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FRIDAY, 23 MAY 2025 – MORNING

LAW – AS component 2
Understanding Substantive Law

1 hour 30 minutes

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ADDITIONAL MATERIALS

A WJEC pink 16-page answer booklet.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Use black ink or black ball-point pen.

Answer **two** questions in total: **one** question from Section A (private law) and **one** question from Section B (public law).

Write your answers in the separate answer booklet provided, following the instructions on the front of the answer booklet.

Use both sides of the paper. Write only within the white areas of the booklet.

Write the question number in the two boxes in the left-hand margin at the start of each answer,

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Leave at least two line spaces between each answer.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The number of marks is given in brackets at the end of each question or part-question.

Section A: Private Law

Answer **either** question

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 or question

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These questions require you to:

- demonstrate knowledge and understanding of the English legal system and legal rules and principles
- apply legal rules and principles to a scenario in order to present a legal argument using appropriate legal terminology
- analyse and evaluate legal rules, principles and concepts.

Credit will be given for the use of relevant supporting case law and authority.

EITHER

Law of Contract

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- a) Explain what is meant by the doctrine of promissory estoppel. [6]
- b) Explain how a contract can be discharged. [6]
- c) Evaluate the differences between an offer and an invitation to treat. [9]

Read the scenario below and answer part **d**).

John and Sunita's daughter, Rhia, married her partner, Steven, on August 14th, 2024. The reception was held in her parent's large garden where they erected a marquee. The garden was generally well kept other than for the pond area. At the beginning of January 2024, John agreed with A Pond for Yew, a local landscaping company, that they would redo the pond so that it would look good for the wedding. He stressed the importance of getting the work completed by the beginning of July 2024 at the latest and agreed to pay £3,000 on that basis. As he had not heard from the company, John contacted them at the end of March. They told John that, if the work was to be done on time, he would need to pay an additional £850 to cover extra staffing as the company was going through a difficult time. John was not happy but felt as though he had no choice but to agree if the work was to be completed on time. The work was completed at the beginning of August 2024 and the firm is now chasing John for their additional money.

- d) Advise John as to whether he has to pay the extra £850 to the company. [9]

OR

Law of Tort

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- a) Explain the “reasonable man” test in relation to a breach of a duty of care under the law of tort. [6]
- b) Explain the different kinds of damages available under the law of tort. [6]
- c) Evaluate the protection afforded to trespassers by the Occupiers’ Liability Act 1984. [9]

Read the scenario below and answer part **d**).

Tom is a roofer and following a period of bad weather he was very busy. In order to save time, he loaded far too many roof tiles onto the back of his pickup truck and did not secure them properly. He braked hard going over a speed bump and heard a loud crash. Some of the tiles had fallen off the back of the truck and had hit the car following behind. The front of the car was seriously damaged and Suki, the driver, has since suffered from anxiety and been unable to work. Ash, her passenger, suffered whiplash and continues to experience severe pain in his neck.

- d) Advise Suki and Ash as to whether they can claim in negligence against Tom. [9]

Section B: Public Law

Answer **either** question

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EITHER

Criminal Law

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- a) Explain how the chain of causation in criminal law might be broken. [6]
- b) Explain what is meant by intention in criminal law. [6]
- c) Evaluate the differences between S47 and S20 Offences against the Person Act 1861. [9]

Read the scenario below and answer part **d**).

Sam and Ollie decided to go out for Halloween. They dressed up as scary clowns, complete with wigs, and started off by visiting houses on their local estate. All was going well until they knocked on a door which was opened by a frail old lady, Martha. She looked horrified and screamed “help, they are going to kill me”. Her son, Jamal, raced to see what was going on. He was very angry and concerned about his mother (Martha) who was suffering from a serious mental illness. He shouted loudly and pushed both boys down the garden path on to the road; Sam was left with a small bruise on his shoulder.

- d) Advise Sam, Ollie and Jamal as to whether they could face any charges for non-fatal offences. [9]

OR

Human Rights Law

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- a) Explain the key elements of Article 11 European Convention on Human Rights. [6]
- b) Explain the obligations which the Public Order Act 1986 imposes on the organiser of a march. [6]
- c) Evaluate the protection given by the Human Rights Act 1998. [9]

Read the scenario below and answer part **d**).

The local Dog Rescue Kennel currently rents two fields from the council and uses them to exercise their dogs. Their work is very important as they take in many homeless, hungry, stray dogs who are no longer wanted by their owners. To the anger of the local community, the council has recently told them that they will no longer be able to use the fields as they are selling the land for residential development. On Saturday morning, the residents, led by Ali, are marching through the main street to the town hall, in opposition to the council's plans, to hand in a petition signed by approximately 750 people. Many demonstrators are carrying placards, some with horrific images of seriously ill-treated dogs. As it is getting near to Christmas, the area is very busy with both cars and pedestrians. To keep disturbance to a minimum, Sergeant Sefton has told them to go down a different route via the recreation ground to avoid problems. Ali tells them to ignore his orders.

- d) Advise Ali and the demonstrators of the powers of the police in respect of this demonstration. [9]

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