

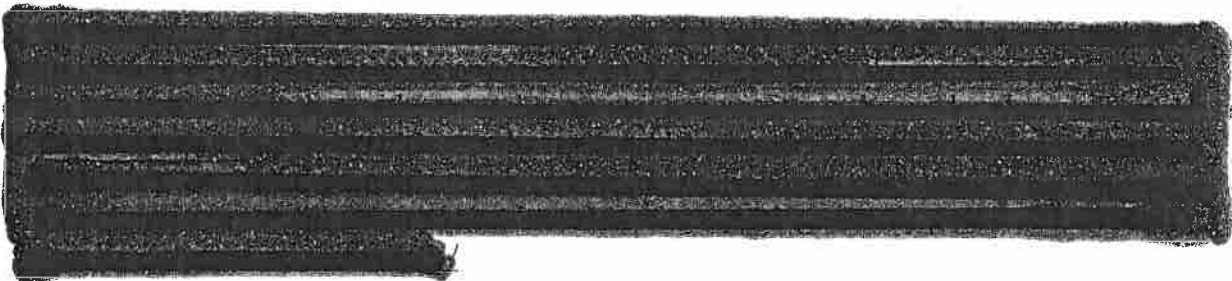
Digital Consent Mail In Query

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Date: 10/12/2016
Subject: Digital age of consent

I feel the digital age of consent should be 16. Protect children and teens, the link to the annual report reveals how despite teachers and parents having conversations around online safety there is a rise in underage children accessing apps and conversing with strangers etc. They are not old enough to understand the potential reach of the content they share and not mature enough to factor in all the the damage they can put themselves or others in who may not consent to having their information or photos shared.

Just this evening the local community centre held a disco for 10year olds - 5th class. It was commented that a number of those attending were taking photos and some uploading to snapchat. The school have delivered talks to both children and parents so its clear the message isn't working. If a responsible parent really felt their child was mature enough to understand how to safely use such apps, then their child would know not to use it inappropriately by uploading photos of other children who's parents havent given permission.

They clearly aren't mature enough. I strongly feel the digital age of consent should be 16. Please provide laws that can enforce the age rating restrictions, enforce protection and let kids be kids.



<http://cybersafeireland.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/09/Annual-Report-July-2016-FINAL.pdf>



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