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Seeing this as a victory, the riots continued, and eventually Brereton had to call on the 3rd and 14th to restore order and he eventually led a charge with drawn swords through the mob in Queen Square. It became the heart of a turf war in the late 1990s and early 2000s and was named the most dangerous drug den in 2003. While still a weekly paper, Class War dubbed itself 'Britain's most unruly tabloid'.

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Officers could also be allowed to stop and search people more if plans for serious violence reduction orders go ahead. Free online registration required via the. Sue Mountstevens, police and crime commissioner for Avon and Somerset, said seven people had been arrested so far and there would be 'many more' detained.

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There were parts of the city that they avoided, areas made unsafe by far right groups.

St Pauls uprising, Bristol 1980

No one with any credibility today would look back on those events and demonise the Peterloo protesters, the French and the Africans. More cars overturned and burned.

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