

Pelican Programme: Law Task

Please read the following scenario and then answer the question at the end. Your answer should be no longer than 500 words. You are not expected to have any pre-existing legal knowledge, and you are not expected to reference specific legal rules, cases or laws in your answer.

Following a party the previous night, Adam is driving back to his home in Camford. Approaching a junction, Adam assumes that he has the right of way and drives straight over. As he crosses the road, another vehicle, driven by Bea, crashes into the side of his. Bea is an apprentice plumber who was driving her company's van to a callout for the first time by herself. Both Adam and Bea are seriously injured and are unable to call for help. A couple of minutes after the collision, Colin comes upon the accident but, assuming that help has already been called, he drives on. Five minutes later, Desiree stops at the crossroads and calls for an ambulance. Due to ongoing industrial action relating to a dispute with the Department of Health, Camfordshire Ambulance Service (CAS) has a shortage of staff: an ambulance does not arrive at the scene until an hour after Desiree's call. When they arrive, the paramedics find that Bea has passed away. Adam is treated at the scene and, after treatment, he is discharged from hospital a week later. Unfortunately, Adam cannot return to work due to PTSD suffered from the accident. Adam now seeks compensation.

Advise Adam as to (i) whom, if anyone, *could* be responsible for his injuries, and (ii) who, if anyone, *should* be held responsible for his injuries.