

Wednesday 26 March 2014

“Privatising Probation: The Consolidation of the Risk Agenda”

As part of its Scarman Lecture Series, the Department of Criminology presents a public lecture by Professor John Lea



Places are limited – please register your attendance by contacting:

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John Lea has been a key figure in the development of Left Realist criminology. He is the co-author of *What is to be Done about Law and Order?* (1984) and author of *Crime and Modernity* (2002). His interests in criminology have always been wide ranging, including organised crime, historical criminology, security and criminal justice policy.

Neoliberalism embraces two apparently conflicting orientations: on the one hand ‘rolling back’ the state in favour of private market solutions and, on the other, the consolidation of a coercive security apparatus exemplified by surveillance, workfare and prisonfare. Using the example of recent changes in the probation service in England and Wales it will be argued that these two aspects are only superficially contradictory and that in fact ‘privatisation’ can be the vehicle of increased centralisation and state coordination.

**5.15pm,
Frank and Katherine May Lecture Theatre,
Henry Wellcome Building**

A wine reception will follow the lecture, providing an opportunity to speak to John