

## **British Values - Criminology**

### **Respect civil and criminal law**

- In all four units the impact of civil law, and respect for, is covered as a positive feature of British society.
- Respect for civil and criminal law, as well as support for law enforcement measures, runs throughout all four units.
- Law making process and the criminal justice system are presented positively in all four units.

### **Appreciate viewpoints of others on ethical issues**

- When examining practical topics related to controlled assessments, there is a thread running throughout the topic regarding what ethical issues means and how it impacts on respondents of social research.
- These include ethical issues related to privacy, confidentiality, informed consent and prevent psychological harm.
- Having awareness that research itself may contribute to negative labelling of minority groups in society and the need to be cautious in how such material is presented in research. Unit 1 examines how campaigns may reinforce negativity about specific social groups.

### **Acceptance and engagement with fundamental British Values of democracy**

- The concept of rule by consent, and consensus theory, run throughout the entire course.
- Left and Right Realist criminologists all stress the importance of Parliamentary law in bringing about positive changes to British society. These uphold the values of democracy.
- Social policies examined in all four Units are addressed via democratically elected governments who have implemented reforms based on a democratic mandate. This demonstrates an engagement with the fundamental British values of democracy.
- In Unit 2 and Unit 4, criminal social policy examines how successful a democratically elected government can be when implemented laws and policies. It looks at the relationship between proposals for laws, the electorate and practical implementation.

### **Contribute positively to life in modern Britain**

- Realist criminologists have contributed positively to social policy on law enforcement.
- Criminologists stress the destructive impact of hate crimes on minority groups and policies to develop this.
- Criminologists have developed strategies to ensure safer communities and more effective policing. The subject promotes a positive view of law and order.
- Criminology promotes a positive view of the criminal justice system and promotes how the British legal system is fair and unbiased.