, Chief Executive, Advertising Standards Authority, Michael Grenfell, Executive Director for Enforcement, Competition and Markets Authority, and T/Commander Clinton Blackburn, National Economic Crime Coordinator, City of London Police; and Sophie Zhang, former employee, Facebook, gave oral evidence.

## Adjournment

The Committee adjourned till Thursday, 21 October at 9:30 am.

## Wednesday 20 October 2021

Members of the Committee attended an open event for parliamentarians hosted in conjunction with the All-Party Parliamentary Group on Digital Regulation and Responsibility in accordance with the Committee's resolution of 20 September.

## Thursday 21 October 2021

### Members present

Damian Collins MP, in the Chair  
Lord Clement-Jones  
Darren Jones MP  
Baroness Kidron  
Lord Knight of Weymouth  
John Nicolson MP  
Suzanne Webb MP

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The Committee considered this matter.

Barbora Bukovska, Director, Law and Policy, Article 19, Silkie Carlo, Director, Big Brother Watch, Matthew D'Ancona, Editor, Tortoise Media, Professor Richard Wilson, Associate Dean for Faculty Development and Intellectual Life, Gladstein Chair and Professor of Anthropology and Law, University of Connecticut; Alison Gow, President, Society of Editors, Gavin Millar QC, Matrix Chambers, Matt Rogerson, Director of Public Policy, Guardian Media Group, representing the News Media Association, and Peter Wright, Editor Emeritus, DMG Media; Professor Jonathan Haidt, Professor of Ethical Leadership, New York University Stern School of Business, and Jim Steyer, CEO, Common Sense Media, gave oral evidence.

## Adjournment

The Committee adjourned till Monday, 25 October at 2:00 pm.

## Monday 25 October 2021

### Members present

Damian Collins MP, in the Chair  
Debbie Abrahams MP  
Lord Black of Brentwood  
Lord Clement-Jones  
Lord Gilbert of Panteg  
Darren Jones MP  
Baroness Kidron  
Lord Knight of Weymouth  
John Nicolson MP  
Dean Russell MP  
Lord Stevenson of Balmacara  
Suzanne Webb MP

### Written Evidence

*Ordered*, That the following written evidence be reported to the House of Commons for publication:

OSB0207 – Parentkind

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The Committee considered this matter.

Frances Haugen, former employee, Facebook, gave oral evidence.

### Adjournment

The Committee adjourned till 8:45 am on Wednesday 27 October.

## Wednesday 27 October 2021

### Members present

Damian Collins MP, in the Chair  
Lord Black of Brentwood  
Lord Clement-Jones  
Baroness Kidron  
John Nicolson MP  
Dean Russell MP  
Lord Stevenson of Balmacara  
Suzanne Webb MP

### Written Evidence

*Ordered*, That the following written evidence be reported to the House of Commons for publication:



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Maria Ressa, Founder and CEO, Rappler, gave oral evidence.

## Adjournment

The Committee adjourned till 9:30 am on Thursday 28 October.

## Wednesday 27 October 2021

Members of the Committee attended a roundtable discussion on age assurance, age verification and anonymity, held in conjunction with the LSE Department of Media and Communications in accordance with the Committee's resolution of 20 September.

## Thursday 28 October 2021 (AM)

### Members present

Damian Collins MP, in the Chair

Debbie Abrahams MP

Lord Black of Brentwood

Lord Clement-Jones

Lord Gilbert of Panteg

Baroness Kidron

Darren Jones MP

John Nicolson MP

Dean Russell MP

Lord Stevenson of Balmacara

### Written Evidence

*Ordered,* That the following written evidence be reported to the House of Commons for publication:

OSB0182 - Samaritans

OSB0221 - Gavin Millar QC

OSB0208 – Sarah Champion MP

OSB0209 – Rt Hon. Mel Stride MP (Chair at House of Commons Treasury Select Committee)

OSB0210 – Information Commissioner

## Draft Online Safety Bill

The Committee considered this matter.

## Adjournment

The Committee adjourned till Monday 1 November at 2:00 pm.

## Thursday 28 October 2021 (PM)

### Members present

Damian Collins MP, in the Chair  
Debbie Abrahams MP  
Lord Clement-Jones  
Lord Gilbert of Panteg  
Baroness Kidron  
Lord Knight of Weymouth  
Darren Jones MP  
John Nicolson MP  
Dean Russell MP  
Lord Stevenson of Balmacara  
Suzanne Webb MP

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Darren Jones MP declared relevant interests as Co-Chair of the Parliamentary Internet, Communications and Technology Forum, of which Facebook and Google are paying members, and Chair of Labour Digital, for which Google had previously sponsored an event.

Antigone Davis, Global Head of Safety, Chris Yiu, Director Public Policy, Northern Europe, Facebook; Leslie Miller, Vice President, Government Affairs and Public Policy, YouTube, Markham C. Erickson, Vice President, Government Affairs and Public Policy, Google; Dr Theo Bertram, Director, Government Relations, TikTok, and Nick Pickles, Director, Global Public Policy Strategy, Development and Partnerships, Twitter, gave oral evidence.

## Monday 1 November 2021

### Members present

Damian Collins MP, in the Chair  
Lord Clement-Jones  
Lord Gilbert of Panteg  
Baroness Kidron  
Lord Knight of Weymouth  
Darren Jones MP  
John Nicolson MP  
Dean Russell MP  
Lord Stevenson of Balmacara  
Suzanne Webb MP

## Written Evidence

*Ordered*, That the following written evidence be reported to the House of Commons for publication:

OSB0156 – Mr Downing

OSB0211 – Information Commissioners Office

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The Committee considered this matter.

Dame Melanie Dawes, Chief Executive, and Richard Wronka, Director, Online Harms, Ofcom, gave oral evidence.

## Wednesday 3 November 2021

Committee Members attended a roundtable discussion on freedom of speech, rights and effective regulation in conjunction with the LSE Department of Media and Communications, in accordance with the Committee's resolution of 20 September.

## Thursday 4 November 2021

### Members present

Damian Collins MP, in the Chair

Lord Clement-Jones

Lord Gilbert of Panteg

Baroness Kidron

Lord Knight of Weymouth

Darren Jones MP

John Nicolson MP

Dean Russell MP

Lord Stevenson of Balmacara

Suzanne Webb MP

### Written Evidence

*Ordered*, That the following written evidence be reported to the House of Commons for publication:

OSB0078 - Dr Elly Hanson (Clinical Psychologist & researcher at I am independent)

OSB0212 - The Lord Bishop of Oxford Steven Croft

OSB0213 - Advertising Standards Authority

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The Committee considered this matter.

Rt Hon Nadine Dorries MP, Secretary of State, Chris Philp MP, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State, and Sarah Connolly, Director, Security and Online Harms, Department of Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, and Rt Hon Damian Hinds MP, Minister of State, Home Office, gave oral evidence.

## Adjournment

The Committee adjourned till Thursday 11 November at 9:30 am.

## Sunday 7 and Monday 8 November 2021

The Chair, Lord Clement-Jones, Darren Jones MP, Lord Gilbert, Baroness Kidron, Lord Knight of Weymouth and Suzanne Webb MP visited Brussels in accordance with the Committee's resolution of 23 September.

## Thursday 11 November 2021

### Members present

Damian Collins MP, in the Chair  
Lord Black of Brentwood  
Lord Clement-Jones  
Lord Gilbert of Panteg  
Baroness Kidron  
Lord Knight of Weymouth  
Darren Jones MP  
John Nicolson MP  
Lord Stevenson of Balmacara  
Suzanne Webb MP

### Written Evidence

*Ordered*, That the following written evidence be reported to the House of Commons for publication:

OSB0214 – Sophie Zhang  
OSB0215 – World Parrot Trust  
OSB0216 – John Carr OBE, Coalition of Children's Charities for Internet Safety  
OSB0217 – Only Fans

### Draft Online Safety Bill

The Committee considered this matter.

## Adjournment

The Committee adjourned till Thursday 18 November at 10:15 am.

## Thursday 18 November 2021

### Members present

Damian Collins MP, in the Chair  
Debbie Abrahams MP  
Lord Black of Brentwood  
Lord Clement-Jones  
Lord Gilbert of Panteg  
Darren Jones MP  
Baroness Kidron  
Lord Knight of Weymouth  
Dean Russell MP  
Lord Stevenson of Balmacara  
Suzanne Webb MP

### Written Evidence

*Ordered*, That the following written evidence be reported to the House of Commons for publication:

OSB0218 – Google UK Limited (supplementary)  
OSB0219 – Elizabeth Kanter (Director of Government Relations at TikTok) (supplementary)  
OSB0220 – Peter Wright, DMG Media (supplementary)  
OSB0222 – StepChange Debt Charity  
OSB0223 – Ofcom (supplementary)  
OSB0224 – Meta (Facebook) (supplementary)  
OSB0225 – Twitter (supplementary)

### Draft Online Safety Bill

The Committee considered this matter.

*Ordered*, That the Chair have leave to visit Paris on Monday 22 November to attend a hearing of the Committee on European Affairs of the French Senate in a representative capacity, and that the Chair seek the approval of the Chair of the Liaison Committee for expenditure in connection with the visit.

### Adjournment

The Committee adjourned till Thursday 25 November at 9:30 am.

## Monday 22 November

The Chair attended a hearing of the Committee on European Affairs of the French Senate in accordance with the Committee's resolution of 18 November.

## Thursday 25 November 2021

Committee Room 6

### Members present

Damian Collins MP, in the Chair  
Debbie Abrahams MP  
Lord Black of Brentwood  
Lord Gilbert of Panteg  
Baroness Kidron  
Lord Knight of Weymouth  
Lord Stevenson of Balmacara  
Dean Russell MP

### Written Evidence

*Ordered*, That the following written evidence be reported to the House of Commons for publication:

OSB0226 - Reform Political Advertising  
OSB0227 - Center for Countering Digital Hate (supplementary)  
OSB0228 - NSPCC- (supplementary)  
OSB0229 - Financial Conduct Authority (supplementary)  
OSB0230 - ForHunamity  
OSB0237 – Minderoo, Centre for Technology and Democracy, summary of roundtable  
OSB0236 – LSE, Anonymity & Age Verification, summary of roundtable  
OSB0247 – LSE, Freedom of Expression, summary of roundtable  
OSB0248 – Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport (supplementary)

### Draft Online Safety Bill

The Committee considered this matter.

### Adjournment

The Committee adjourned till Thursday 2 December at 9:30 am.

## Thursday 2 December 2021

Committee Room 6

### Members present

Damian Collins MP, in the Chair  
Debbie Abrahams MP  
Lord Black of Brentwood  
Lord Clement-Jones  
Lord Gilbert of Panteg  
Baroness Kidron

Lord Knight of Weymouth  
Darren Jones MP  
Lord Stevenson of Balmacara  
Suzanne Webb MP

## Written Evidence

*Ordered*, That the following written evidence be reported to the House of Commons for publication:

OSB0234 - FA and Kick It Out (supplementary)  
OSB0232 - Reset (supplementary)  
OSB0233 - Molly Rose Foundation (supplementary)  
OSB0231 - Richard Watts  
OSB0243 - Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport (supplementary)  
OSB0244 - Professor Clare McGlynn (supplementary)  
OSB0242 - Siobhan Baillie MP  
OSB0238 – Clean Up the Internet (supplementary)  
OSB0239 – Clean Up the Internet (supplementary)  
OSB0245 – Children’s Society  
OSB0240 - C2PA

## Draft Online Safety Bill

The Committee considered this matter.

## Adjournment

The Committee adjourned till Monday 5 December at 2:00 pm.

## Monday 6 December 2021

### Members present

Damian Collins MP, in the Chair  
Debbie Abrahams MP  
Lord Black of Brentwood  
Lord Clement-Jones  
Lord Gilbert of Panteg  
Darren Jones MP  
Baroness Kidron  
Lord Knight of Weymouth  
John Nicolson MP  
Lord Stevenson of Balmacara  
Dean Russell MP

## Written Evidence

*Ordered*, That the following written evidence be reported to the House of Commons for publication:

OSB0249 - Index on Censorship  
OSB0246 - Suzy Lamplugh Trust

## Draft Online Safety Bill

The Committee considered this matter.

## Adjournment

The Committee adjourned till Tuesday 7 December at 12:30 pm.

## Tuesday 7 December 2021

### Members present

Damian Collins MP, in the Chair  
Debbie Abrahams  
Lord Black of Brentwood  
Lord Clement-Jones  
Lord Gilbert of Panteg  
Darren Jones MP  
Baroness Kidron  
Lord Knight of Weymouth  
Lord Stevenson of Balmacara  
Suzanne Webb MP

### Written Evidence

*Ordered,* That the following written evidence be reported to the House of Commons for publication:

OSB0250 - ParentZone (supplementary)  
OSB0251 - Summary of written evidence submitted by supporters of the Samaritans in response to the call for evidence

## Draft Online Safety Bill

The Committee considered this matter.

## Adjournment

The Committee adjourned till Wednesday 8 December at 2:00 pm.

## Wednesday 8 December 2021

### Members present

Damian Collins MP, in the Chair



Debbie Abrahams MP  
Lord Black of Brentwood  
Lord Clement-Jones  
Lord Gilbert of Panteg  
Darren Jones MP  
Baroness Kidron  
John Nicolson MP  
Lord Knight of Weymouth  
Lord Stevenson of Balmacara  
Dean Russell MP  
Suzanne Webb MP

## Draft Online Safety Bill

The Committee considered this matter.

## Adjournment

The Committee adjourned till Thursday 9 December at 11:00 am.

## Thursday 9 December 2021

### Members present

Damian Collins MP, in the Chair  
Debbie Abrahams MP  
Lord Black of Brentwood  
Lord Clement-Jones  
Lord Gilbert of Panteg  
Baroness Kidron  
Lord Knight of Weymouth  
Darren Jones MP  
John Nicolson MP  
Lord Stevenson of Balmacara  
Dean Russell MP  
Suzanne Webb MP

## Draft Online Safety Bill

The Committee considered this matter.

## Adjournment

The Committee adjourned till Friday 10 December at 9:00 am.

## Friday 10 December 2021

### Members present

Damian Collins MP, in the Chair  
Debbie Abrahams MP  
Lord Black of Brentwood  
Lord Clement-Jones  
Lord Gilbert of Panteg  
Darren Jones MP  
Baroness Kidron  
Lord Knight of Weymouth  
John Nicolson MP  
Lord Stevenson of Balmacara  
Dean Russell MP  
Suzanne Webb MP

### Draft Online Safety Bill - Chair's draft Report

The draft Report was agreed to. For formal minutes relating to agreement of the report, see the Report of the Committee, HC609, HL Paper 129.

### Adjournment

The Committee adjourned.

## LORDS' MEMBERS DECLARED INTERESTS

### Lord Black of Brentwood

(Conservative, Life Peer)

#### **Category 1: Directorships**

Deputy Chairman (formerly Executive Director), Telegraph Media Group Limited

#### **Category 10: Non-financial interests (a)**

Director, Advertising Standards Board of Finance Ltd

President, Institute of Promotional Marketing (IPM)

Vice President, News Media Europe (<http://www.newsmediaeurope.eu/>)

Board Director, Regulatory Funding Company (the principal task of the company is to fund the work of the Independent Press Standards Organisation (ISPO); it also has certain responsibilities in relation to the Editors' Code of Practice Committee)

Special Adviser, Albany Associates International Limited (strategic communications solutions in fragile, conflict and post-conflict states)

**Category 10: Non-financial interests (b)**

Chairman (formerly Member of Council), Royal College of Music

Governor of Brentwood School, Essex

**Category 10: Non-financial interests (c)**

Trustee, Imperial War Museum Foundation

**Category 10: Non-financial interests (d)**

Board Member, WAN-IFRA (World Association of News Publishers protecting the rights of journalists and publishers around the world to operate independent media)

**Category 10: Non-financial interests (e)**

Chairman, Commonwealth Press Union Media Trust

Vice President, The Debating Group

President, London Press Club

President Emeritus (formerly Vice President), Printing Charity

Vice President, The Journalists' Charity

Trustee, Bloomsbury Network (charity supporting people living with HIV in London)

Master of the Guild of St Bride's, Fleet Street

## Lord Clement-Jones

(Liberal Democrat, Life Peer)

### **Category 1: Directorships**

Non-executive Chair, Ombudsman Services Limited (independent dispute resolution services for consumers in energy, telecoms and other industries)

### **Category 2: Remunerated employment, office, profession etc.**

Consultant (formerly London Managing Partner), DLA Piper UK LLP (International law firm)

Consultant, Big Innovation Centre, India (consultancy)

Member of KCS Europe Group Advisory Board

### **Category 10: Non-financial interests (a)**

Advisory Board Member, Corporate Finance Faculty, Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales

Advisory Council Member, Airmic

Consultant, Council of Europe's Ad hoc Committee on AI (CAHAI)

Member, Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) Parliamentary Group on AI

Senior Fellow, Atlantic Council's GeoTech Center

### **Category 10: Non-financial interests (b)**

Chair of Council, Queen Mary University of London

Governor, Haileybury College (interest ceased 17 April 2021)

### **Category 10: Non-financial interests (e)**

Advisory Board Chair, Institute for Ethical AI in Education (interest ceased 17 April 2021)

Ambassador, Barts Charity

City Ambassador, The Law Society (interest ceased 17 April 2021)

Council Member, Heart of the City

President, Ambitious About Autism (national UK charity for children with autism)

Trustee, Space for Giants

### **Additional interests declared at the first meeting of the Committee (27 July 2021)**

Non-financial interests as Co-Chair of the All-party Parliamentary Group (APPG) on Artificial Intelligence and Vice Chair of the APPG on Digital Democracy.

## Lord Gilbert of Panteg

(Conservative, Life Peer)

### **Category 2: Remunerated employment, office, profession etc.**

Consultant, Finsbury (strategic communications) (interest ceased 19 April 2021)

Electoral Commissioner

### **Category 8: Gifts, benefits and hospitality**

Honorary membership of Carlton Club, given by Carlton Club (London) Limited, St James's Street, London SW1

### **Category 10: Non-financial interests (b)**

Member, Executive Committee and Chair, Audit and Risk Committee, British Group Inter-Parliamentary Union (BGIPU)

### **Additional interests declared at the first meeting of the Committee (27 July 2021)**

Non-financial interests as a member of the All-party Parliamentary Groups on Publishing and on LGBT+ Rights and a financial interest as an Electoral Commissioner, as set out above.

## Baroness Kidron

(Crossbench, Life Peer)

### **Category 1: Directorships**

Director, Bodyline Films Ltd

Director, Cross Street Films (Trading) Ltd

Director, Soho Angel Films Limited

### **Category 2: Remunerated employment, office, profession etc.**

Director and producer for independent film, theatre and television companies, including many major broadcasters and Streaming Video on Demand (SVOD)

Occasional fees from writing articles, making speeches and as a consultant adviser

### **Category 3: Person with significant control of a company (PSC)**

Cross Street Films (Trading) Ltd

Soho Angel Films Ltd

The Imagine Workshop Ltd

### **Category 4: Shareholdings (a)**

Bodyline Films Limited

Cross Street Films (Trading) Ltd

Soho Angel Films Limited

The Imagine Workshop Ltd

### **Category 5: Land and property**

Office accommodations in London

### **Category 6: Sponsorship**

Secretarial and other assistance in connection with the member's parliamentary duties may be undertaken by employees of and in the offices of Cross Street Films (Trading) Ltd

### **Category 10: Non-financial interests (a)**

Member, Advisory Council, Institute for Ethics in AI, University of Oxford

Member, Executive Steering Group, Digital Makers Programme, Born in Bradford

### **Category 10: Non-financial interests (b)**

Commissioner, UNESCO Broadband Commission for Sustainable Development

Visiting Professor in Practice, Department of Media and Communications, London School of Economics

**Category 10: Non-financial interests (e)**

Chair, 5Rights Foundation (charity working on digital rights for children)

Member, Council on Extended Intelligence

Member, UNICEF Artificial Intelligence and Child Rights policy guidance group (interest ceased 31 October 2020)

Trustee, Kidron Hall Charitable Trust

Founding Executive Board Member, Data Protection Foundation

## Lord Knight of Weymouth

(Labour, Life Peer)

### **Category 1: Directorships**

Director, Suklaa Ltd (educational consultancy)

President, xRapid France SAS (developer of mobile diagnostic technology)

### **Category 2: Remunerated employment, office, profession etc.**

Adviser, London School of Commerce (interest ceased 31 May 2021)

Chief Education and External Officer (formerly Chief Education Adviser), TES Global Ltd (interest ceased 31 August 2020)

### **Category 3: Person with significant control of a company (PSC)**

Suklaa Ltd

Whole Education Limited (interest ceased 30 June 2021)

xRapid France SAS

### **Category 4: Shareholdings (a)**

Suklaa Ltd (educational consultancy)

TES Global Ltd (interest ceased 31 August 2020)

### **Category 4: Shareholdings (b)**

xRapid France SAS (developer of mobile diagnostic technology)

### **Category 10: Non-financial interests (a)**

Director, Climate Subak CIC (community interest company)

Director, Whole Education Limited (private company limited by guarantee without share capital) and Trustee of associated charity

### **Category 10: Non-financial interests (b)**

Visiting Professor, London Knowledge Lab, Institute of Education, University of London

### **Category 10: Non-financial interests (e)**

Trustee and Director, E-ACT (multi-academy trust)

Trustee, Centre for Accelerating Social Technology (registered charity)



## Lord Stevenson of Balmacara

(Labour, Life peer)

### **Category 10: Non-financial interests (a)**

Company Secretary, Aughadown Consulting Limited (private limited company owned by member's wife offering legal consulting services; post is unremunerated)

Director, Catalyst Foundation for Universal Education (a Delaware corporation, formerly Catalyst Trust for Universal Education, a UK limited company)

### **Category 10: Non-financial interests (e)**

Trustee, The Brown Archive Trust (registered Scottish charity)

## COMMONS' MEMBERS DECLARED INTERESTS

### Abrahams, Debbie (Oldham East and Saddleworth)

#### **8. Miscellaneous**

Along with the Good Law Project and two other MPs, since 6 October 2020 I have been party to judicial review proceedings crowdfunded through the Good Law Project, 3 East Point High Street, Seal, Sevenoaks, TN15 0EG. Total costs incurred on this action: £98,914.42. £85,000 was paid by the government, leaving the remainder (£13,914.42) payable by GLP direct to Counsel. (Registered 27 October 2020; updated 26 January 2021 and 28 April 2021)

## Collins, Damian (Folkestone and Hythe)

### **1. Employment and earnings**

From 1 March 2020 until further notice, Member of the Advisory Board of the Author's Licensing and Collecting Society, 1st Floor, Barnard's Inn, 86 Fetter Lane, London EC4A 1EN. I receive remuneration of £1,500 a quarter in return for a time commitment of 12 hrs per year (4 meetings with a commitment of 3 hrs each). (Registered 05 March 2020)

25 September 2020, received £550 from Mace Media Ltd, Unit 3 & 4 Croxted Mews, 286/288 Croxted Road, London SE24 9DA, for two articles for The Mace magazine. Hours: approx. 3 hrs. (Registered 20 October 2020)

6. Land and property portfolio: (i) value over £100,000 and/or (ii) giving rental income of over £10,000 a year

Flat in London: (i) and (ii).

### **8. Miscellaneous**

From 31 March 2020 until further notice, unpaid partner of Infotagion LLP, an independent fact checking service. This involves a commitment of 10 hrs per month. (Registered 28 April 2020)

From 20 July 2020 until further notice, unpaid board member of the Center for Countering Digital Hate, a not for profit NGO headquartered in London that seeks to disrupt the architecture of online hate and misinformation. This involves a commitment of 2 hrs per month. (Registered 22 July 2020)

### **Additional Interests Declared at the first meeting of the Committee (27 July 2021)**

Non-pecuniary interests as a member of the "Real Facebook Oversight Board" and Chair of the All-party Parliamentary Groups (APPGs) on Media Literacy and Media Freedom.

## Jones, Darren (Bristol North West)

### 1. Employment and earnings

From 3 October 2017 until 30 October 2020, contracted to provide legal consultancy, via the office of Darren Jones Ltd, to Kemp Little LLP, 138 Cheapside, London EC2V 6BJ. (Registered 19 October 2017; updated 04 November 2020)

22 October 2020, received £1,200 for work undertaken between 3 June and 14 August 2019. Hours: 8 hrs. (Registered 02 November 2020)

30 October 2020, received £262.50 for work undertaken on 28 September 2020. Hours: 1 hr 45 mins. (Registered 02 November 2020)

### 2. (b) Any other support not included in Category 2(a)

Name of donor: The Joseph Rowntree Reform Trust

Address of donor: The Garden House, Water End, York YO36 6WQ

Amount of donation, or nature and value if donation in kind: £19,000 to be paid in quarterly instalments to Office of Darren Jones Limited. The bulk of this money will be donated to the Labour Party to employ a part time member of staff for Labour Digital, an unincorporated organisation which I run. This support will also meet personal and project expenses incurred by Labour Digital, by me as director, and by its staff and volunteers.

Date received: 5 August 2019

Date accepted: 5 August 2019

Donor status: company, registration 357963

(Registered 12 August 2019)

Name of donor: Plexal (City) Limited

Address of donor: 6th Floor Lansdowne House, Berkeley Square, London W1J 6ER

Amount of donation, or nature and value if donation in kind: A complimentary pass to use a co-working space, valued at £3,168

Date received: 27 October 2020 to 27 October 2021

Date accepted: 27 October 2020

Donor status: company, registration 0012478

(Registered 29 October 2020)

### 7. (i) Shareholdings: over 15% of issued share capital

Office of Darren Jones Ltd; legal consultancy. (Registered 05 July 2017)

### 8. Miscellaneous

Director, currently unpaid, of the Office of Darren Jones Ltd. (Registered 19 October 2017)

I am the director of the Henacre Charitable Fund (the “Henacre Trust”) launched on 8 March 2019. This is a named trust owned and operated by the Quartet Community Foundation on my behalf. The Henacre Trust will make charitable grants to young people from Bristol North West. (Registered 11 March 2019)

From 1 May 2019, Chairman, currently unpaid, of the advisory board of the Institute of Artificial Intelligence (a not for profit organisation working with legislators from across the world on the topic of regulation of artificial intelligence). The Institute of Artificial Intelligence is the “trading name” of the Office for the Regulation of Artificial Intelligence Limited. (Registered 05 June 2019)

**Additional declarations made at the first meeting of the Committee (27 July 2021)**

Non-pecuniary interests as Chair of the All-party Parliamentary Groups (APPGs) on Technology and National Security and Data Poverty, Co-chair of the APPG, the Parliamentary Information, Communications and Technology Forum, vice-chair of the APPG on Artificial Intelligence, Parliamentary Champion of the OECD Artificial Intelligence Observatory, Chair of Labour Digital, Chair of the Parliamentary Labour Party's DCMS Backbench Committee, a member of the World Economic Forum, Global AI Action Forum and Chairman of the advisory board of the Institute of Artificial Intelligence as set out above.

## Nicolson, John (Ochil and South Perthshire)

### **1. Employment and earnings**

Payments from News UK, 1 London Bridge Street, London SE1 9GF, for hosting a radio show:

15 July 2020, received £4,800. Hours: 24 hrs. (Registered 16 July 2020)

14 August 2020, received £2,400. Hours: 12 hrs. (Registered 17 August 2020)

11 September 2020, received £3,000. Hours: 15 hrs. (Registered 16 September 2020)

20 November 2020, received £4,800. Hours: 24 hrs. (Registered 23 November 2020)

22 January 2021, received £2,400. Hours: 12 hrs. (Registered 22 January 2021)

12 February 2021, received £3,000. Hours: 15 hrs. (Registered 12 March 2021)

15 April 2021, received £4,800. Hours: 24 hrs. (Registered 26 May 2021)

6. Land and property portfolio: (i) value over £100,000 and/or (ii) giving rental income of over £10,000 a year

House in London: (i) and (ii). (Registered 09 January 2020)

## Russell, Dean (Watford)

### 1. Employment and earnings

Payments received from EPIFNY Consulting Ltd, a business education provider, of 6 High Street, Wheathamstead AL4 8AA, for consultancy on marketing and training content and for ad-hoc client support: 22 February 2021, received £200 for services provided to the Data and

Marketing Association Ltd, DMA House, 70 Margaret Street, London W1A

8SS. Hours: 4 hrs. (Registered 24 February 2021)

Payment of £600 expected from Hult Ashridge Executive Education, Ashridge House, Berkhamsted HP4 1NS, for services provided on 12 March 2021. Hours: 6 hrs. (Registered 08 April 2021)

Payment of £100 expected from the Data and Marketing Association Ltd,

DMA House, 70 Margaret Street, London W1A 8SS, for services provided on 14 March 2021. Hours: 2 hrs (Registered 08 April 2021)

Payment of £200 expected from the Data and Marketing Association Ltd,

DMA House, 70 Margaret Street, London W1A 8SS, for services provided on 18 May 2021. Hours: 4 hrs. (Registered 03 June 2021)

7 May 2021, received £750 from Gareth Bacon, [private address], for a painting which he commissioned. Hours: 8 hrs. (Registered 03 June 2021)

### 7. (i) Shareholdings: over 15% of issued share capital

Win That Pitch Ltd; training consultancy (dormant). (Registered 10 January 2020)

Pretty Square Picture Company Ltd; greeting cards retailer (dormant). (Registered 10 January 2020)

### 8. Miscellaneous

On 25 September 2020, Camelot UK Lotteries Ltd made a donation of £30,000 in support of the Watford Mental Health First-Aider project, in which I am a partner. (Registered 13 October 2020)

### Additional interests declared at the Committee's first meeting (27 July 2021)

Non-pecuniary interests as the Chair of the All-party Parliamentary Groups (APPGs) on Digital ID, Digital Health, and Film and Production; Co-Chair of the APPG on Mental Health; Vice Chair of the Loneliness APPG; member of the Film and Broader Screen APPG, and Small Business Ambassador for the Conservative Party.

## Webb, Suzanne (Stourbridge)

### 1. Employment and earnings

Councillor, Birmingham City Council, Victoria Square, Birmingham B1 1BB.

Until further notice, I receive a monthly payment of £1,435.58. Hours: 56 hrs per month. (Registered 08 January 2020)

### 7. (i) Shareholdings: over 15% of issued share capital

Newhall Consultancy Ltd; management consultancy. (Registered 08 January 2020))

## Specialist Adviser declarations of interests

### Jacqueline Hughes

I'm a media, communications and tech sector policy regulator, currently focused on online, emerging technology, AI and XR. I was the Director of Content Policy at Ofcom, where I drew a new operating licence and performance framework for the BBC, and before that I was a Current Affairs journalist and documentary film-maker and Commissioning Editor. My interests in the broadcast policy and regulation space led me to academia, and the exploration of public value and the public interest, media convergence, regulation and standards, children's rights in the online world and ultimately AI. I'm a Board member and Fellow of 'For Humanity' a 300+ strong global community of academics, lawyers, researchers, data scientists, policymakers and auditors, committed to examining ways to mitigate the downside risk of the use of AI and automation, and a member of 'MKAI' and 'All Tech is Human'—also global voluntary communities focused on understanding the impact of artificial intelligence on society and individuals. My recent consultancy work has revolved around Intelligence Support for the Department of Health and Social Care.

### Dr Charles Kriel

Founder and principal shareholder in Metrotone Media, a film and television production company making documentaries, primarily on disinformation and radicalisation. We have a film scheduled for release during the time of the Committee, titled Dis/Informed. We are also a music publisher, and do business as [Kriel.Agency](#), primarily in capacity building in developing democracies and fragile states. Our film and television distributor is Abacus Media Rights.

Co-Founder and significant shareholder in Lightful, a digital marketing agency serving the nonprofit sector

Collaborator with the Programme on Democracy and Technology, Oxford Internet Institute at the University of Oxford

Associate Fellow at the King's Centre for Strategic Communications, King's College, London

Founder and Principal shareholder in People You May Know Ltd., a special-purpose vehicle limited company, formed for the production of our last film, People You May Know. We are in the process of wrapping up this company.



## Dr Bertie Vidgen

Dr. Bertie Vidgen: Research Fellow in Online Harms at The Alan Turing Institute, where I lead the Online Safety team (funded by the EPSRC) and the Online Harms Observatory (part-funded by DCMS). Our team has received funding from Ofcom to conduct research into online harms. In addition, I am a Research Associate at the Oxford Internet Institute, University of Oxford, where I completed my PhD.

I am co-owner of the hate speech detection machine learning task on Dynabench, which was funded by Facebook AI Research, and a co-organiser of the Workshop on Online Abuse and Harms (other co-organisers include researchers at Google and Facebook). I was previously a visiting fellow at the Open University.

I am co-founder and CEO of Rewire Online Limited, a startup building socially responsible AI for online safety.

I have collaborations with industry researchers at Facebook AI Research and Google, who have funded the creation of publicly available datasets for computer science research. I have also worked on the Online Safety Data Initiative, a DCMS-funded project to improve the availability of data for innovation in online safety.

My advisory work is paid via my consulting company, Vidgen Consulting Limited.