



URBAN UNREST, SOCIAL RESENTMENT AND JUSTICE

A call for presentations and papers from
CURB (the Centre for Urban Research),
University of York

Keynote speaker: Professor Tony Jefferson
(POLICING THE CRISIS; PSYCHOSOCIAL CRIMINOLOGY).

Cost: Free, limited places

Date: September 22 and 23, 2011

The recent events in several cities across the UK, and more widely in Europe, have raised fundamental questions about the legitimacy of public programs, the crisis-prone nature of economies and on-going resentment and anger at social inequality and injustice. Despite frequent political and media pronouncements of organised criminality, grounded examinations of riots in the UK and elsewhere highlight how social inequality, policing practices, the embedding of consumption orientations and feelings of injustice have produced social danger and violence in excluded localities. Nuanced, em-

pirically founded and critical accounts are needed of these events. This conference, organised by CURB, seeks to contextualise urban unrest within broader, structural concerns around economic decline, social injustice and criminal cultures. The cohesion of many, apparently 'broken' communities, and their capacity to regain control and promote safety belie on-going anger and resentment at corporate excess, media misconduct and political illegitimacy. The meeting will explore these issues in detail and provide a space to debate the broader causes and consequences of these events.

This event is free, lunches will be taken in the Wentworth college café at attendees cost, any accommodation to be organised by attendees but we can help identify places to stay.

Program: Start Thursday 22nd September at 11am , close at 2.30pm Friday 23rd.

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