

## BTEC Public Services - single

### Essential Bridging Work

**If you intend to enrol on this course you must complete the following bridging work ahead of your first lesson and bring it with you.** It should take you about 4 hours to complete the work.

<b>Topic / Context</b>	<p><b>Do the Police have too much power? The G20 Protests case study</b></p> <p>Use the following newspaper article to analyse/evaluate the abuse of police powers v individual rights and liberties</p> <p>‘It is absolutely crucial that senior police look at the way they interact with normal, respectable people. The danger is of the police being on one side of the barricades and all civilians on the other’ Guardian newspaper.</p>
<b>Task</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Opening paragraph-Explain what the above statement from the Guardian newspaper is saying and what problems the police face if this situation is seen as the ‘norm’. -you could illustrate your points here with other examples of mistrust linked to the police handling of cases eg vulnerable people not being protected, Charles De Menzes shooting, Stephen Lawrence murder case</li> <li>2. During the G20 protests there were 145 serious complaints made-give examples of these and in your own words explain why these were breaching human rights and abusing police powers of arrest.</li> <li>3. Do some research on recent anti-terrorism legislation and comment on how this could have an impact on our individual liberty/rights <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Examples of anti-terrorism laws include 2015 Counter Terrorism and Security Act, Section 60 of Criminal Justice Order Act, Protection of Freedoms Act 2012</li> <li>• Can you give any examples where the law has been misused?</li> <li>• -has this legislation gone too far?-what are your personal thoughts</li> </ul> </li> <li>4. Conclusion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How can society regulate the powers of the police?</li> <li>• go onto the IPCC web-site and look up statistics on police complaints and investigations of where police powers have been abused</li> <li>• what is being done to control this abuse –this can be found by looking at the findings of the investigations or examples/case studies where the police have been taken to court and successfully been prosecuted</li> </ul> </li> </ol>

	5. Finally come up with your own recommendations based on the report you have presented
<b>Resources</b>	<p><a href="http://www.padlet.com/franklinsport/public">www.padlet.com/franklinsport/public</a>  <b>Use password active888 for access to padlet</b></p> <p>Civil rights <a href="http://www.civilrightsmovement.co.uk/rights-if-detained-police.html">www.civilrightsmovement.co.uk/rights-if-detained-police.html</a>  <a href="http://www.direct.gov.uk/en/AdvancedSearch/Searchresults/index.htm?fullText=police">www.direct.gov.uk/en/AdvancedSearch/Searchresults/index.htm?fullText=police</a></p> <p>Home Office – Police Powers <a href="http://www.homeoffice.gov.uk/police/powers">www.homeoffice.gov.uk/police/powers</a>  Home Office site with many downloadable resources  <a href="http://www.homeoffice.gov.uk">www.homeoffice.gov.uk</a></p> <p>HM Inspectorate of Constabulary <a href="http://www.hmic.gov.uk">www.hmic.gov.uk</a>  Independent Police Complaints Commission <a href="http://www.ipcc.gov.uk/">www.ipcc.gov.uk/</a>  Liberty guide to human rights <a href="http://www.yourrights.org.uk/">www.yourrights.org.uk/</a>  PACE Code <a href="http://www.homeoffice.gov.uk/police/powers/pace-codes/">www.homeoffice.gov.uk/police/powers/pace-codes/</a>  Police website <a href="http://www.police.homeoffice.gov.uk">www.police.homeoffice.gov.uk</a>  Public Acts of the UK Parliament <a href="http://www.legislation.gov.uk">www.legislation.gov.uk</a>  Sentencing Guidelines <a href="http://www.sentencingcouncil.judiciary.gov.uk">www.sentencingcouncil.judiciary.gov.uk</a>  Powers of the Police <a href="http://www.adviceguide.org.uk/index/your-rights/legalsystem/police-powers.htm">www.adviceguide.org.uk/index/your-rights/legalsystem/police-powers.htm</a></p>
<b>Presentation</b>	Present your findings using a variety of images, quotes and statistical evidence to back up and validate your arguments Your report should be a minimum of 500 words should be <b>handwritten</b> . Make sure this is presented as neatly as possible.