

Peer Review

Review of: "Understanding the 2024 Summer Riots in the UK: Three Case Studies"

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I thought that this was a good rapid response research project that encapsulated some of the key dynamics of the three case studies very well. The structured and focused nature of the case studies added a level of comparability that was welcome, and the use of the 2011 riots to tease out causes and the nature of crowd behaviour also added some analytical bite. I would have liked to see more evidence of interviews with so-called anti-immigrant protestors (e.g., both committed and non-aligned members of the UK anti-migrant activist scene), a deeper focus on historical comparisons (e.g., Notting Hill, etc.), and a more representative set of cases (e.g., those with looting behaviour), but I acknowledge the short time frame given to the researchers to conduct this research. To conclude, this is certainly a good start to place the analysis of the 2024 riots on a systematic footing—though more work will need to be done in the future.

Declarations

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