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Publication

This c.1983 report details a pilot scheme based in the Newcastle Division of the Northumbria Police. It examined the practicalities and costs of various methods of providing advance disclosure of prosecution and for assessing their affects on elections for jury trial, rates of guilty pleas, waiting times and related issues. It provides for disclosure to a defence solicitor, upon request, of a written summary of the evidence against the defendant, together with information about the defendant's prior convictions and a copy of any voluntary statement made by him to the police.

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