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LAW – LW5

OPTION 02 – CRIMINAL LAW AND JUSTICE

P.M. MONDAY, 18 June 2007

(1½ Hours)

ADDITIONAL MATERIALS

In addition to this examination paper, you will need a 12 page answer book.

Instructions to candidates

- Candidates are required to answer **two** out of **six** questions.

Information for candidates

- Each question carries 25 marks.
- Candidates are reminded of the need for good English and clear presentation. All questions should be answered in continuous prose. The quality of written communication will be assessed in all answers.

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Answer two out of the six questions.

1. Examine critically the approach taken by the courts in deciding whether an offence is one of strict liability. [25]

2. “The law relating to bail has become too complicated to protect either the rights of suspected offenders or the rights of the public to be protected against the commission of further offences.” Discuss. [25]

3. “In the twenty years of its operation, the Crown Prosecution Service has greatly improved the efficiency and fairness of the criminal justice system in England and Wales.” How far would you agree with this statement? [25]

4. How far would you agree that the creation of the Independent Police Complaints Commission has finally provided the public with a fair and impartial system for handling complaints against the police? [25]

5. To what extent can a person who causes injury to another rely on the consent of the victim as a defence? [25]

6. “The range of options available for dealing with young offenders and potential young offenders shows a clear concern with the reduction of crime.” Discuss. [25]