

The case that we have related to the ethical concern of misinformation, deepfakes, and epistemic trust is the deepfake robotic call impersonating U.S. President Joe Biden in 2024. This event occurred in Manchester, and the citizens received a robotic call impersonating Joe Biden. The call attempted to encourage Democrats to not vote in that coming Tuesday's Democratic primary in New Hampshire. This situation raised many ethical concerns about the spread of misinformation and the attempt to suppress the citizens' votes. The deepfake audio used AI technology to try and deceive the public and spread misinformation to try and manipulate the behavior of the public. The two strongest terms to describe this situation are autonomy and harm. The use of the audio deepfake undermines the autonomy of the people because when they are provided with misinformation, they are unable to make an informed choice without their decision being manipulated. The deepfake also caused harm to both Joe Biden and the citizens, by defaming Joe Biden's credibility and citizens trying to change the voter's best interest.