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organisation Peter Cunliffe-Jones argues that since concern about

'information disorder' soared in 2016, we have laboured under flawed assumptions about the nature and effects of 'fake news' and misinformation.