

Aberystwyth University Scholarship & Merit Awards Examinations February 2025

Law

Time allowed – 1.5 hours (90 minutes)

Answer THREE Questions

- 1. Discuss the role of the law in <u>one</u> of the following areas. Explain why it might be controversial. Discuss how and to what extent the law might contribute to a resolution of the problems in the area:
 - a. Euthanasia
 - b. Recreational drugs
 - c. Artificial intelligence
 - d. The use of drones in conflicts
- 2. 'Justice must be seen to be done' (Lord Hewart). Explain what you understand this statement to mean.
- 3. A law has been drafted which relates to the running of a public park in Aberystwyth. It says, simply, "All types of vehicles are prohibited on these grounds." You are a judge who must decide in the cases of the following individuals:
 - a) A man using his electric wheelchair.
 - b) A boy riding his electric scooter.
 - c) A woman who is pushing a pram.

In your opinion, which of these individuals are guilty, if any? Explain your reasoning in each case.

4. "Police officers are responsible for keeping the public safe and in order. They work to reduce crime, prevent fear of crime, and build confidence in the community.".

Is the police service an effective or ineffective tool in the criminal justice system? Give examples and reasons for your answer.

5. The Online Safety Act 2023 aims to '...ensure online safety' by making tech companies financially and criminally liable for failing to protect users (particularly children) of their platforms.

Do you agree that the ensuring online safety should be the responsibility of the platforms and tech companies, or do you think that greater responsibility should be placed on others, such as users and parents?