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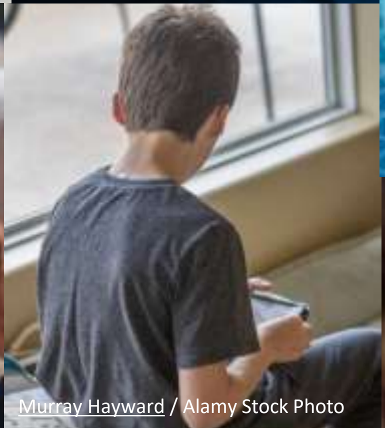

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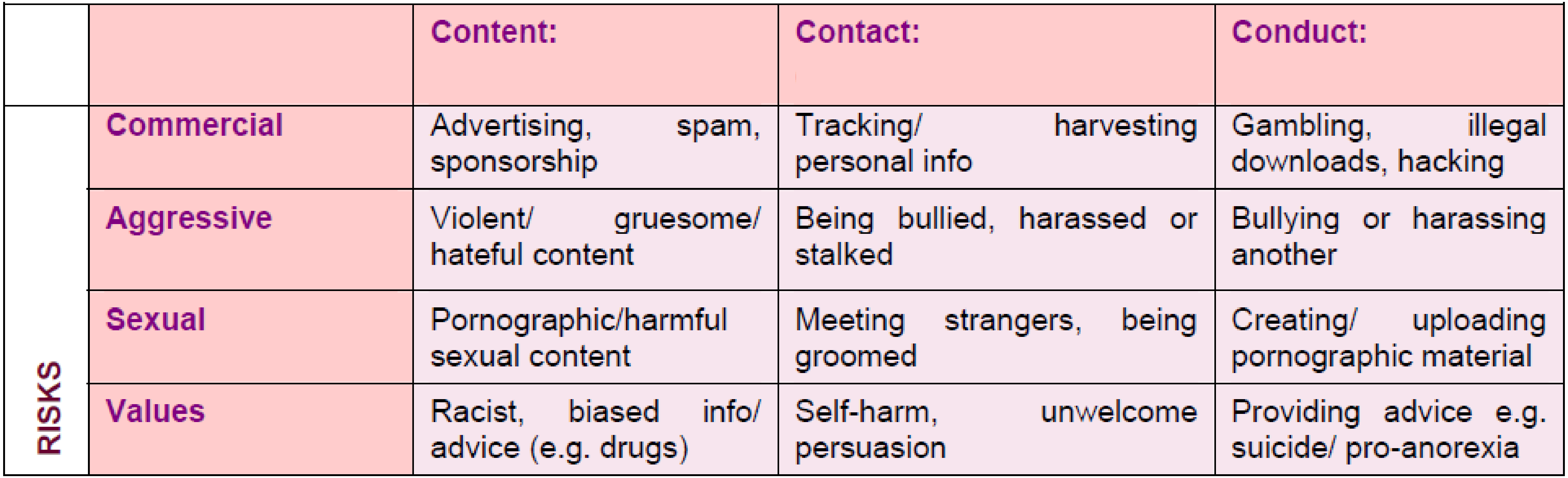
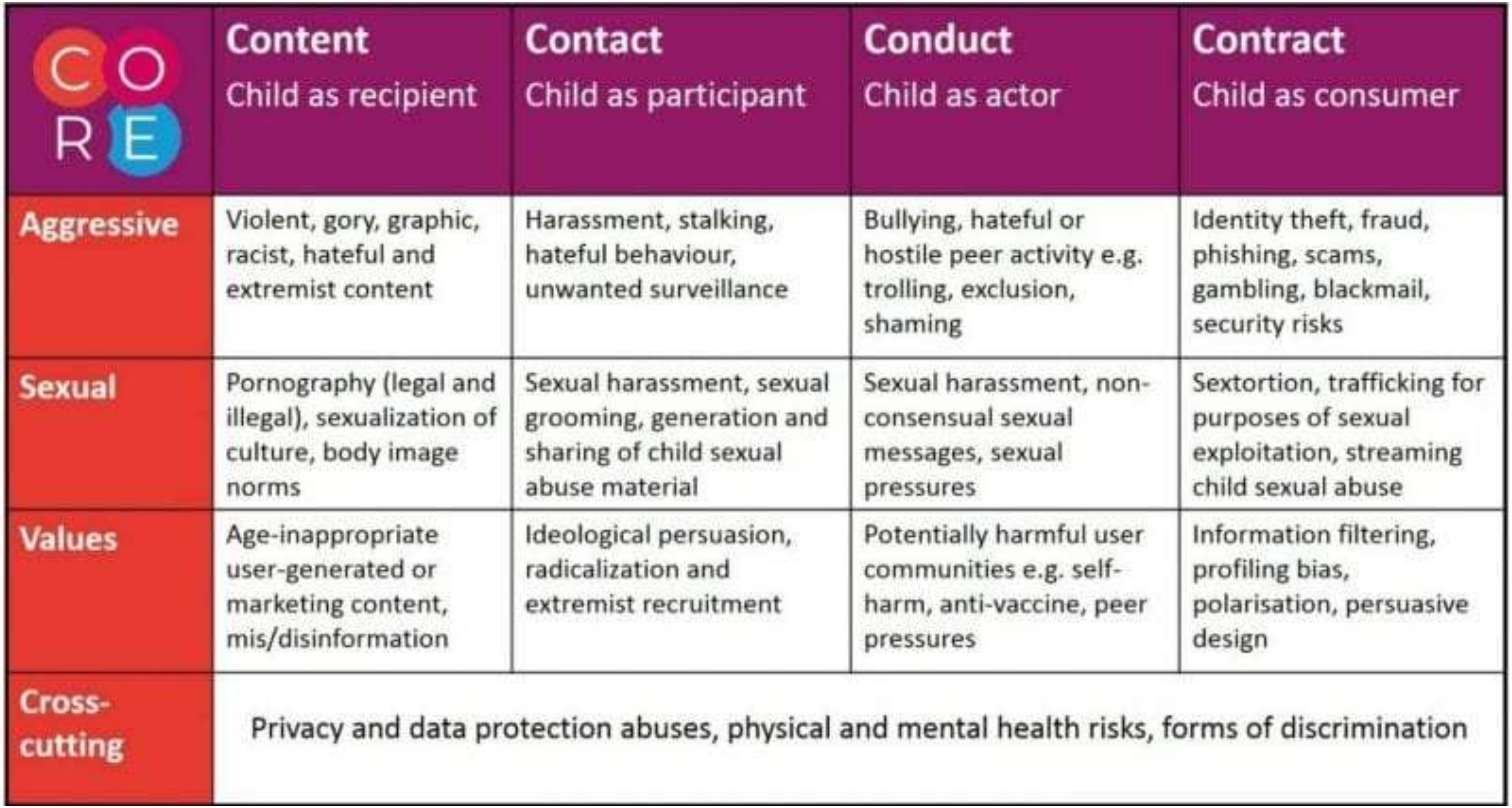
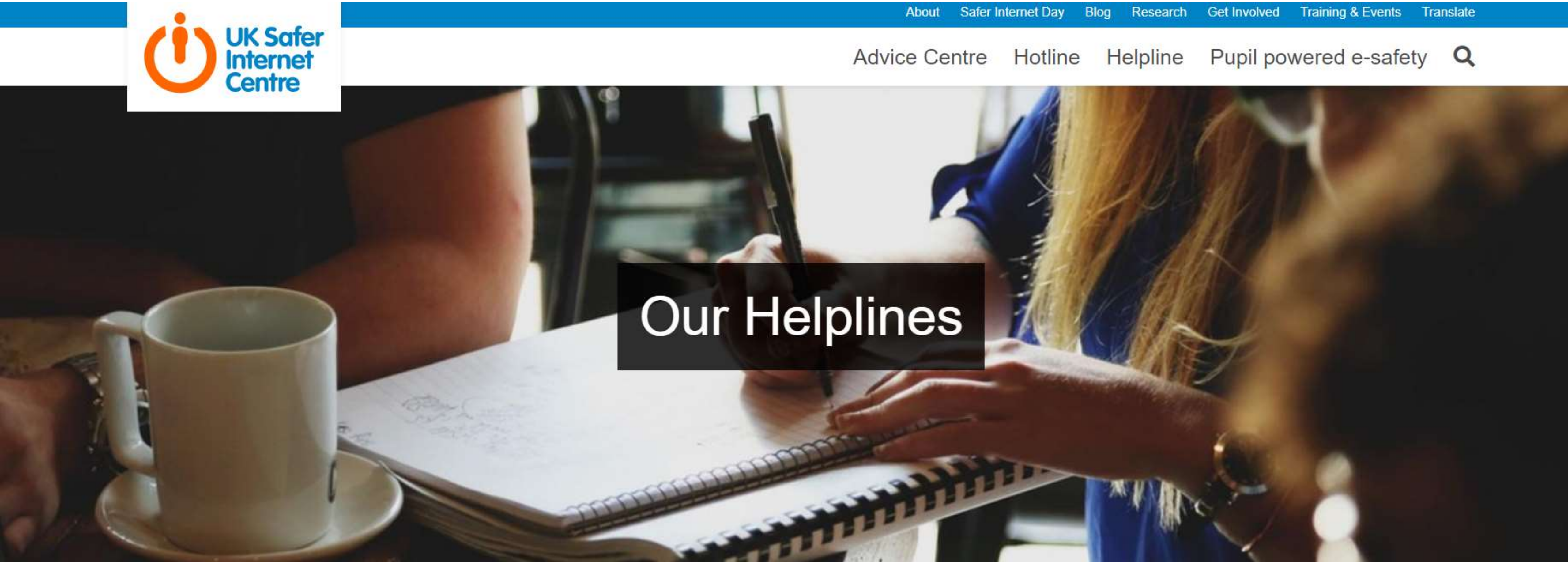


		Content:	Contact:	Conduct:
RISKS	Commercial	Advertising, spam, sponsorship	Tracking/ harvesting personal info	Gambling, illegal downloads, hacking
	Aggressive	Violent/ gruesome/ hateful content	Being bullied, harassed or stalked	Bullying or harassing another
	Sexual	Pornographic/harmful sexual content	Meeting strangers, being groomed	Creating/ uploading pornographic material
	Values	Racist, biased info/ advice (e.g. drugs)	Self-harm, unwelcome persuasion	Providing advice e.g. suicide/ pro-anorexia



CORE	**Content** Child as recipient	**Contact** Child as participant	**Conduct** Child as actor	**Contract** Child as consumer
Aggressive	Violent, gory, graphic, racist, hateful and extremist content	Harassment, stalking, hateful behaviour, unwanted surveillance	Bullying, hateful or hostile peer activity e.g. trolling, exclusion, shaming	Identity theft, fraud, phishing, scams, gambling, blackmail, security risks
Sexual	Pornography (legal and illegal), sexualization of culture, body image norms	Sexual harassment, sexual grooming, generation and sharing of child sexual abuse material	Sexual harassment, non-consensual sexual messages, sexual pressures	Sextortion, trafficking for purposes of sexual exploitation, streaming child sexual abuse
Values	Age-inappropriate user-generated or marketing content, mis/disinformation	Ideological persuasion, radicalization and extremist recruitment	Potentially harmful user communities e.g. self-harm, anti-vaccine, peer pressures	Information filtering, profiling bias, polarisation, persuasive design
Cross-cutting	Privacy and data protection abuses, physical and mental health risks, forms of discrimination			

Support and information



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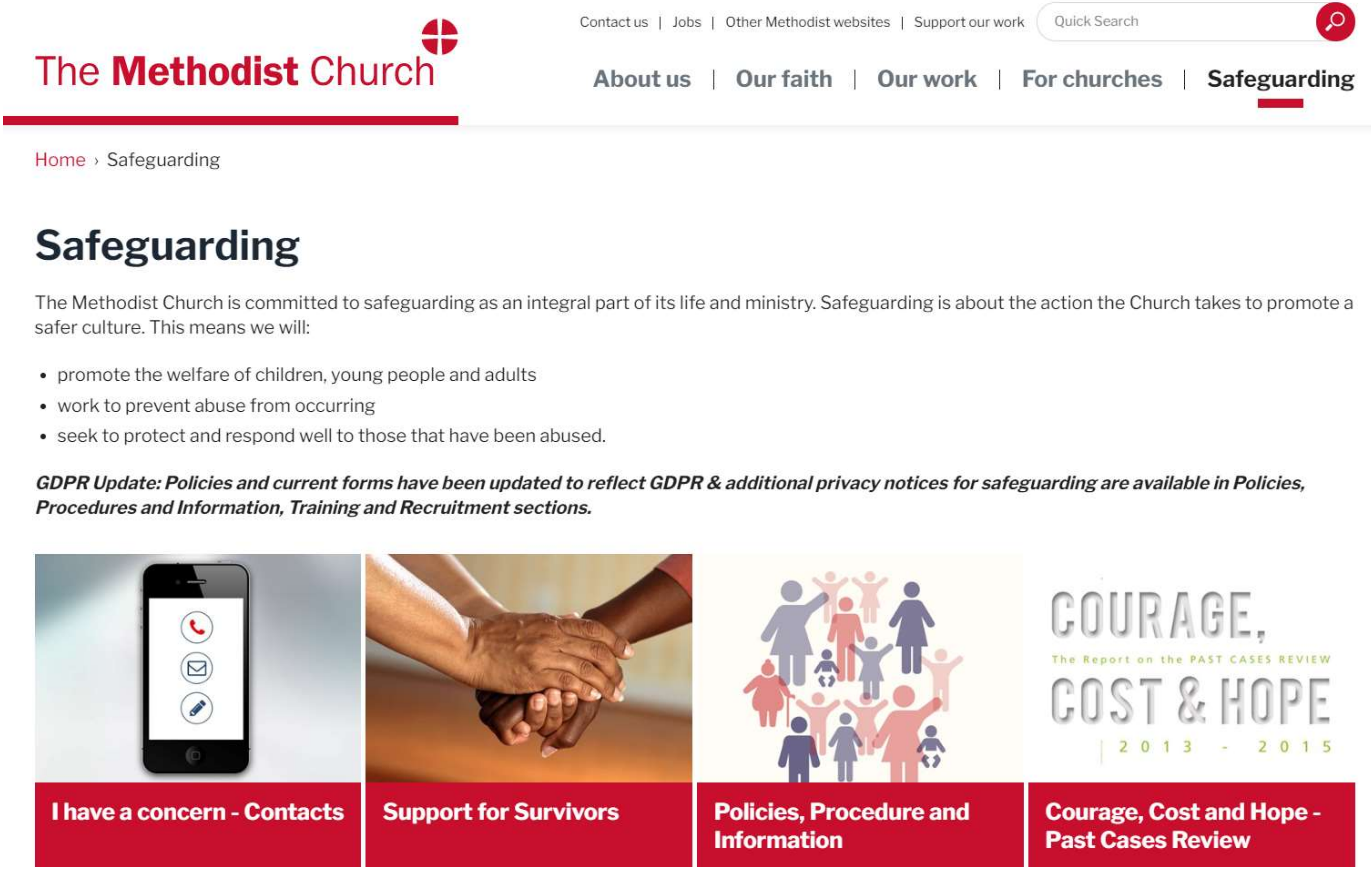

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Safeguarding

The Methodist Church is committed to safeguarding as an integral part of its life and ministry. Safeguarding is about the action the Church takes to promote a safer culture. This means we will:

- promote the welfare of children, young people and adults
- work to prevent abuse from occurring
- seek to protect and respond well to those that have been abused.

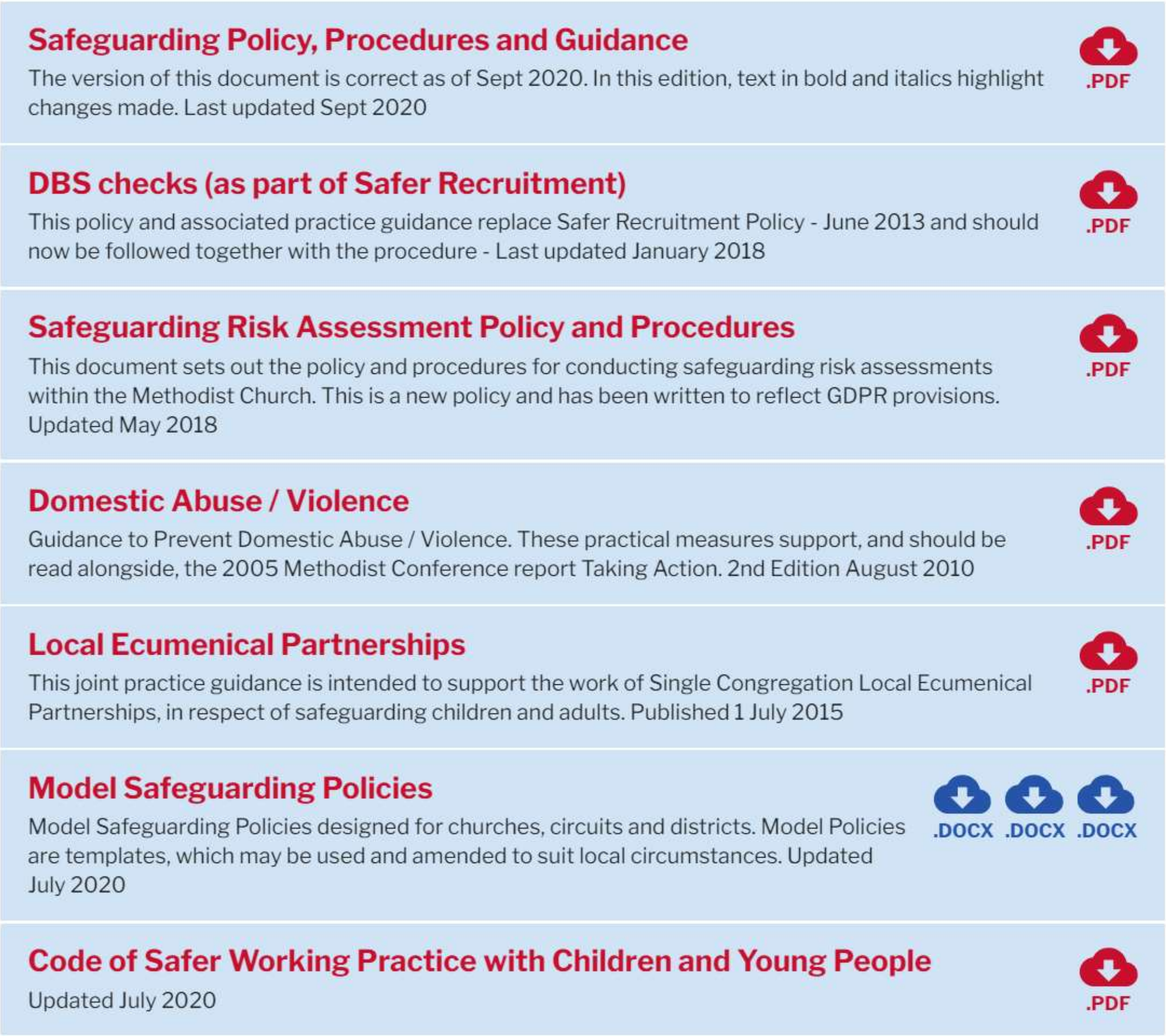
GDPR Update: Policies and current forms have been updated to reflect GDPR & additional privacy notices for safeguarding are available in Policies, Procedures and Information, Training and Recruitment sections.

I have a concern - Contacts

Support for Survivors

Policies, Procedure and Information

Courage, Cost and Hope - Past Cases Review



Safeguarding Policy, Procedures and Guidance

The version of this document is correct as of Sept 2020. In this edition, text in bold and italics highlight changes made. Last updated Sept 2020

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DBS checks (as part of Safer Recruitment)

This policy and associated practice guidance replace Safer Recruitment Policy - June 2013 and should now be followed together with the procedure - Last updated January 2018

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Safeguarding Risk Assessment Policy and Procedures

This document sets out the policy and procedures for conducting safeguarding risk assessments within the Methodist Church. This is a new policy and has been written to reflect GDPR provisions. Updated May 2018

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Domestic Abuse / Violence

Guidance to Prevent Domestic Abuse / Violence. These practical measures support, and should be read alongside, the 2005 Methodist Conference report Taking Action. 2nd Edition August 2010

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Local Ecumenical Partnerships

This joint practice guidance is intended to support the work of Single Congregation Local Ecumenical Partnerships, in respect of safeguarding children and adults. Published 1 July 2015

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Model Safeguarding Policies

Model Safeguarding Policies designed for churches, circuits and districts. Model Policies are templates, which may be used and amended to suit local circumstances. Updated July 2020

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Code of Safer Working Practice with Children and Young People

Updated July 2020

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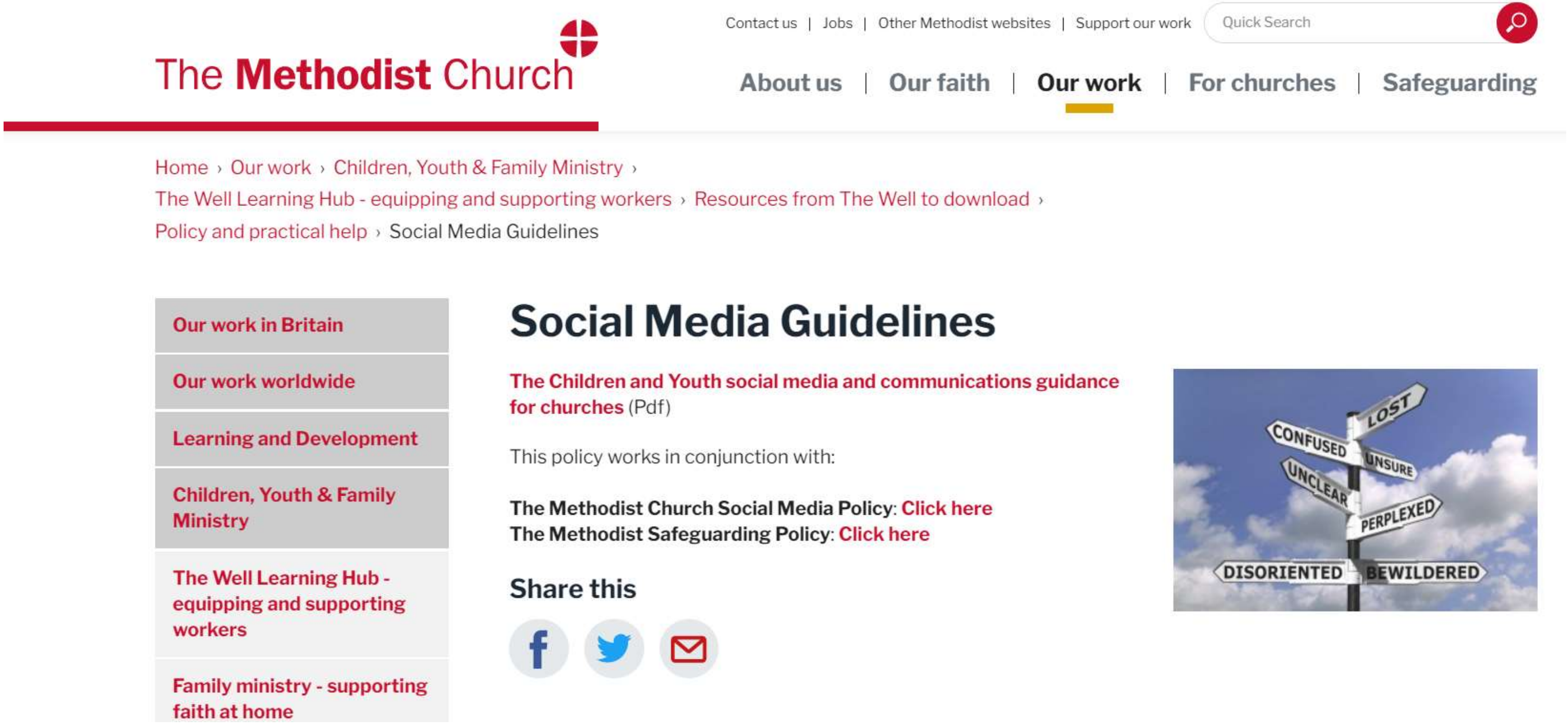

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Social Media Guidelines

The Children and Youth social media and communications guidance for churches (Pdf)

This policy works in conjunction with:

The Methodist Church Social Media Policy: **Click here**
The Methodist Safeguarding Policy: **Click here**

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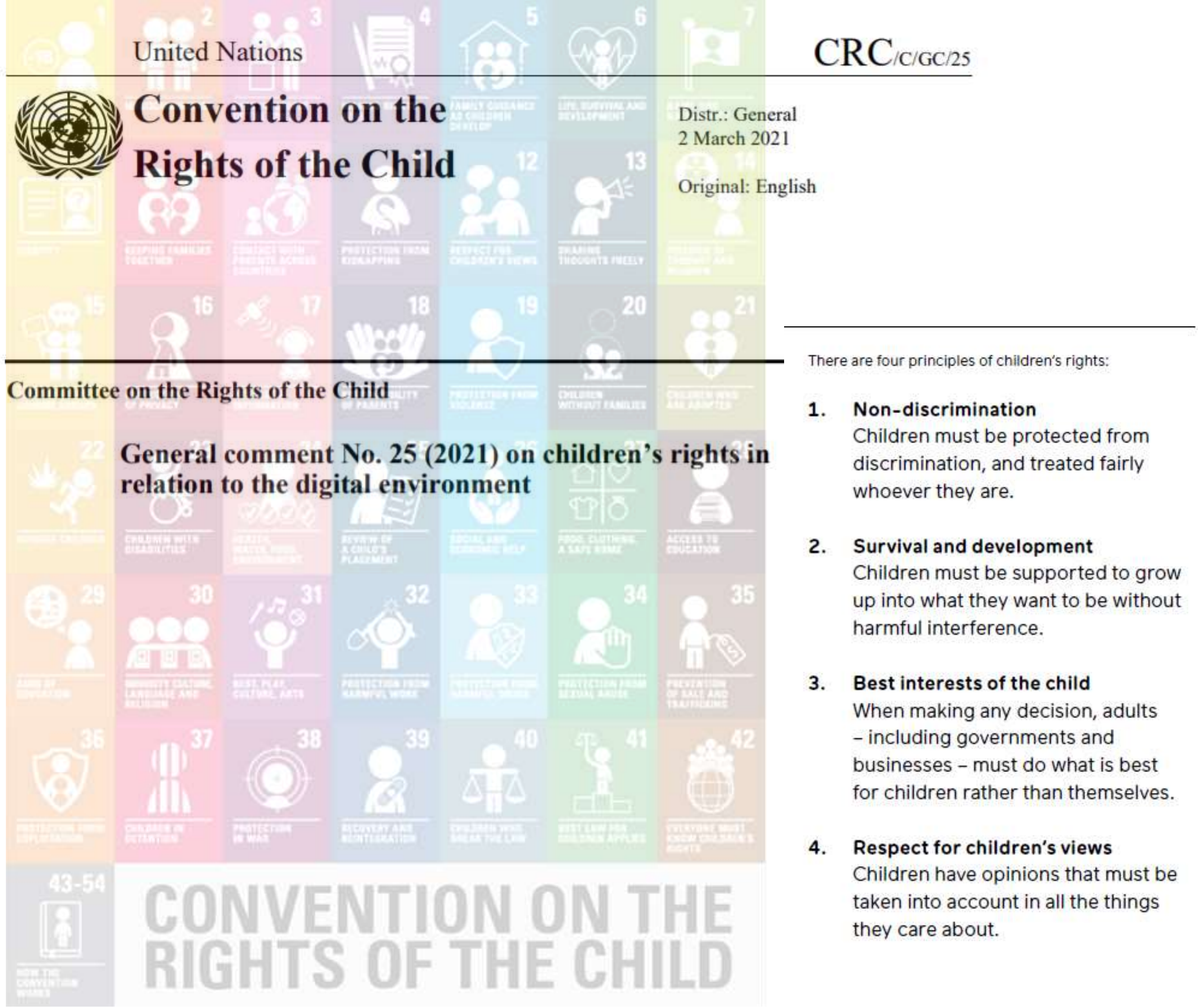
Child rights in a digital environment



United Nations

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Convention on the Rights of the Child

Distr.: General
2 March 2021

Original: English

Committee on the Rights of the Child

General comment No. 25 (2021) on children's rights in relation to the digital environment

CONVENTION ON THE RIGHTS OF THE CHILD

There are four principles of children's rights:

1. **Non-discrimination**
   Children must be protected from discrimination, and treated fairly whoever they are.

2. **Survival and development**
   Children must be supported to grow up into what they want to be without harmful interference.

3. **Best interests of the child**
   When making any decision, adults – including governments and businesses – must do what is best for children rather than themselves.

4. **Respect for children's views**
   Children have opinions that must be taken into account in all the things they care about.

- Affordable, accessible and reliable **access** to devices and connectivity
- **Age-appropriate** content in their own language
- Action to **prevent** and remedy discriminatory or aggressive behaviour
- Trusted and truthful information, including less inappropriate content and **transparent information** from online services themselves

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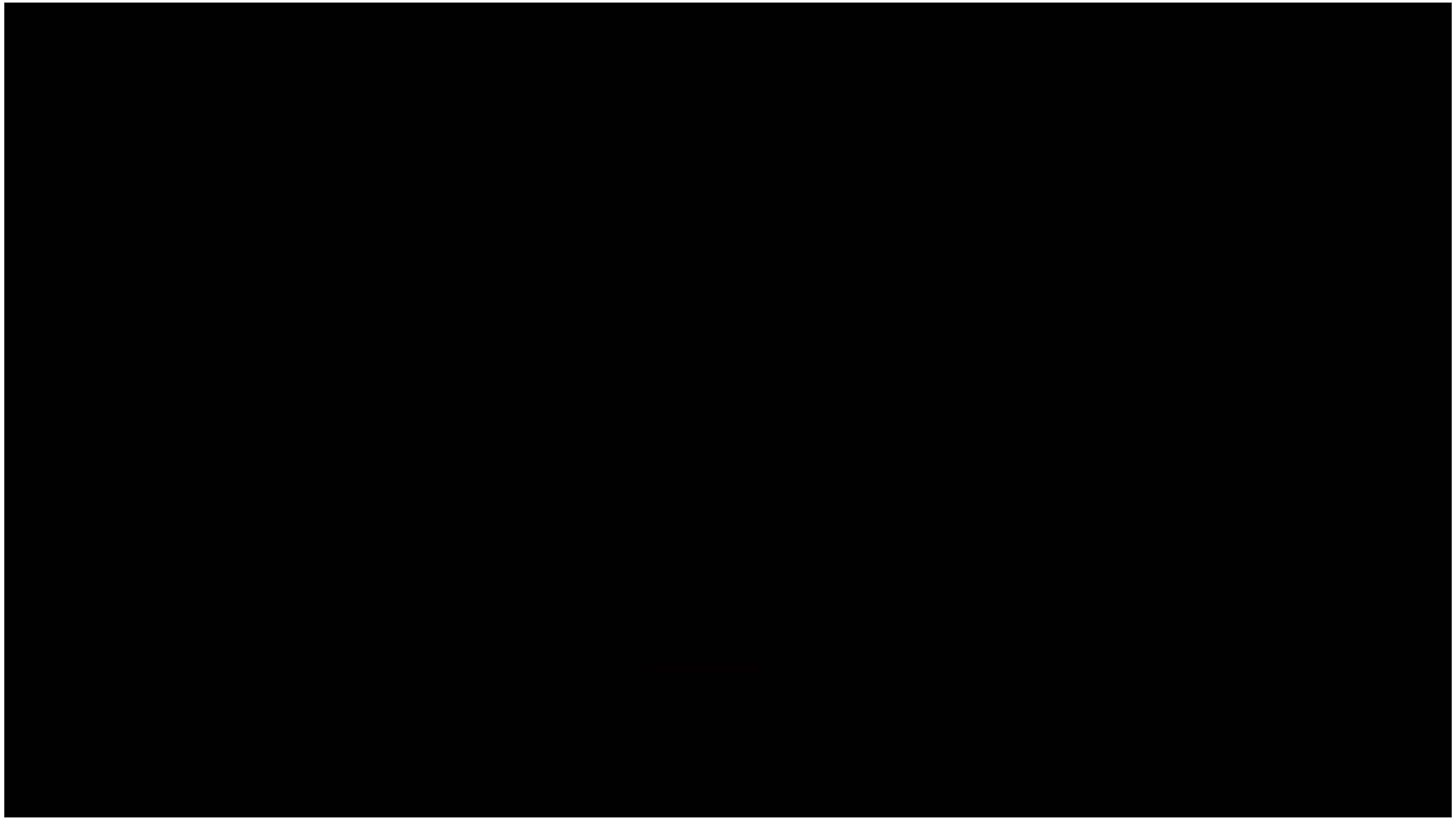

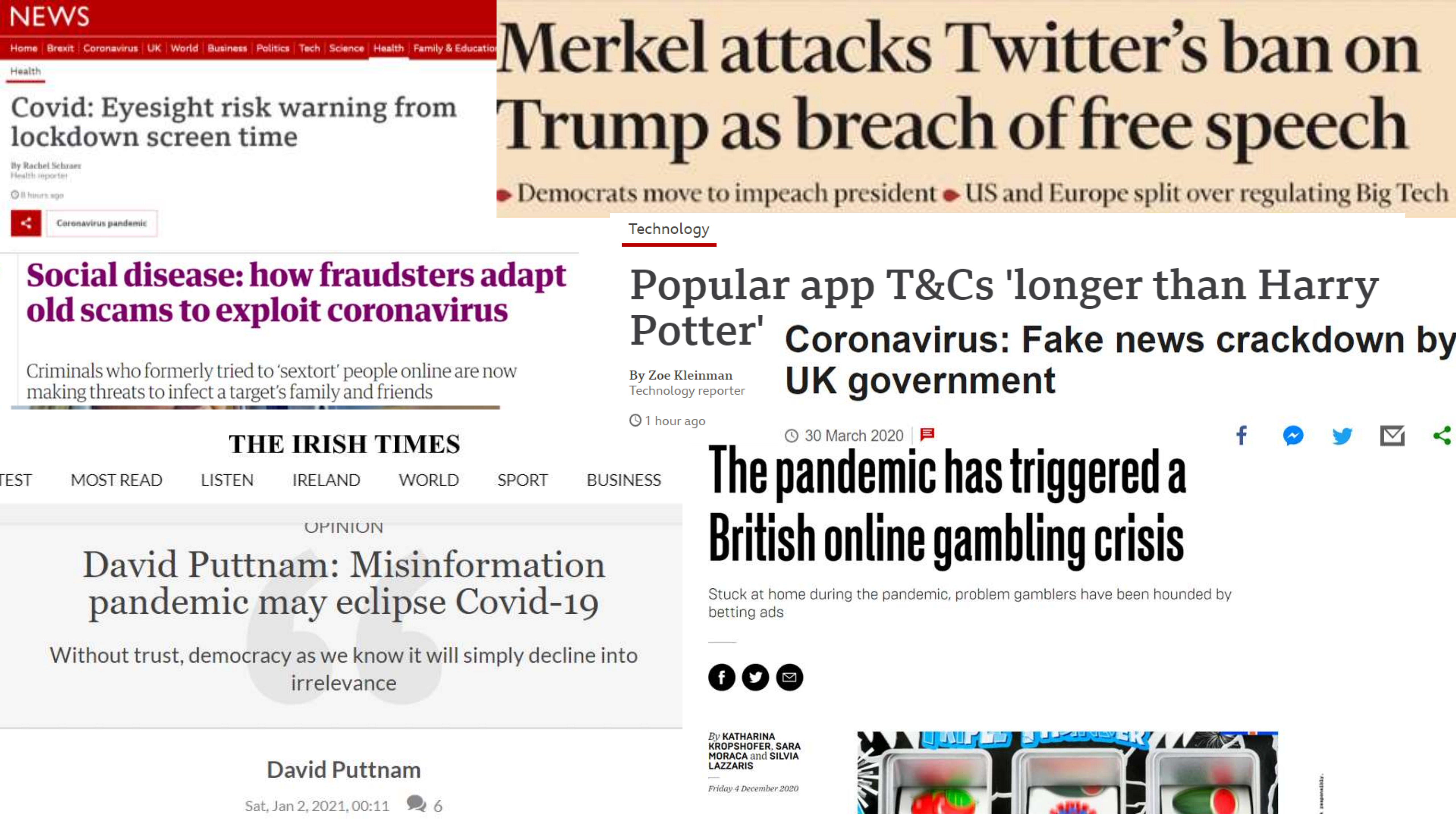

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Health reporter

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Criminals who formerly tried to 'sextort' people online are now making threats to infect a target's family and friends

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OPINION

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Without trust, democracy as we know it will simply decline into irrelevance

David Puttnam

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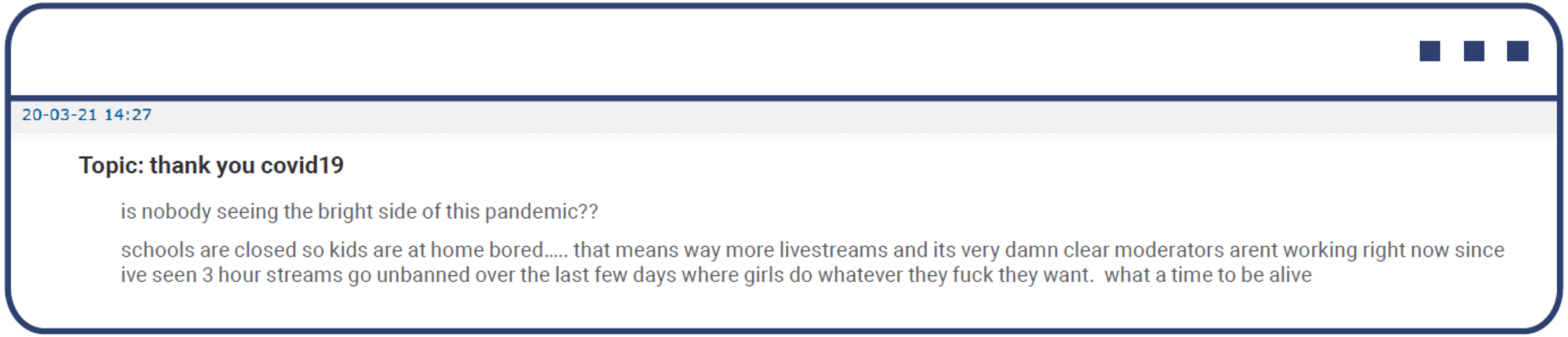
The pandemic has triggered a British online gambling crisis

Stuck at home during the pandemic, problem gamblers have been hounded by betting ads

By KATHARINA KROPSHOFER, SARA MORACA and SILVIA LAZZARIS

Friday 4 December 2020

Constant monitoring of these communities has indicated that activities of child sexual abuse offenders on the dark web have been less affected by the lockdowns than those on the surface web. As previously reported by Europol, there have been numerous discussions about COVID-19 on dark web forums dedicated to child sexual exploitation, including enthusiastic messages about the opportunities provided when children will be online more than before.[15]



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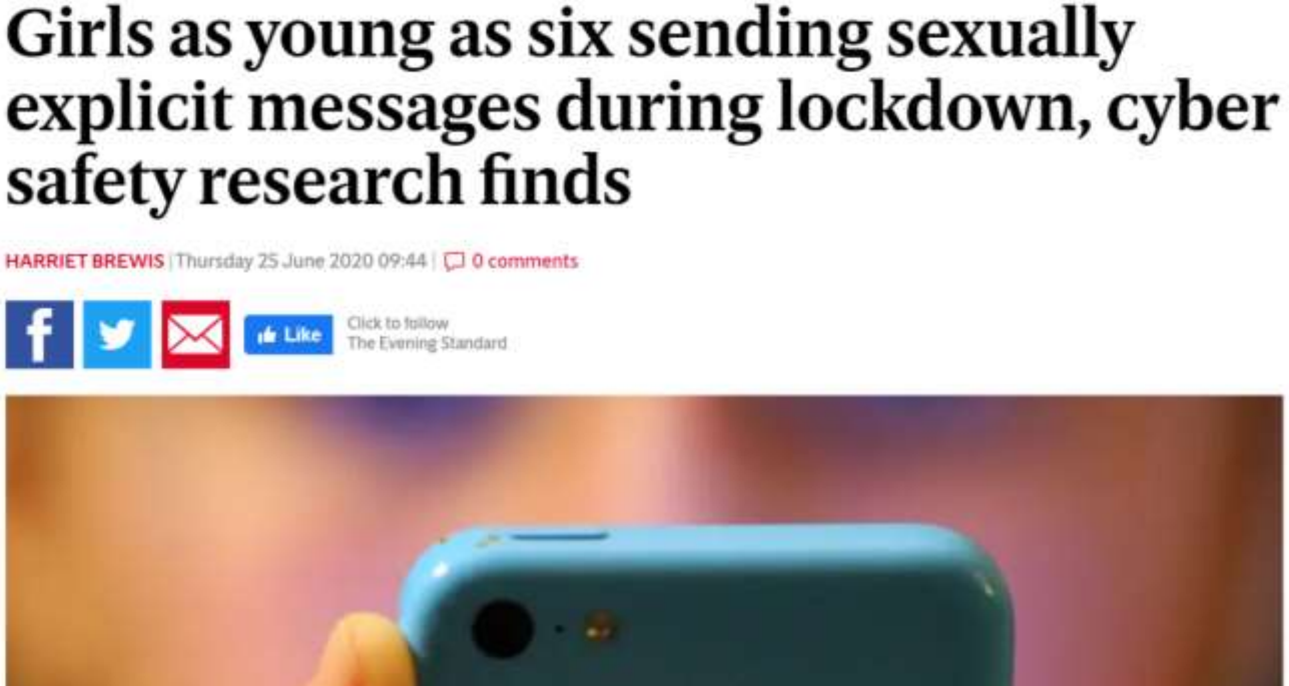
Topic: thank you covid19

is nobody seeing the bright side of this pandemic??

schools are closed so kids are at home bored..... that means way more livestreams and its very damn clear moderators arent working right now since ive seen 3 hour streams go unbanned over the last few days where girls do whatever they fuck they want. what a time to be alive

Source: Extracted by Europol, June 2020.



Girls as young as six sending sexually explicit messages during lockdown, cyber safety research finds

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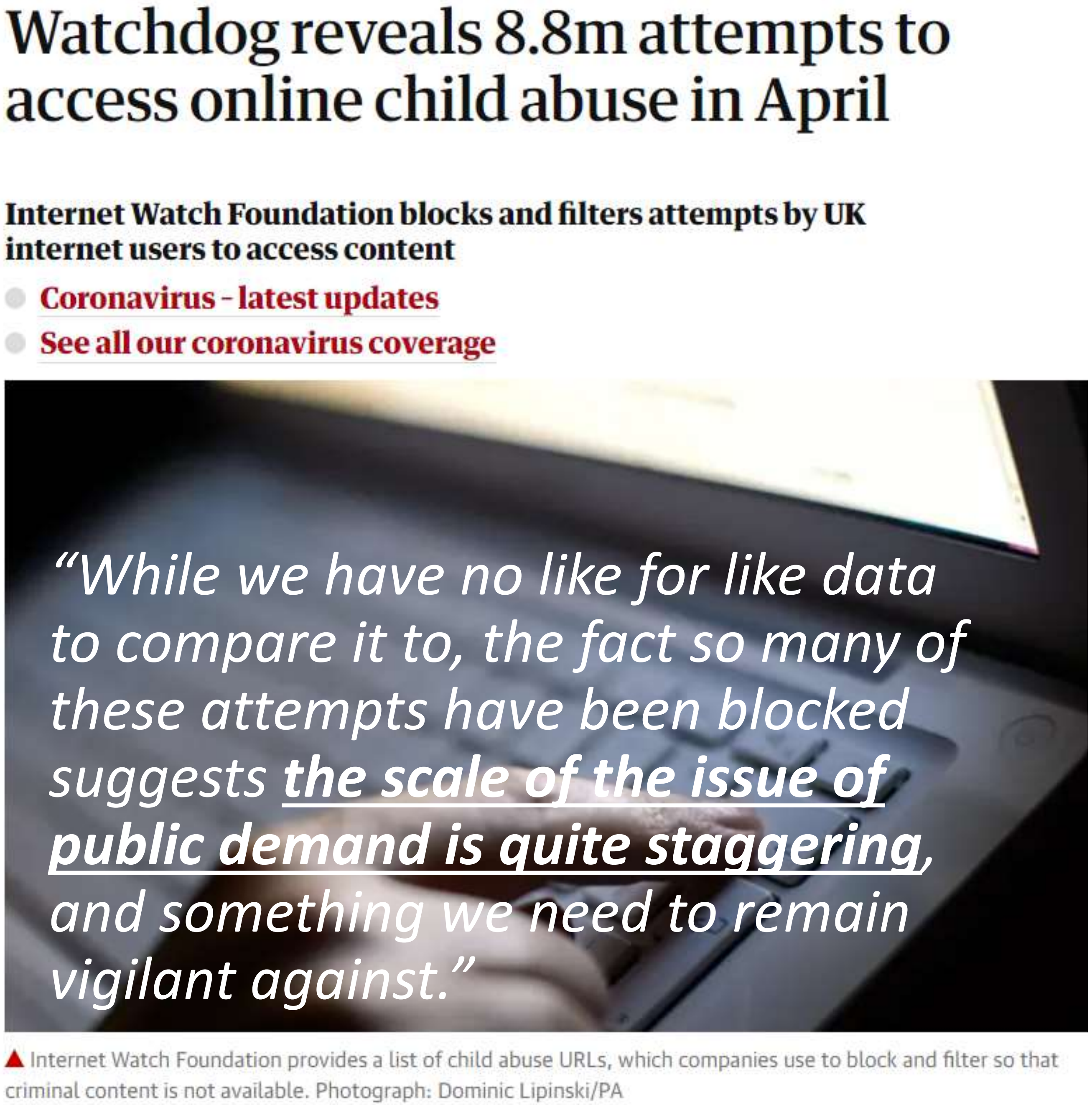

Watchdog reveals 8.8m attempts to access online child abuse in April

Internet Watch Foundation blocks and filters attempts by UK internet users to access content

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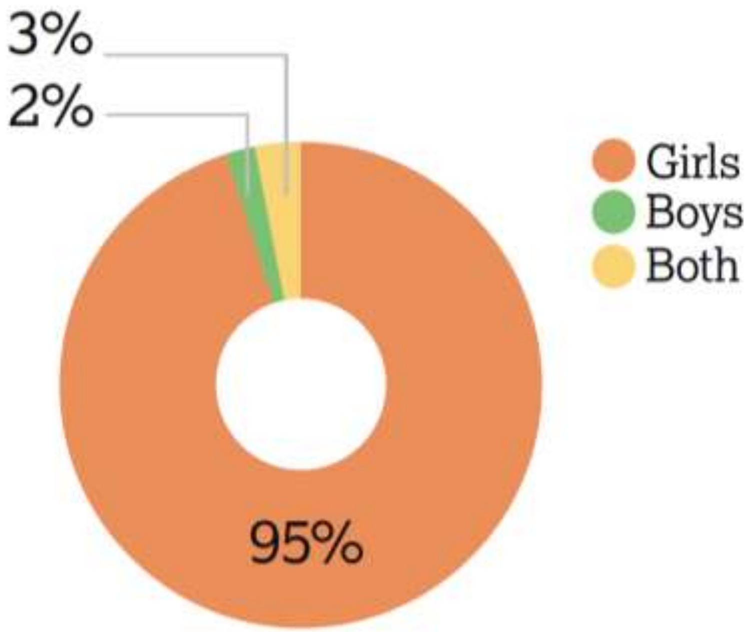
*“While we have no like for like data to compare it to, the fact so many of these attempts have been blocked suggests **the scale of the issue of public demand is quite staggering**, and something we need to remain vigilant against.”*

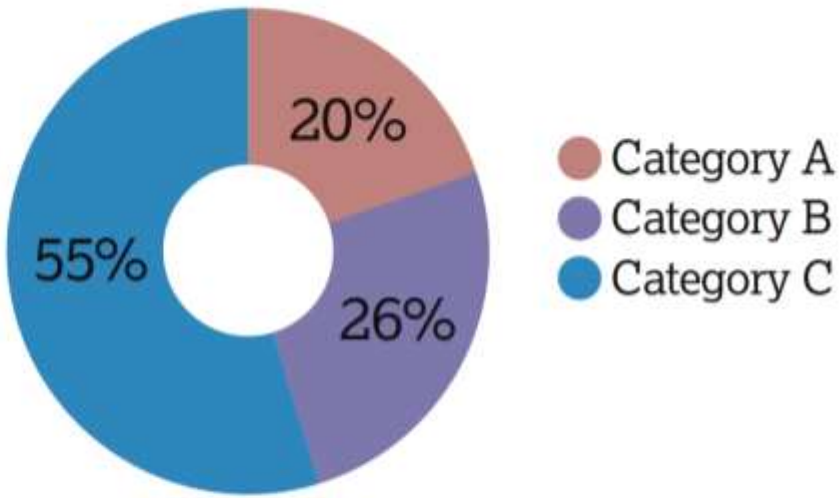
▲ Internet Watch Foundation provides a list of child abuse URLs, which companies use to block and filter so that criminal content is not available. Photograph: Dominic Lipinski/PA

*The IWF – with the help of its industry partners – has successfully blocked and filtered at least **8.8 million attempts by UK internet users** to access videos and images of children suffering sexual abuse during a one-month period while the UK was locked down because of the coronavirus pandemic.*

2019: Self-generated child sexual abuse content

- Number of actioned self-generated reports in 2019: **38,424**
- 1 in 3 reports (29%) was classified as 'self-generated' - there was no adult physically present in the room.
- 95% girls
- 76% aged 11-13





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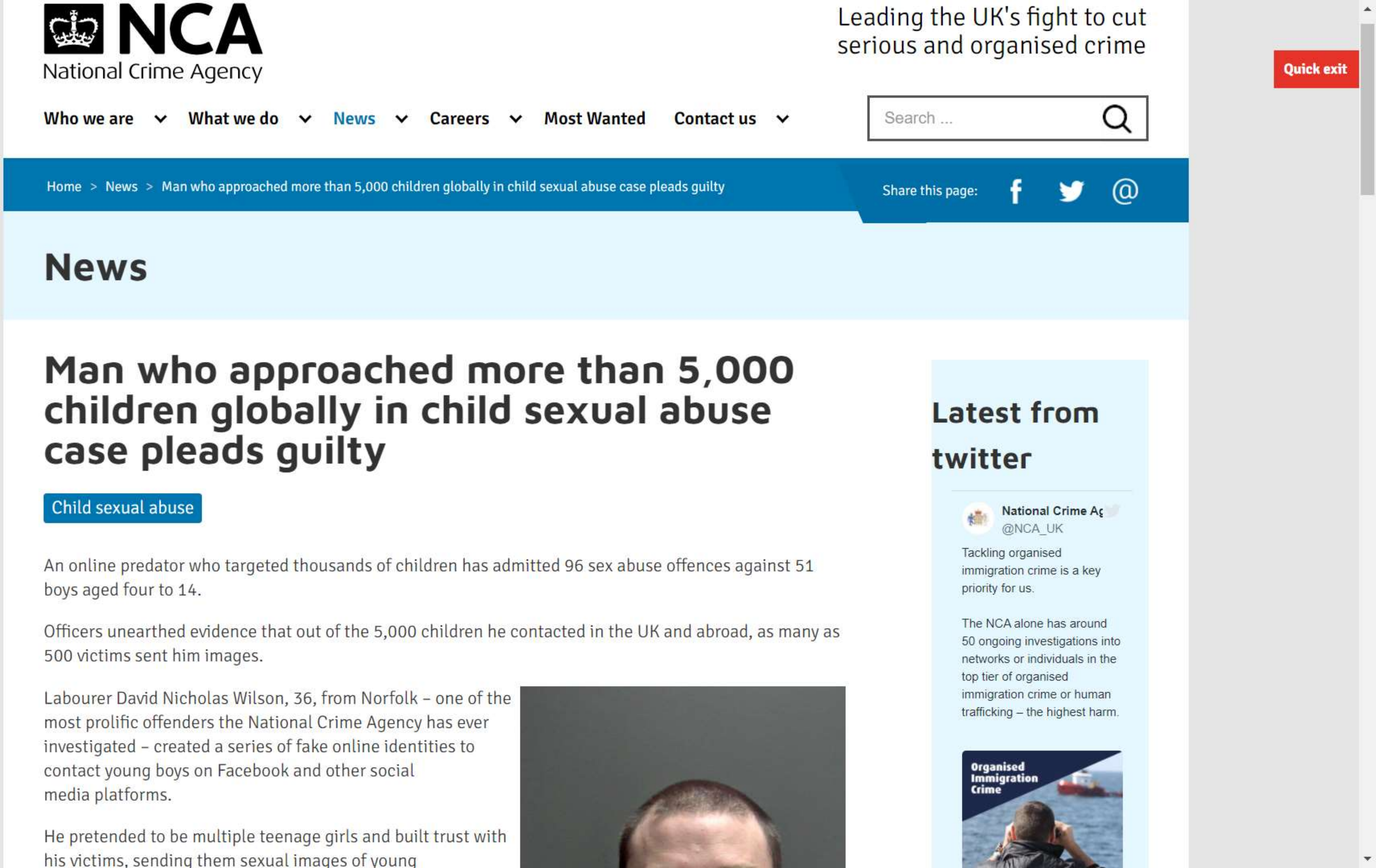


News

Man who approached more than 5,000 children globally in child sexual abuse case pleads guilty

Child sexual abuse

An online predator who targeted thousands of children has admitted 96 sex abuse offences against 51 boys aged four to 14.

Officers unearthed evidence that out of the 5,000 children he contacted in the UK and abroad, as many as 500 victims sent him images.

Labourer David Nicholas Wilson, 36, from Norfolk – one of the most prolific offenders the National Crime Agency has ever investigated – created a series of fake online identities to contact young boys on Facebook and other social media platforms.

He pretended to be multiple teenage girls and built trust with his victims, sending them sexual images of young

Latest from twitter

National Crime Ag
@NCA_UK

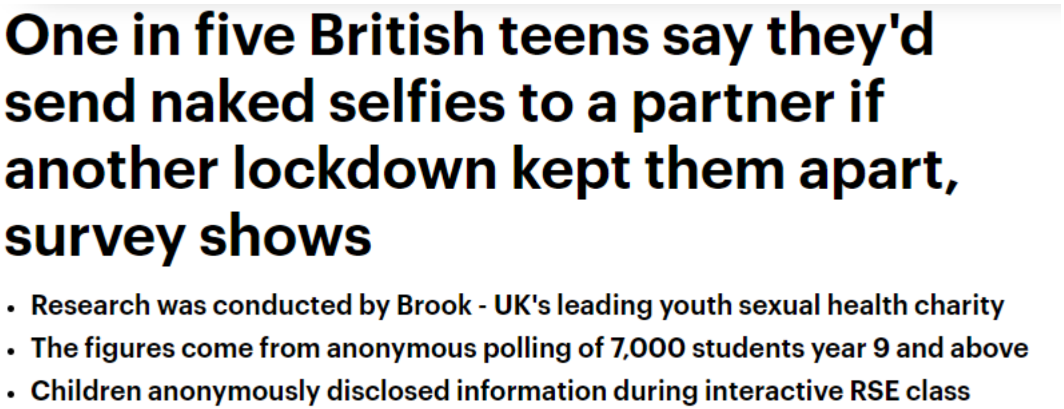
Tackling organised immigration crime is a key priority for us.

The NCA alone has around 50 ongoing investigations into networks or individuals in the top tier of organised immigration crime or human trafficking – the highest harm.

The hidden danger of selling nudes online

Selling explicit content online can be a lucrative business, but platforms that allow such content may not be doing enough to ensure their users aren't underage

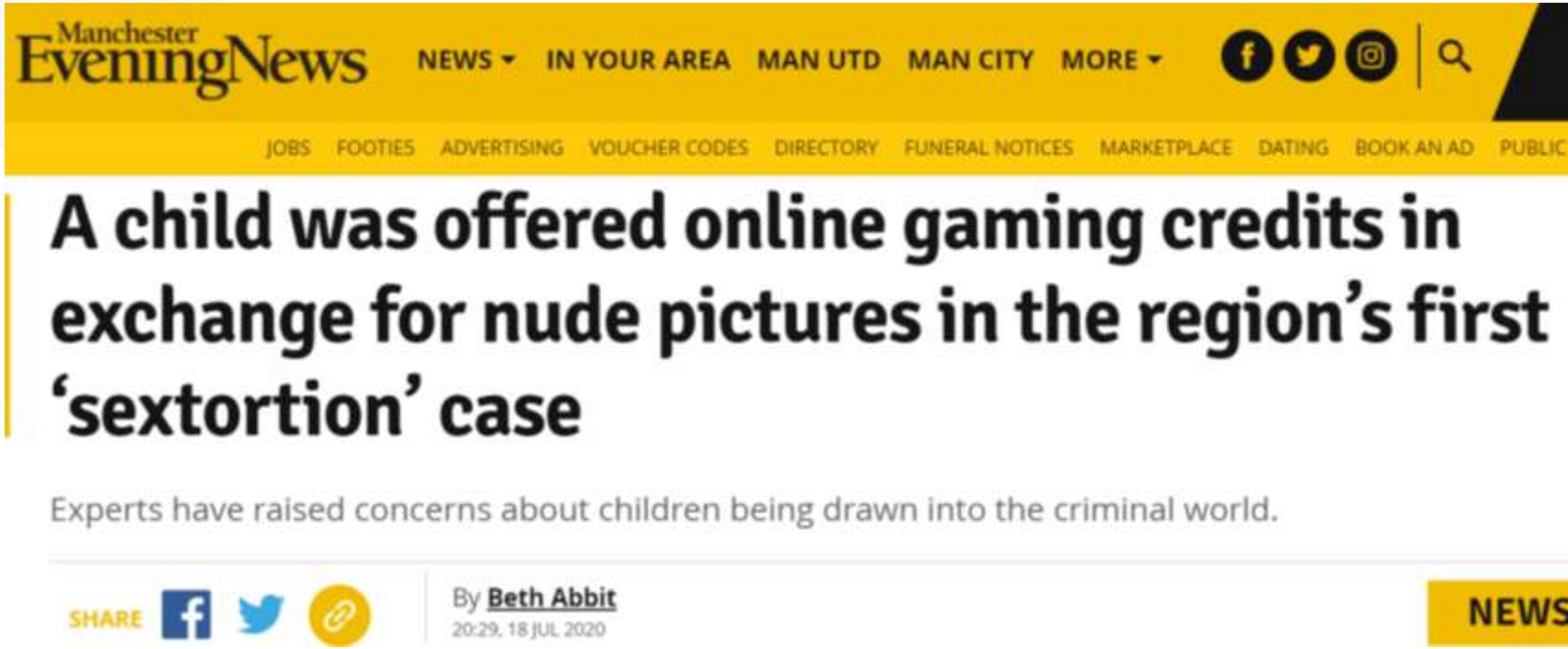
Thea de Gallier
6 July 2020



One in five British teens say they'd send naked selfies to a partner if another lockdown kept them apart, survey shows

- Research was conducted by Brook - UK's leading youth sexual health charity
- The figures come from anonymous polling of 7,000 students year 9 and above
- Children anonymously disclosed information during interactive RSE class

Who are the vulnerable ones? What support is in place for them? Do we know who is vulnerable online?



A child was offered online gaming credits in exchange for nude pictures in the region's first 'sextortion' case

Experts have raised concerns about children being drawn into the criminal world.

By Beth Abbit
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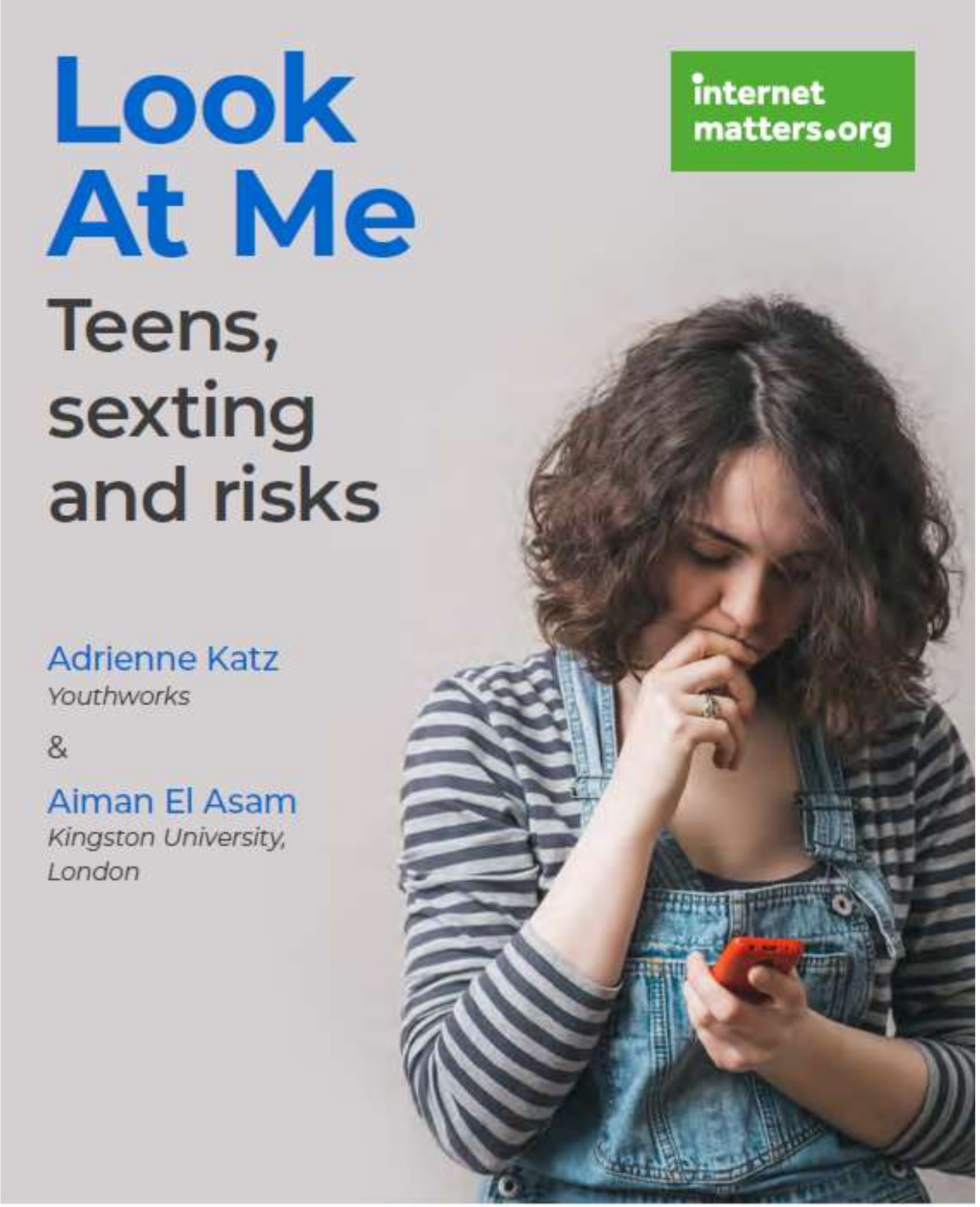

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Look At Me

Teens, sexting and risks

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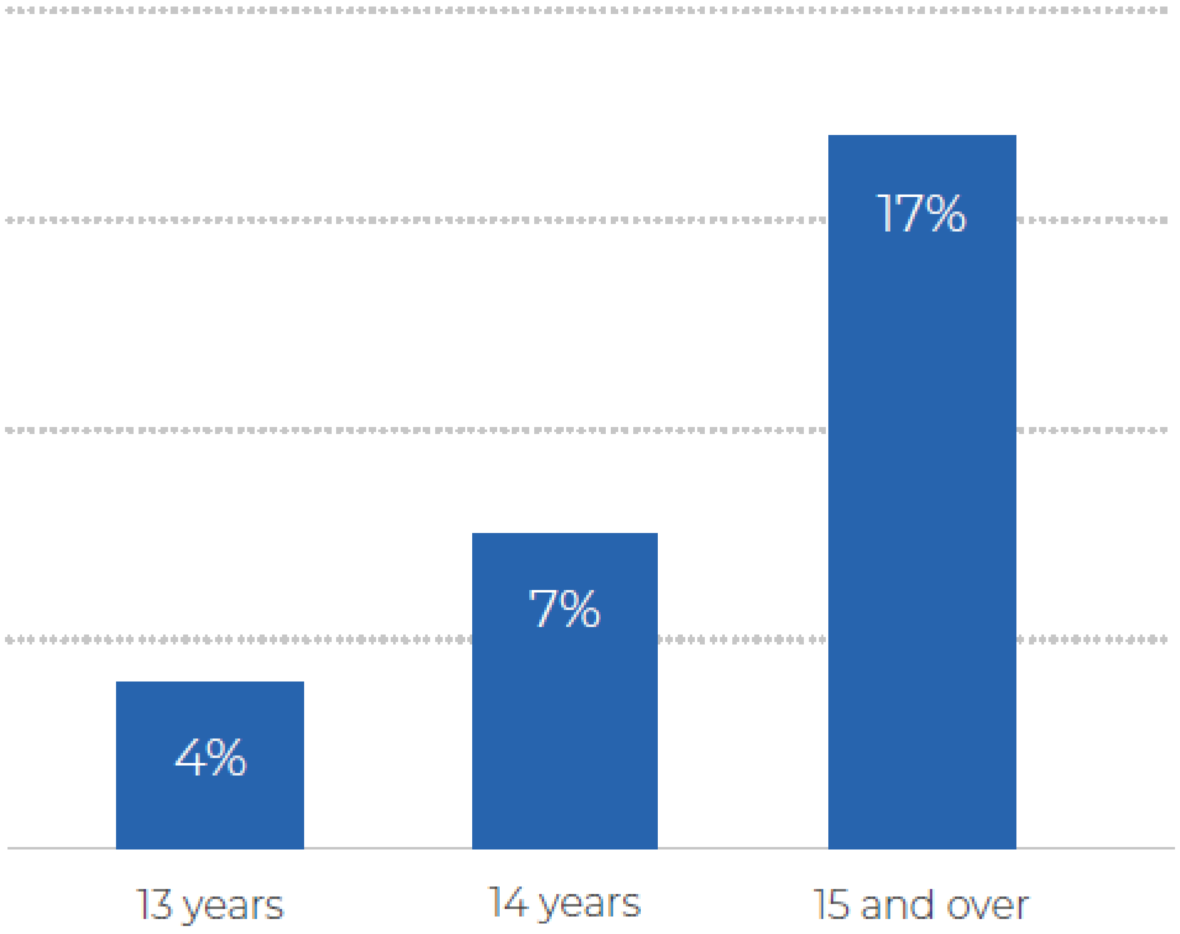
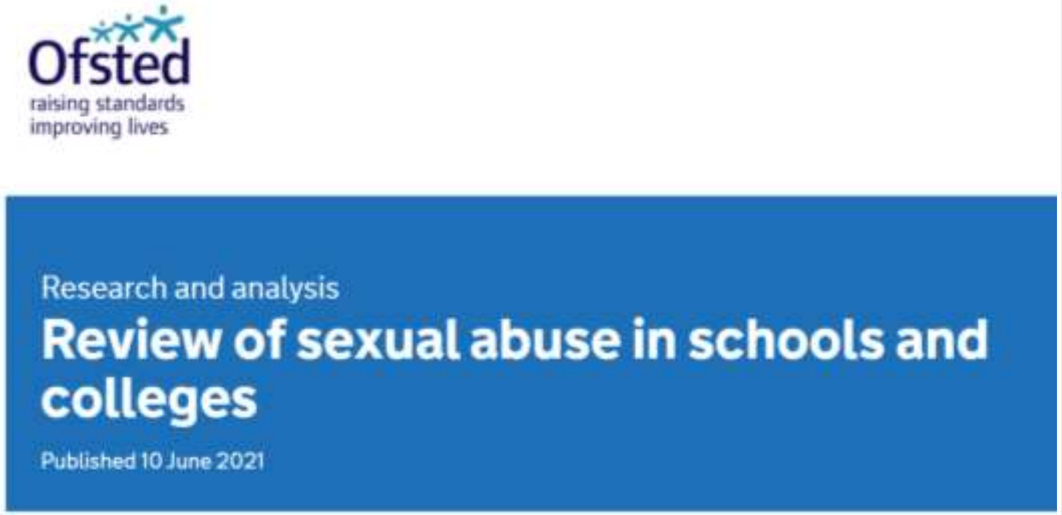
Chart 2. Sexting: I have done this.





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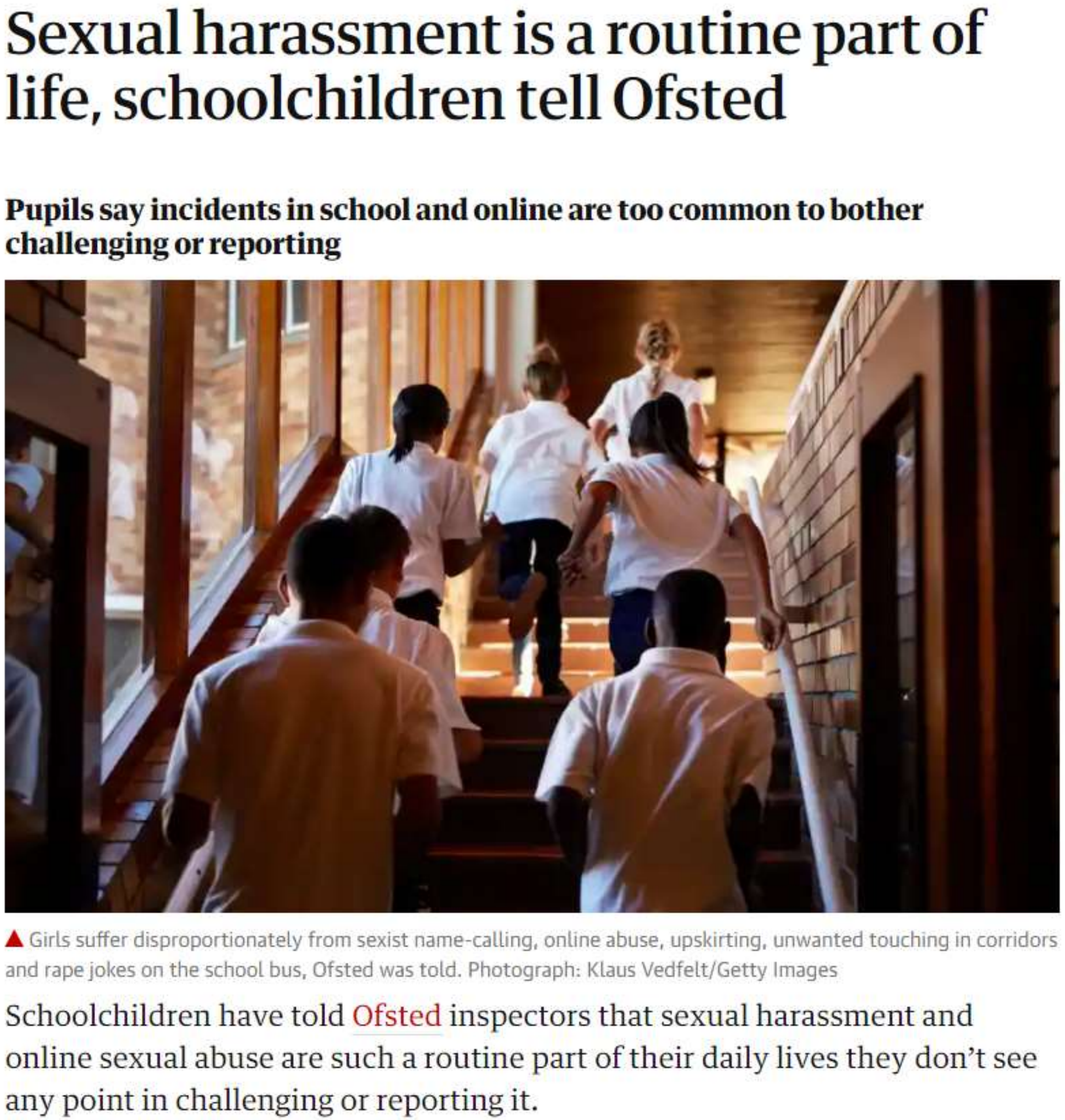
Research and analysis

Review of sexual abuse in schools and colleges

Published 10 June 2021



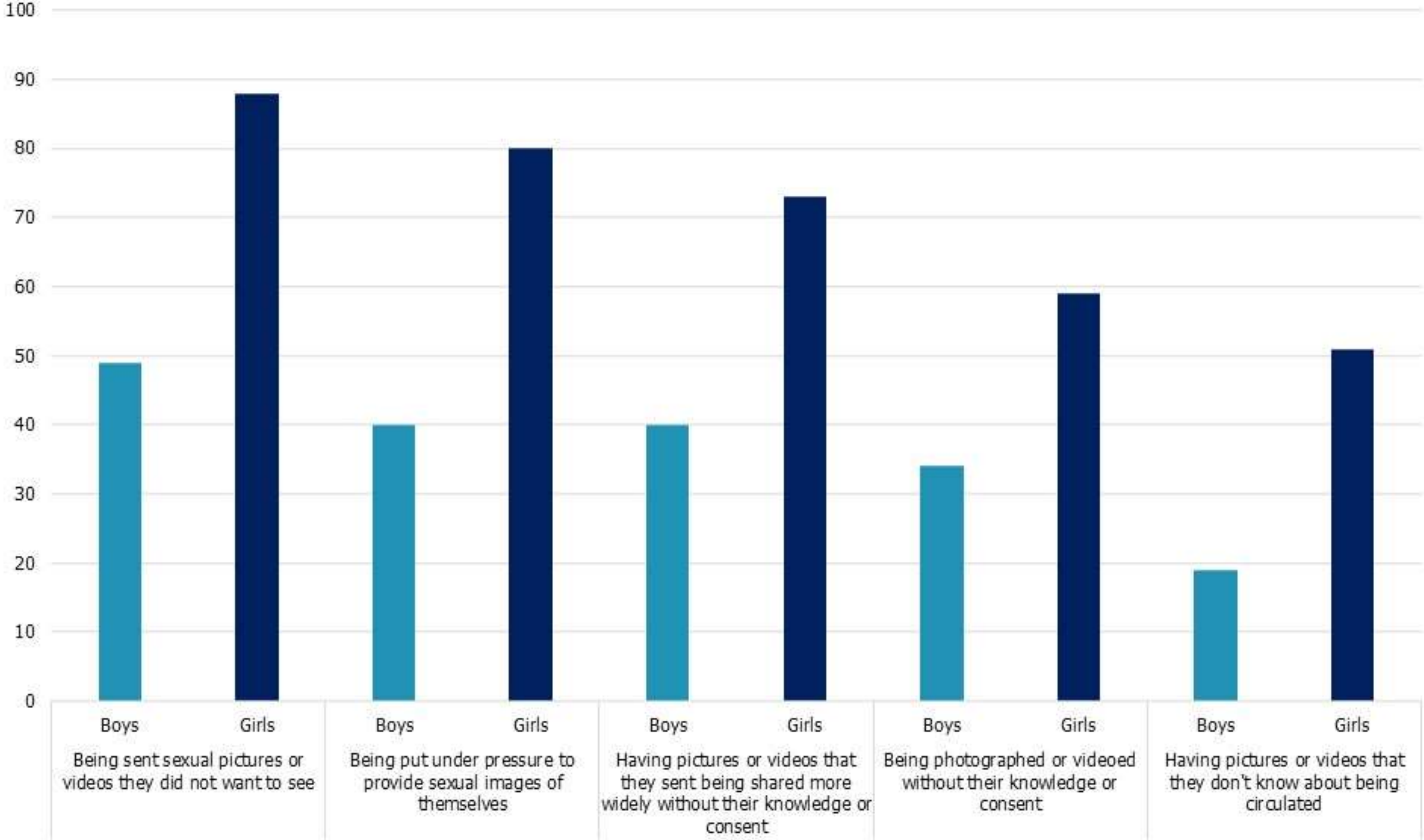
Sexual harassment is a routine part of life, schoolchildren tell Ofsted

Pupils say incidents in school and online are too common to bother challenging or reporting

▲ Girls suffer disproportionately from sexist name-calling, online abuse, upskirting, unwanted touching in corridors and rape jokes on the school bus, Ofsted was told. Photograph: Klaus Vedfelt/Getty Images

Schoolchildren have told Ofsted inspectors that sexual harassment and online sexual abuse are such a routine part of their daily lives they don’t see any point in challenging or reporting it.

These things happen ‘a lot’ or ‘sometimes’ between people my age (%)



3-4 year olds

48% have their own tablet
and 4% their own smartphone

To go online - **67%** use a tablet,
35% a smartphone, and **30%** a laptop

To watch TV - **84%** use a TV set,
70% a tablet,and **42%** a mobile phone

47% watch live broadcast TV,
90% watch video-on-demand content*

23% play games online

18% use social media apps/sites

20% use messaging apps/sites

92% use video-sharing platforms (VSP)

24% use live streaming apps/sites

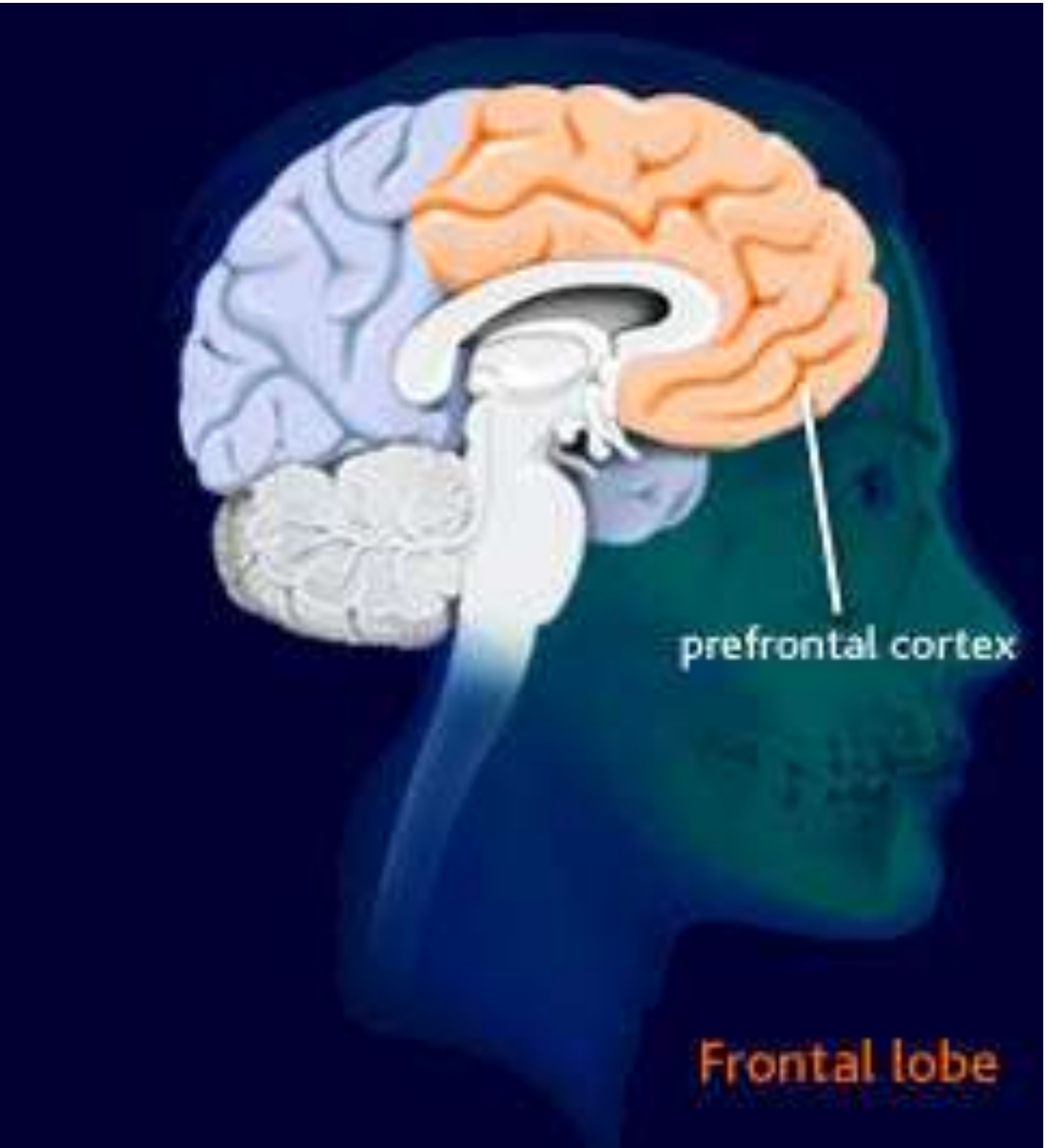
* Video-on-demand content includes subscription services such as Netflix, broadcast catch-up services such as BBC iPlayer, recorded TV, websites like Vimeo and YouTube, blu-rays/DVDs, and renting online such as from Google Play Store

Cartoons were the most popular type of VSP content for youngest children, while pranks and music videos appealed to those aged 5 and above

Types of content watched on video sharing platforms, by age: 2020

All who watch content on video sharing platforms	Aged 3-4	Aged 5-7	Aged 8-11	Aged 12-15	Aged 5-15
Base	*239*	*248*	*672*	*687*	*1752*
Funny videos/ jokes/ pranks/ challenges	57%	71%	82%	84%	80%
Music videos	33%	48%	60%	73%	61%
Game tutorials/ walk-throughs/ watching other people play games	20%	39%	52%	48%	47%
Cartoons/ animations/ mini-movies or songs	81%	60%	46%	32%	45%
Vloggers or influencers	22%	34%	47%	49%	44%
Videos that help with school/ homework	25%	29%	40%	49%	41%
How-to' videos or tutorials about hobbies/things they are interested in	19%	29%	42%	44%	39%
Film trailers, clips of programmes, 'best-bits' or programme highlights	13%	19%	23%	40%	28%
Whole programmes or films	27%	23%	23%	29%	26%
Sports/ football clips or videos	8%	12%	15%	29%	19%

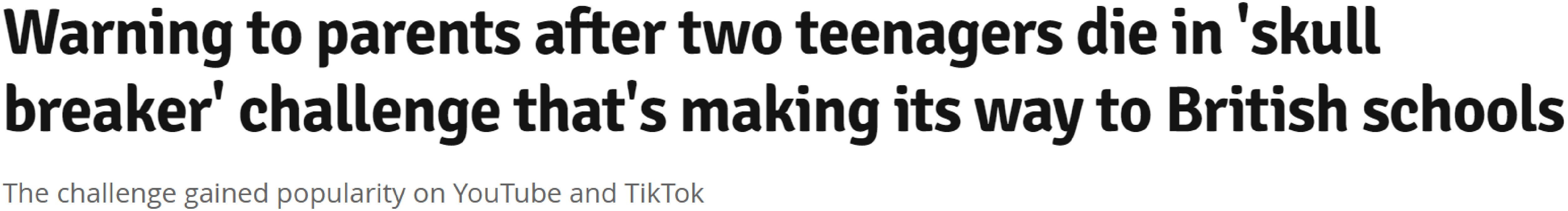
The teenage brain



Inability to manage, appreciate and understand risk....

No thought of consequence......

Don’t have taboo topics…



Warning to parents after two teenagers die in 'skull breaker' challenge that's making its way to British schools

The challenge gained popularity on YouTube and TikTok

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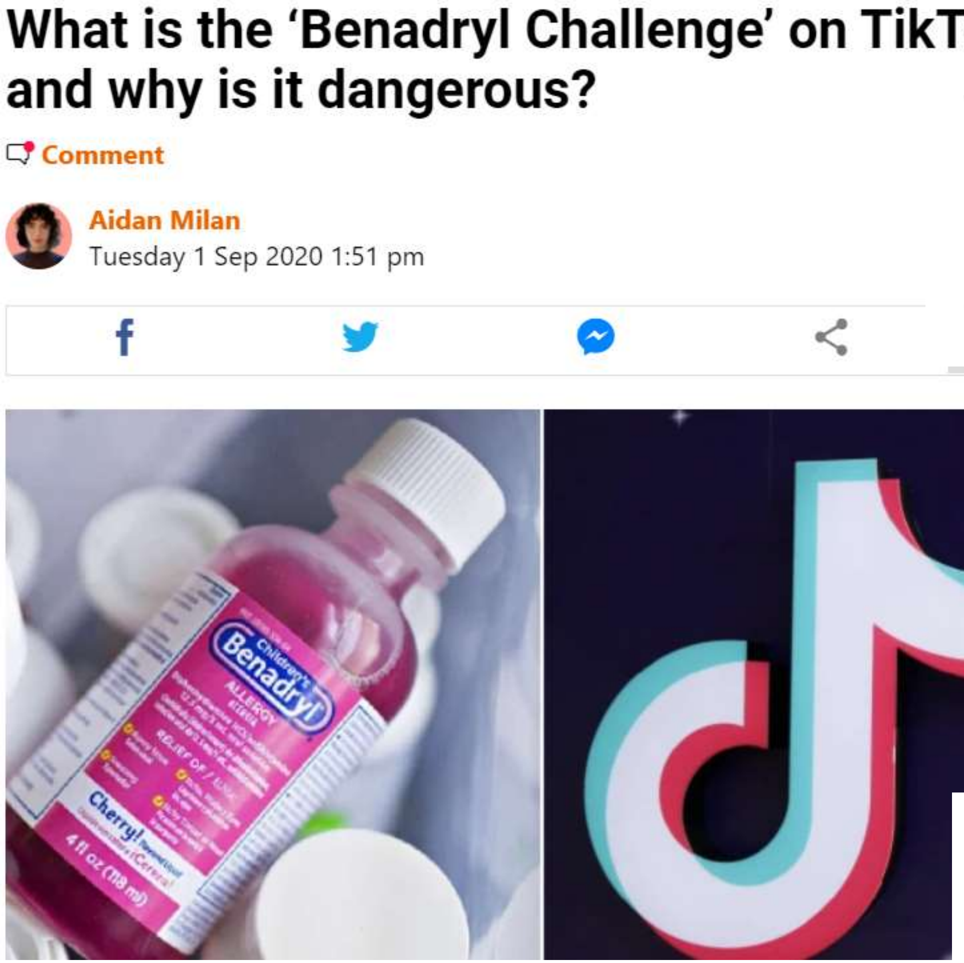

What is the 'Benadryl Challenge' on TikTok and why is it dangerous?

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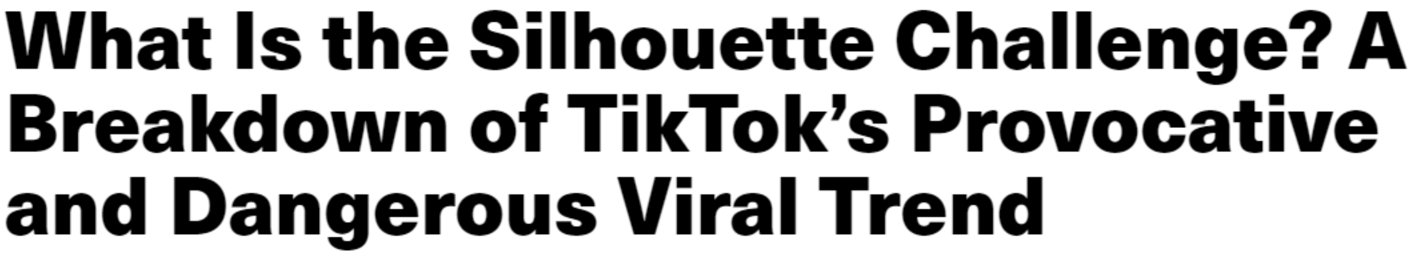
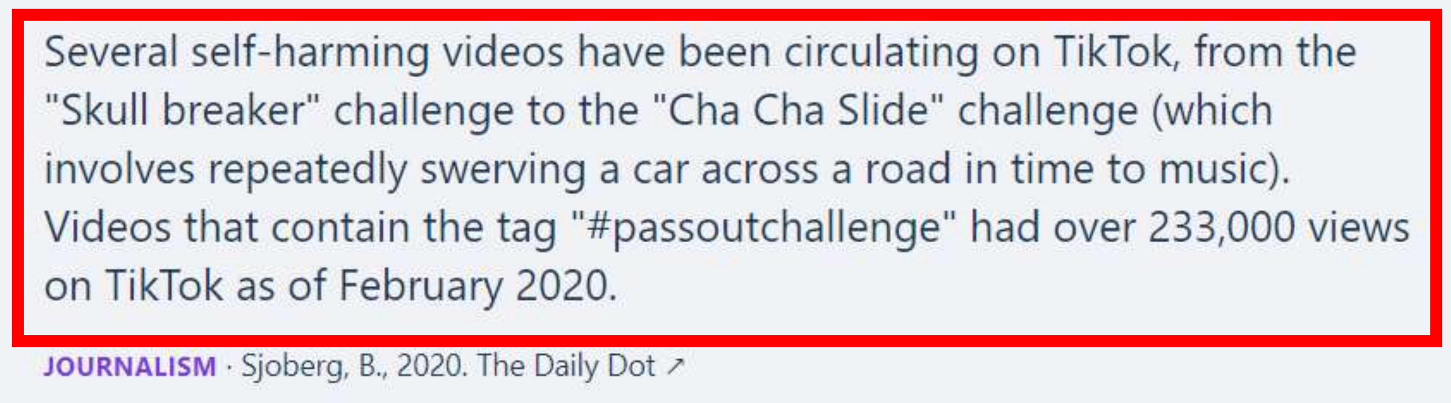


What Is the Silhouette Challenge? A Breakdown of TikTok's Provocative and Dangerous Viral Trend



Several self-harming videos have been circulating on TikTok, from the "Skull breaker" challenge to the "Cha Cha Slide" challenge (which involves repeatedly swerving a car across a road in time to music). Videos that contain the tag "#passoutchallenge" had over 233,000 views on TikTok as of February 2020.

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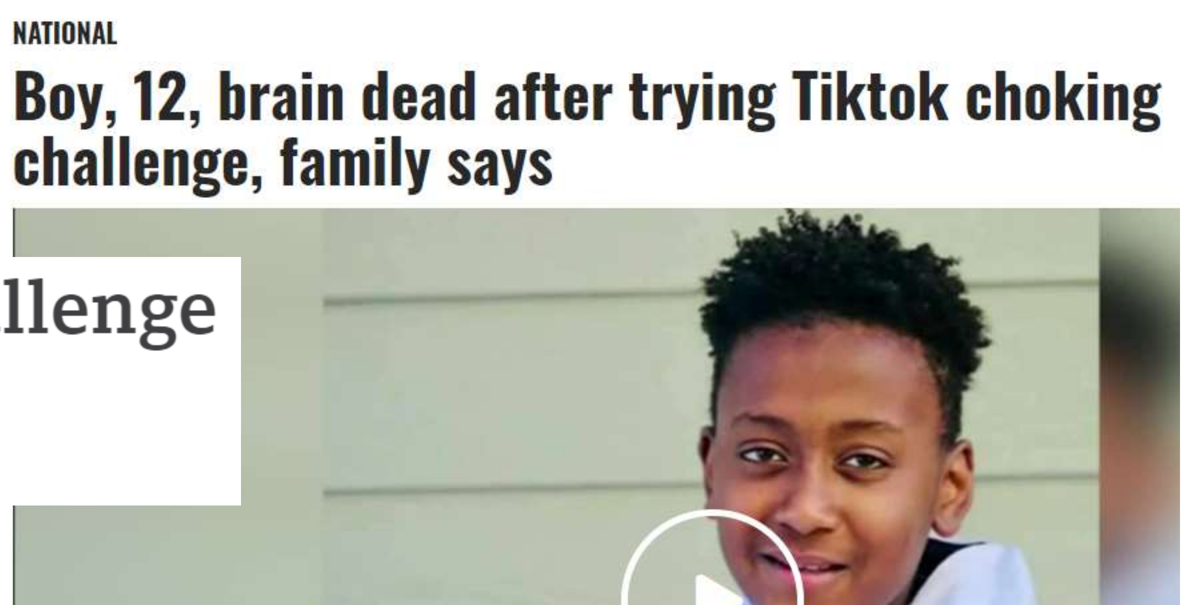

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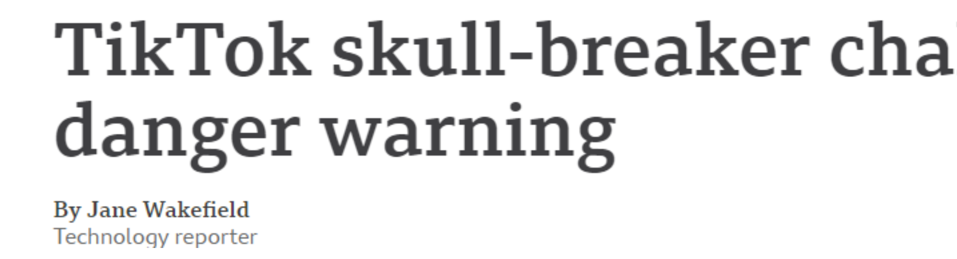
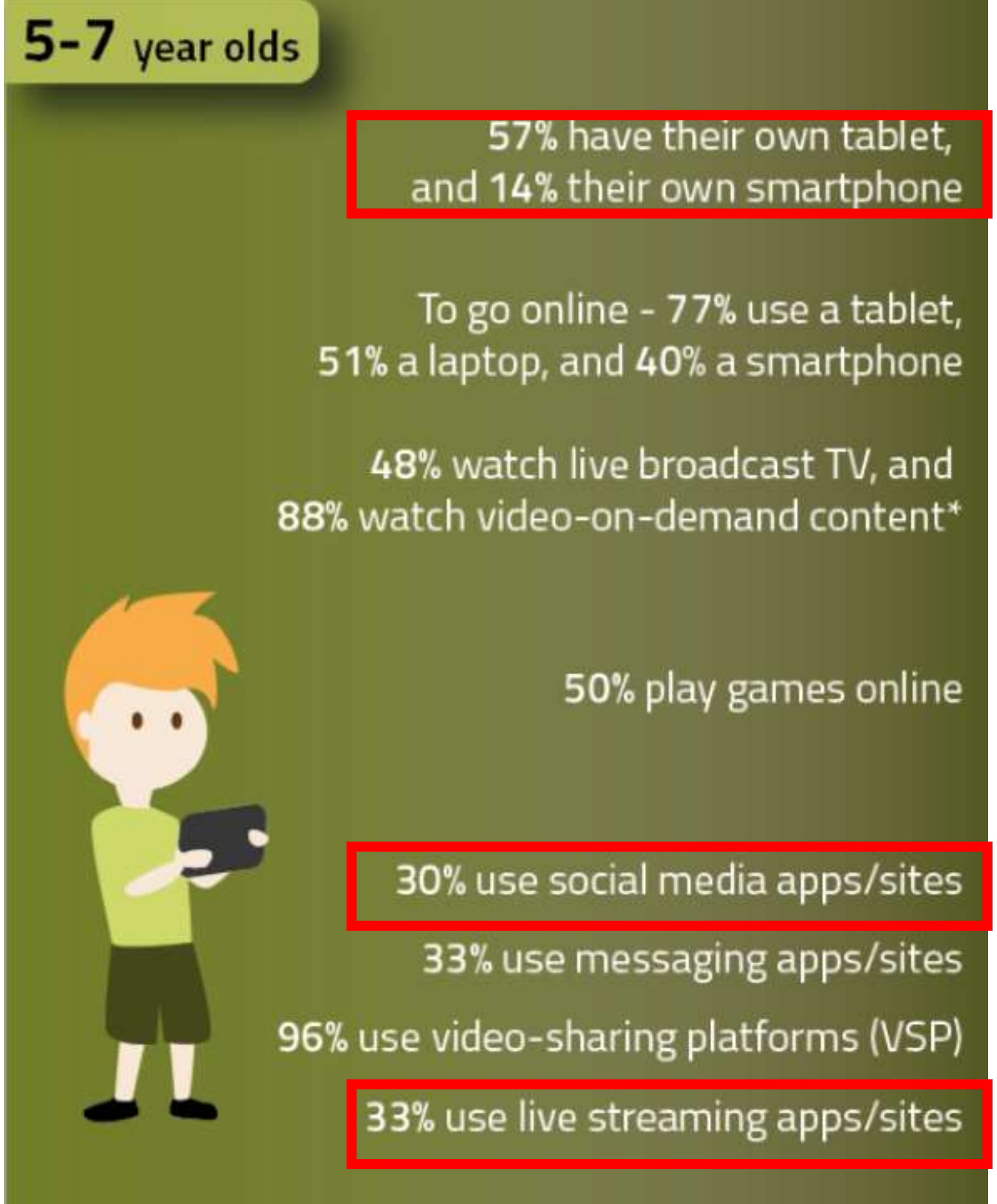
Boy, 12, brain dead after trying Tiktok choking challenge, family says



TikTok skull-breaker challenge danger warning

By Jane Wakefield
Technology reporter



5-7 year olds

57% have their own tablet, and 14% their own smartphone

To go online - 77% use a tablet, 51% a laptop, and 40% a smartphone

48% watch live broadcast TV, and 88% watch video-on-demand content*

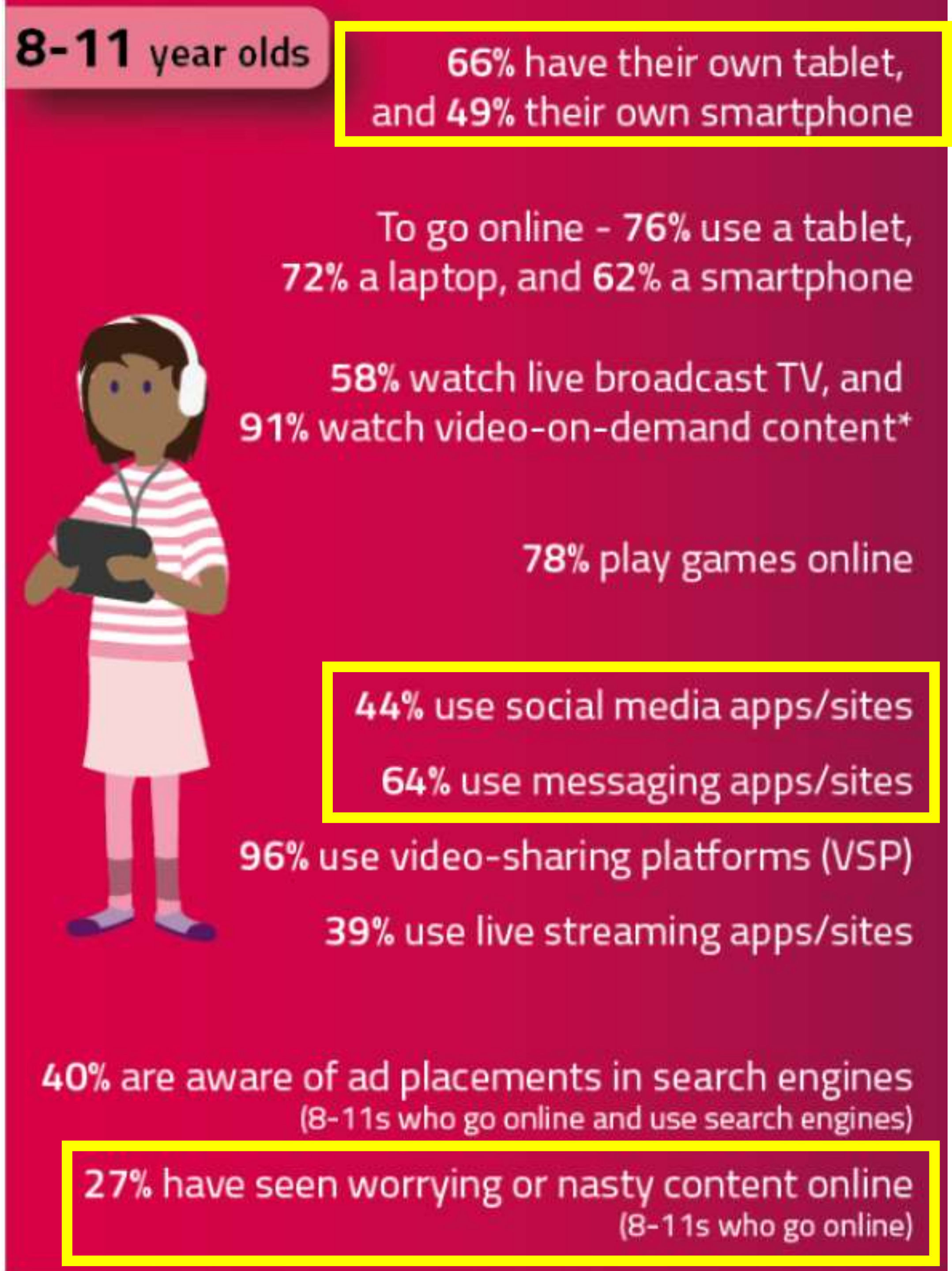
50% play games online

30% use social media apps/sites

33% use messaging apps/sites

96% use video-sharing platforms (VSP)

33% use live streaming apps/sites



8-11 year olds

66% have their own tablet, and **49%** their own smartphone

To go online - **76%** use a tablet, **72%** a laptop, and **62%** a smartphone

58% watch live broadcast TV, and **91%** watch video-on-demand content*

78% play games online

44% use social media apps/sites

64% use messaging apps/sites

96% use video-sharing platforms (VSP)

39% use live streaming apps/sites

40% are aware of ad placements in search engines
(8-11s who go online and use search engines)

27% have seen worrying or nasty content online
(8-11s who go online)

- 28% - 8 yrs
- 78% - 11 yrs

- 35% - 8 yrs
- 59% - 11 yrs

TikTok

For You

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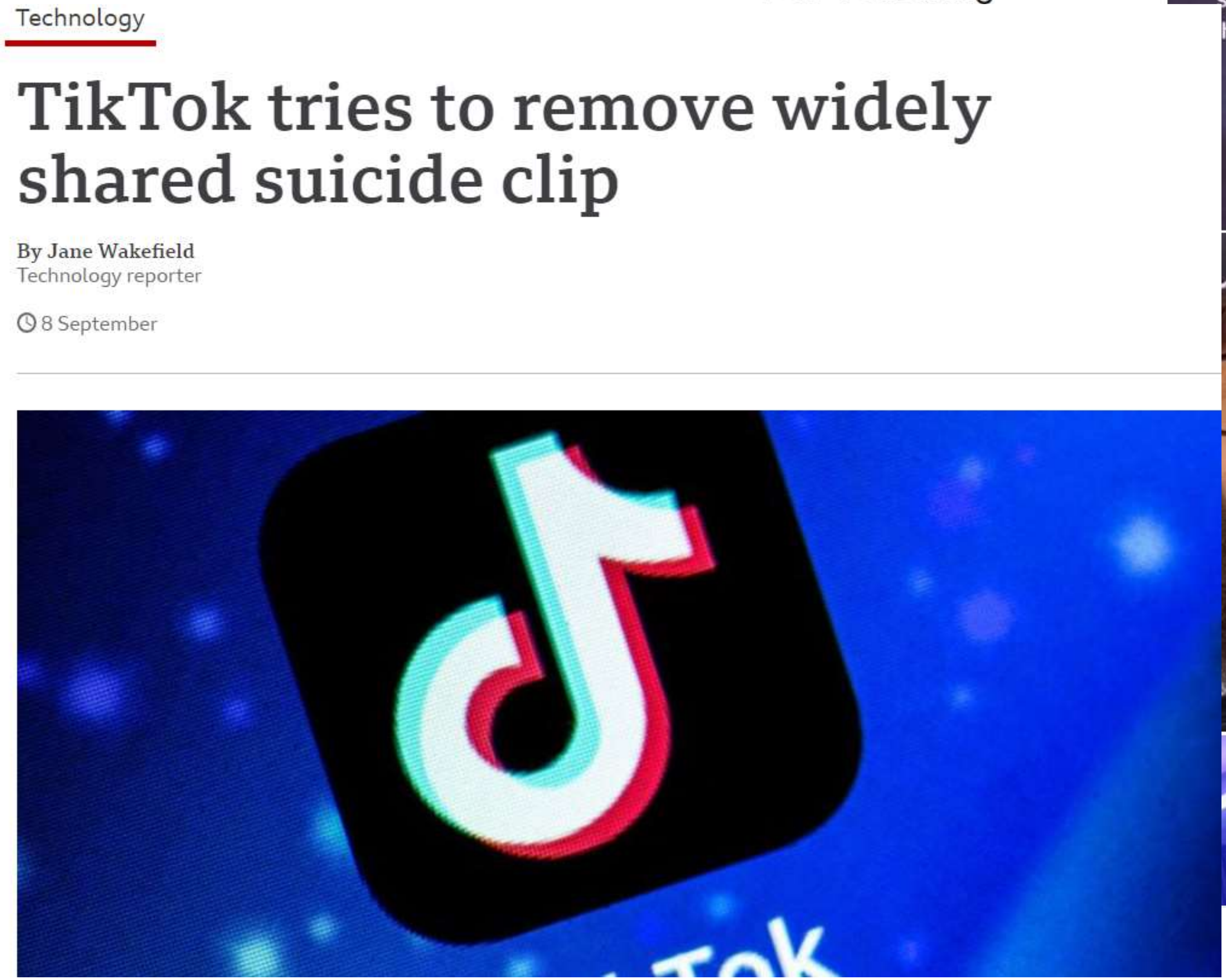
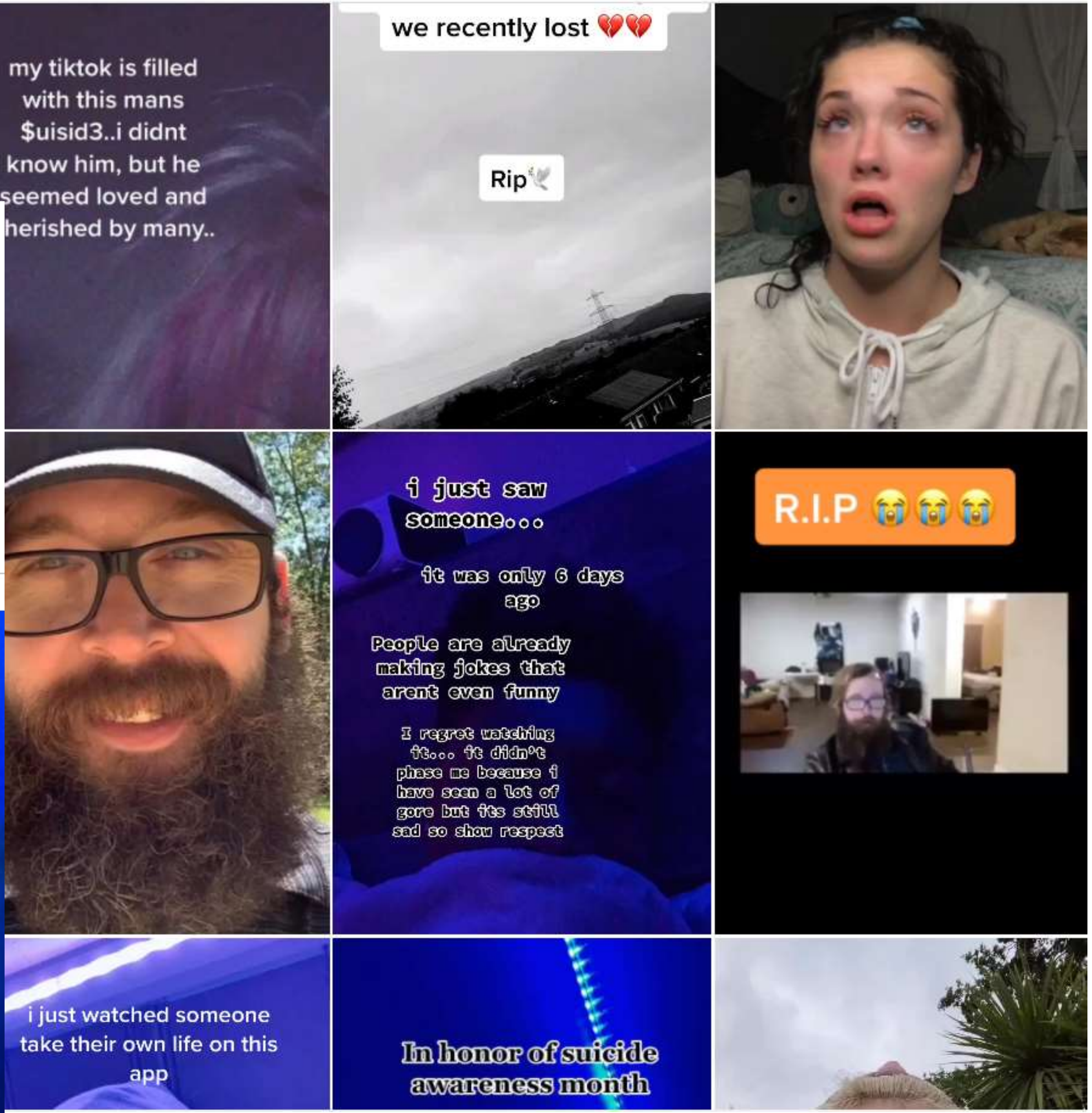


Technology

TikTok tries to remove widely shared suicide clip

By Jane Wakefield
Technology reporter

8 September



my tiktok is filled with this mans $uisid3..i didnt know him, but he seemed loved and herished by many..

we recently lost 💔💔

Rip🕊️

i just saw someone...

it was only 6 days ago

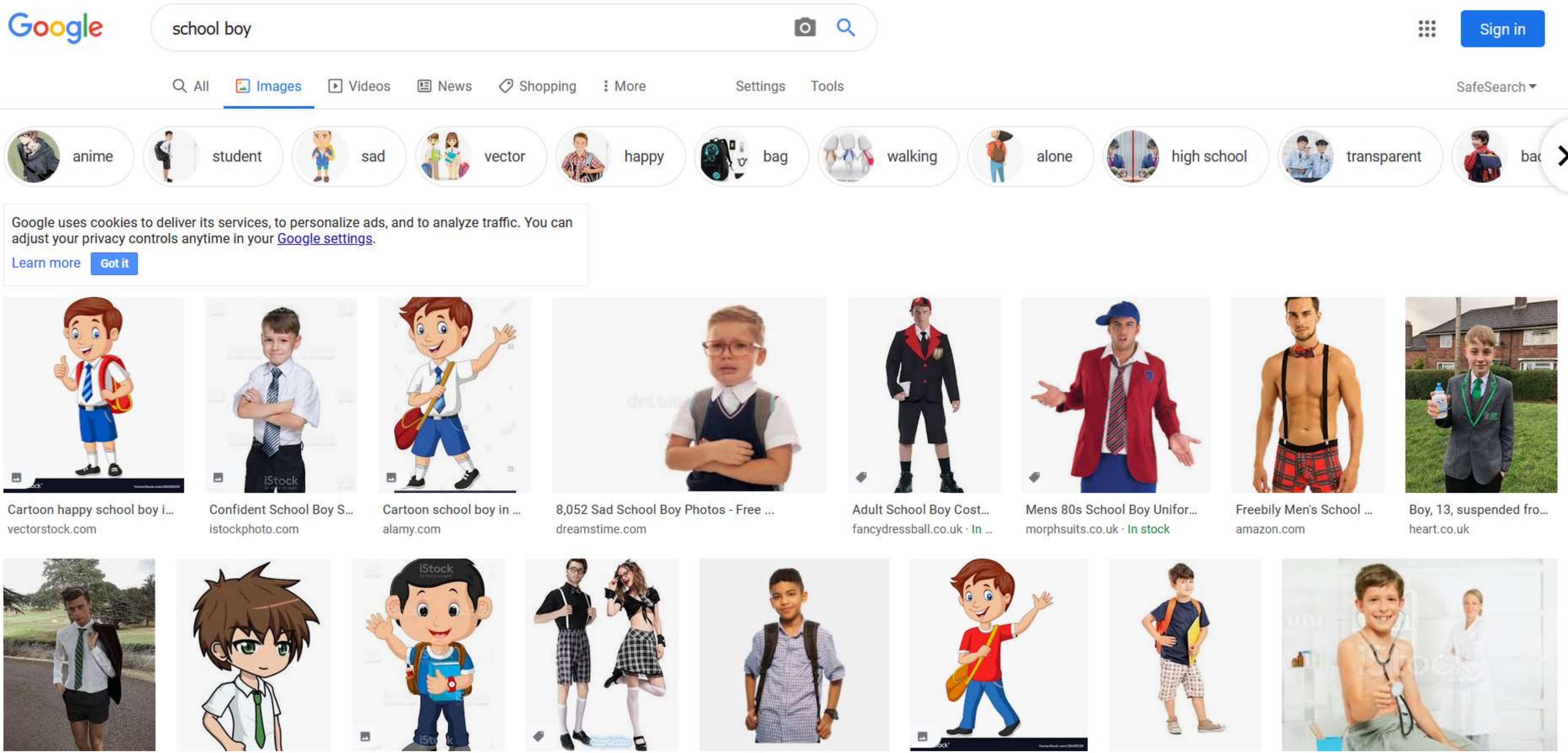
People are already making jokes that arent even funny

I regret watching it... it didn't phase me because i have seen a lot of gore but its still sad so show respect

R.I.P 😭😭😭

i just watched someone take their own life on this app

In honor of suicide awareness month



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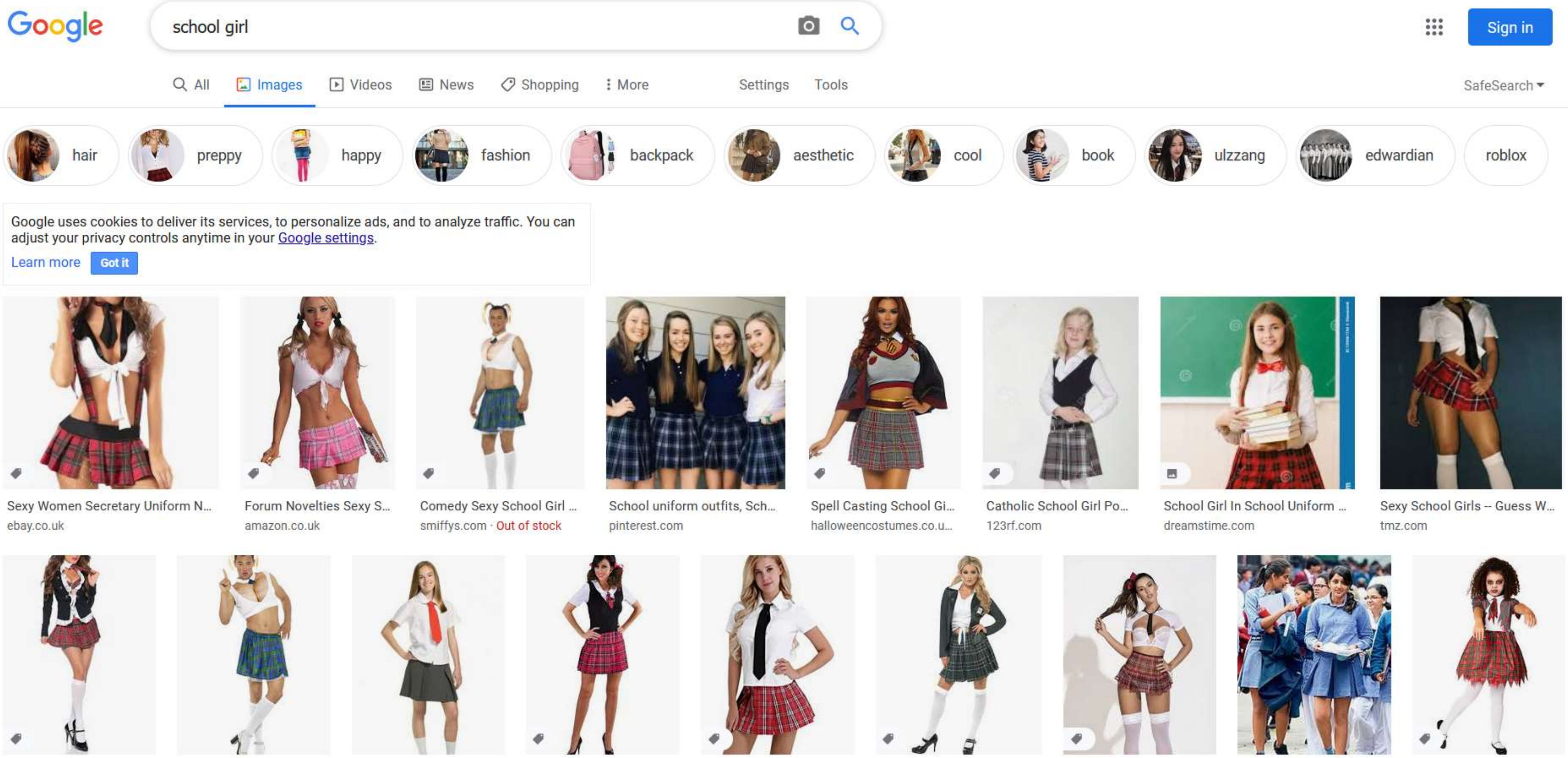

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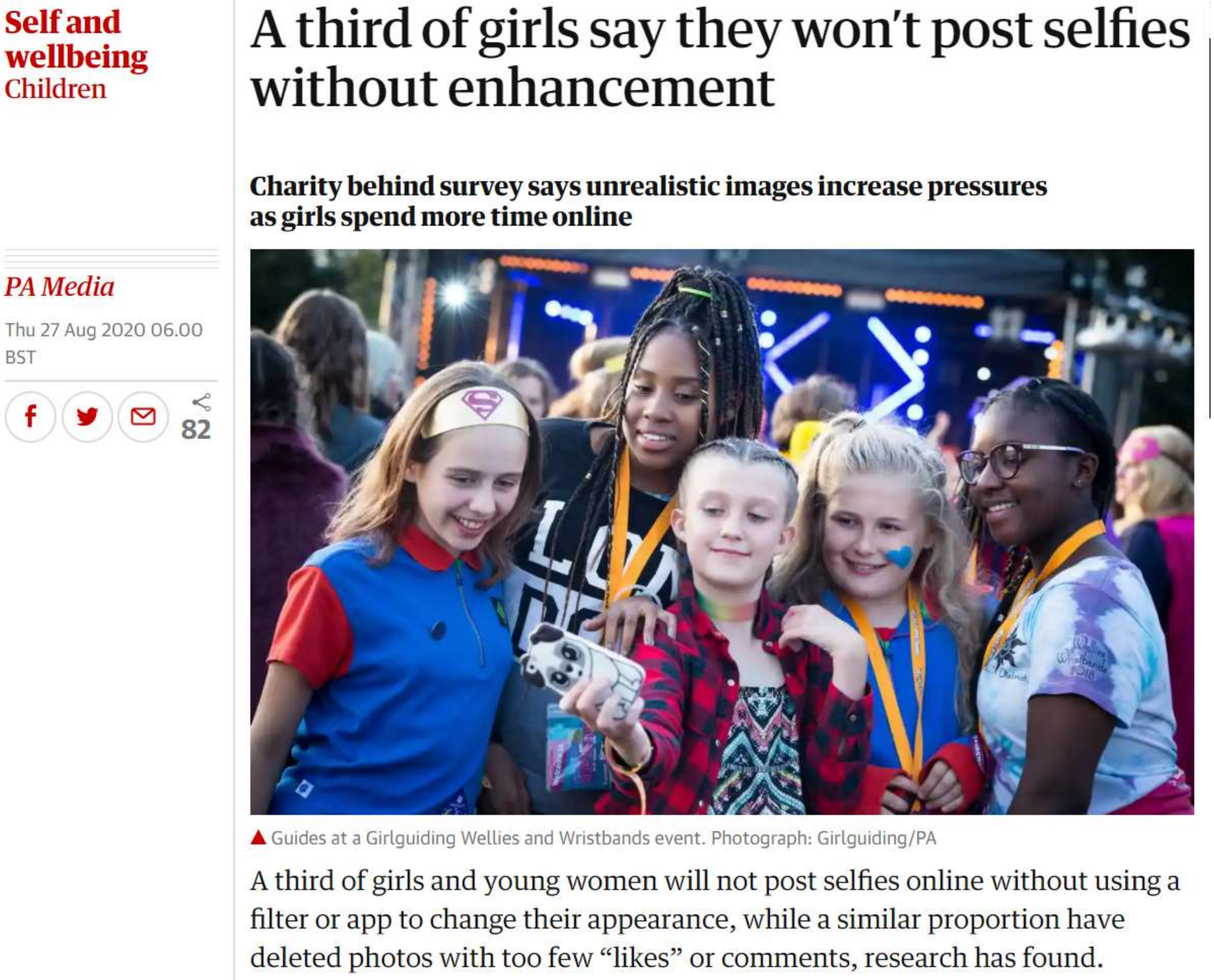

Self and wellbeing
Children

A third of girls say they won't post selfies without enhancement

Charity behind survey says unrealistic images increase pressures as girls spend more time online

PA Media

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▲ Guides at a Girlguiding Wellies and Wristbands event. Photograph: Girlguiding/PA

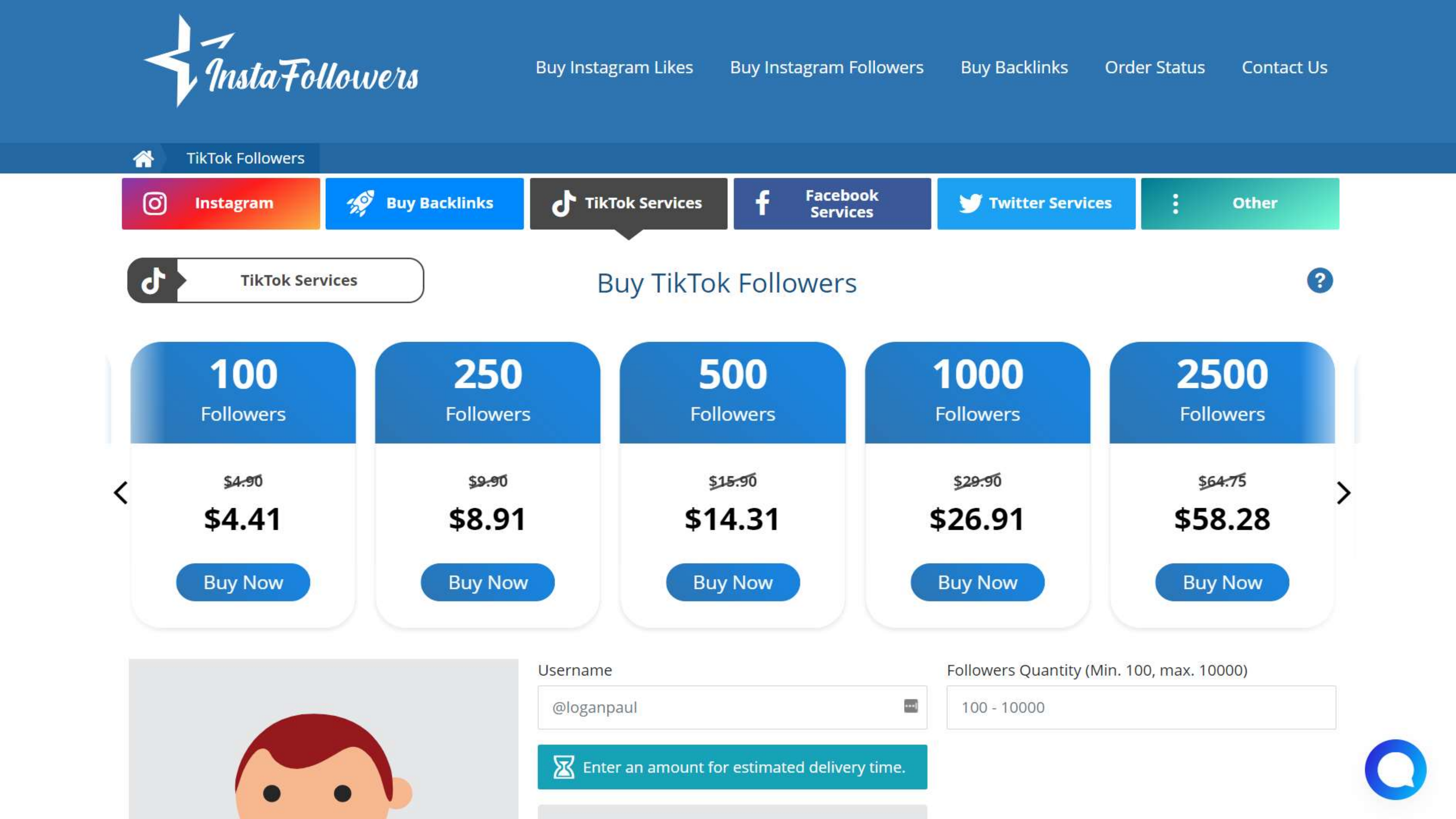
A third of girls and young women will not post selfies online without using a filter or app to change their appearance, while a similar proportion have deleted photos with too few "likes" or comments, research has found.

10 TikTok ForYou Page Rules:

Make Videos People Want To Watch

This is easily one of the most important rules on our list and one that you CANNOT avoid. It is one the most fundamental rules of content creation and social media. You simply have to make interesting content or you will never succeed.

Classic ForYou Page Examples



Buy TikTok Followers

100 Followers	250 Followers	500 Followers	1000 Followers	2500 Followers
~~$4.90~~	~~$9.90~~	~~$15.90~~	~~$29.90~~	~~$64.75~~
$4.41	$8.91	$14.31	$26.91	$58.28
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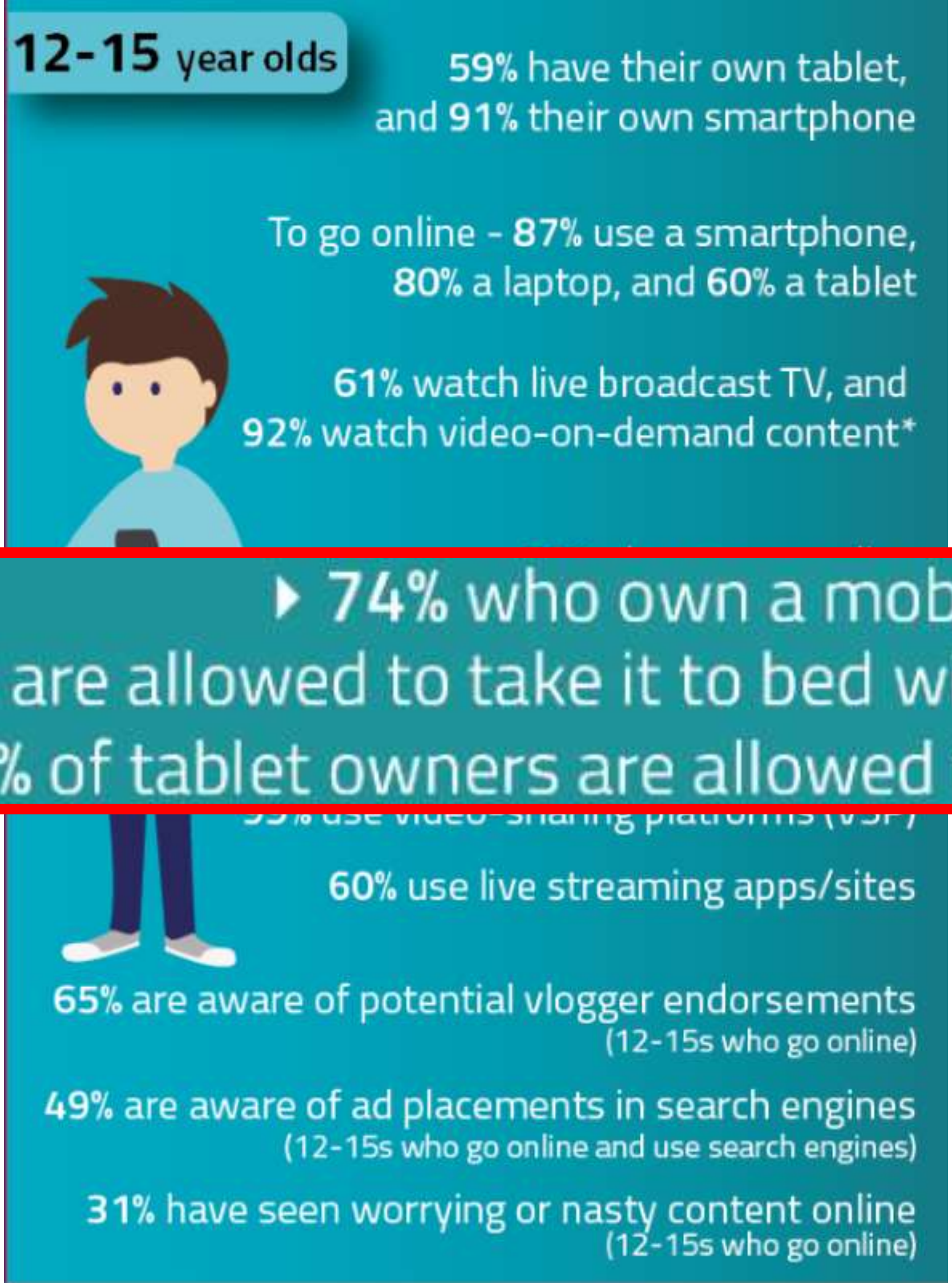

12-15 year olds

59% have their own tablet, and **91%** their own smartphone

To go online - **87%** use a smartphone, **80%** a laptop, and **60%** a tablet

61% watch live broadcast TV, and **92%** watch video-on-demand content*

▸ **74%** who own a mobile phone are allowed to take it to bed with them, while **61%** of tablet owners are allowed to do this

99% use video-sharing platforms (VSP)

60% use live streaming apps/sites

65% are aware of potential vlogger endorsements (12-15s who go online)

49% are aware of ad placements in search engines (12-15s who go online and use search engines)

31% have seen worrying or nasty content online (12-15s who go online)

UK Chief Medical Officers' advice for parents and carers on Children and Young People's screen and social media use

Technology can be a wonderful thing but too much time sitting down or using mobile devices can get in the way of important, healthy activities. Here are some tips for balancing screen use with healthy living.

Sleep matters

Getting enough, good quality sleep is very important. Leave phones outside the bedroom when it is bedtime.

Education matters

Make sure you and your children are aware of, and abide by, their school's policy on screen time.

Safety when out and about

Advise children to put their screens away while crossing the road or doing an activity that needs their full attention.

Family time together

Screen-free meal times are a good idea – you can enjoy face-to-face conversation, with adults giving their full attention to children.

Sharing sensibly

Talk about sharing photos and information online and how photos and words are sometimes manipulated. Parents and carers should never assume that children are happy for their photos to be shared. For everyone – when in doubt, don't upload!

Keep moving!

Everyone should take a break after a couple of hours sitting or lying down using a screen. It's good to get up and move about a bit. #sitlessmovemore

Talking helps

Talk with children about using screens and what they are watching. A change in behaviour can be a sign they are distressed – make sure they know they can always speak to you or another responsible adult if they feel uncomfortable with screen or social media use.

Use helpful phone features

Some devices and platforms have special features – try using these features to keep track of how much time you (and with their permission, your children) spend looking at screens or on social media.

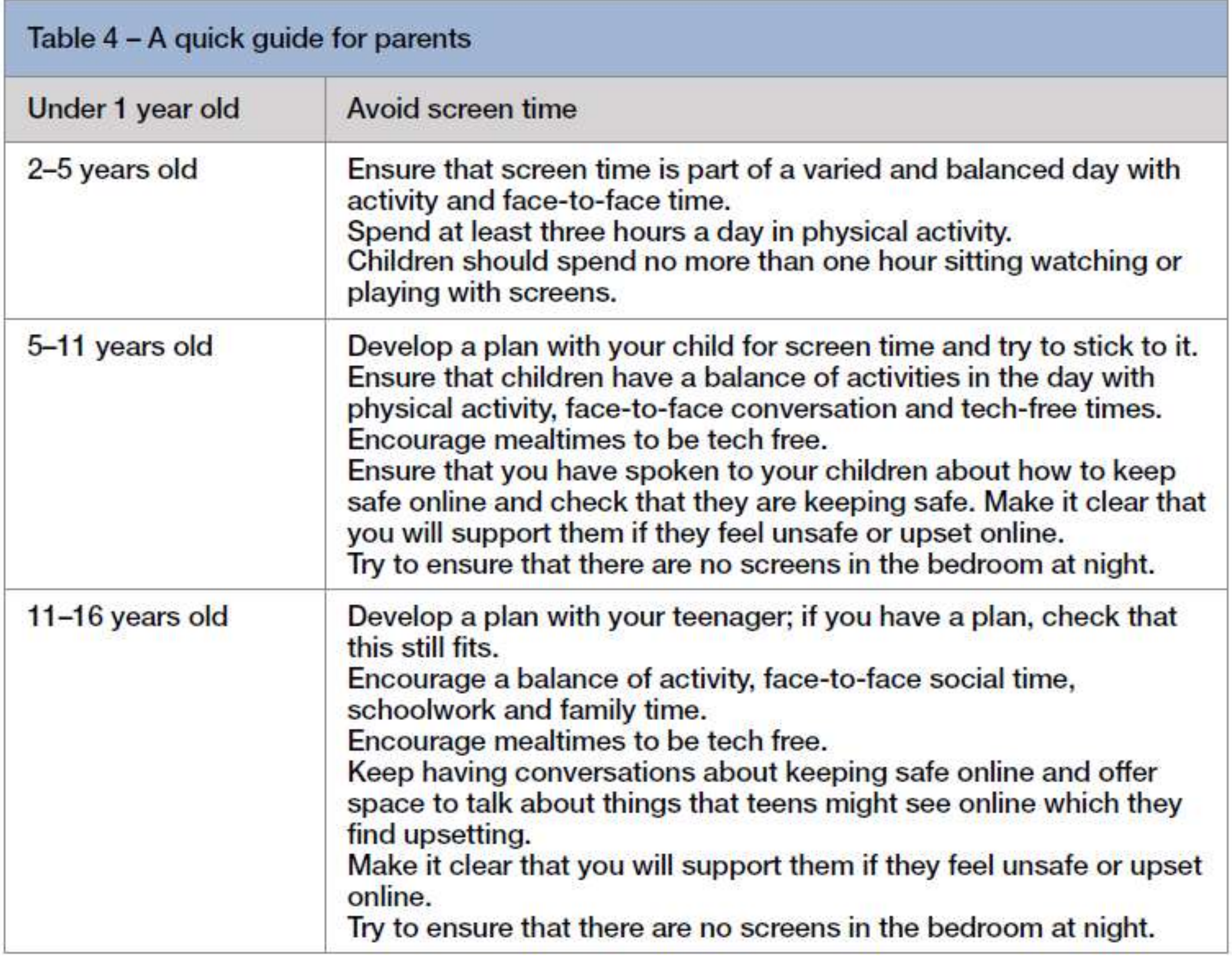

Table 4 – A quick guide for parents

Under 1 year old	Avoid screen time
2–5 years old	Ensure that screen time is part of a varied and balanced day with activity and face-to-face time. Spend at least three hours a day in physical activity. Children should spend no more than one hour sitting watching or playing with screens.
5–11 years old	Develop a plan with your child for screen time and try to stick to it. Ensure that children have a balance of activities in the day with physical activity, face-to-face conversation and tech-free times. Encourage mealtimes to be tech free. Ensure that you have spoken to your children about how to keep safe online and check that they are keeping safe. Make it clear that you will support them if they feel unsafe or upset online. Try to ensure that there are no screens in the bedroom at night.
11–16 years old	Develop a plan with your teenager; if you have a plan, check that this still fits. Encourage a balance of activity, face-to-face social time, schoolwork and family time. Encourage mealtimes to be tech free. Keep having conversations about keeping safe online and offer space to talk about things that teens might see online which they find upsetting. Make it clear that you will support them if they feel unsafe or upset online. Try to ensure that there are no screens in the bedroom at night.

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Technology use and the mental health of children and young people

January 2020

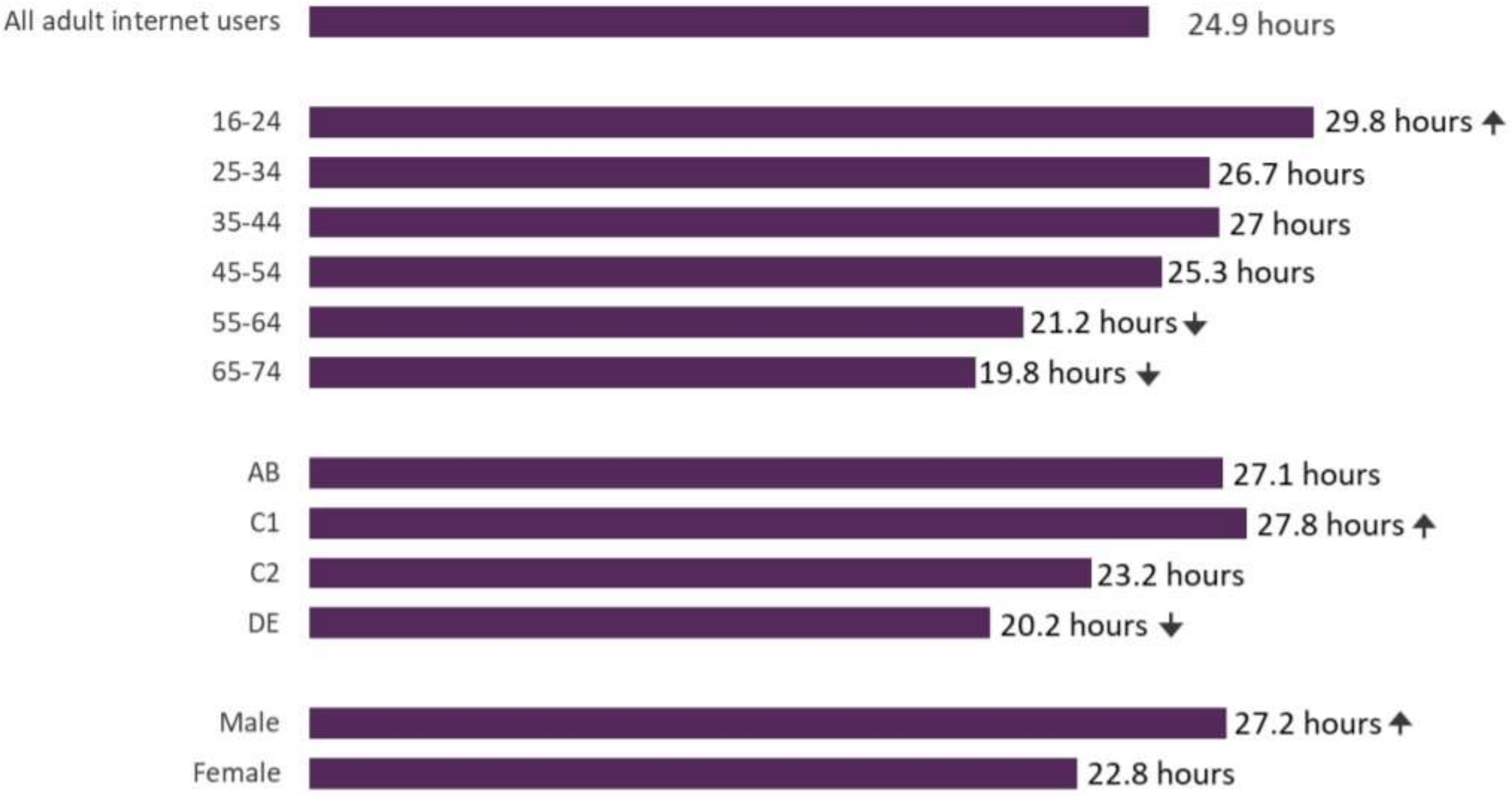
COLLEGE REPORT

The older you are – the less likely you are to go online and the less likely you are to use a smartphone

- 51% of over 75s don’t go online at all
- Some services are only available online now
- Non-internet use is more likely for 55+ and DE households
- The older you are, the less confident you feel in managing access to personal data online
- Newer users are less aware of the risks

Internet users estimate they spend around one day a week online.

Time spent online per week, by age, socio-economic group and gender: 2020



Source: Ofcom Adult Media Literacy Tracker 2020

More than half of internet users continue to be concerned about the internet.

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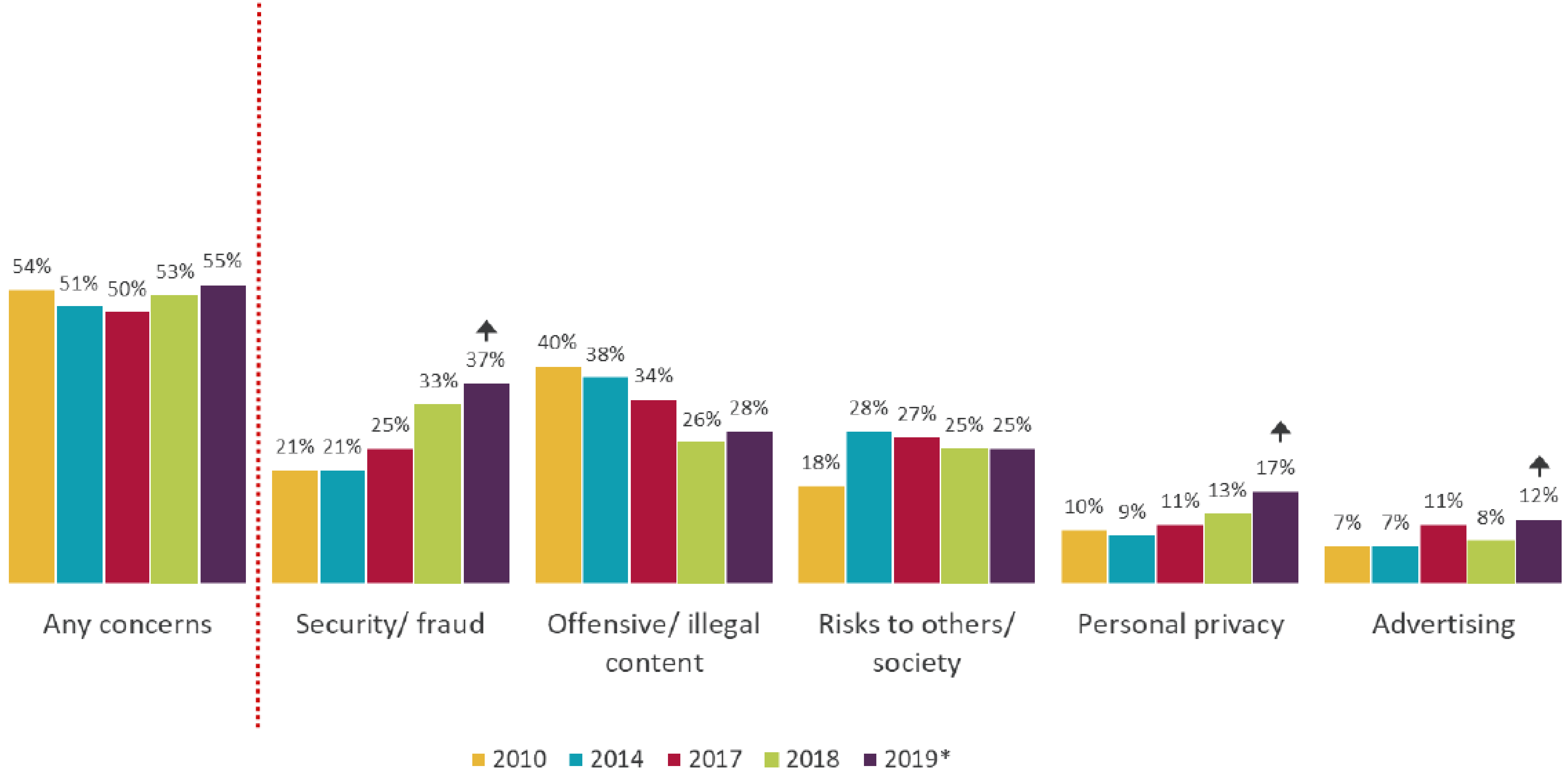
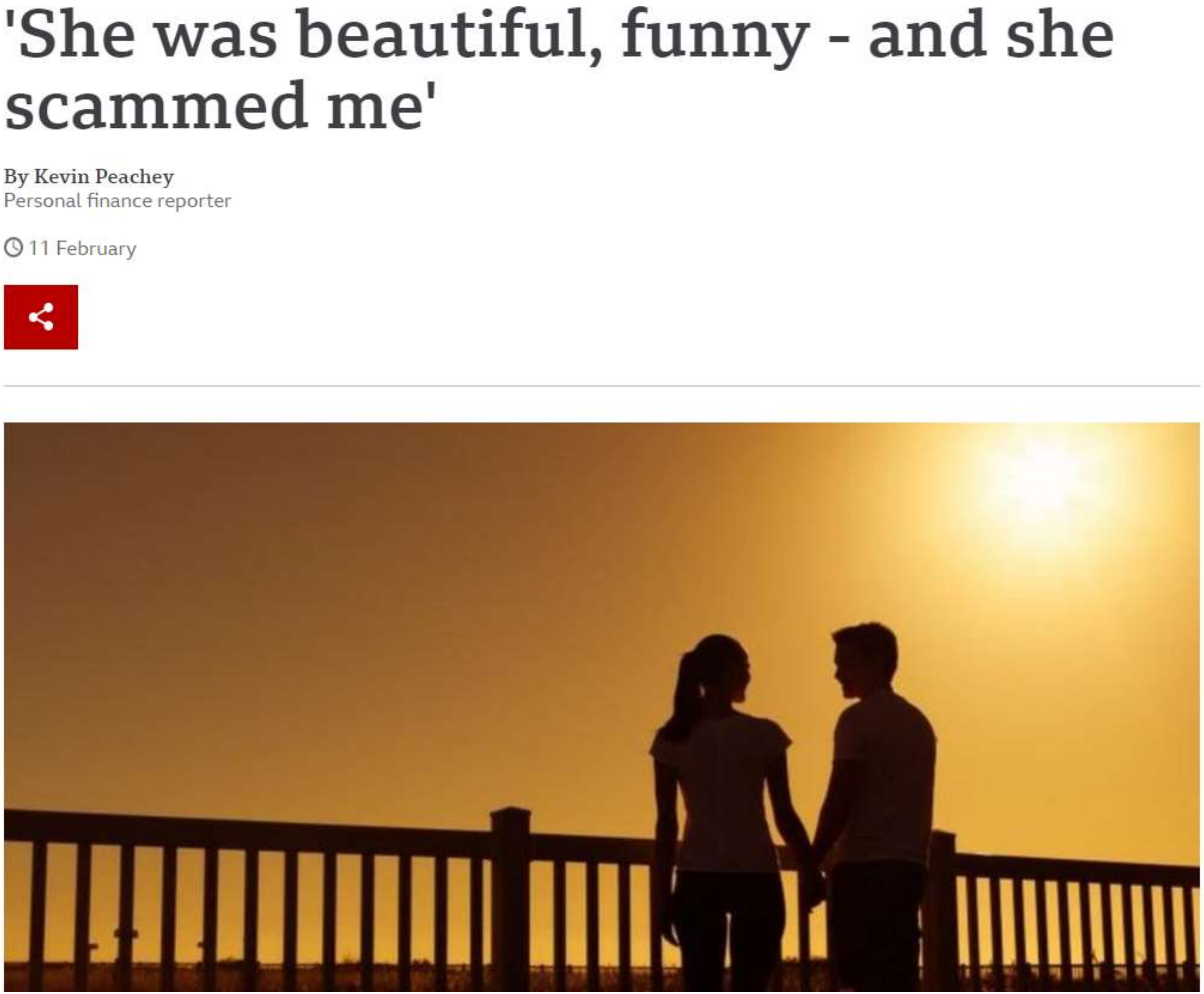
Concerns about the internet among users: 2010-2019*





'She was beautiful, funny - and she scammed me'

By Kevin Peachey
Personal finance reporter

11 February

Newer internet users are as likely as established internet users to have concerns about the internet, although, differences are apparent in the type of concerns they have.

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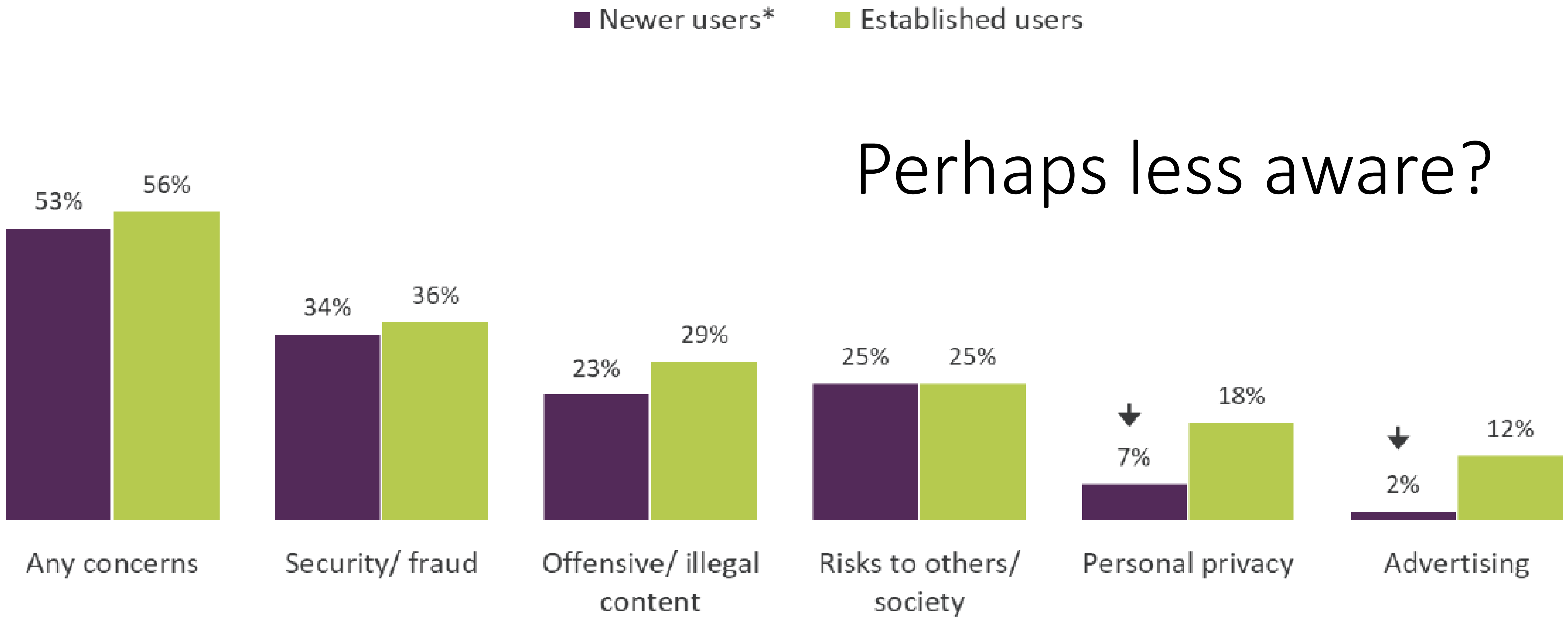
Concerns about the internet: newer vs. established users



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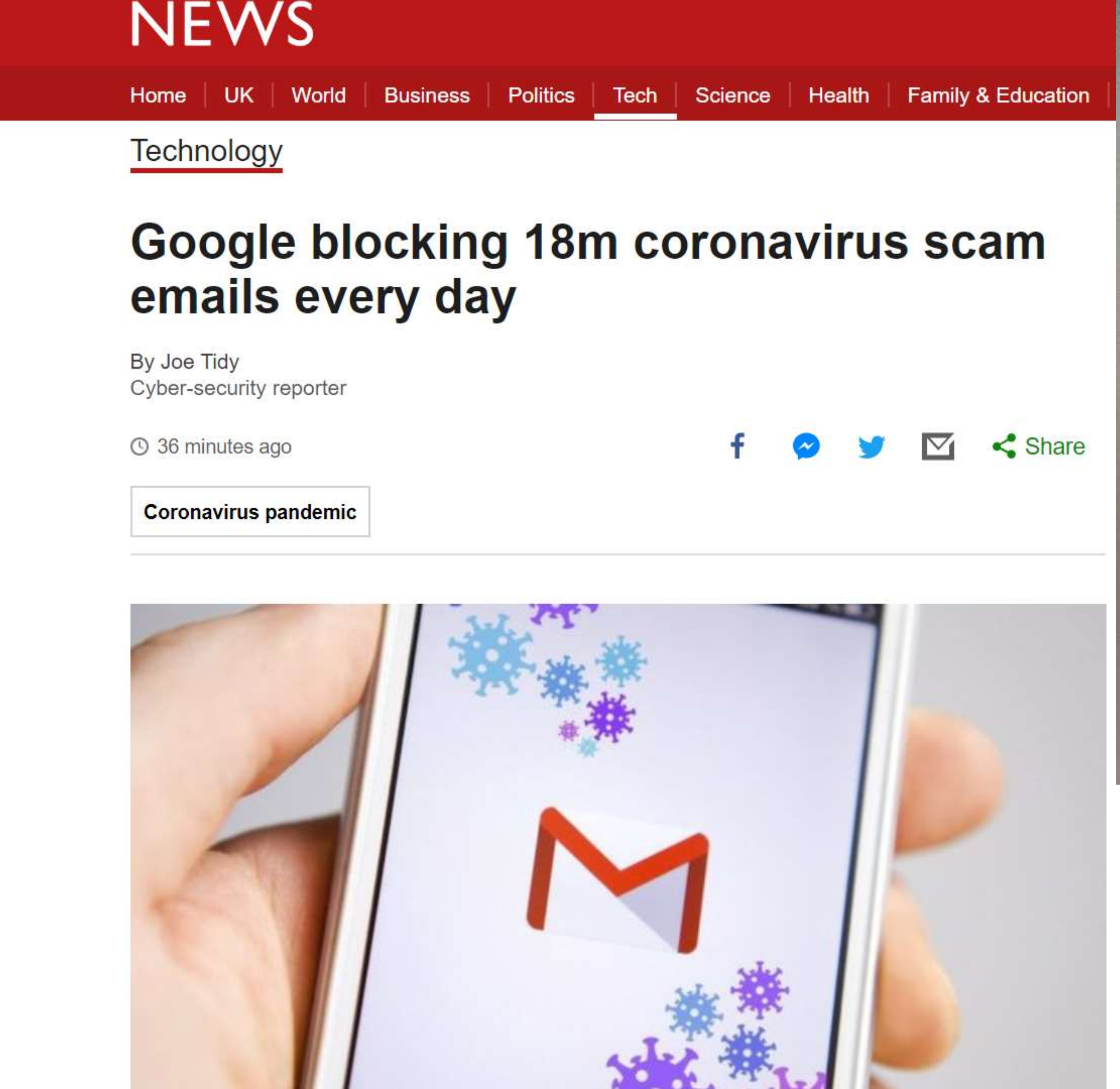

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Google blocking 18m coronavirus scam emails every day

By Joe Tidy
Cyber-security reporter

36 minutes ago

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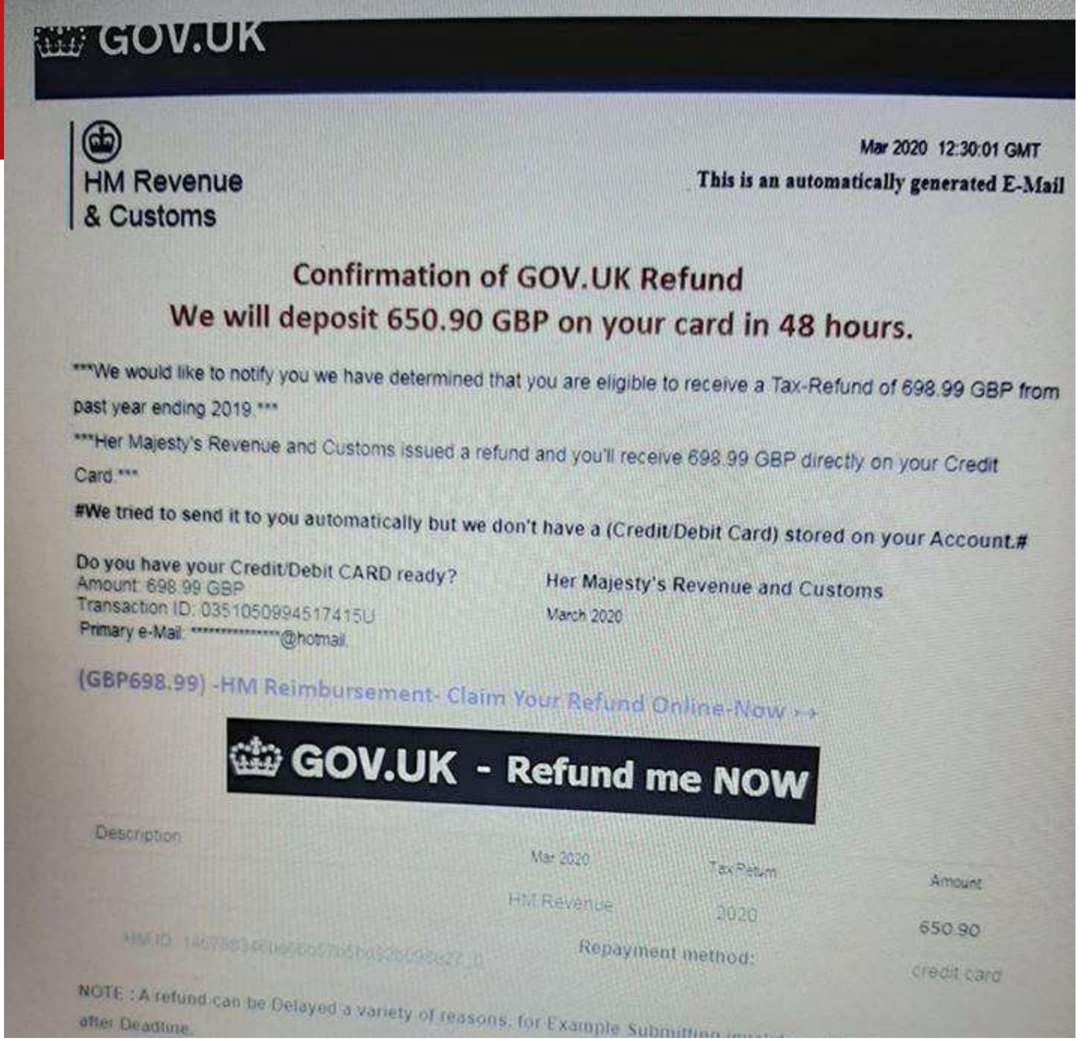

Mar 2020 12:30:01 GMT
This is an automatically generated E-Mail

Confirmation of GOV.UK Refund
We will deposit 650.90 GBP on your card in 48 hours.

We would like to notify you we have determined that you are eligible to receive a Tax-Refund of 698.99 GBP from past year ending 2019.

Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs issued a refund and you'll receive 698.99 GBP directly on your Credit Card.

#We tried to send it to you automatically but we don't have a (Credit/Debit Card) stored on your Account.#

Do you have your Credit/Debit CARD ready?
Amount: 698.99 GBP
Transaction ID: 0351050994517415U
Primary e-Mail: ***************@hotmail.

Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs
March 2020

(GBP698.99) -HM Reimbursement- Claim Your Refund Online-Now -->

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Mar 2020 HM Revenue
Tax Return 2020
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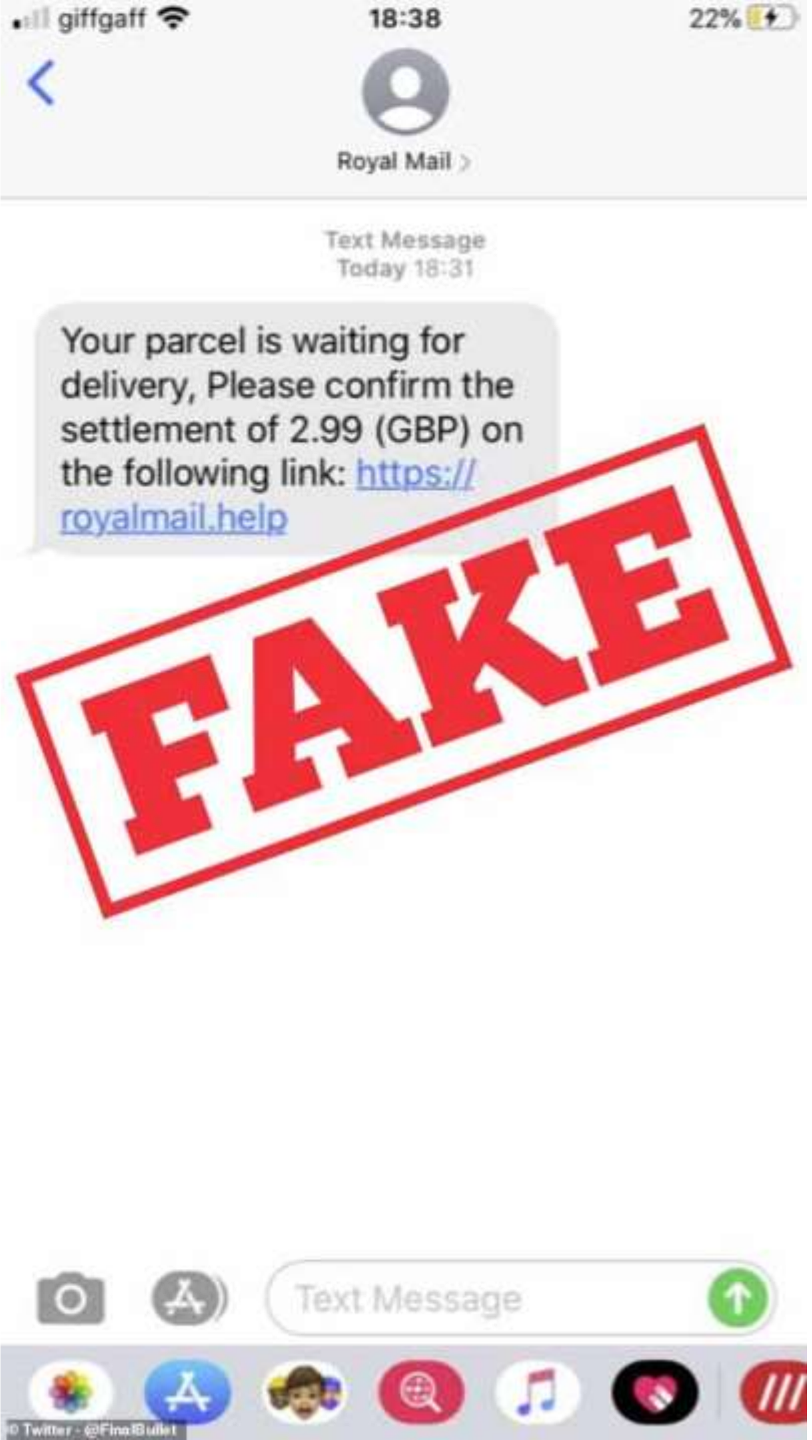
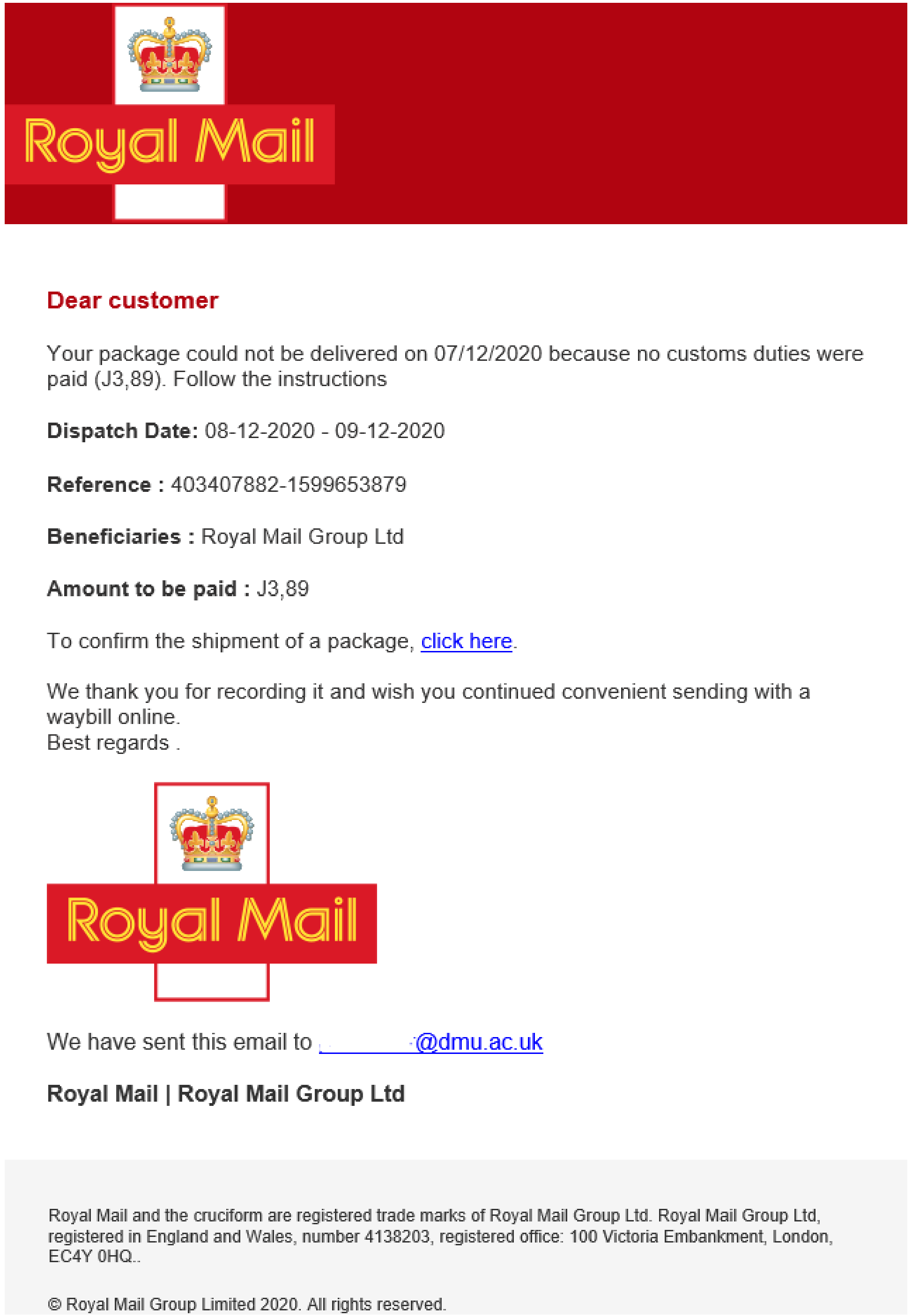


Text Message
Today 18:31

Your parcel is waiting for delivery, Please confirm the settlement of 2.99 (GBP) on the following link: https://royalmail.help



Dear customer

Your package could not be delivered on 07/12/2020 because no customs duties were paid (J3,89). Follow the instructions

Dispatch Date: 08-12-2020 - 09-12-2020

Reference : 403407882-1599653879

Beneficiaries : Royal Mail Group Ltd

Amount to be paid : J3,89

To confirm the shipment of a package, click here.

We thank you for recording it and wish you continued convenient sending with a waybill online.
Best regards .

We have sent this email to @dmu.ac.uk

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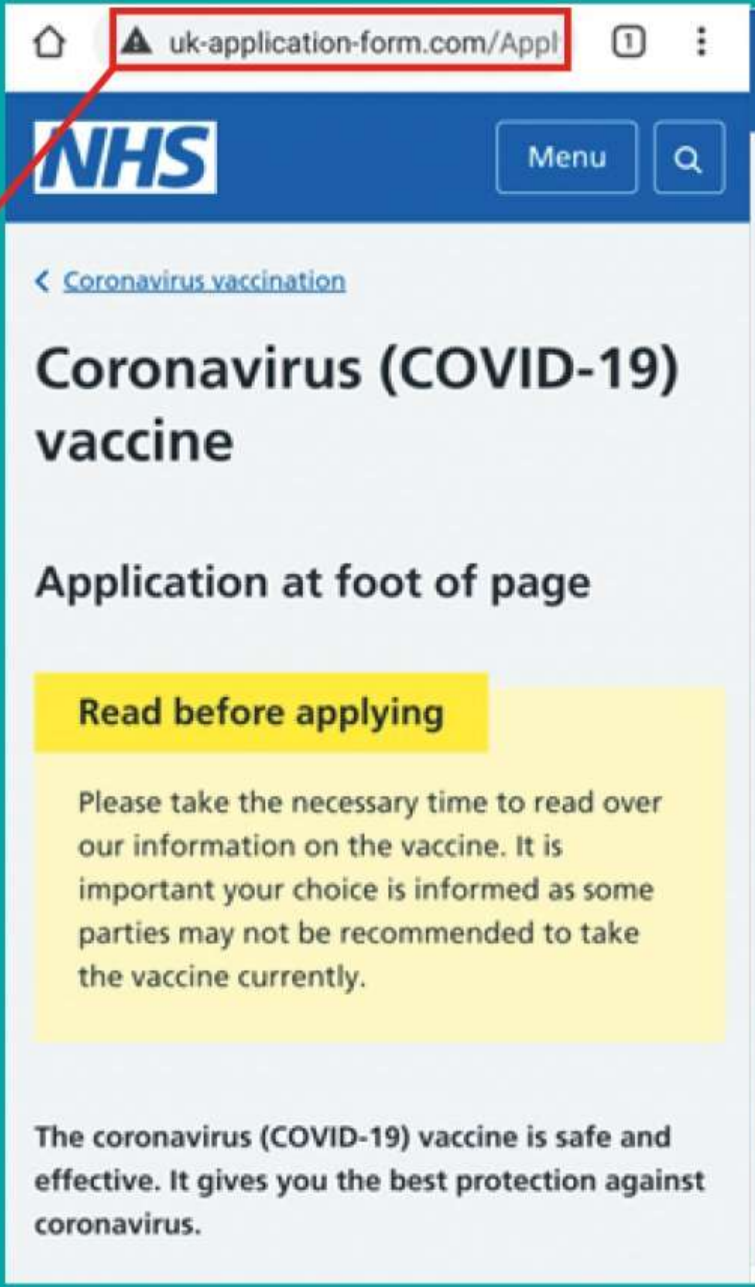

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< Coronavirus vaccination

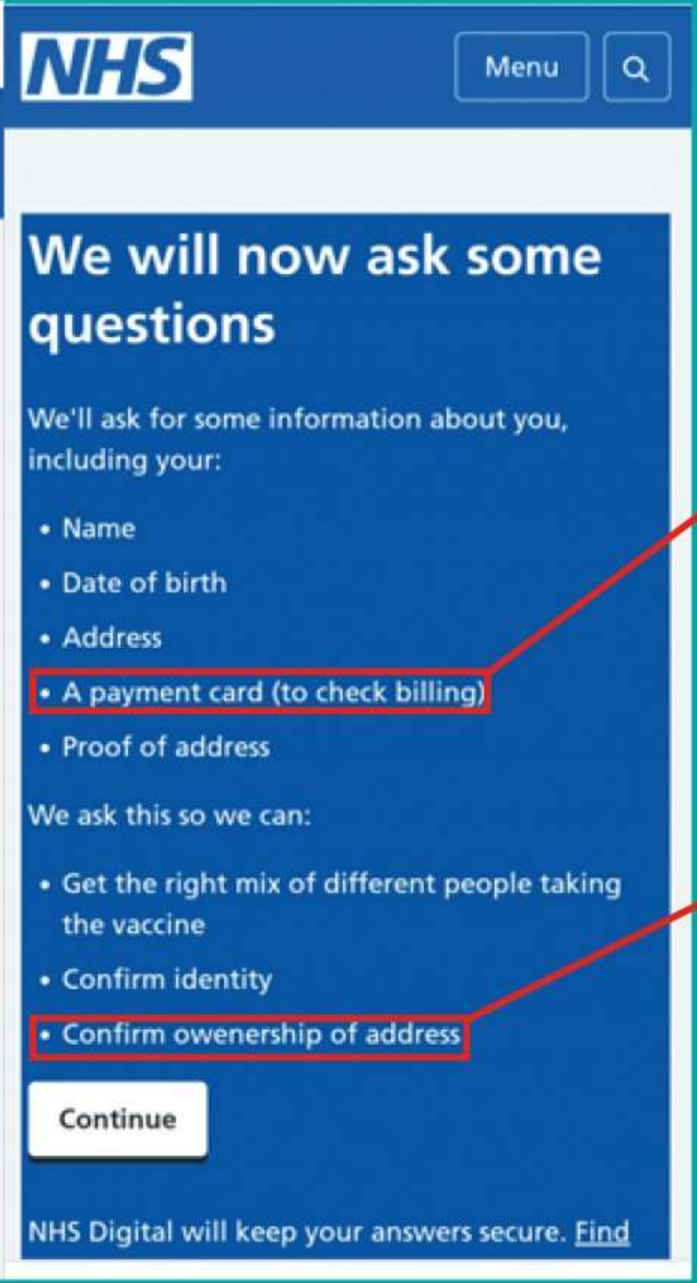
Coronavirus (COVID-19) vaccine

Application at foot of page

Read before applying

Please take the necessary time to read over our information on the vaccine. It is important your choice is informed as some parties may not be recommended to take the vaccine currently.

The coronavirus (COVID-19) vaccine is safe and effective. It gives you the best protection against coronavirus.



We will now ask some questions

We'll ask for some information about you, including your:

- Name
- Date of birth
- Address
- A payment card (to check billing)
- Proof of address

We ask this so we can:

- Get the right mix of different people taking the vaccine
- Confirm identity
- Confirm owenership of address

NHS Digital will keep your answers secure. Find

The NHS will never ask for your bank details

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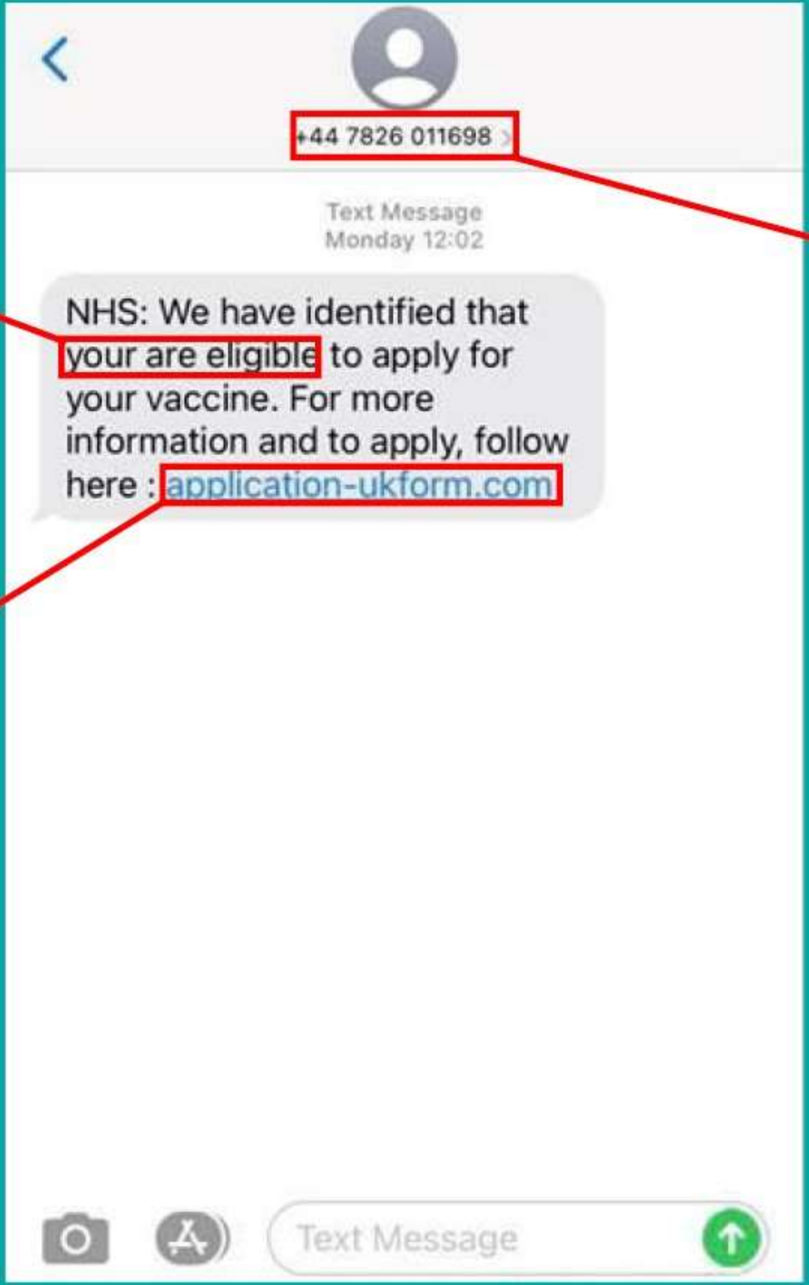

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Text Message
Monday 12:02

NHS: We have identified that your are eligible to apply for your vaccine. For more information and to apply, follow here : application-ukform.com

A number you don't recognise

Links to unofficial websites

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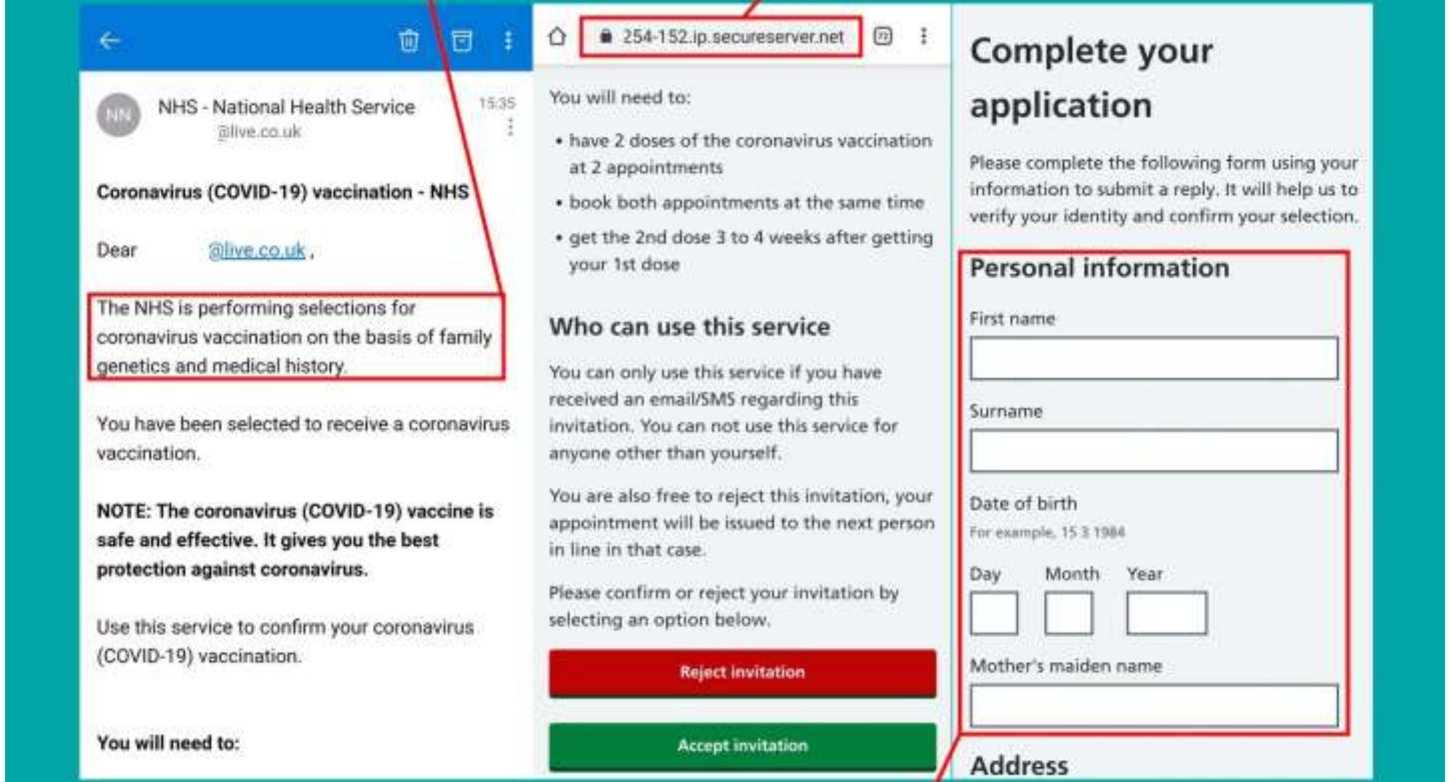
You'll receive an invitation based on your priority group, not your family history

Not the NHS website



NN NHS - National Health Service 15:35
@live.co.uk

Coronavirus (COVID-19) vaccination - NHS

Dear @live.co.uk ,

The NHS is performing selections for coronavirus vaccination on the basis of family genetics and medical history.

You have been selected to receive a coronavirus vaccination.

NOTE: The coronavirus (COVID-19) vaccine is safe and effective. It gives you the best protection against coronavirus.

Use this service to confirm your coronavirus (COVID-19) vaccination.

You will need to:

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You will need to:

- have 2 doses of the coronavirus vaccination at 2 appointments
- book both appointments at the same time
- get the 2nd dose 3 to 4 weeks after getting your 1st dose

Who can use this service

You can only use this service if you have received an email/SMS regarding this invitation. You can not use this service for anyone other than yourself.

You are also free to reject this invitation, your appointment will be issued to the next person in line in that case.

Please confirm or reject your invitation by selecting an option below.

Reject invitation

Accept invitation

Complete your application

Please complete the following form using your information to submit a reply. It will help us to verify your identity and confirm your selection.

Personal information

First name

Surname

Date of birth
For example, 15 3 1984

Day Month Year

Mother's maiden name

Address

The NHS will never ask for your bank details or your mother's maiden name

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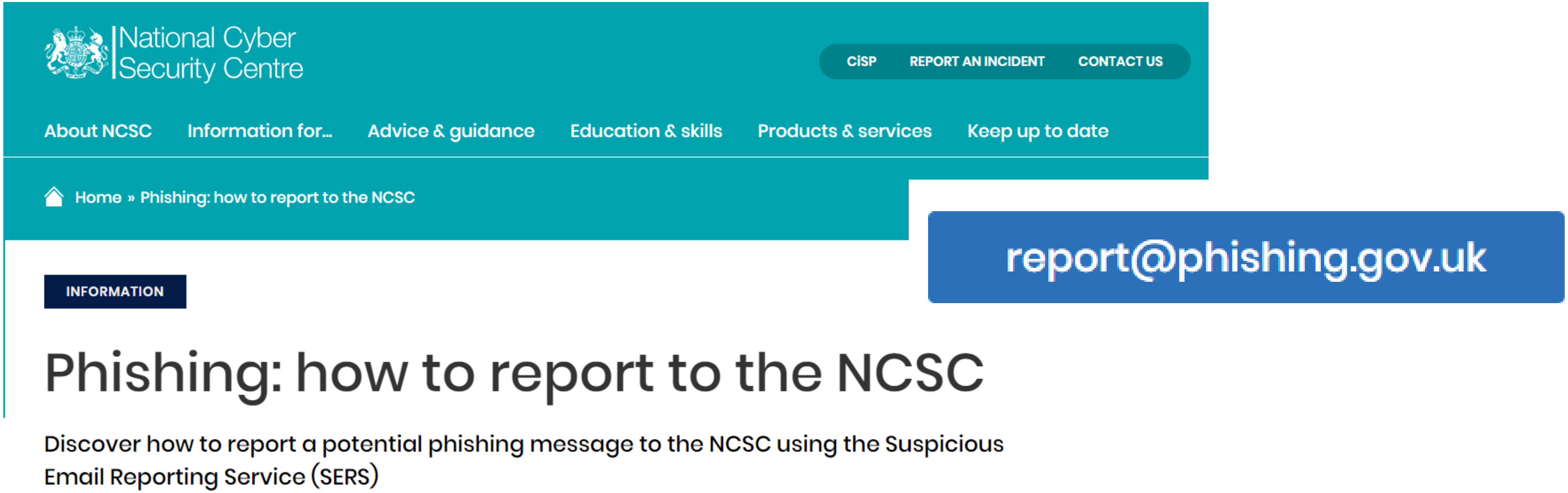
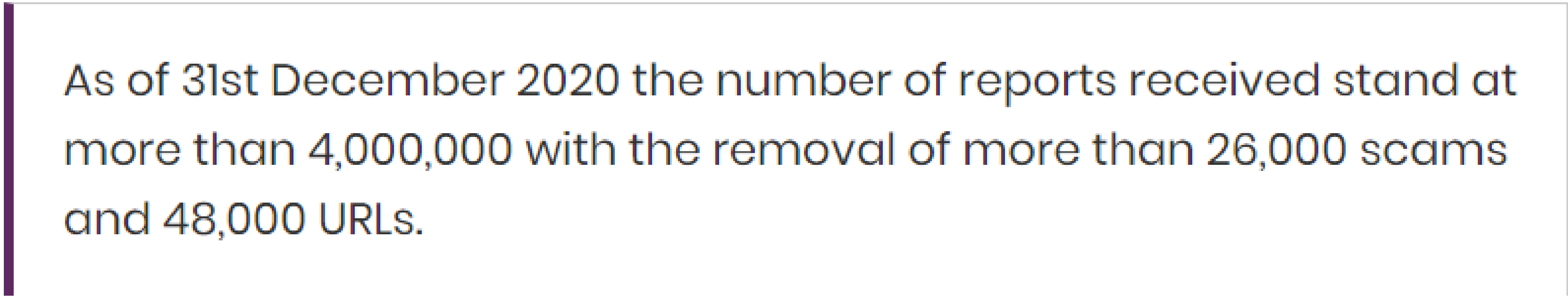


report@phishing.gov.uk

Phishing: how to report to the NCSC

Discover how to report a potential phishing message to the NCSC using the Suspicious Email Reporting Service (SERS)



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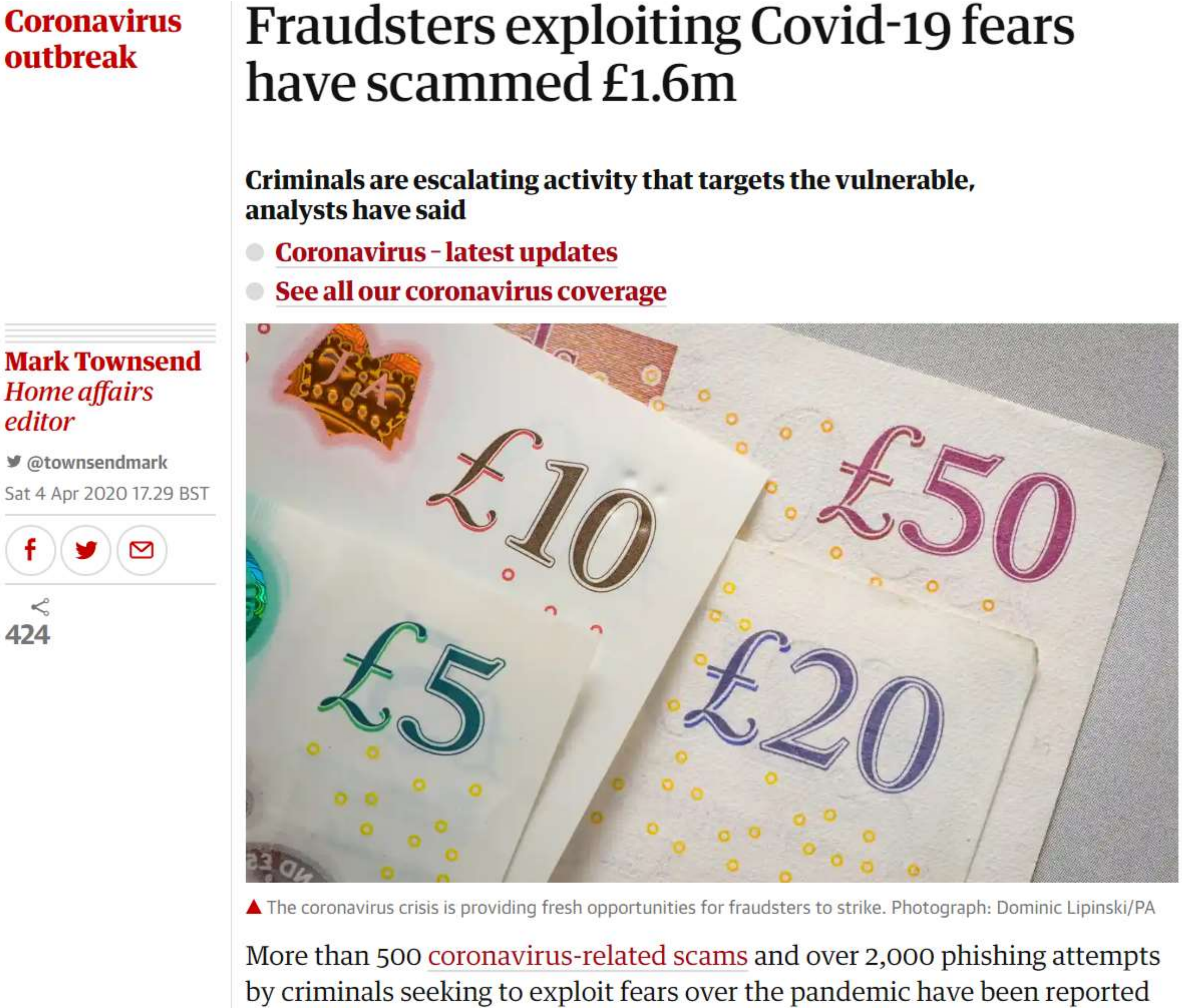

Coronavirus outbreak

Fraudsters exploiting Covid-19 fears have scammed £1.6m

Criminals are escalating activity that targets the vulnerable, analysts have said

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Home affairs editor

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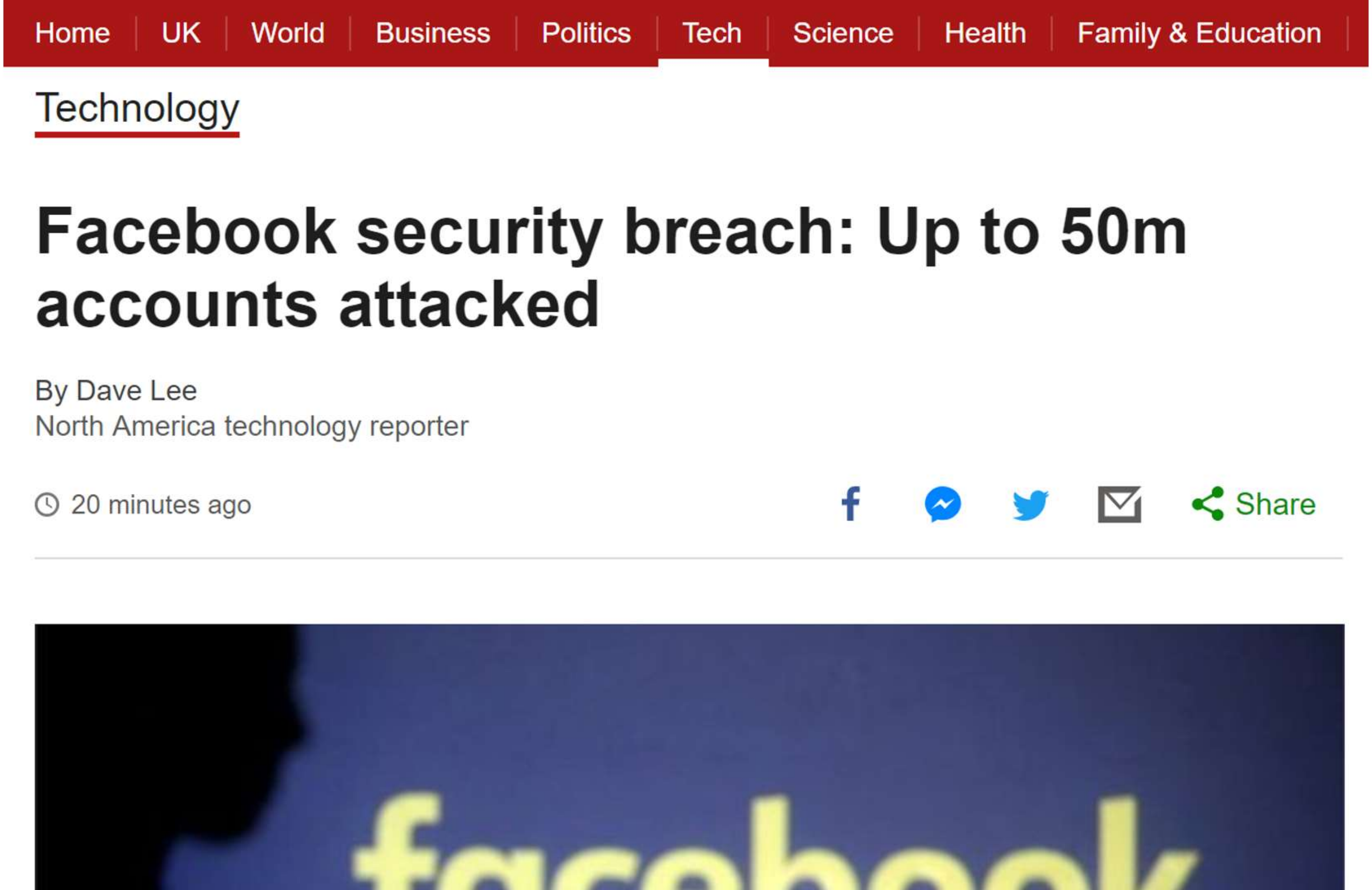
The coronavirus crisis is providing fresh opportunities for fraudsters to strike. Photograph: Dominic Lipinski/PA

More than 500 coronavirus-related scams and over 2,000 phishing attempts by criminals seeking to exploit fears over the pandemic have been reported



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Facebook security breach: Up to 50m accounts attacked

By Dave Lee
North America technology reporter

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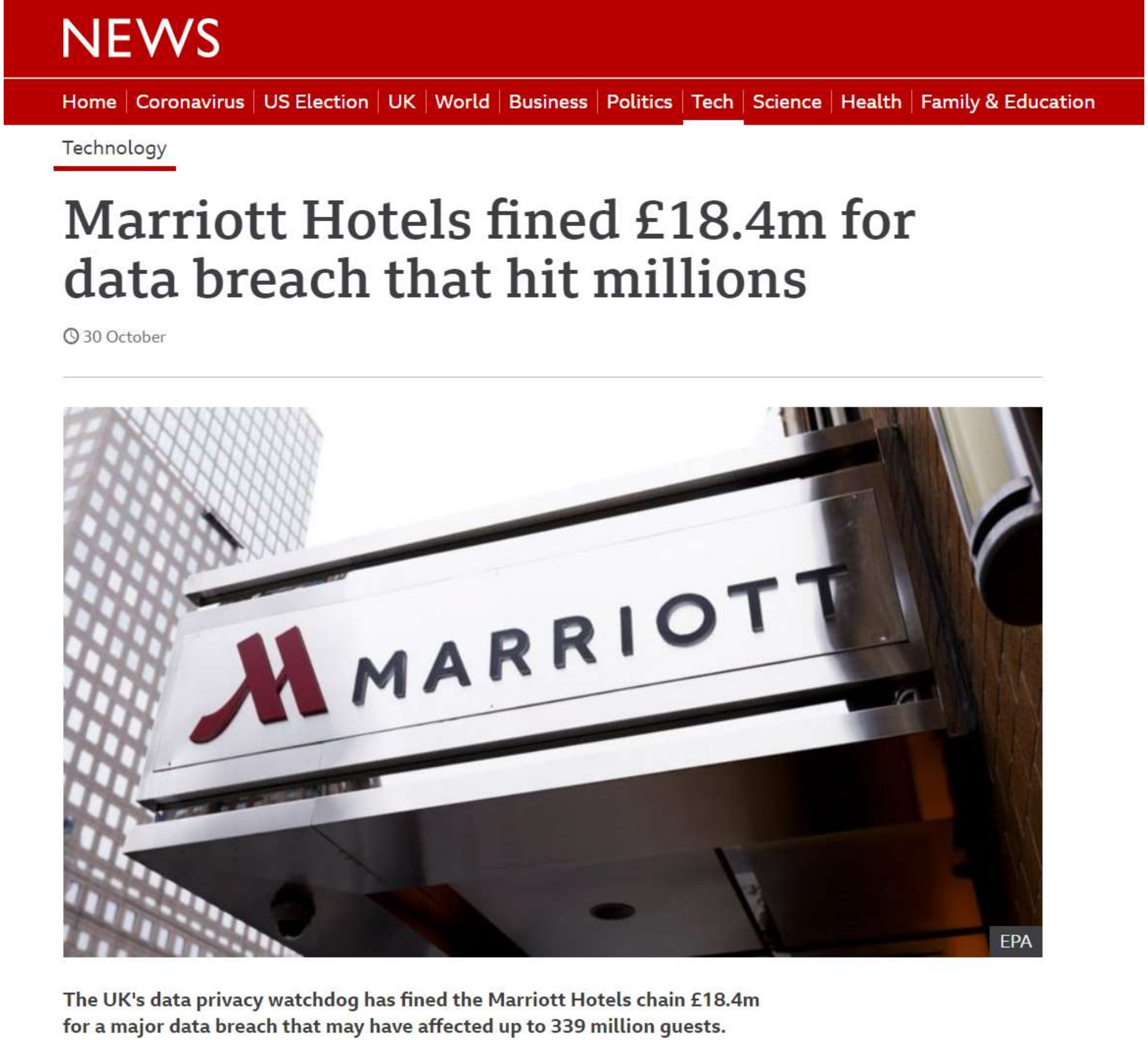

Marriott Hotels fined £18.4m for data breach that hit millions

30 October

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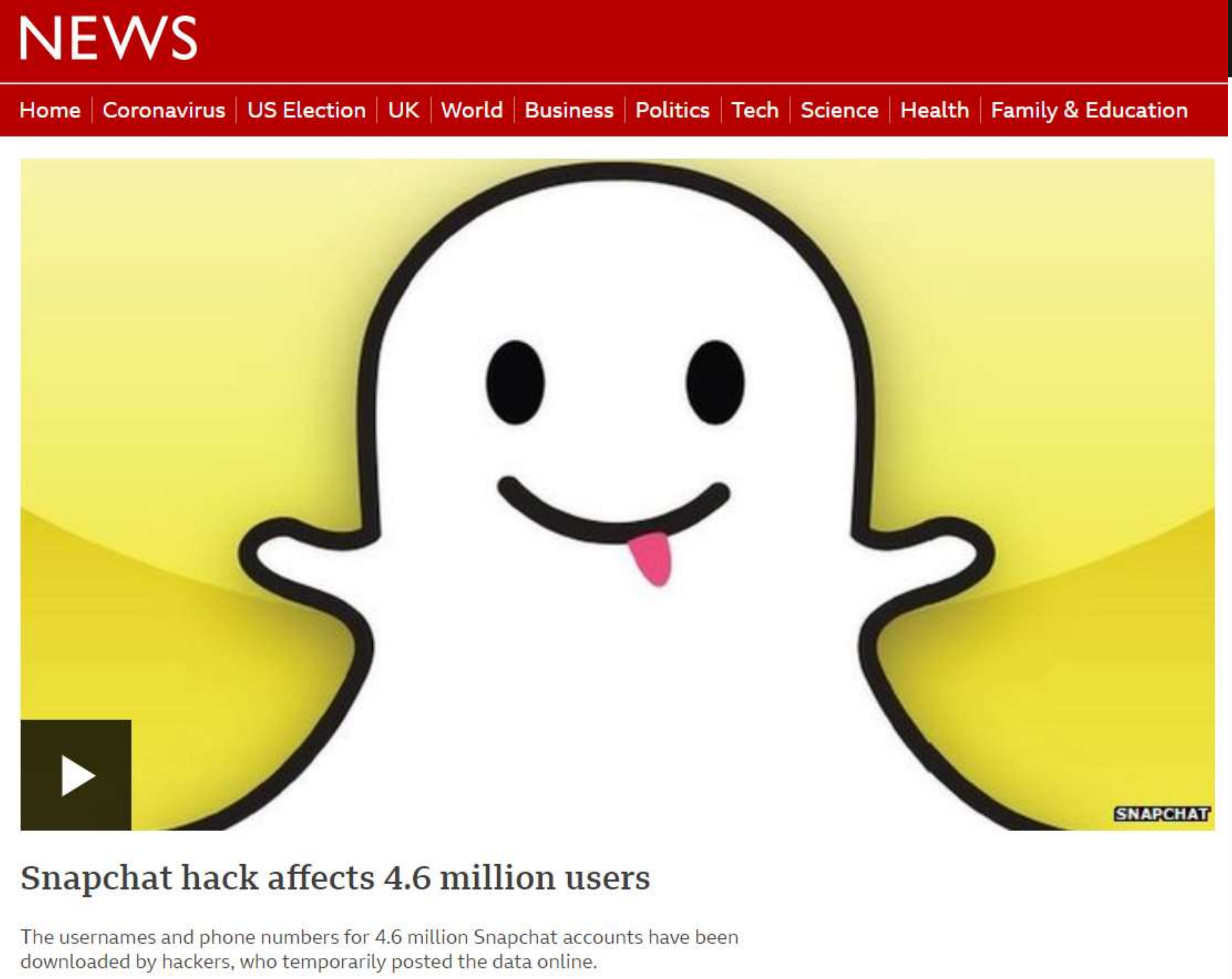
The UK's data privacy watchdog has fined the Marriott Hotels chain £18.4m for a major data breach that may have affected up to 339 million guests.



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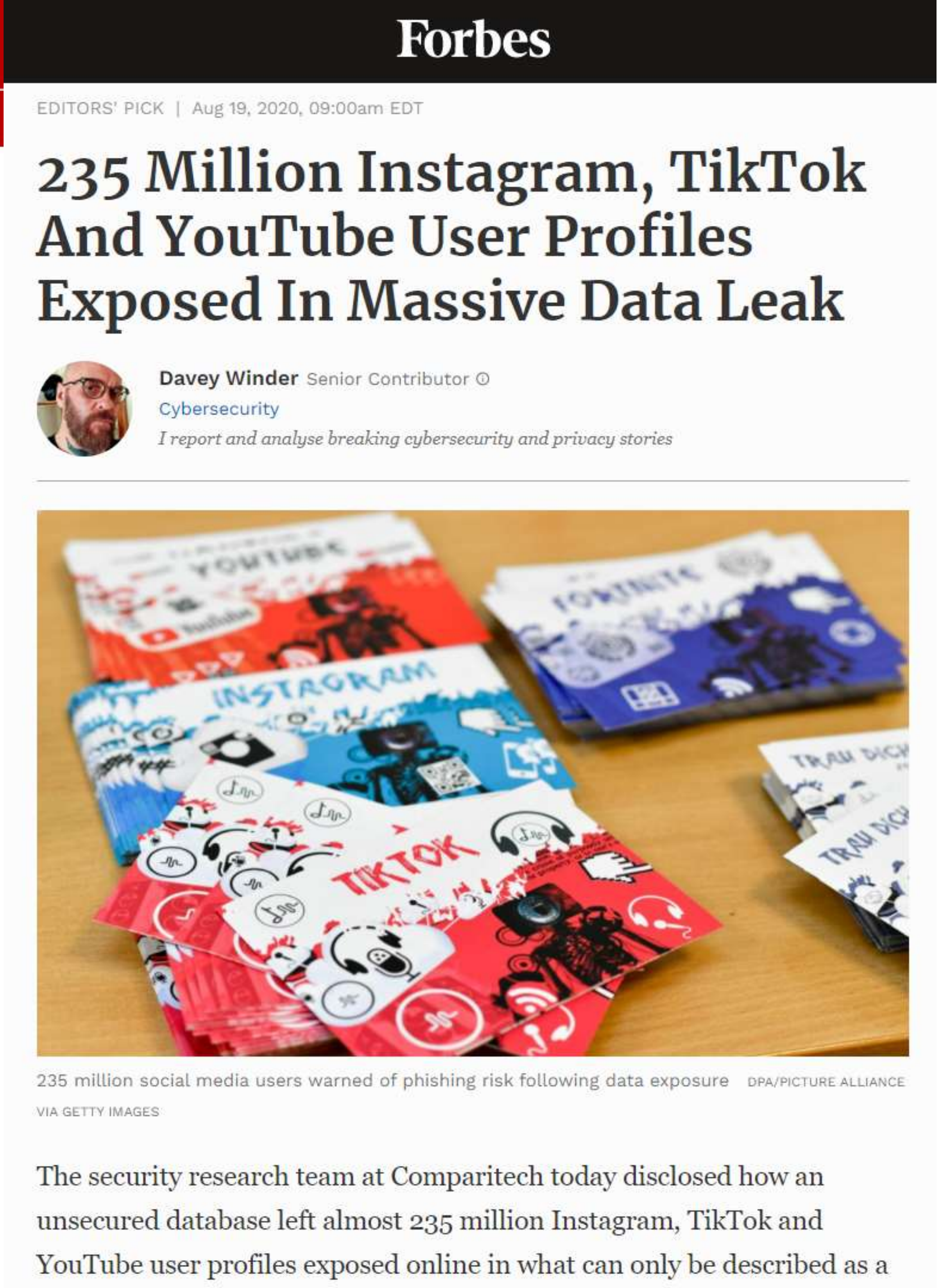
Snapchat hack affects 4.6 million users

The usernames and phone numbers for 4.6 million Snapchat accounts have been downloaded by hackers, who temporarily posted the data online.



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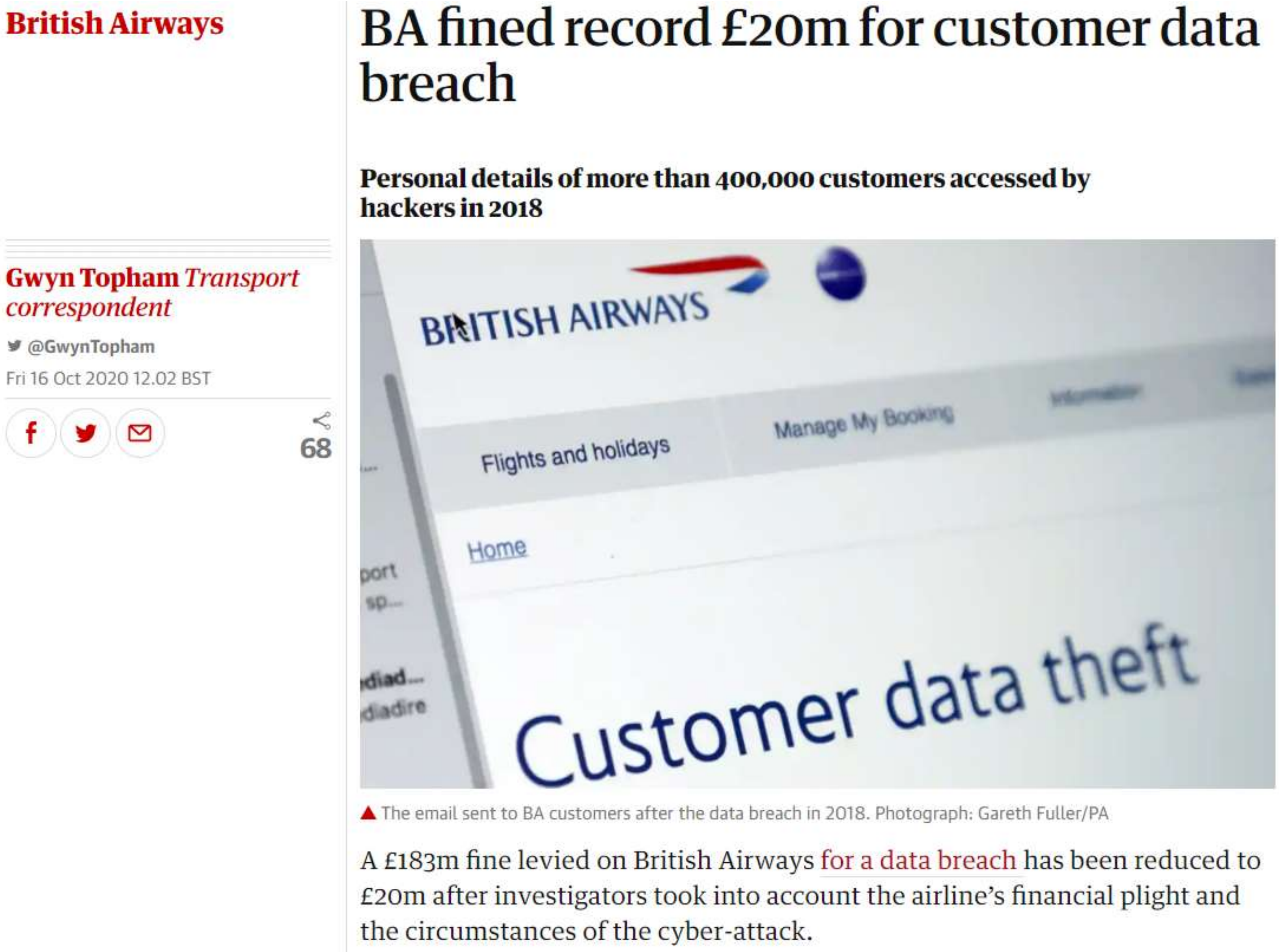
235 Million Instagram, TikTok And YouTube User Profiles Exposed In Massive Data Leak

Davey Winder Senior Contributor
Cybersecurity
I report and analyse breaking cybersecurity and privacy stories

235 million social media users warned of phishing risk following data exposure DPA/PICTURE ALLIANCE VIA GETTY IMAGES

The security research team at Comparitech today disclosed how an unsecured database left almost 235 million Instagram, TikTok and YouTube user profiles exposed online in what can only be described as a



British Airways

BA fined record £20m for customer data breach

Personal details of more than 400,000 customers accessed by hackers in 2018

Gwyn Topham *Transport correspondent*

@GwynTopham

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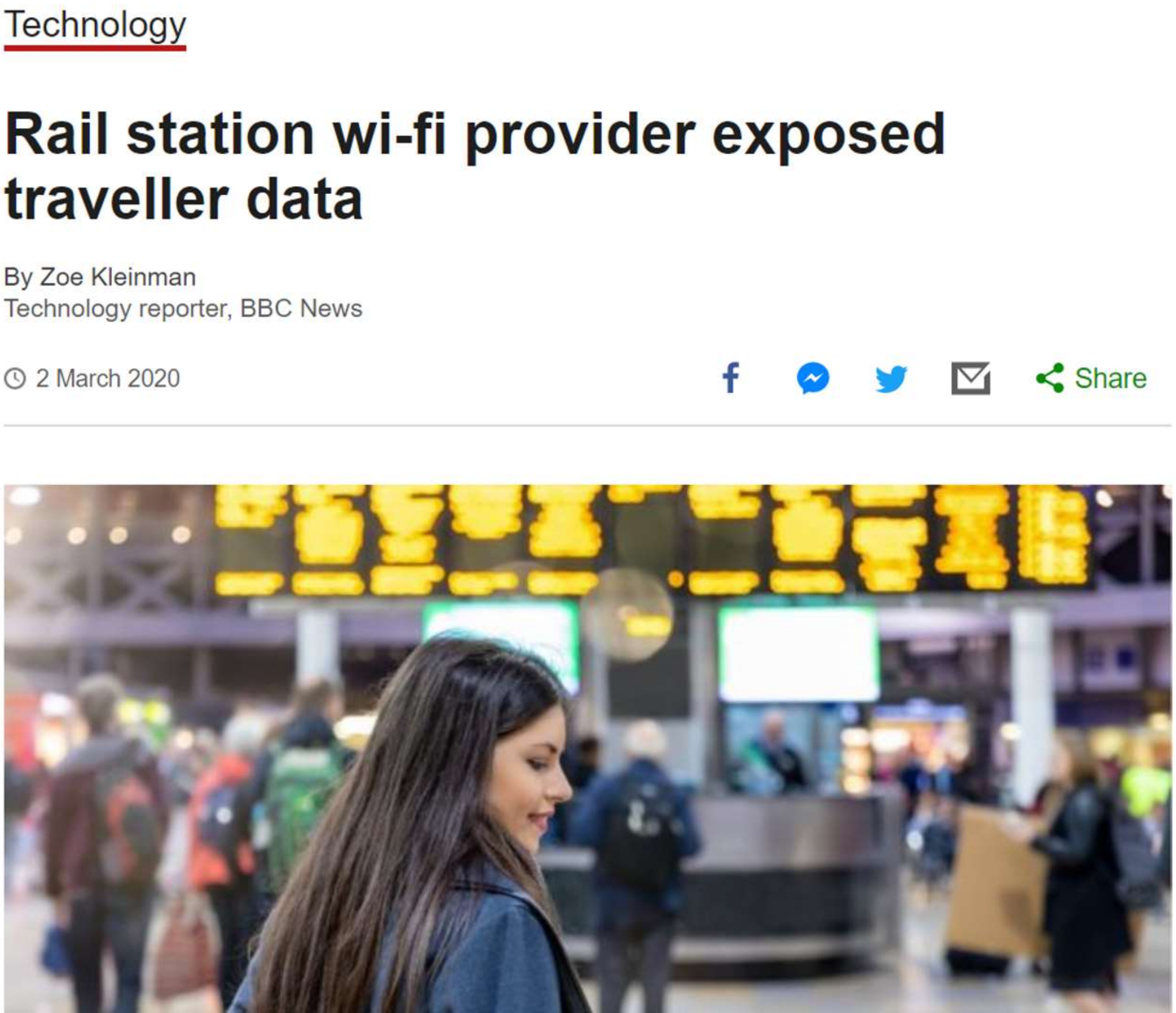
▲ The email sent to BA customers after the data breach in 2018. Photograph: Gareth Fuller/PA

A £183m fine levied on British Airways for a data breach has been reduced to £20m after investigators took into account the airline's financial plight and the circumstances of the cyber-attack.



Technology

Rail station wi-fi provider exposed traveller data

By Zoe Kleinman
Technology reporter, BBC News

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Tesco sends security warning to 600,000 Clubcard holders

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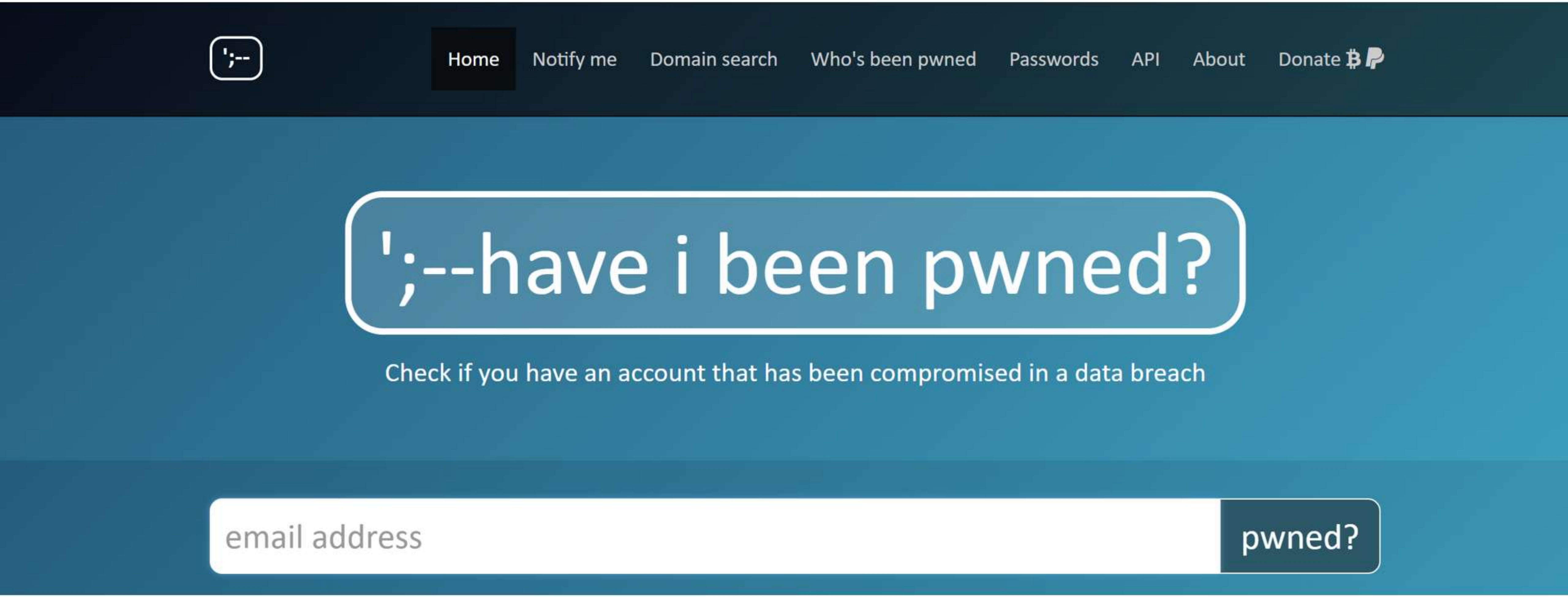

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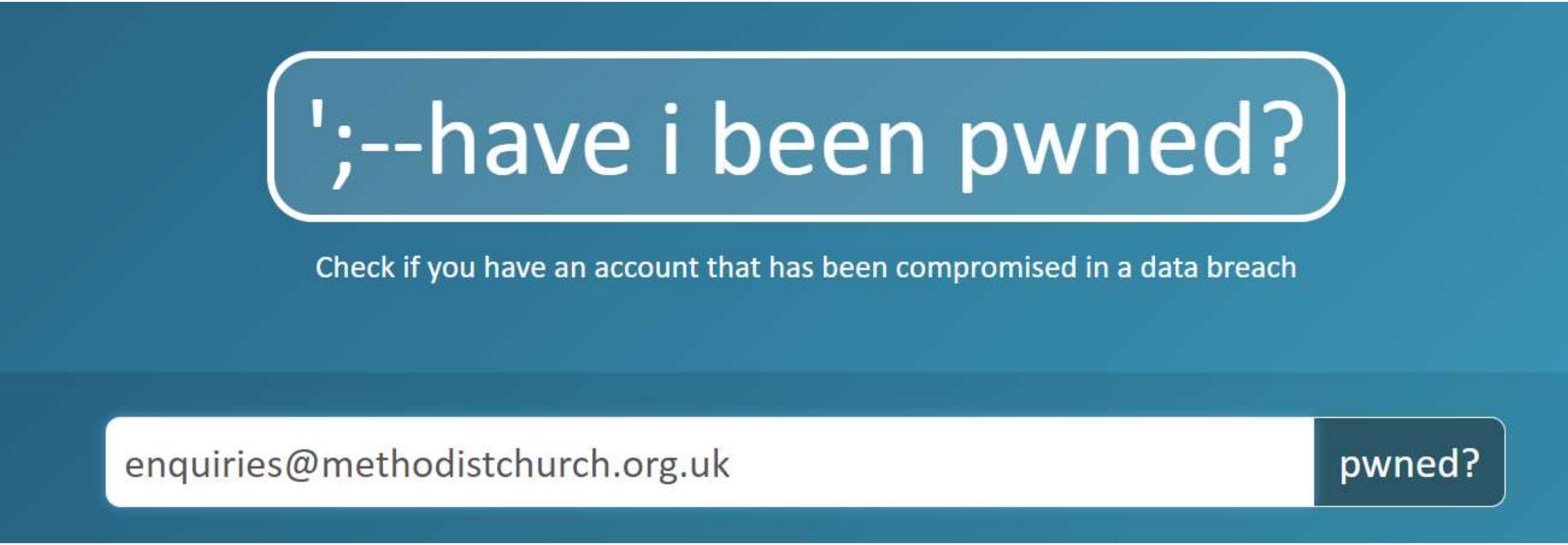

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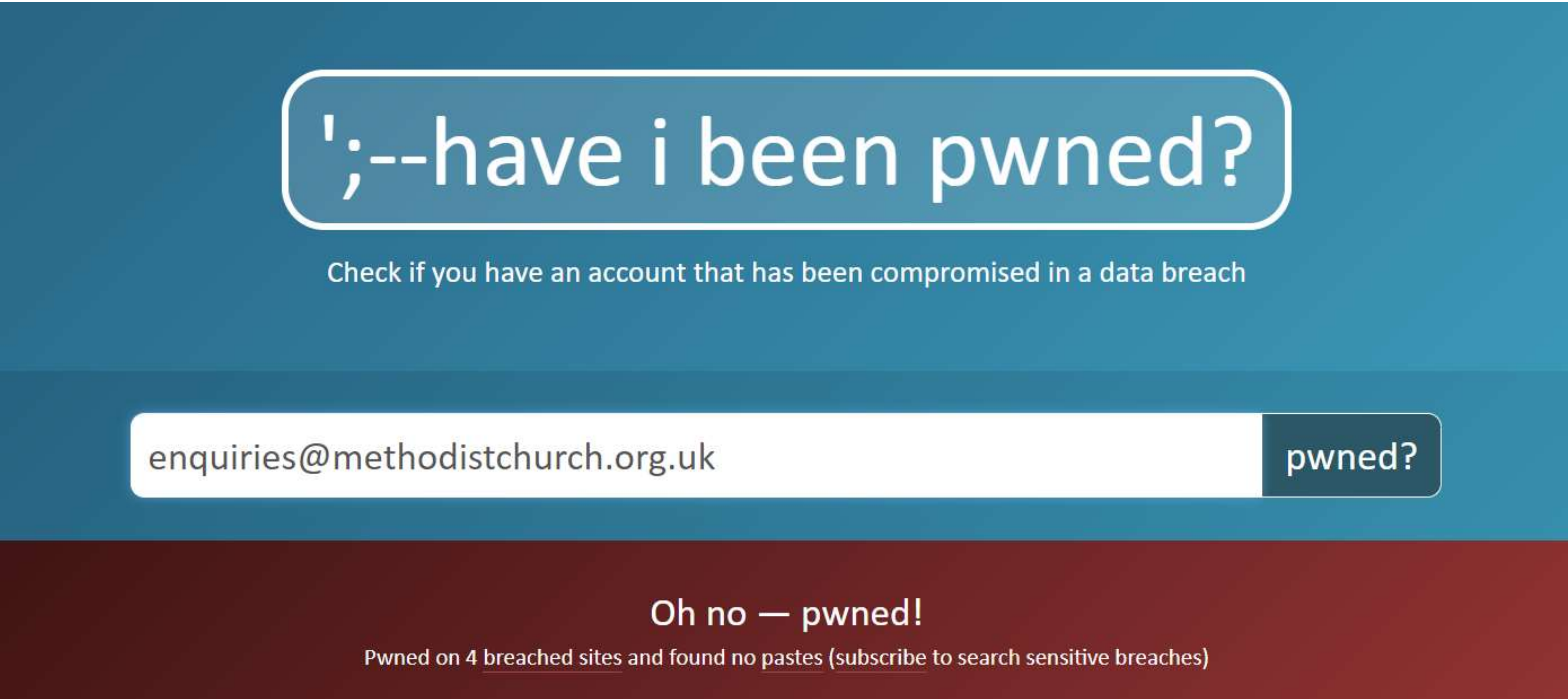

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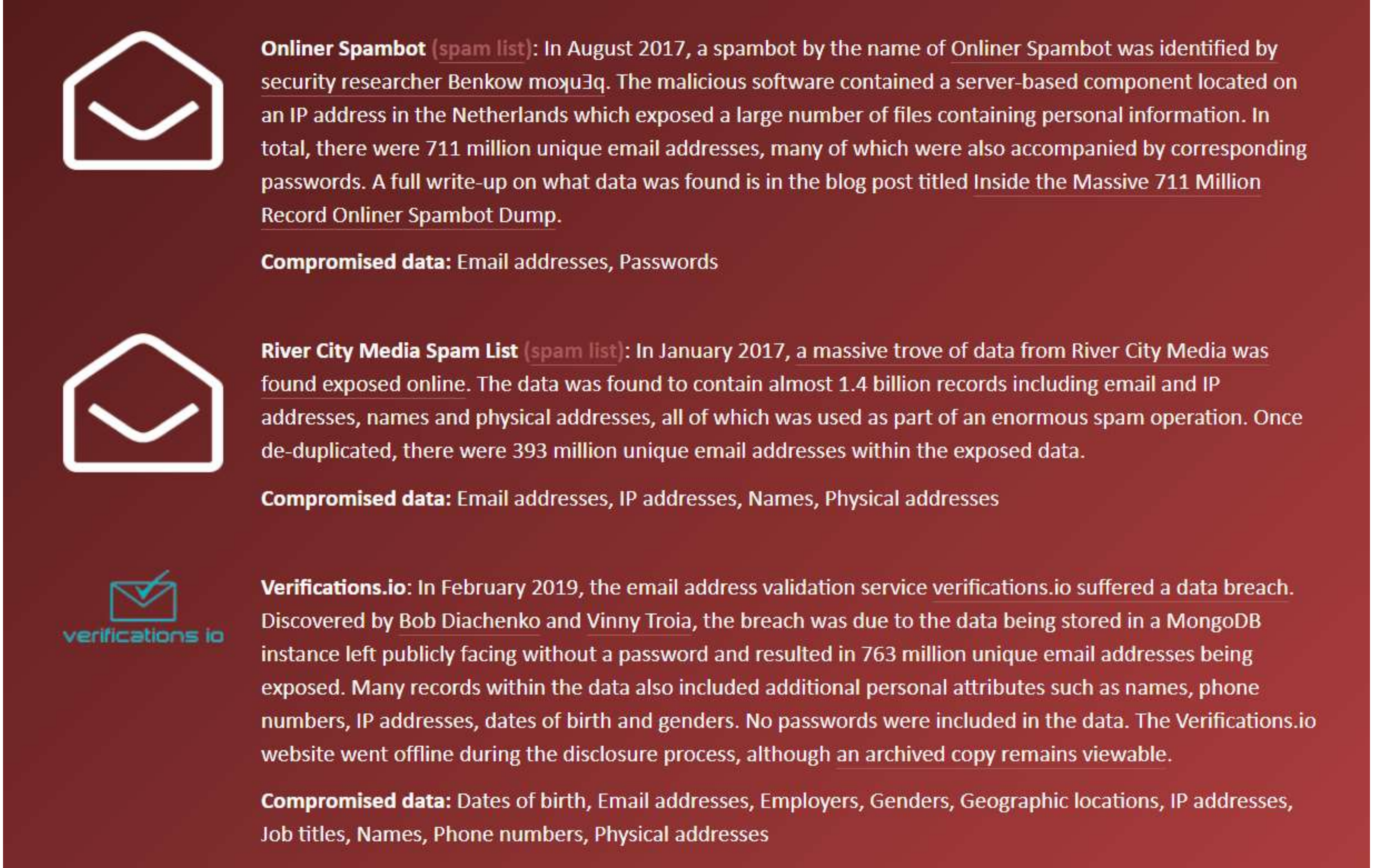
Oh no — pwned!

Pwned on 4 breached sites and found no pastes (subscribe to search sensitive breaches)



Onliner Spambot (spam list): In August 2017, a spambot by the name of Onliner Spambot was identified by security researcher Benkow moʞuƎq. The malicious software contained a server-based component located on an IP address in the Netherlands which exposed a large number of files containing personal information. In total, there were 711 million unique email addresses, many of which were also accompanied by corresponding passwords. A full write-up on what data was found is in the blog post titled Inside the Massive 711 Million Record Onliner Spambot Dump.

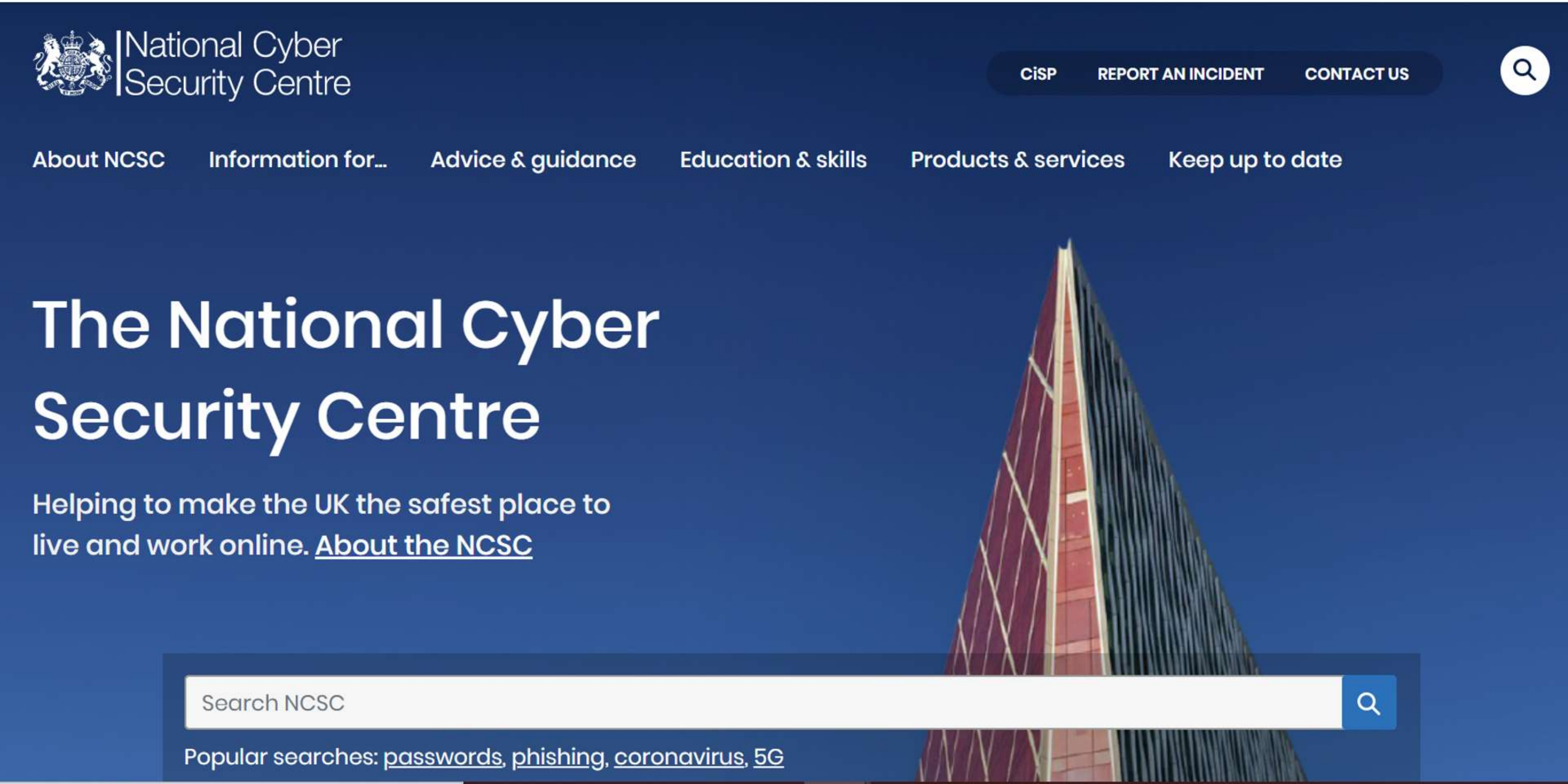
Compromised data: Email addresses, Passwords

River City Media Spam List (spam list): In January 2017, a massive trove of data from River City Media was found exposed online. The data was found to contain almost 1.4 billion records including email and IP addresses, names and physical addresses, all of which was used as part of an enormous spam operation. Once de-duplicated, there were 393 million unique email addresses within the exposed data.

Compromised data: Email addresses, IP addresses, Names, Physical addresses

Verifications.io: In February 2019, the email address validation service verifications.io suffered a data breach. Discovered by Bob Diachenko and Vinny Troia, the breach was due to the data being stored in a MongoDB instance left publicly facing without a password and resulted in 763 million unique email addresses being exposed. Many records within the data also included additional personal attributes such as names, phone numbers, IP addresses, dates of birth and genders. No passwords were included in the data. The Verifications.io website went offline during the disclosure process, although an archived copy remains viewable.

Compromised data: Dates of birth, Email addresses, Employers, Genders, Geographic locations, IP addresses, Job titles, Names, Phone numbers, Physical addresses https://www.ncsc.gov.uk



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Helping to make the UK the safest place to live and work online. About the NCSC

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Protect your email by using a strong and separate password

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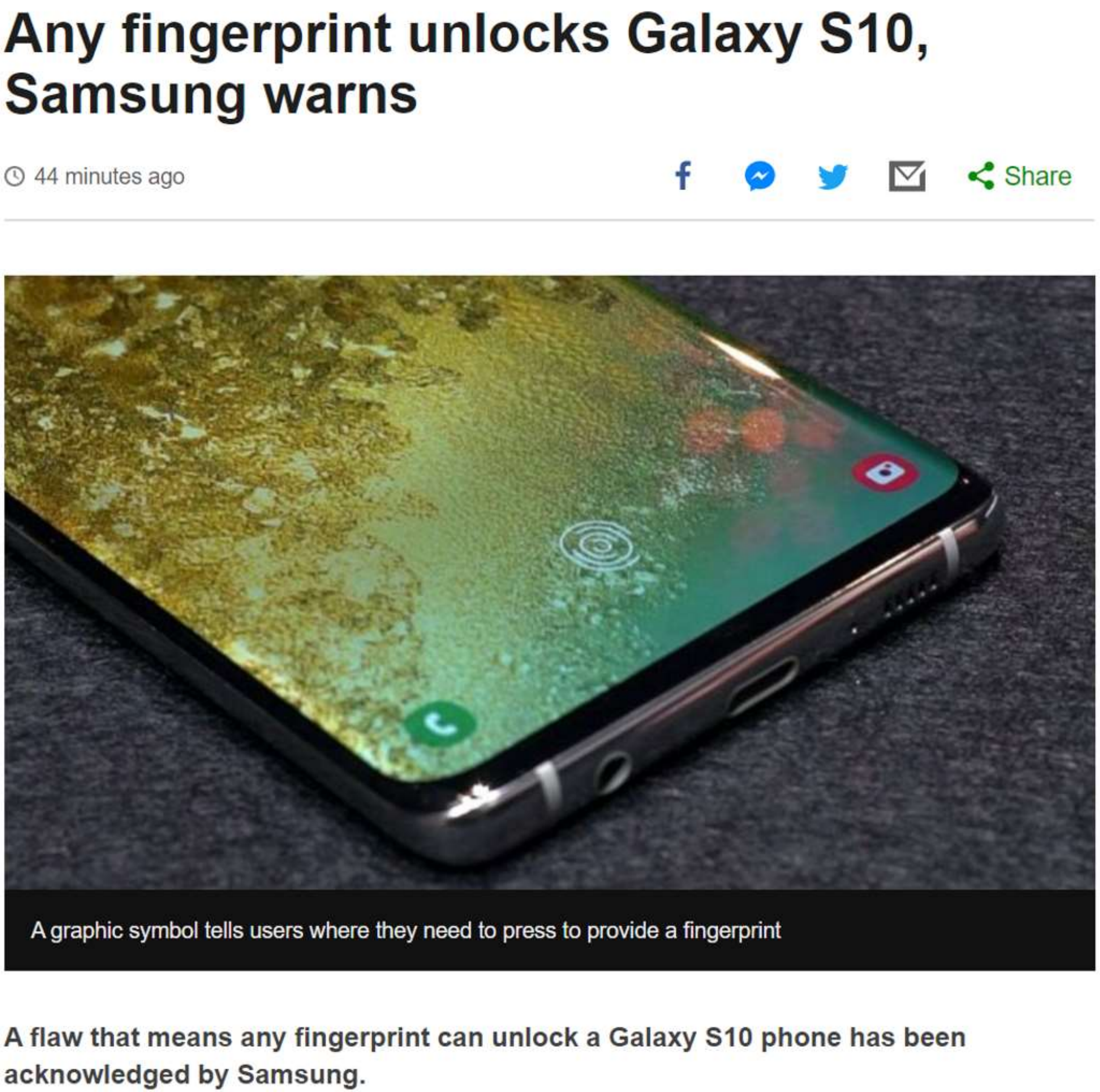

Any fingerprint unlocks Galaxy S10, Samsung warns

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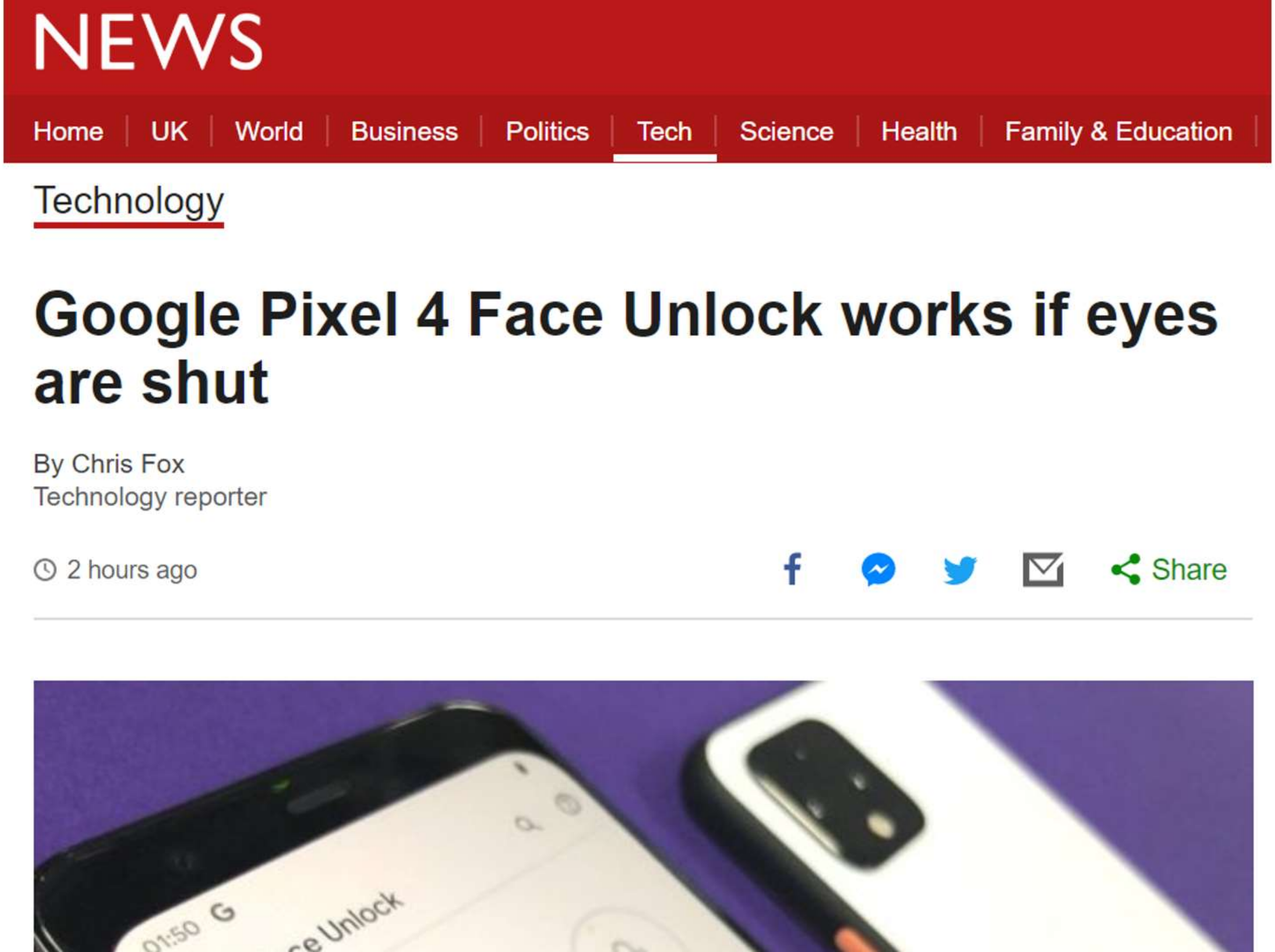

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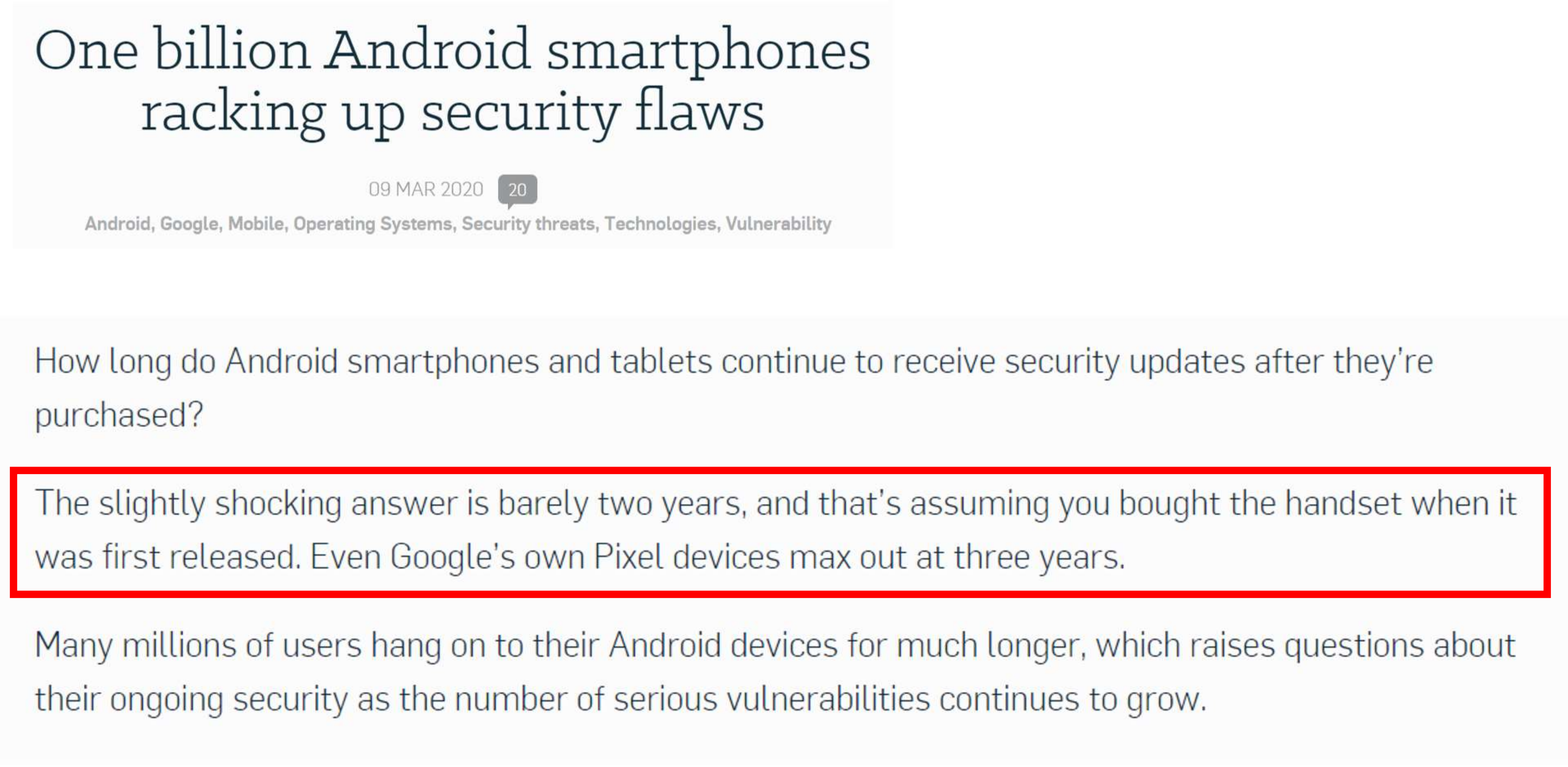

One billion Android smartphones racking up security flaws

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How long do Android smartphones and tablets continue to receive security updates after they're purchased?

The slightly shocking answer is barely two years, and that's assuming you bought the handset when it was first released. Even Google's own Pixel devices max out at three years.

Many millions of users hang on to their Android devices for much longer, which raises questions about their ongoing security as the number of serious vulnerabilities continues to grow.

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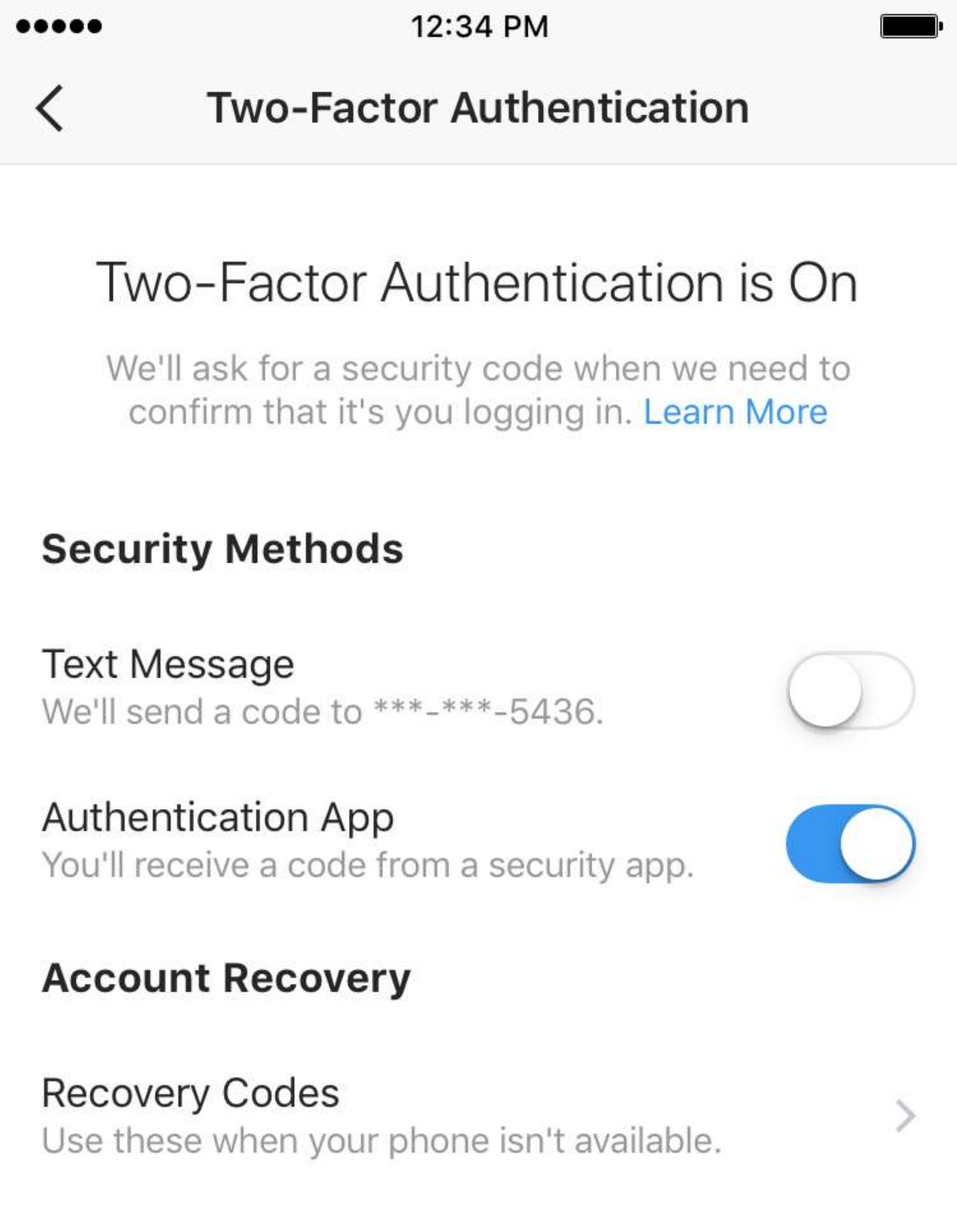

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Two-Factor Authentication

Two-Factor Authentication is On

We'll ask for a security code when we need to confirm that it's you logging in. Learn More

Security Methods

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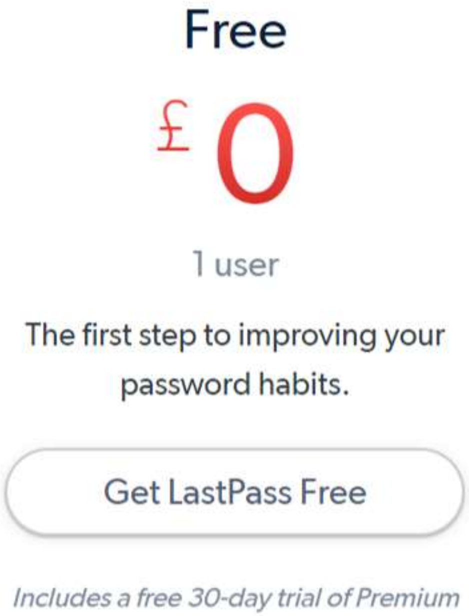

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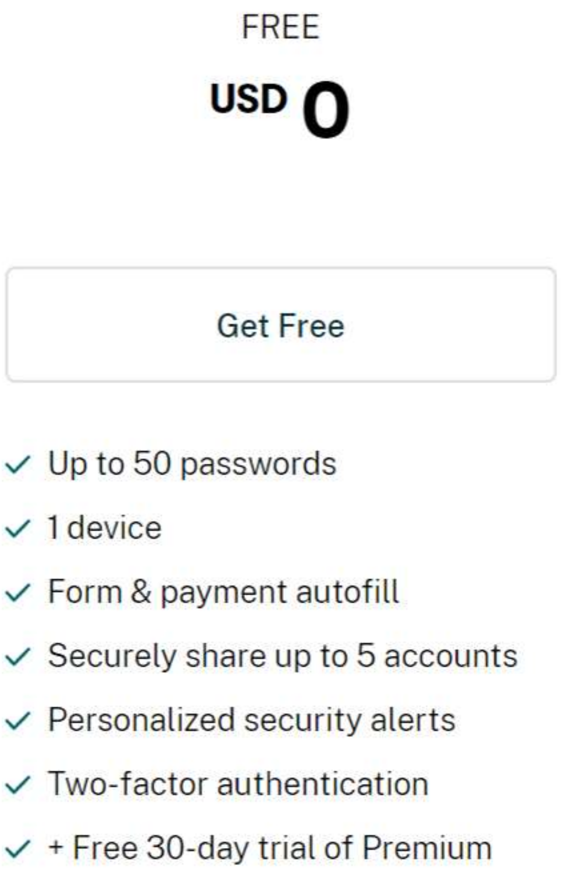

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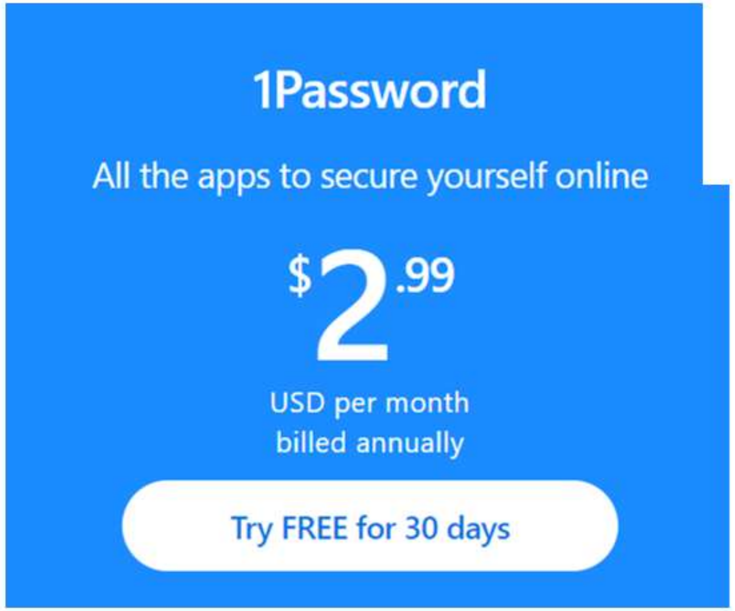

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Always back up your most important data

Safeguard your most important data, such as your photos and key documents, by backing them up to an external hard drive or a cloud-based storage system.

Breakout discussion…(10 minutes)

What are the greatest challenges facing the people that you work with when they are online?

Keek

Houseparty

Twitch

TikTok

Messenger

Discord

Tinder

Dubsmash

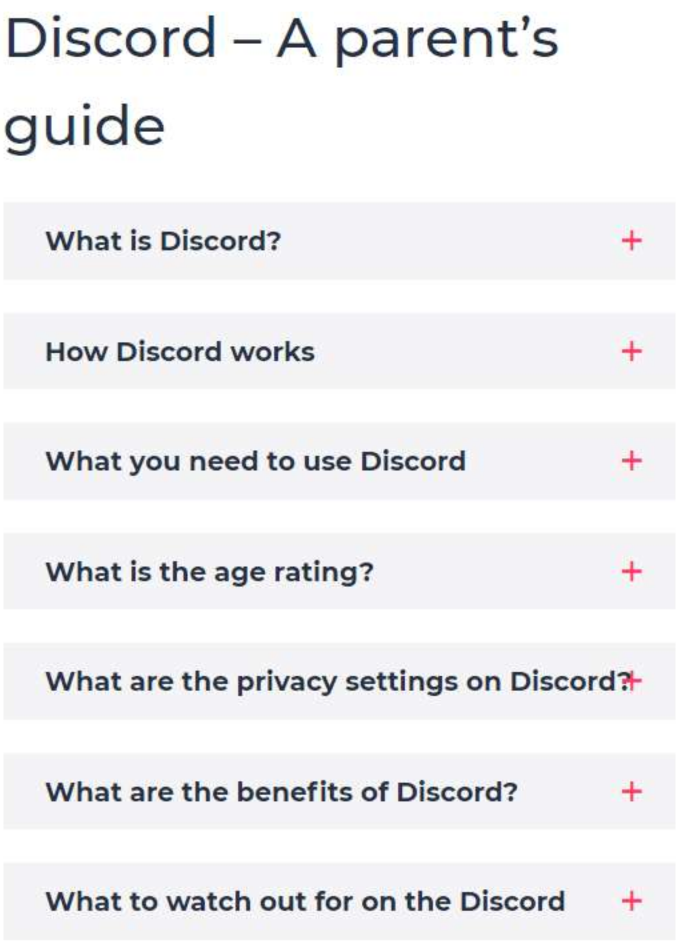
Yubo

Snapchat

WeChat

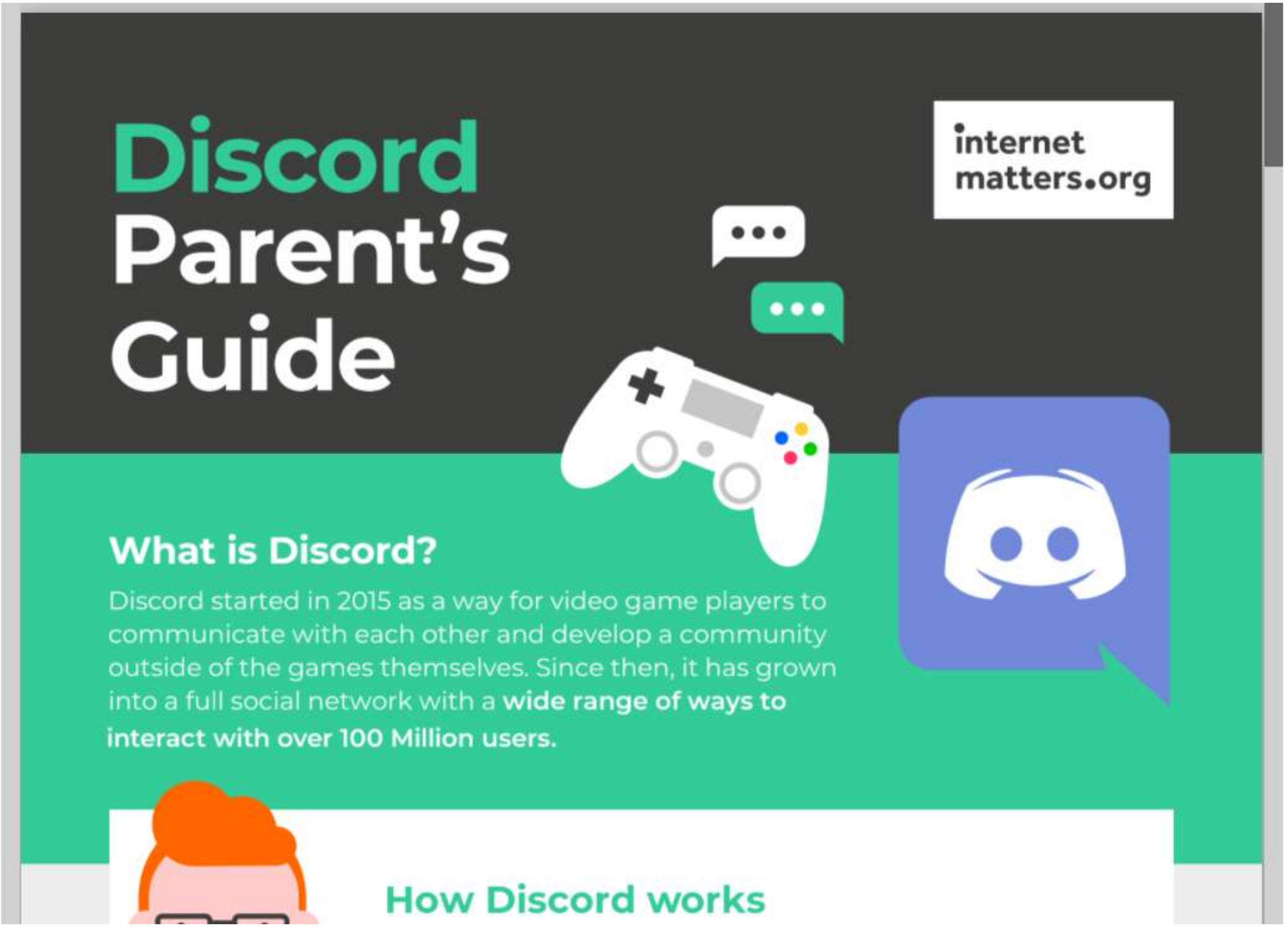
Instagram

Behaviour not technology…



Discord – A parent's guide

- What is Discord? +
- How Discord works +
- What you need to use Discord +
- What is the age rating? +
- What are the privacy settings on Discord? +
- What are the benefits of Discord? +
- What to watch out for on the Discord +



Discord Parent's Guide

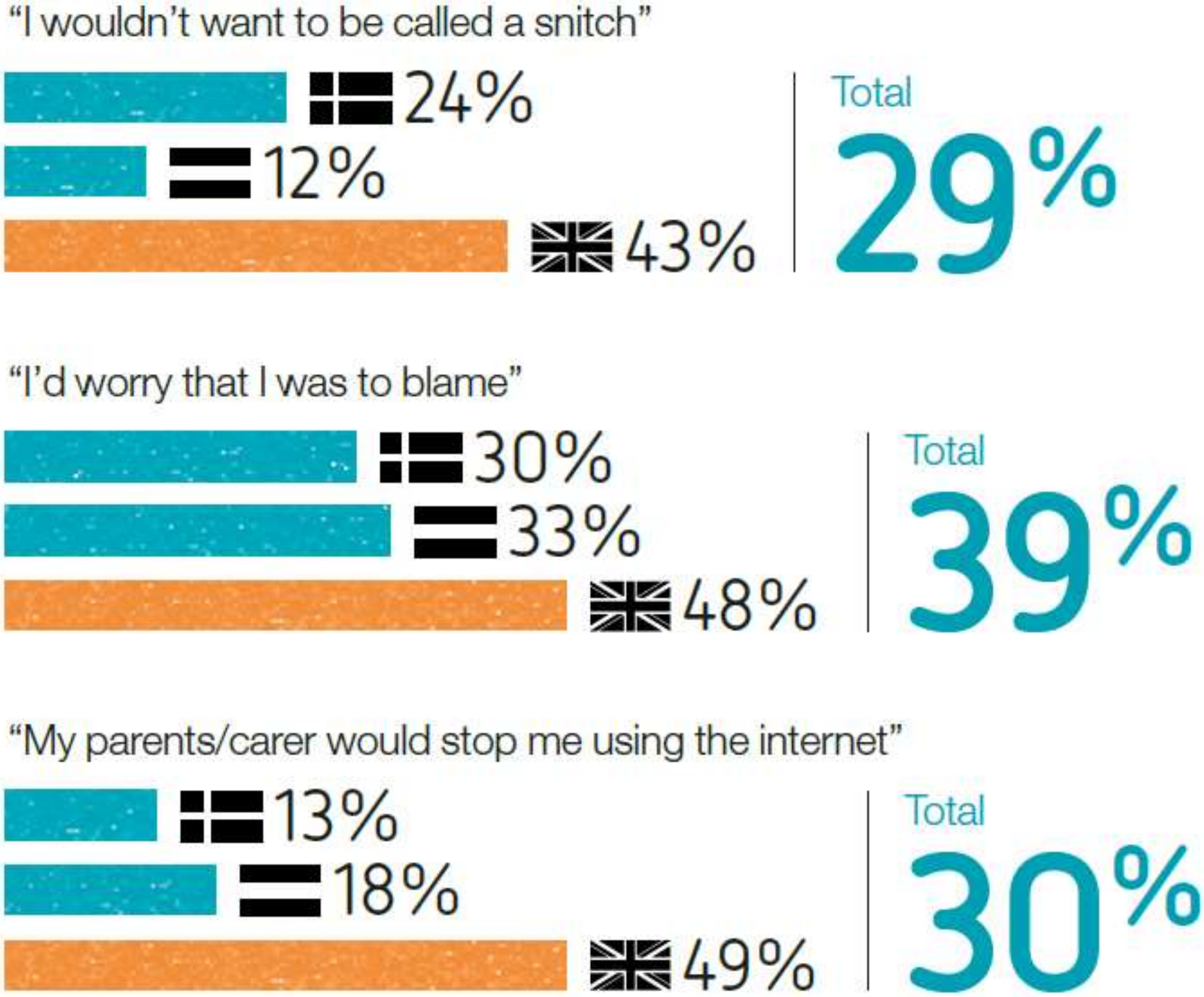
What is Discord?

Discord started in 2015 as a way for video game players to communicate with each other and develop a community outside of the games themselves. Since then, it has grown into a full social network with a **wide range of ways to interact with over 100 Million users.**

How Discord works

- Promote the positives and recognise the benefits of being online
- Have a risk assessment for the people you are supporting
- Follow the social media policy – how to support and how to maintain professional boundaries
- Have some awareness and understanding of the platforms and services and the risks… (www.internetmatters.org)

Create a culture where they will tell…

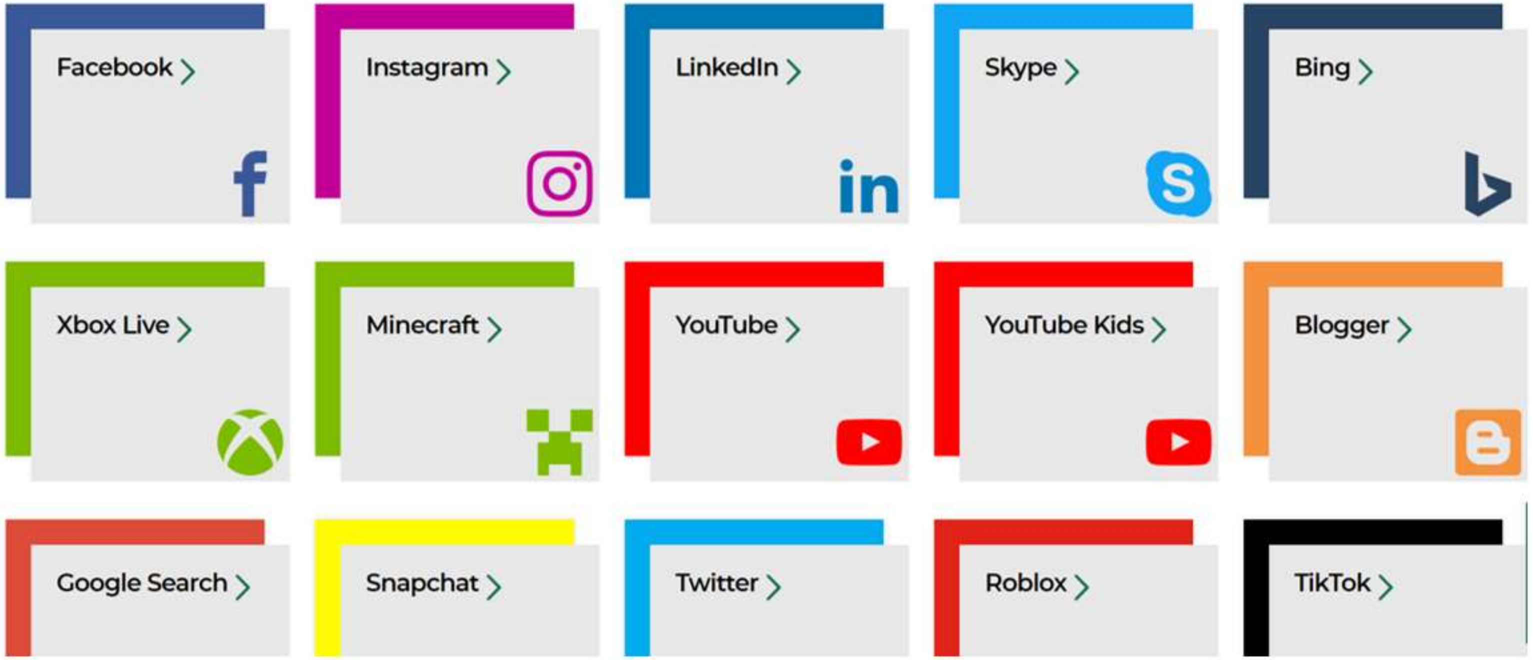


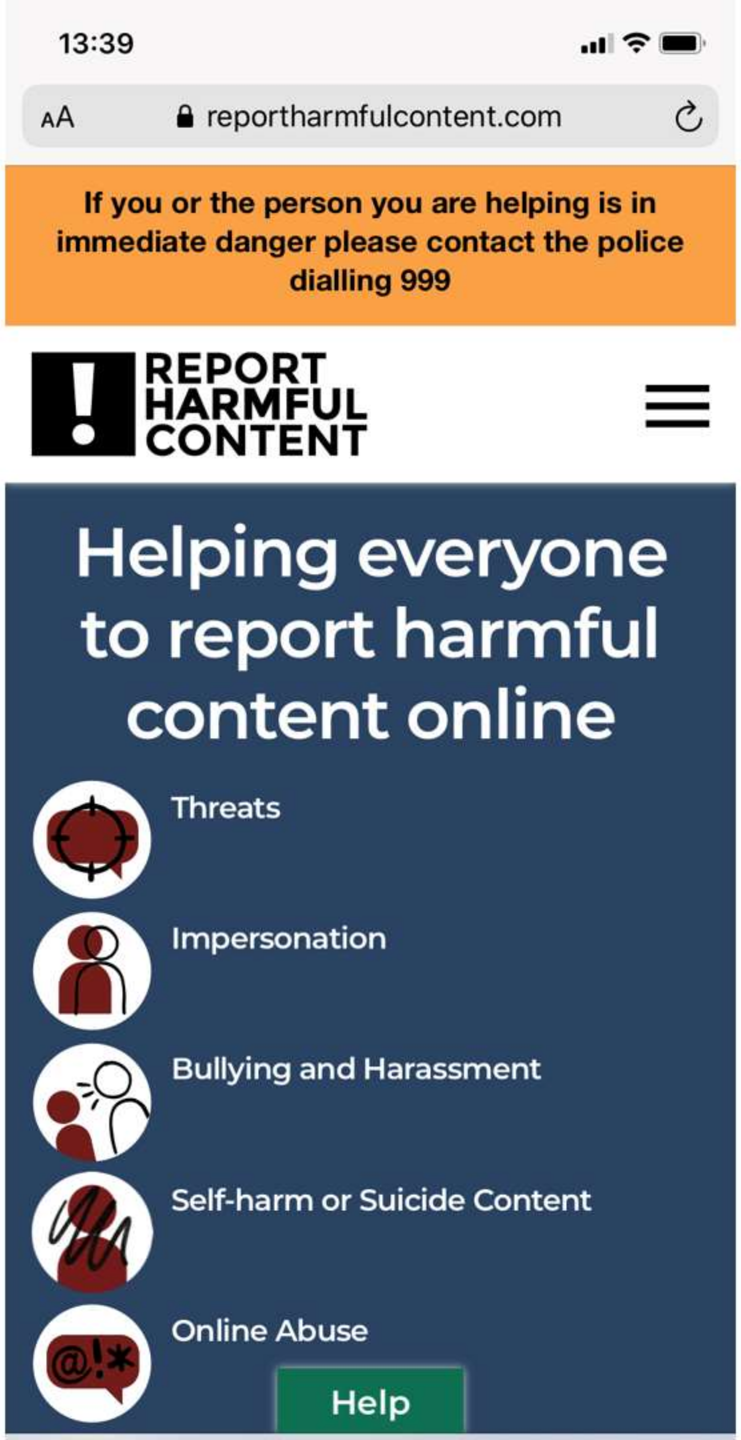
2 in 5 pupils have never told anyone about the worst thing that has happened to them online

- worried they'll get in trouble at school/home
- embarrassed
- lack the words or means to explain
- not sure what would happen if they told an adult
- worried about being called a 'snitch'
- can't see how an adult could help

Report any problems…

https://reportharmfulcontent.com



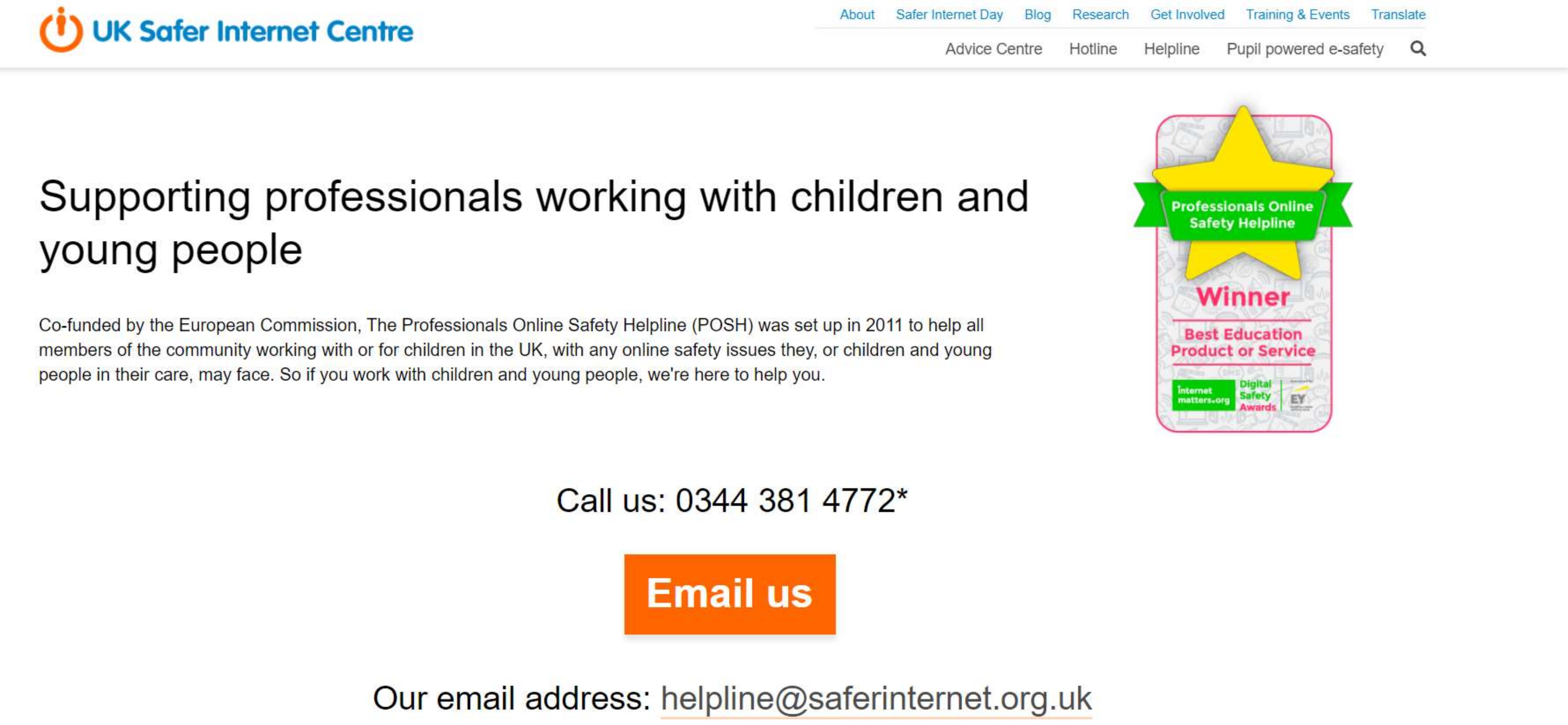


If you or the person you are helping is in immediate danger please contact the police dialling 999

REPORT HARMFUL CONTENT

Helping everyone to report harmful content online

- Threats
- Impersonation
- Bullying and Harassment
- Self-harm or Suicide Content
- Online Abuse



Supporting professionals working with children and young people

Co-funded by the European Commission, The Professionals Online Safety Helpline (POSH) was set up in 2011 to help all members of the community working with or for children in the UK, with any online safety issues they, or children and young people in their care, may face. So if you work with children and young people, we're here to help you.

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Our email address: helpline@saferinternet.org.uk

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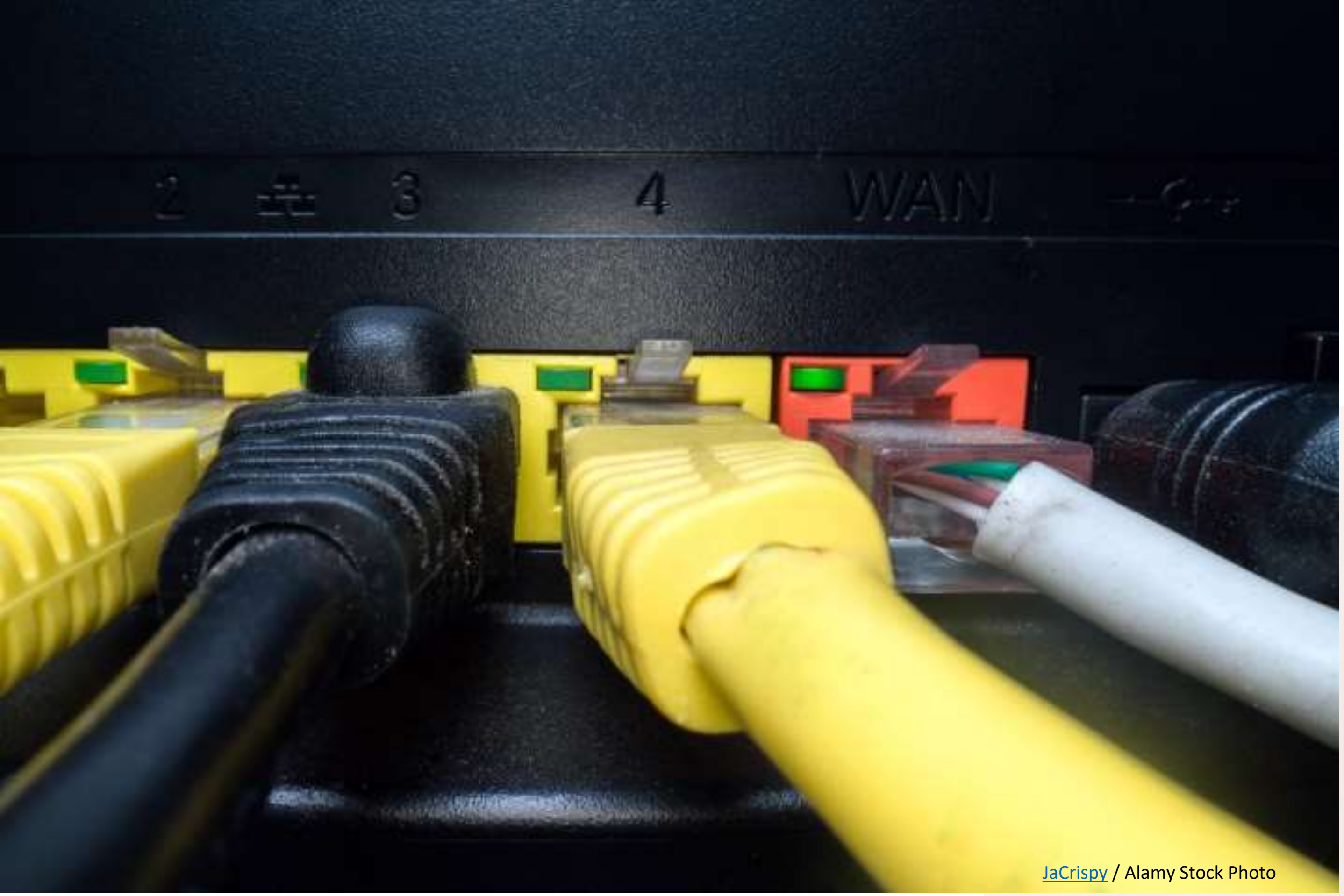

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Device level

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Human level
dialogue, discussion, communication

- Be proactive
- Use stories in the media to start conversations
- Not always face to face (in the car, out for a walk)
- At the dinner table discussions

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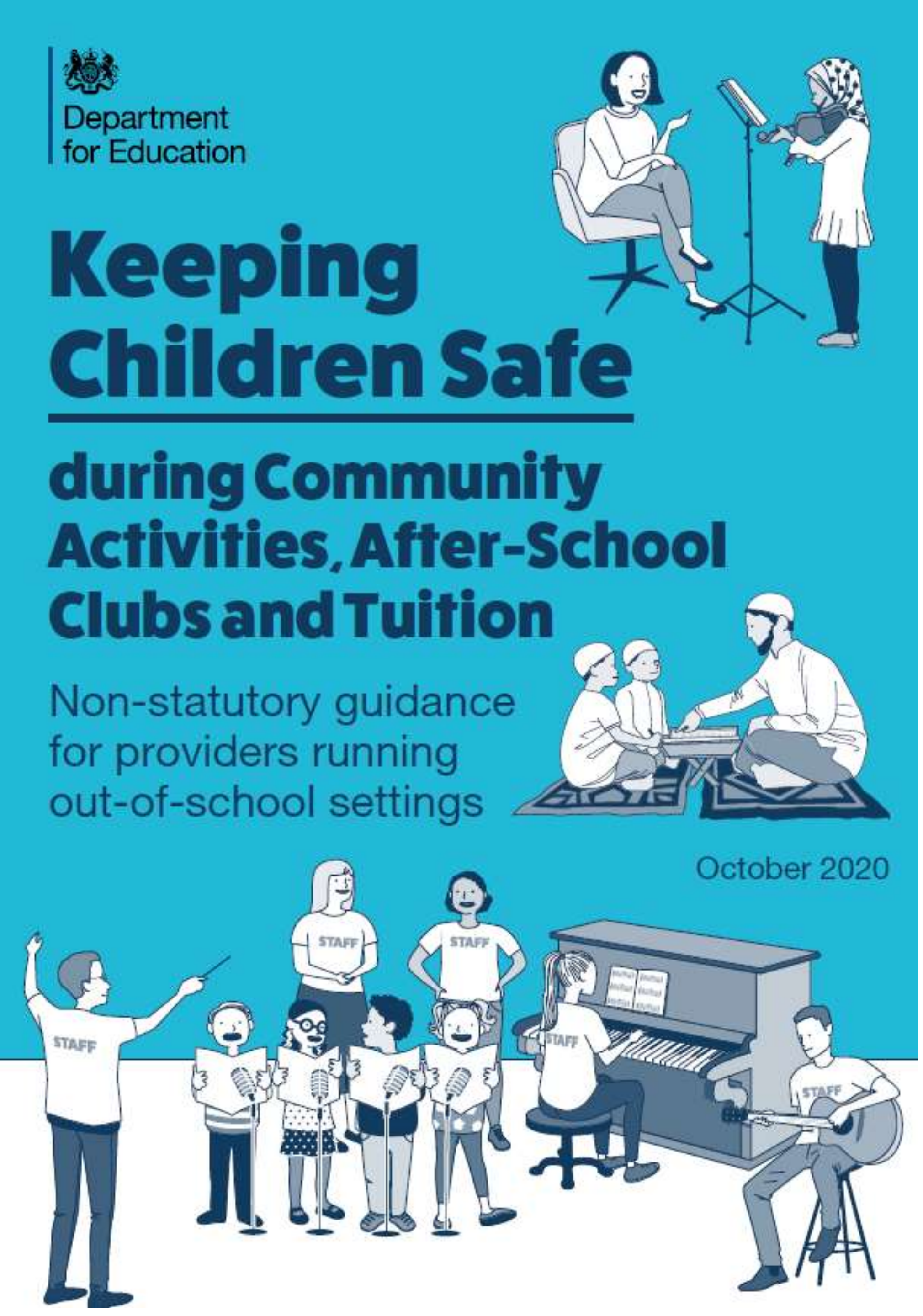


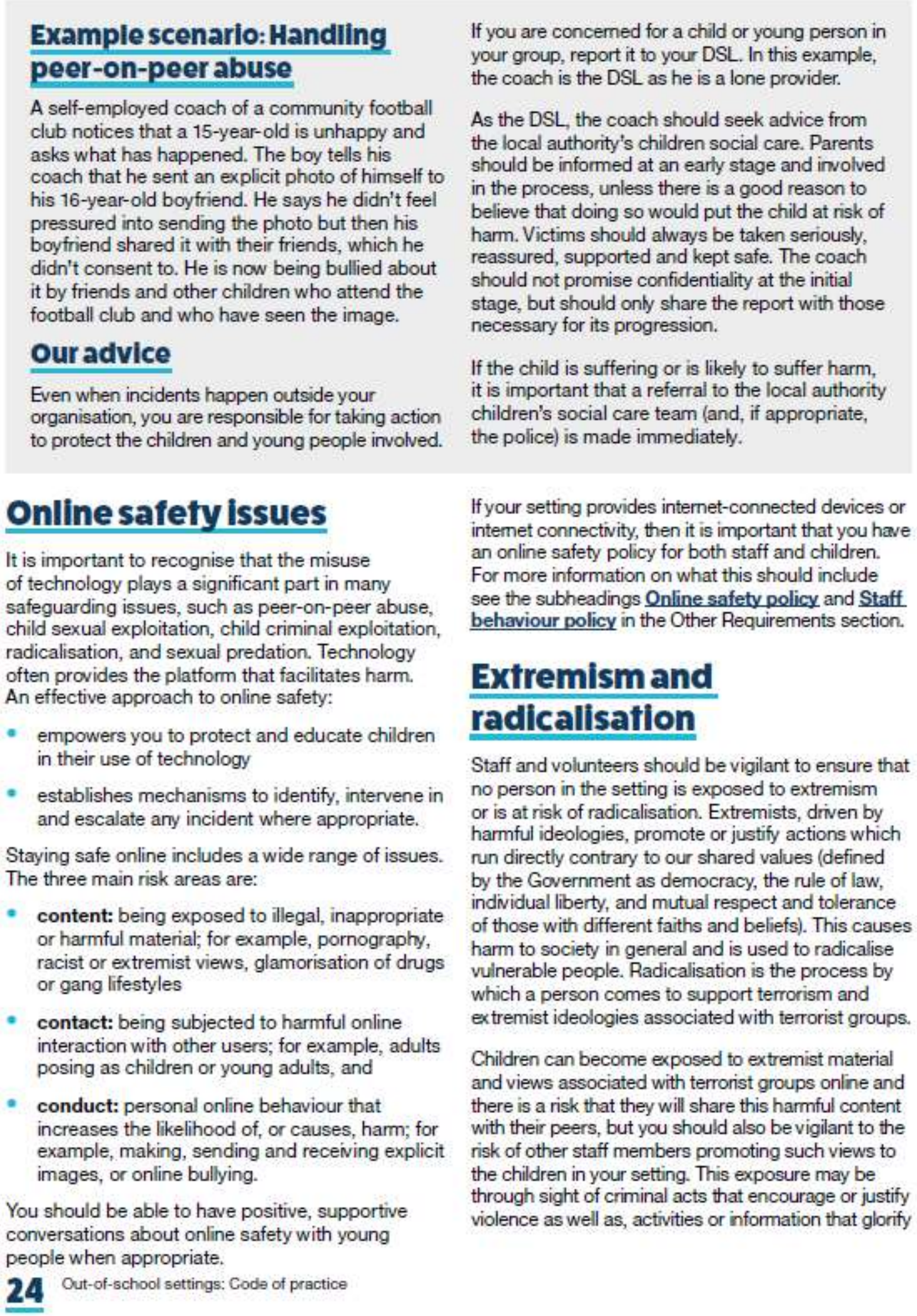
Department for Education

Keeping Children Safe

during Community Activities, After-School Clubs and Tuition

Non-statutory guidance for providers running out-of-school settings

October 2020



Example scenario: Handling peer-on-peer abuse

A self-employed coach of a community football club notices that a 15-year-old is unhappy and asks what has happened. The boy tells his coach that he sent an explicit photo of himself to his 16-year-old boyfriend. He says he didn't feel pressured into sending the photo but then his boyfriend shared it with their friends, which he didn't consent to. He is now being bullied about it by friends and other children who attend the football club and who have seen the image.

Our advice

Even when incidents happen outside your organisation, you are responsible for taking action to protect the children and young people involved.

If you are concerned for a child or young person in your group, report it to your DSL. In this example, the coach is the DSL as he is a lone provider.

As the DSL, the coach should seek advice from the local authority's children social care. Parents should be informed at an early stage and involved in the process, unless there is a good reason to believe that doing so would put the child at risk of harm. Victims should always be taken seriously, reassured, supported and kept safe. The coach should not promise confidentiality at the initial stage, but should only share the report with those necessary for its progression.

If the child is suffering or is likely to suffer harm, it is important that a referral to the local authority children's social care team (and, if appropriate, the police) is made immediately.

Online safety issues

It is important to recognise that the misuse of technology plays a significant part in many safeguarding issues, such as peer-on-peer abuse, child sexual exploitation, child criminal exploitation, radicalisation, and sexual predation. Technology often provides the platform that facilitates harm. An effective approach to online safety:

- empowers you to protect and educate children in their use of technology
- establishes mechanisms to identify, intervene in and escalate any incident where appropriate.

Staying safe online includes a wide range of issues. The three main risk areas are:

- **content:** being exposed to illegal, inappropriate or harmful material; for example, pornography, racist or extremist views, glamorisation of drugs or gang lifestyles
- **contact:** being subjected to harmful online interaction with other users; for example, adults posing as children or young adults, and
- **conduct:** personal online behaviour that increases the likelihood of, or causes, harm; for example, making, sending and receiving explicit images, or online bullying.

You should be able to have positive, supportive conversations about online safety with young people when appropriate.

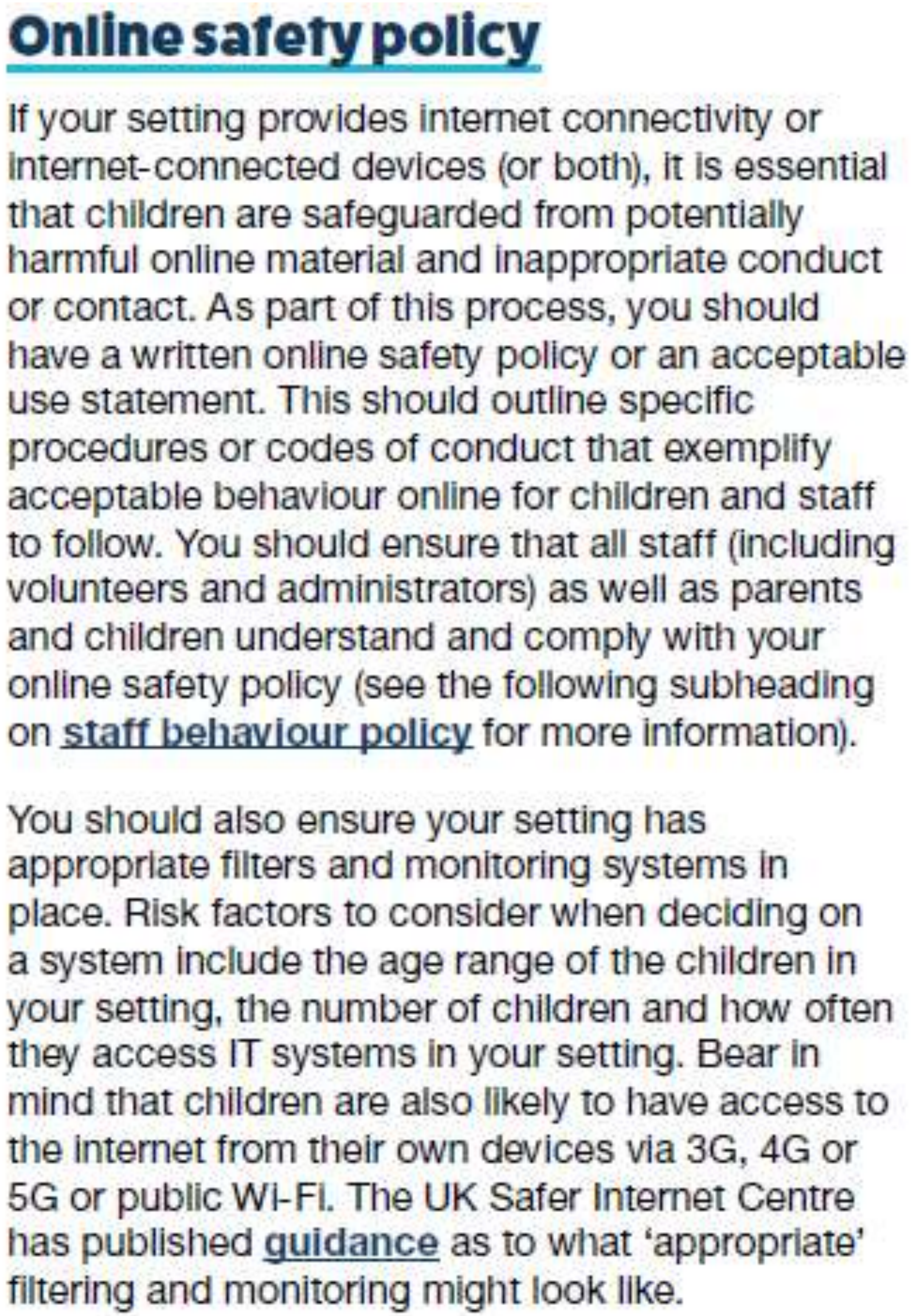
If your setting provides internet-connected devices or internet connectivity, then it is important that you have an online safety policy for both staff and children. For more information on what this should include see the subheadings Online safety policy and Staff behaviour policy in the Other Requirements section.

Extremism and radicalisation

Staff and volunteers should be vigilant to ensure that no person in the setting is exposed to extremism or is at risk of radicalisation. Extremists, driven by harmful ideologies, promote or justify actions which run directly contrary to our shared values (defined by the Government as democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty, and mutual respect and tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs). This causes harm to society in general and is used to radicalise vulnerable people. Radicalisation is the process by which a person comes to support terrorism and extremist ideologies associated with terrorist groups.

Children can become exposed to extremist material and views associated with terrorist groups online and there is a risk that they will share this harmful content with their peers, but you should also be vigilant to the risk of other staff members promoting such views to the children in your setting. This exposure may be through sight of criminal acts that encourage or justify violence as well as, activities or information that glorify

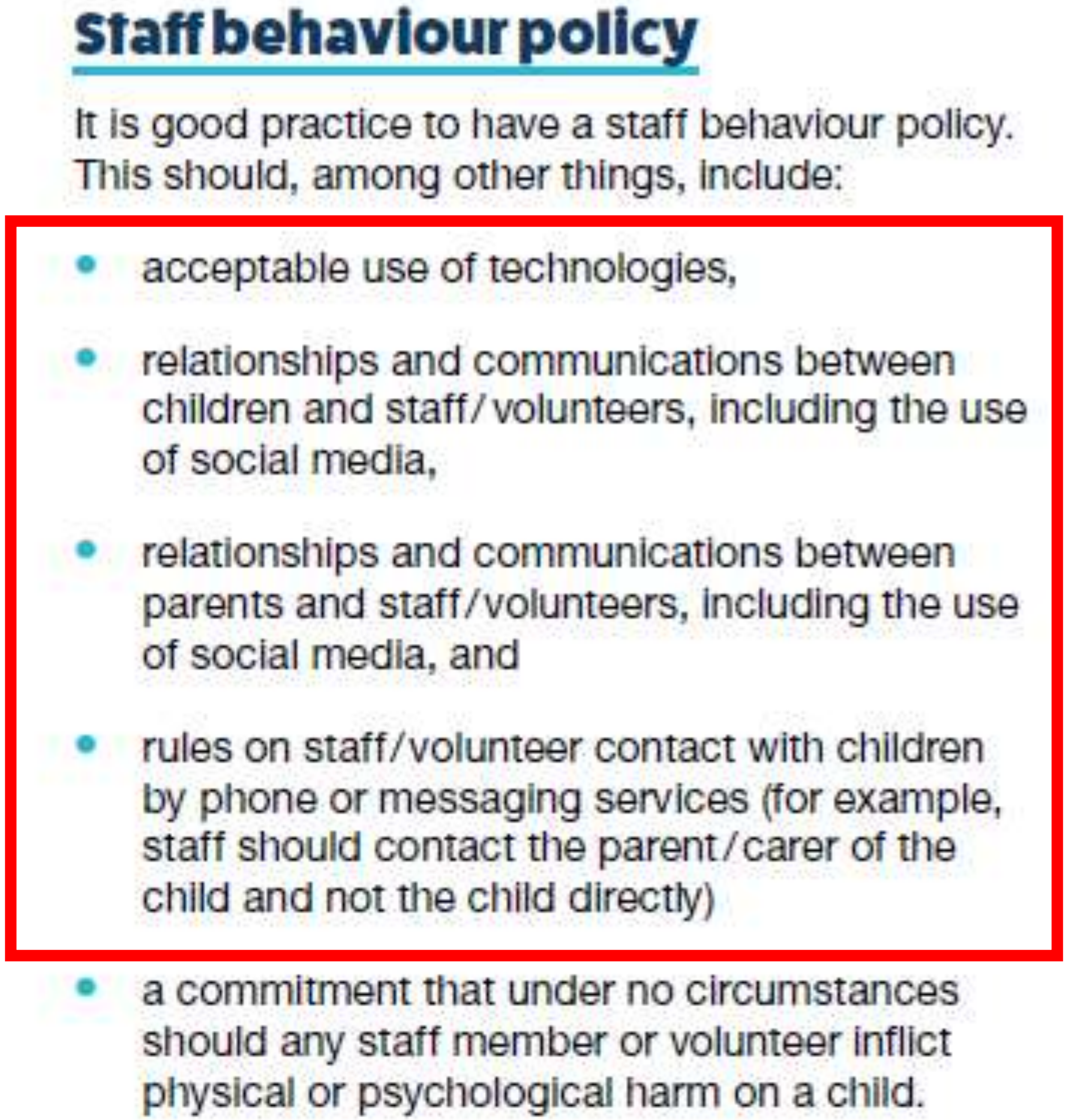
- Written online safety policy/AUP
- Acceptable behaviour for children/staff
- Appropriate filters and monitoring



Online safety policy

If your setting provides internet connectivity or internet-connected devices (or both), it is essential that children are safeguarded from potentially harmful online material and inappropriate conduct or contact. As part of this process, you should have a written online safety policy or an acceptable use statement. This should outline specific procedures or codes of conduct that exemplify acceptable behaviour online for children and staff to follow. You should ensure that all staff (including volunteers and administrators) as well as parents and children understand and comply with your online safety policy (see the following subheading on staff behaviour policy for more information).

You should also ensure your setting has appropriate filters and monitoring systems in place. Risk factors to consider when deciding on a system include the age range of the children in your setting, the number of children and how often they access IT systems in your setting. Bear in mind that children are also likely to have access to the internet from their own devices via 3G, 4G or 5G or public Wi-Fi. The UK Safer Internet Centre has published guidance as to what ‘appropriate’ filtering and monitoring might look like.



Staff behaviour policy

It is good practice to have a staff behaviour policy. This should, among other things, include:

- acceptable use of technologies,
- relationships and communications between children and staff/volunteers, including the use of social media,
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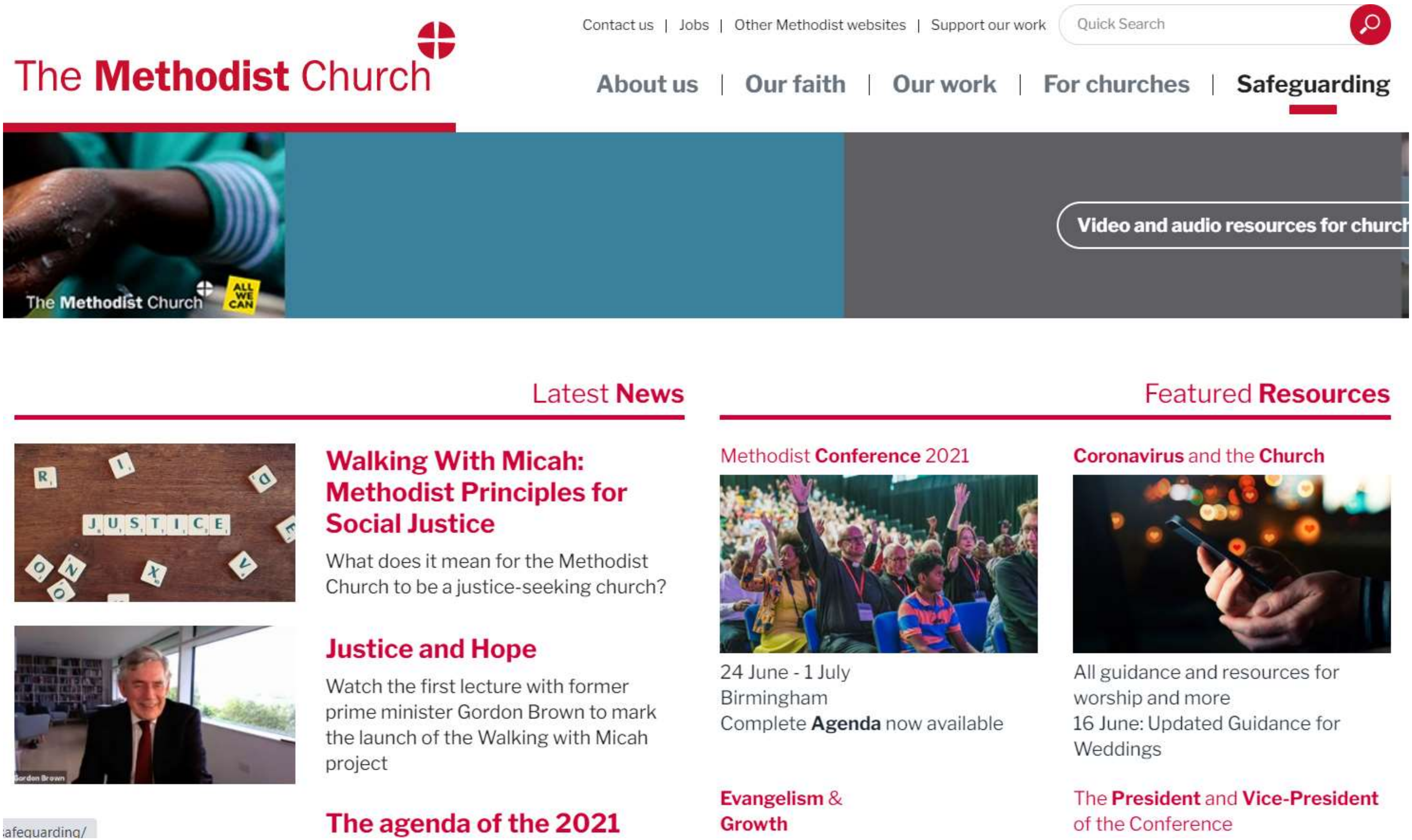
- rules on staff/volunteer contact with children by phone or messaging services (for example, staff should contact the parent/carer of the child and not the child directly)
- a commitment that under no circumstances should any staff member or volunteer inflict physical or psychological harm on a child.



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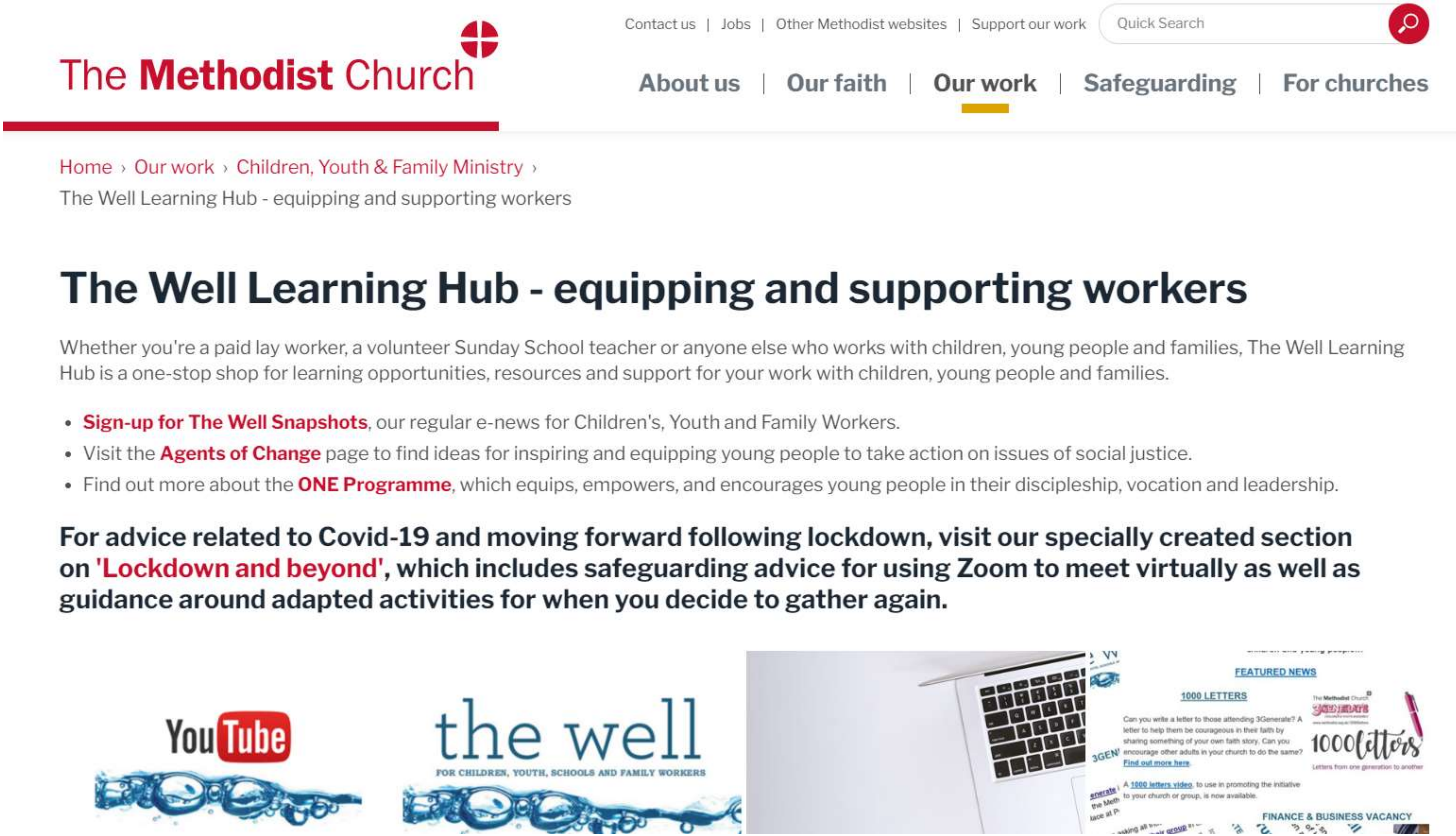

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- Find out more about the **ONE Programme**, which equips, empowers, and encourages young people in their discipleship, vocation and leadership.

For advice related to Covid-19 and moving forward following lockdown, visit our specially created section on 'Lockdown and beyond', which includes safeguarding advice for using Zoom to meet virtually as well as guidance around adapted activities for when you decide to gather again.

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Social Media Guidelines

The Children and Youth social media and communications guidance for churches (Pdf)

This policy works in conjunction with:

The Methodist Church Social Media Policy: **Click here**
The Methodist Safeguarding Policy: **Click here**

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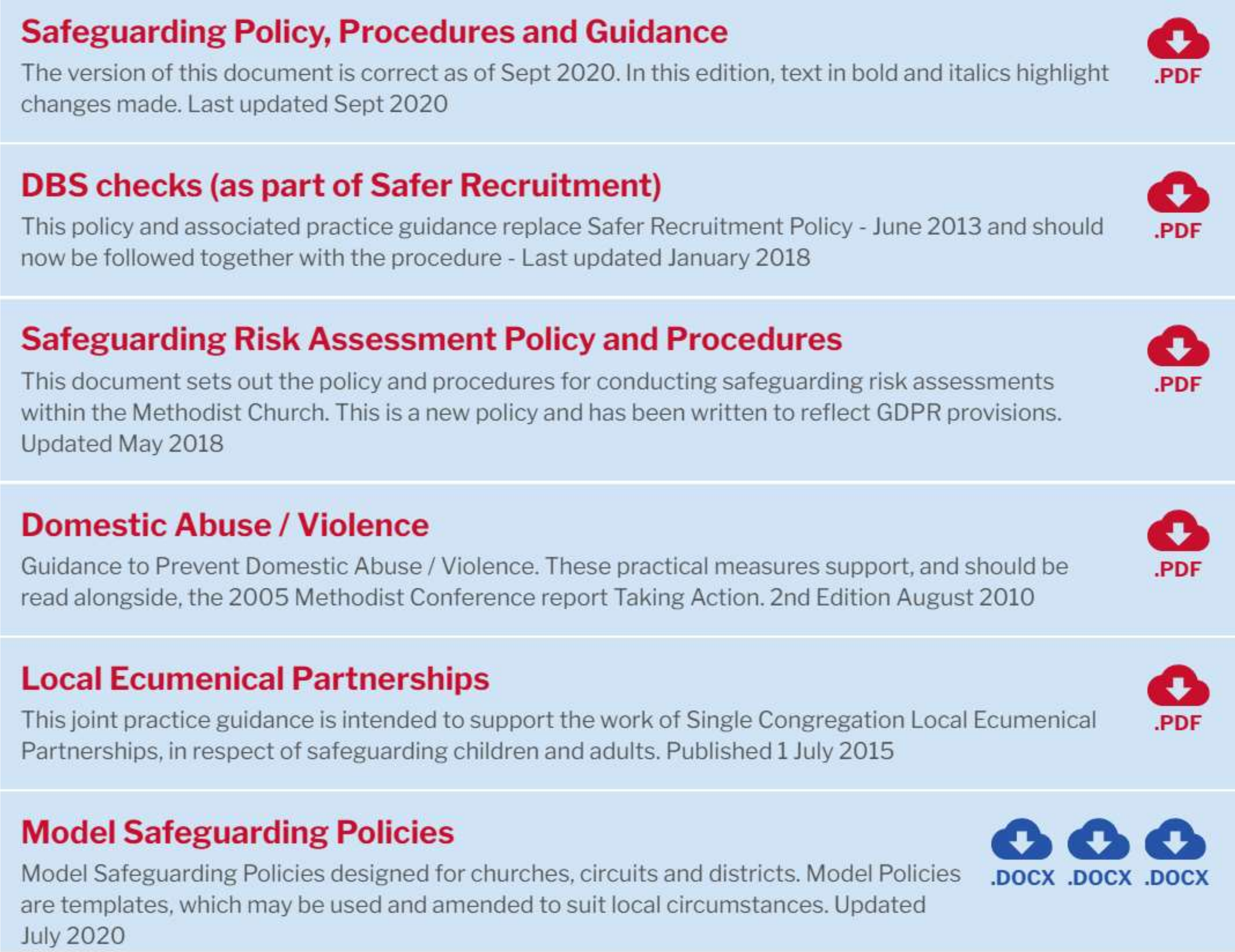


Safeguarding Policy, Procedures and Guidance

The version of this document is correct as of Sept 2020. In this edition, text in bold and italics highlight changes made. Last updated Sept 2020

DBS checks (as part of Safer Recruitment)

This policy and associated practice guidance replace Safer Recruitment Policy - June 2013 and should now be followed together with the procedure - Last updated January 2018

Safeguarding Risk Assessment Policy and Procedures

This document sets out the policy and procedures for conducting safeguarding risk assessments within the Methodist Church. This is a new policy and has been written to reflect GDPR provisions. Updated May 2018

Domestic Abuse / Violence

Guidance to Prevent Domestic Abuse / Violence. These practical measures support, and should be read alongside, the 2005 Methodist Conference report Taking Action. 2nd Edition August 2010

Local Ecumenical Partnerships

This joint practice guidance is intended to support the work of Single Congregation Local Ecumenical Partnerships, in respect of safeguarding children and adults. Published 1 July 2015

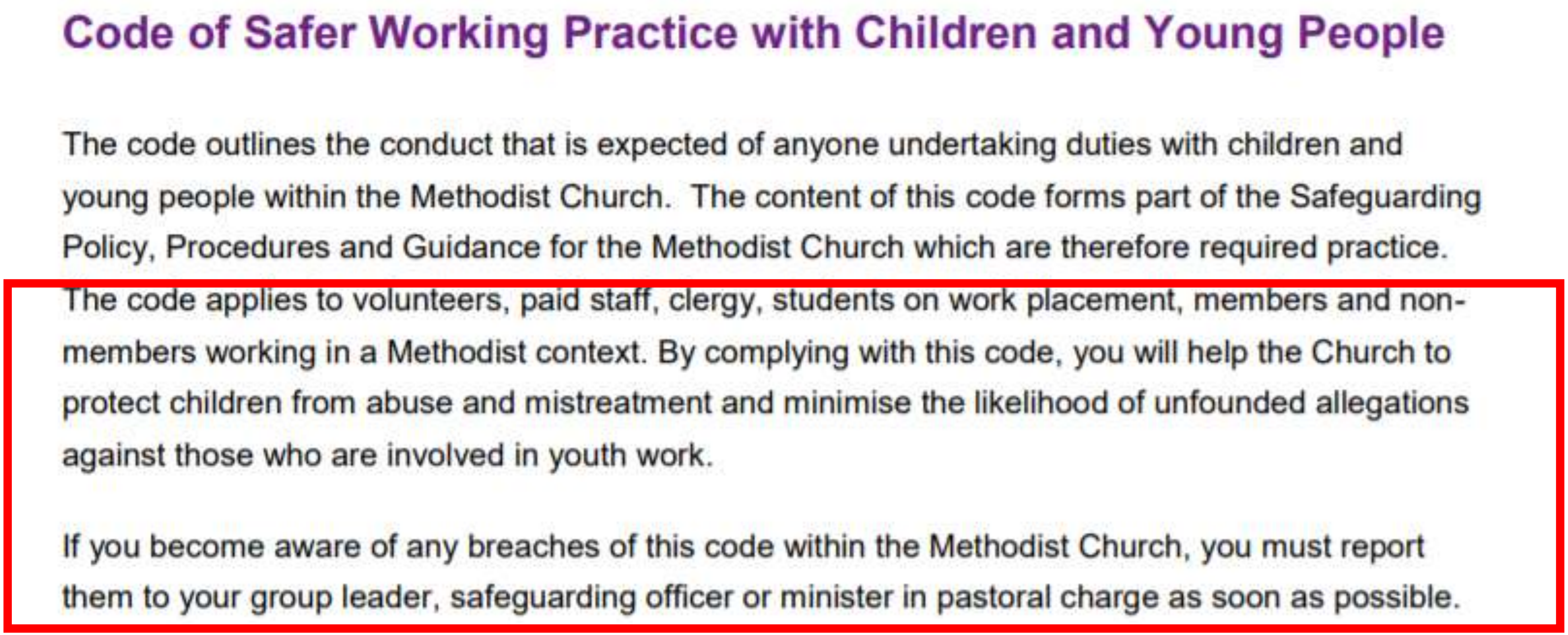
Model Safeguarding Policies

Model Safeguarding Policies designed for churches, circuits and districts. Model Policies are templates, which may be used and amended to suit local circumstances. Updated July 2020

Policies…

- Is everyone aware of them?
- Do we know what they contain?
- If we are communicating via social media then we need to
- Do we discuss this at induction?
- Do we make reference to social media/policies during supervision meetings or management groups?

- They are there to protect both parties..
- If we are supervising lay workers or volunteers who are communicating with vulnerable group/young people via social media the we need to be aware of these policies.



Code of Safer Working Practice with Children and Young People

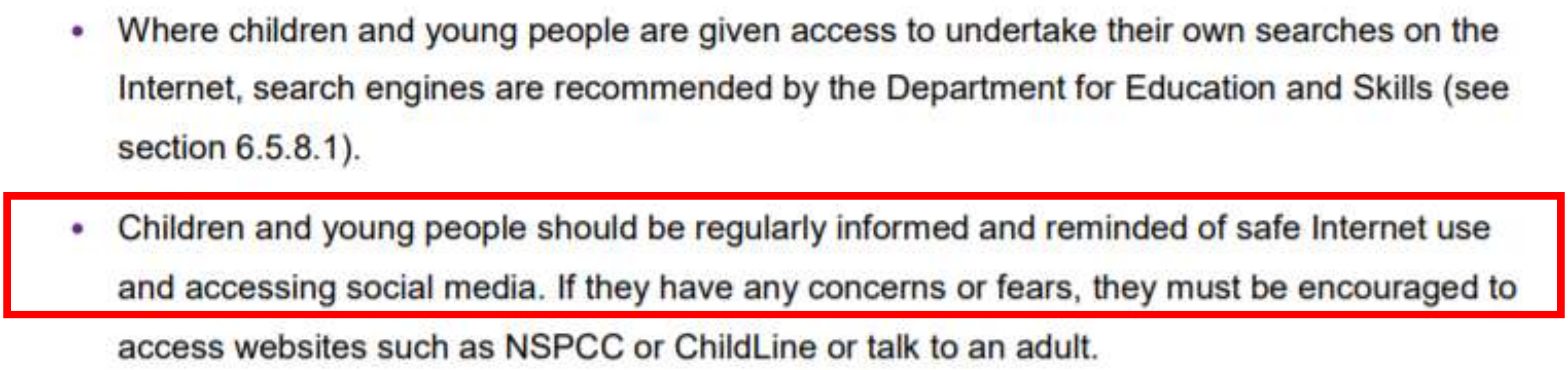
The code outlines the conduct that is expected of anyone undertaking duties with children and young people within the Methodist Church. The content of this code forms part of the Safeguarding Policy, Procedures and Guidance for the Methodist Church which are therefore required practice. The code applies to volunteers, paid staff, clergy, students on work placement, members and non-members working in a Methodist context. By complying with this code, you will help the Church to protect children from abuse and mistreatment and minimise the likelihood of unfounded allegations against those who are involved in youth work.

If you become aware of any breaches of this code within the Methodist Church, you must report them to your group leader, safeguarding officer or minister in pastoral charge as soon as possible.

- Images should not be taken or stored on personal devices.
- You should not provide personal contact details to a child or young person such as a mobile number, email or social media contact

E-safety

- Ensure that all electronic communications are appropriate and professional.
- If using e-technology as a group activity, ensure that an adult worker knows and understands what is happening within the group.
- Maintain a log of all electronic contact with individuals or groups including messaging and texting.
- Ensure that parents or carers are aware of what their children or young people are doing and have given their written permission in advance.
- When demonstrations are being given, plan beforehand to ensure that all websites visited and have given their written permission in advance.



- Where children and young people are given access to undertake their own searches on the Internet, search engines are recommended by the Department for Education and Skills (see section 6.5.8.1).

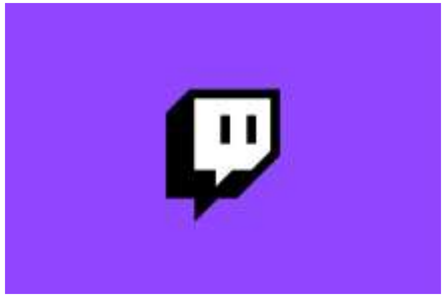
- Children and young people should be regularly informed and reminded of safe Internet use and accessing social media. If they have any concerns or fears, they must be encouraged to access websites such as NSPCC or ChildLine or talk to an adult.

Children and youth social media and communications guidance for churches

When used properly, social media is an excellent way to communicate with groups of parents or young people in order to provide information or make them aware of upcoming events and activities. However, for those not familiar with it, social media can seem strange and sometimes intimidating.

There are a variety of platforms that leaders need to be aware of, such as:

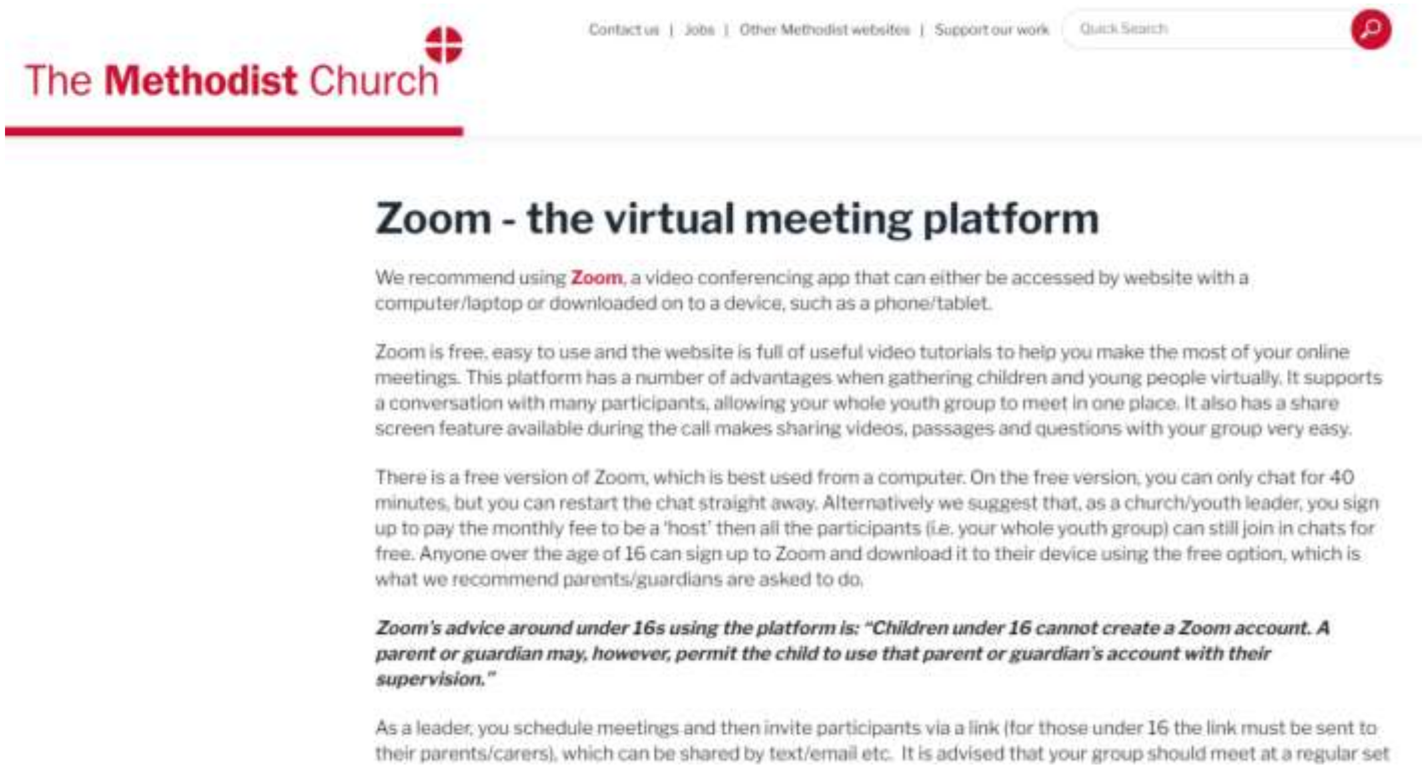
- Facebook
- Twitter
- Instagram
- Snapchat
- WhatsApp
- YouTube



Some of these are appropriate for the relationship between children/young people and their leader, but some are not. Each of these platforms will be covered in this document. Please apply the same principles to any other platforms that are not mentioned in this document. For guidance on Zoom, click here.

By following some simple guidelines you can avoid potential pitfalls, and these media can be safely used as a tool and a means of communication. Social media is great for promoting a group or event or communicating to parents, children and young people, as well as being a fun way to unwind and

- Do we record?
- Cameras on/off
- Consent?
- Guidelines for participants?
- How do we manage hybrid situations?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Zoom - the virtual meeting platform

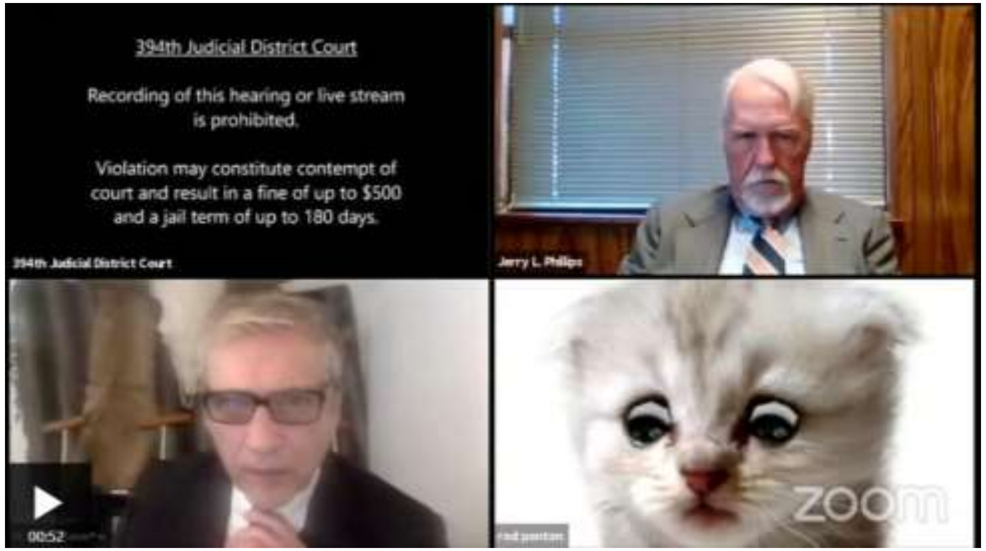
We recommend using **Zoom**, a video conferencing app that can either be accessed by website with a computer/laptop or downloaded on to a device, such as a phone/tablet.

Zoom is free, easy to use and the website is full of useful video tutorials to help you make the most of your online meetings. This platform has a number of advantages when gathering children and young people virtually. It supports a conversation with many participants, allowing your whole youth group to meet in one place. It also has a share screen feature available during the call makes sharing videos, passages and questions with your group very easy.

There is a free version of Zoom, which is best used from a computer. On the free version, you can only chat for 40 minutes, but you can restart the chat straight away. Alternatively we suggest that, as a church/youth leader, you sign up to pay the monthly fee to be a 'host' then all the participants (i.e. your whole youth group) can still join in chats for free. Anyone over the age of 16 can sign up to Zoom and download it to their device using the free option, which is what we recommend parents/guardians are asked to do.

Zoom's advice around under 16s using the platform is: "Children under 16 cannot create a Zoom account. A parent or guardian may, however, permit the child to use that parent or guardian's account with their supervision."

As a leader, you schedule meetings and then invite participants via a link (for those under 16 the link must be sent to their parents/carers), which can be shared by text/email etc. It is advised that your group should meet at a regular set



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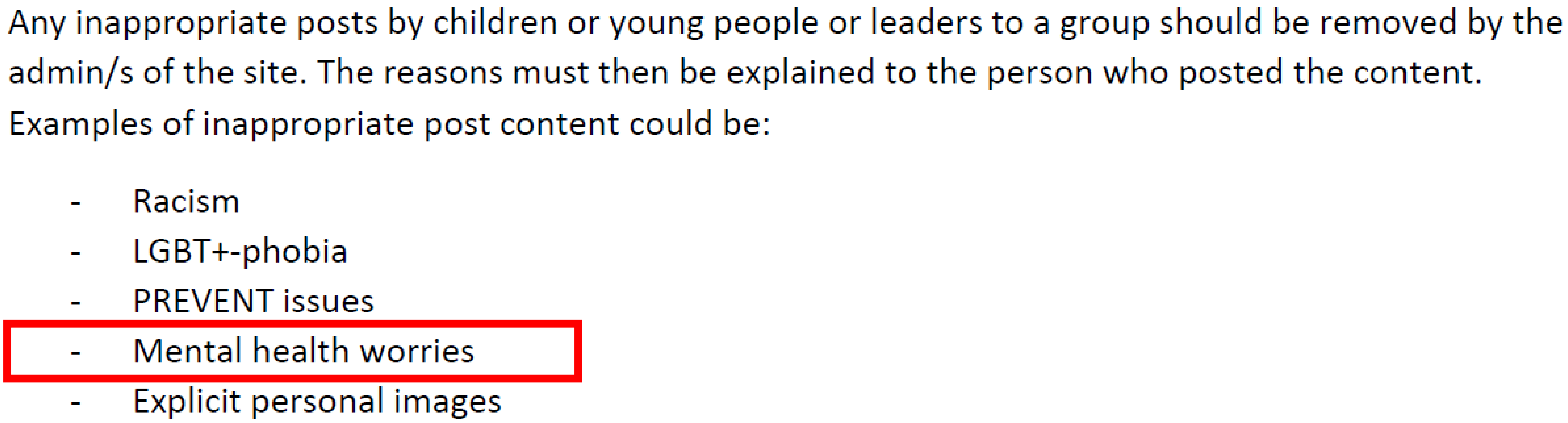
Recording of this hearing or live stream is prohibited.

Violation may constitute contempt of court and result in a fine of up to $500 and a jail term of up to 180 days.

Jackie featured in Brit Awards sketch with Jack Whitehall a...

If you take on a leadership role in the Church that has been agreed by Church Council or become a leader in a midweek group or Sunday Group or Messy Church, you Should not have any friends on your personal social media who are under 18 who are not related or you are their legal Guardian or God-parent. If you currently have friends under 18 you should explain to them that you now have a leadership role working with children and young people and that requires you not to have contact with under 18s via your personal social media accounts. If they are a part of your Church or Youth group they can make the decision to join the Official Social Media spaces that is regulated as per the guidance in this document.

If a young person turns 18 and becomes a leader, they should unfriend any young people under 18 that are involved in their youth group and follow the guidance for group leaders. This is part of forming new boundaries as a leader.

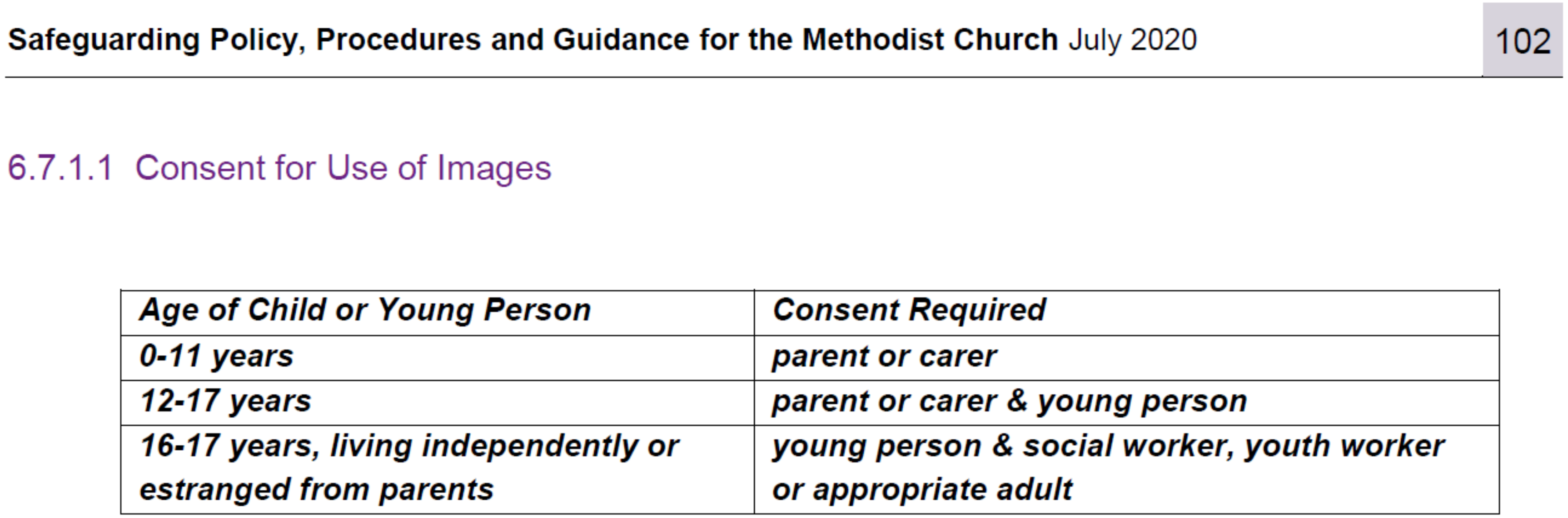


Any inappropriate posts by children or young people or leaders to a group should be removed by the admin/s of the site. The reasons must then be explained to the person who posted the content. Examples of inappropriate post content could be:

- Racism
- LGBT+-phobia
- PREVENT issues
- Mental health worries
- Explicit personal images

Instagram

Instagram is an image-sharing platform, with options to add text and comments. It is a great way to be visible, and it's easy to create a profile for a church or youth group. However, you can only share images of young people if you have signed consent from their parents.



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6.7.1.1 Consent for Use of Images

Age of Child or Young Person	*Consent Required*
0-11 years	*parent or carer*
12-17 years	*parent or carer & young person*
16-17 years, living independently or estranged from parents	*young person & social worker, youth worker or appropriate adult*

Snapchat

Snapchat is a form of social media that allows people to send photos, videos or messages to other people on their friend list. These photos and messages disappear after being viewed. There is also the function to add to a "story" which is viewable by people on your friends list for up to 24 hours.

It is also possible to have a public profile, where anyone can view your story.

This is **not** an appropriate platform for leaders to communicate with children and young people.

It is important to be aware that young people in the group may have each other as friends on Snapchat though, and if issues of peer-to-peer abuse are raised it is an area to be looked into.

Storage

Images taken by leaders should be taken on church owned equipment (phone/camera) rather than personal mobile phones where possible. They should then be stored safely in an electronic file on devices that have security passwords. Where possible these devices should also be owned by the church/organisation, not the group leader.

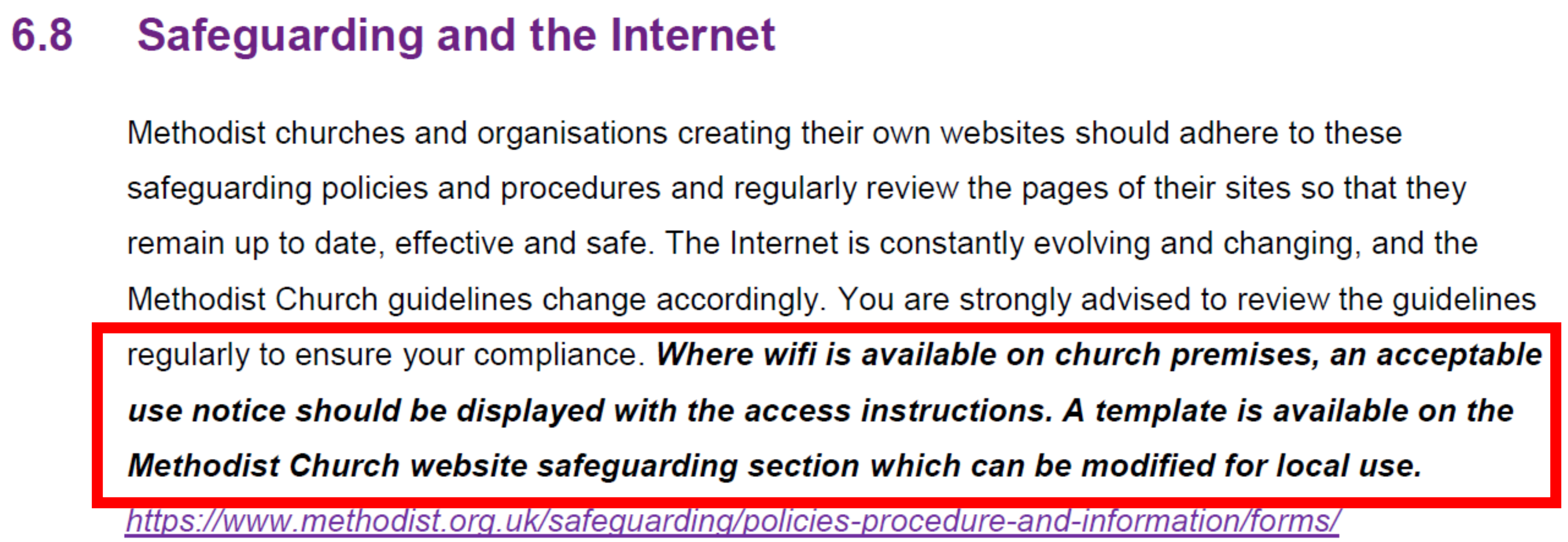
Photos should not be taken on personal devices unless they can immediately be moved to church storage and all backups removed from the device. Be aware of apps like Google Photos, which by default will automatically upload any photos taken on a device to the cloud.

Use of church owned equipment i.e. computers, tablets, games consoles etc

If devices are used as part of activities within the organisation or group, leaders should ensure all games, videos and films are age appropriate for the group.

Passwords should be in place on any device such as a tablet or computer (admin password).

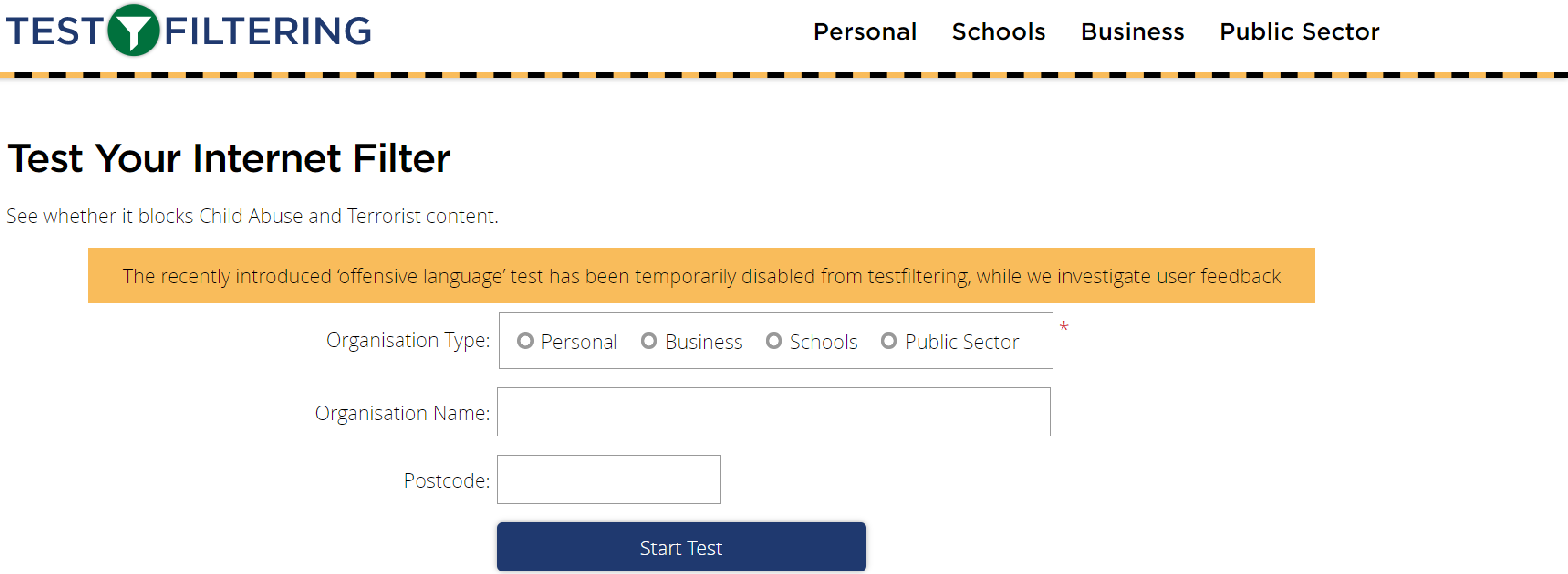
Internet searching should be monitored and age appropriate. If Wi-fi is available, safe-settings or parental controls should be in place.



6.8 Safeguarding and the Internet

Methodist churches and organisations creating their own websites should adhere to these safeguarding policies and procedures and regularly review the pages of their sites so that they remain up to date, effective and safe. The Internet is constantly evolving and changing, and the Methodist Church guidelines change accordingly. You are strongly advised to review the guidelines regularly to ensure your compliance. ***Where wifi is available on church premises, an acceptable use notice should be displayed with the access instructions. A template is available on the Methodist Church website safeguarding section which can be modified for local use.*** https://www.methodist.org.uk/safeguarding/policies-procedure-and-information/forms/

http://testfiltering.com



TEST FILTERING

Test Your Internet Filter

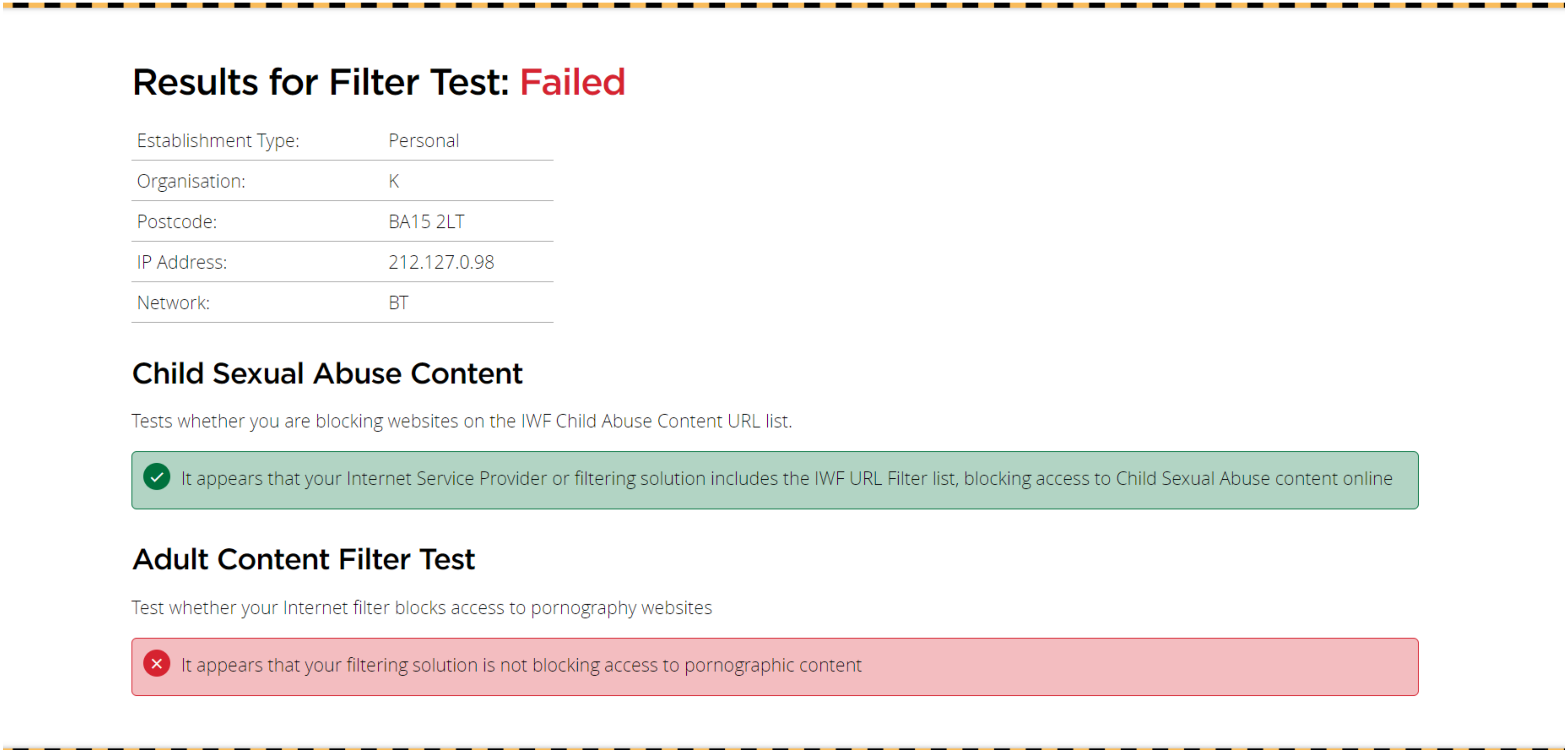
See whether it blocks Child Abuse and Terrorist content.

The recently introduced ‘offensive language’ test has been temporarily disabled from testfiltering, while we investigate user feedback

Organisation Type: ○ Personal ○ Business ○ Schools ○ Public Sector *

Organisation Name:

Postcode:



Results for Filter Test: Failed

Establishment Type:	Personal
Organisation:	K
Postcode:	BA15 2LT
IP Address:	212.127.0.98
Network:	BT

Child Sexual Abuse Content

Tests whether you are blocking websites on the IWF Child Abuse Content URL list.

✓ It appears that your Internet Service Provider or filtering solution includes the IWF URL Filter list, blocking access to Child Sexual Abuse content online

Adult Content Filter Test

Test whether your Internet filter blocks access to pornography websites

✗ It appears that your filtering solution is not blocking access to pornographic content

Case study

- A church youth drama group has an official church Facebook page.
- During lockdown one of the adult leaders decides to check in on some of the children/young people and does this from his own personal Facebook account and using his own device.
- Some of the children/young people started discussing that they had received messages and parents became aware.

- *What are the potential risks to the children?*
- *What are the potential risks to the leader?*

Thanks for listening!

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