## **SUMMER TASKS – GCSE TO AS TRANSITION**

**Subject: Pearson BTEC Applied Law** 

Title: Exploring the English Legal System

Task(s):

## **BTEC APPLIED LAW TRANSITION WORK**

If you are considering the Applied law course at York College then I would like to do a little research before you arrive on the course. As part of our coursework we examine closely our Parliament and I would like you to try and watch some videos of Parliament to get an idea of what happens there. Many are available to watch on the UK Parliament website.

Then I would like you to examine 4 Acts
Coronavirus Act 2020
Hunting Act 2004
Marriage Act (Same Sex Couples) Act 2013
Environment Act 2021

For each Act use Wikipedia or other sources to find the story behind each Act. You will be able to discover some background to the Act and how the Act went on its journey through Parliament. You will see that as the bill (an Act is known as a bill as it goes through Parliament) proceeds there may be objections from numerous interested parties. Try to note who was supporting the bill or strongly objecting to the bill. It is very important to be able to say something about what happened in Parliament. For the Environment Act you will discover that The Law Society had a large input at committee stage.

You should be able to discover that, for example, many religious groups expressed many different views at the Committee Stage of the Marriage Act. Note who those groups were. For the Hunting Act there were many pressure groups arguing strongly over this issue – see if you can discover who was marching and protesting when this bill was in the House of Lords (Wikipedia is very helpful). Try to identify which individuals particularly supported or objected to the bill.

So try to create a story in typing for each Act and we will be discussing these in September. Plus keep a note of your research sources. Do note this is important work and will really help with your first coursework.

Many thanks and enjoy your summer break.

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How long should I spend on this? You could spend 2-3 hours doing this!

How will I get feedback?

**Contact email:**