

## SocialBox.Biz Featured in APPG Report on Social Connection During COVID-19

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**MAY 19, 2020** - Recently, SocialBox.Biz was featured in the All Party Parliamentary Group on Social Integration (APPG) report entitled 'Social Connection in the COVID-19 Crisis'. This new report explores social inclusion and digital exclusion in relation to the COVID-19 pandemic.

According to the report and ONS statistics (2018), 5.3 million adults in the UK have no internet access. During the pandemic, 39% of people ages 18-24 report being more lonely, while nearly 20% of those ages 65+ report the same.

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The report also highlights challenges faced by vulnerable groups, including the homeless, older people, refugees, and asylum-seekers.

SocialBox.Biz and the Laptops for the Homeless and Vulnerable Initiative have been helping these groups by providing reused, donated laptops loaded with open source software for years already, putting internet access into the hands of those who need it the most. While they usually offer IT skills workshops in-person, they are now offering these classes over the phone.

The APPG Integration report stated the fact that SocialBox.Biz founder Peter Paduh came to London as an unaccompanied child refugee.

All of this is making it possible to keep vulnerable populations connected - even in a time of crisis.

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