

Wednesday 25 January 2012 – Morning

A2 GCE LAW

G154/01 Criminal Law Special Study

Candidates answer on the Answer Booklet.

OCR supplied materials:

- Clean copy of the Special Study Material
- 16 page Answer Booklet
(sent with general stationery)

Other materials required:

None

Duration: 1 hour 30 minutes



INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the spaces provided on the Answer Booklet. Please write clearly and in capital letters.
- Use black ink. HB pencil may be used for graphs and diagrams only.
- Answer **all** the questions.
- Read each question carefully. Make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.
- Write the numbers of the questions you answer on the front of your answer booklet.
- You are reminded of the importance of including relevant knowledge from **all** areas of your course, where appropriate, including the English Legal System.
- Do **not** write in the bar codes.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

- The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.
- The total number of marks for this paper is **80**.
- Candidates are reminded of the need to write legibly and in continuous prose, where appropriate. In answering questions **1** and **2** you will be assessed on the quality of your written communication (QWC) including your use of appropriate legal terminology. These questions are marked with an asterisk (*).
- Candidates are reminded that they are able to use the information given in the sources to support their own knowledge and understanding, evaluation, analysis, and application of the law. Where candidates wish to extract from the source in this way they should use quotation marks or accurately cite lines of the source. Candidates who merely 'lift' information from the source materials without using it to support further knowledge, evaluation, analysis or application, will receive little or no credit. You are expected to demonstrate understanding of the area(s) of law and the development of law and to use legal methods and reasoning to analyse legal material, to select appropriate legal rules and apply these in order to draw conclusions.
- This document consists of **4** pages. Any blank pages are indicated.

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In answering questions use the source materials **and** your knowledge of the subject.

Answer **all** questions.

1* Discuss the importance of the decision in *Whybrow* [Source 4 page 5 Special Study Material] to the development of the law on attempted crimes. **[16]**

2* In Source 2 [page 3 lines 16-17 Special Study Material] Bingham LJ asks: “*Had [the defendant] moved from the realm of ... preparation and planning into the area of execution or implementation?*”

Discuss how accurately the above statement reflects the ways in which the law on the *actus reus* of attempted crimes has developed. **[34]**

3 Consider whether or not a conviction for an attempted crime is possible in each of the following situations:

(a) Arthur notices Bella walking away from a cash dispenser holding some money which she has just withdrawn. Arthur comes up behind her and tries to grab the money. However, he slips on the pavement and falls, knocking himself unconscious. **[10]**

(b) Charles has placed a large bet at a horse racing event. Realising that his horse is losing, he runs onto the race track in order to distract the horses and stop the race. His plan is successful as the race is abandoned. Charles is arrested on the race track. **[10]**

(c) Harvinder is to be paid a large sum of money to kill Ian, a well-known celebrity. Harvinder knows Ian is to open a new supermarket, so he sets himself up with a rifle on top of a building opposite in order to kill him. However, unknown to Harvinder, Ian has been taken ill and has had to cancel his appearance. **[10]**

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