

DownhillsPark BookGroup

Saturday

TIME: 10.30 AM LAST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH

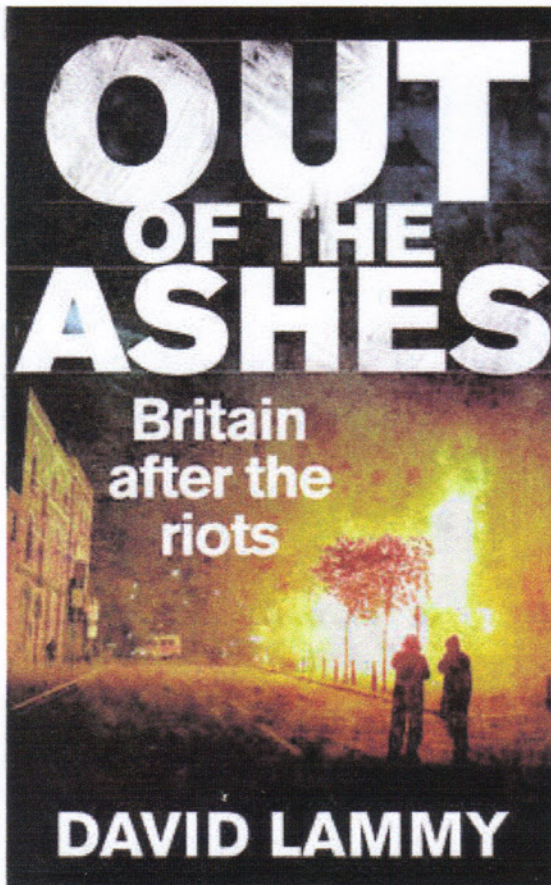
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LOCATION: DOWNHILLS PARK CAFÉ

FOURTH MEETING: SATURDAY 28TH JANUARY 2012

January

FOURTH BOOK: **Out of the Ashes: Britain after the riots** by David Lammy



"Out of the ashes, what kind of country do we want to build?" David Lammy MP predicted the riots of 2011 a year before they took place. Following the violence he spoke passionately for his constituents. Now, in *Out of the Ashes*, he analyses the causes of the disturbances and their implications for the future. He draws on his experience of growing up in Tottenham - the area he now represents and the place where the riots began. He explores the human stories behind the headlines. Above all, he seeks to explain why the breakdown of law and order was so swift and so widespread, and offers a way forward for Britain that is both practical and inspirational. All author proceeds from the sale of this book will be donated to charitable causes.

Review -Fraser Nelson, The Spectator

If I'd said that an MP had accused the Church of England of being too obsessed with gay marriage and women priests — and not worried enough about how God can keep young boys out of harm's way — you'd probably imagine that a Tory had gone nuts. But this is the David Lammy, Labour MP for Tottenham, who has given an [interview to our Books Blog](#). In it, he elaborates on the theme of his new book: that his colleagues are so keen to help single mothers that they've lost sight of what really helps working class boys. Amongst the contributing factors, he mentions two things that may cast him out as a heretic in Labour's secular religion: fathers, and God.

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