

SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 17

DEFERRED PROSECUTION AGREEMENTS

PART 1

GENERAL

Effect of DPA on court proceedings

- 2 (1) Proceedings in respect of the alleged offence are to be instituted by the prosecutor in the Crown Court by preferring a bill of indictment charging P with the alleged offence (see section 2(2)(ba) of the Administration of Justice (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1933 (bill of indictment preferred with consent of Crown Court judge following DPA approval)).
- (2) As soon as proceedings are instituted under sub-paragraph (1) they are automatically suspended.
- (3) The suspension may only be lifted on an application to the Crown Court by the prosecutor; and no such application may be made at any time when the DPA is in force.
- (4) At a time when proceedings are suspended under sub-paragraph (2), no other person may prosecute P for the alleged offence.