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Passwords to be replaced by Web Authentication - 1st April, 2019

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Login usernames and passwords may be ending. A more secure login system known as Web Authentication is coming. This is an official login process at the Internet standards body, the World Wide Web Consortium (WWWC). It will be common in web browsers and platforms worldwide. It is simpler and stronger authentication. Users will log in securely to websites using either a digital device, biometrics (like fingerprints) or USB security keys.

The WWWC spoke about this. It said: "It's common knowledge that passwords have outlived their efficacy." It said stolen, weak or default passwords are behind 81 per cent of data breaches. It also said passwords are a waste of time and resources. Businesses should start Web Authentication to avoid the problem of weak passwords and to help improve security. This will reduce the risk of having passwords stolen.

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Login usernames and passwords may be ending. We won't have to worry about security when logging in. A more secure login system known as Web Authentication could replace passwords. This has become an official login process at the main Internet standards body, the World Wide Web Consortium (WWWC). It will be universally used by web browsers and platforms for simpler and stronger authentication. It will let website users log in securely to their online accounts using a digital device, biometrics (like fingerprints and facial recognition) or USB security keys.

The WWWC spoke about the end of passwords. It said: "It's common knowledge that passwords have outlived their efficacy. Not only are stolen, weak or default passwords behind 81 per cent of data breaches, they are a drain of time and resources." It said businesses should adopt Web Authentication to avoid vulnerable passwords and to help people improve their online security. Web Authentication means users are at less risk of having their passwords stolen. This is because login authentication is done with physical devices or biometrics from our body.

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It looks like login usernames and passwords are on their way out. No longer will we have to worry about the security of our login credentials. They are set to be replaced by an infinitely more secure login system known as Web Authentication. Web Authentication has become an official standard for logging in at the main Internet standards body, the World Wide Web Consortium (WWWC). It is a system that will be universally used by web browsers and platforms for simpler and stronger authentication processes. It will allow website users to log in securely to their online accounts using a digital device, biometrics (such as fingerprints and facial recognition) or USB security keys.

The WWWC spoke about the days of passwords being numbered. A spokesperson said: "It's common knowledge that passwords have outlived their efficacy. Not only are stolen, weak or default passwords behind 81 per cent of data breaches, they are a drain of time and resources." It added: "Now is the time for web services and businesses to adopt Web Authentication to move beyond vulnerable passwords and help web users improve the security of their online experiences," Web Authentication means users are at less risk of having their passwords and credentials stolen. This is because login authentication is achieved via physical devices or biometrics from our body.