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# Reaction to the draft Online Safety Bill: a reading list

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## Background

This reading list collates a selection of media coverage, stakeholder responses and other material relevant to the [draft Online Safety Bill](#). The draft Bill, announced in the Queen’s Speech, was published on 12 May 2021. It sets out Government plans to impose duties of care on providers of online content-sharing platforms and search services. A Library Paper, [Regulating online harms](#) (CBP 8743), provides policy background.

## 2

# Draft Online Safety Bill Joint Select Committee publications

[Oral evidence transcripts](#)

[Written evidence](#)

## 3 Stakeholder and media comment

### 3.1 Organisations, charities, NGOs

[Secretary of State's powers and the draft Online Safety Bill](#)

Carnegie Trust

14.09.2021

[UK Parliament returns – and the debate on preventing harms through regulation of social media goes up a notch](#)

Carnegie Trust

07.09.2021

[A room of one's own: workshop when is an internet user safe in a private space online?](#)

Demos

September 2021

[Free Speech for All: Why Legal but Harmful Content Should Continue to Be Included in the Online Safety Bill](#)

Hope Not Hate

August 2021

[New UK bill can fight fresh wave of online racist abuse](#)

Chatham House

21.07.2021

[Encryption in The Online Safety Bill](#)

Open Rights Group

20.07.2021

[Access Denied: Service Blocking in The Online Safety Bill](#)

Open Right Group

06.07.2021

[Cyber vigilance and the human rights threats of the UK Online Safety Bill](#)

International Observatory of Human Rights

01.07.2021

[Right to type: how the “duty of care” model lacks evidence and will damage free speech](#)

Index on Censorship

23.06. 2021

[The Draft Online Safety Bill: Carnegie UK Trust initial analysis](#)

Carnegie Trust UK

15.06. 2021

[Big Brother Watch Signs Open Letter to MPs To Protect End-To-End Encryption](#)

Big Brother Watch

14.06.2021

[Our Response To The Draft Online Safety Bill](#)

Hope Not Hate

07.06.2021

[UK online safety bill raises censorship concerns and questions on future of encryption](#)

Committee to Protect Journalists

25.05.2021

[IWF 'increasingly concerned about impact of pornography on the lives of young children' as age verification measures not included in new Bill](#)

Internet Watch Foundation

19.05.2021

[The UK risks becoming a world leader in online censorship](#)

Big Brother Watch

14.05.2021

[Catch22 responds to the Draft Online Safety Bill](#)

Catch22

13.05.2021

[Call for renewed funding for UK Safer Internet Centre as new online safety legislation published](#)

Internet Watch Foundation

13.05.2021

[Ofcom to gain new online safety powers as Government bill published today](#)

Ofcom

12.05.2021

[Internet Society: UK Online Public Safety Bill is trying to legislate the impossible – a safe Internet without strong encryption](#)

Internet Society

12.05.2021

[Government's Kafkaesque Plans for Regulating Online Speech Is Condemned](#)

Open Rights Group

12.05.2021

[Barnardo's responds to publication of draft Online Safety Bill](#)

Barnado's

12.05.2021

[Samaritans responds to the draft Online Safety Bill](#)

Samaritans

12.05.2021

[Parliament must determine what is and isn't permitted, not Ofcom or media platforms](#)

Centre for Policy Studies

12.05.2021

[PIMFA welcomes publication of Online Safety Bill but urges Government to do more to tackle clone investment fraud and fake online adverts](#)

PIMFA

12.05.2021

[Online Safety Bill Briefing](#)

Internet Watch Foundation

May 2021

[UK Finance responds to the Government's draft Online Safety Bill](#)

UK Finance, undated

May 2021

[Internet Society: UK Online Public Safety Bill is trying to legislate the impossible – a safe Internet without strong encryption](#)

Internet Society UK

11.05.2021

[End-To-End Encryption: Understanding the impacts for child safety online](#)

NSPCC

April 2021

[Private messaging and the rollout of end-to-end encryption: The implications for child protection](#)

NSPCC discussion paper

Undated

[Online Harms: a comparative analysis](#)

Linklaters

April 2021

[Ambitions for the Online Safety Bill](#)

5Rights Foundation

April 2021

[Delivering a Duty of Care: An assessment of the Government's proposals against the NSPCC's six tests for the Online Safety Bill](#)

NSPCC

March 2021



## 3.2

### Media and blogs

[The Online Safety Bill Part 2: Do these proposals go too far, leading to overzealous policing?](#)

UK Human Rights Blog

11.09.2021

[Regulating content on user-to-user and search service providers](#)

UK Human Rights Blog

02.08 2021

[UK: Draft Online Safety Bill poses serious risk to free expression](#)

Article 19

26.07.2021

[U.K.'s Online Safety Bill: Not That Safe, After All?](#)

Lawfare

08.07.2021

[Online Safety and the Press: A Thoroughly Unsafe Bill, Part 3](#)

Inform's Blog

08.07.2021

[Online Safety and the Press: A Thoroughly Unsafe Bill, Part 2](#)

Inform's Blog

07.07.2021

[Online Safety and the Press: A Thoroughly Unsafe Bill, Part 1](#)

Inform's Blog

05.07.2021

[Can the power of information be controlled?](#)

The Critic

01.07.2021

[Online Safety Bill - freedom of expression and privacy, journalistic content, and content of democratic importance](#)

Lexology

30.07.2021

[Risk assessments under the Online Safety Bill](#)

Lexology

30.07.2021

[Online Safety Bill - are you caught?](#)

Lexology

30.07.2021

[Online Safety Bill - illegal and harmful content and safety duties](#)

Lexology

30.07.2021

[Regulating and enforcing the Online Safety Bill - Ofcom's powers and duties](#)

Lexology

30.07.2021

[UK tells messaging apps not to use e2e encryption for kids' accounts](#)

TechCrunch

30.06.2021

[New UK internet law raises free speech concerns, say civil liberties campaigners](#)

Politico

29.06.2021

[On the trail of the Person of Ordinary Sensibilities](#)

Cyberleagle blog

28.06. 2021

[Carved out or carved up? The draft Online Safety Bill and the press](#)

Cyberleagle blog

16.06.2021

[Online Safety Bill: Five thoughts on its impact on journalism](#)

Inform's Blog

10.06.2021

[Why the online safety bill threatens our civil liberties](#)

politics.co.uk

26.05.2021

[Online Safety Bill: an opportunity for tech to get it right](#)

ComputerWeekly.com

25.05.2021

[UK's Online Safety Bill published](#)

Lexology

18.05.2021

[Porn blocker 'missing' from Online Safety Bill prompts concern](#)

BBC

18.05.2021

[The UK's Online Safety Bill could drown internet services in red tape](#)

TechMonitor

17.05.2021

[Harm Version 3.0: the draft Online Safety Bill](#)

Cyberleagle blog

16.05.2021

[UK online harms bill misses fraud's gateway](#)

FT, opinion

16.05.2021

[Online safety bill 'will fail to protect millions from cloned websites and ad scams'](#)

Guardian

15.05.2021

[New era for UK online regulation: long-awaited UK online safety bill published](#)

Lexology

14.05.2021

[It'll take more than one Bill to tame the Wild West of social media](#)

Telegraph\*, opinion

13.05.2021

[Campaigners Slam Online Safety Bill for Omitting Scam Ads](#)

Forbes

13.05.2021

[The UK government's long-awaited Online Safety Bill toes the line between safety and censorship](#)

Verdict

13.05.2021

[Online safety bill: why is it more of a minefield in the culture wars?](#)

Guardian

12.05.2021

[UK publishes draft Online Safety Bill](#)

TechCrunch

12.05.2021

[The Online Safety Bill, what is in it and what does it mean for techUK members](#)

techUK

12.05.2021

[Online Safety Bill: New law will protect journalism from tech giant censorship](#)

PressGazette

12.05.2021

[Gov Publish UK Online Safety Bill to Censor "Harmful" Content Update](#)

ISP Review

12.05.2021

[An open letter to the Prime Minister](#)

Baroness Floella Benjamin

07.05.2021

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