

# FRONTLINE VIEWS

## OFFICER CASE STUDY

APRIL 2011



[www.polfed.org](http://www.polfed.org)

---

**“I always wanted to be a police officer. When I joined, I knew that I had found the perfect job for me. I have proudly worked for the people of Cambridgeshire, in many frontline uniformed roles, including Patrol, Traffic, Firearms, Public Order and most recently, NPT and Custody. I have protected and served the public without question.**

**How can those who purport to represent the communities that I and my colleagues continue to serve, carry out such an attack on those that work to protect them? For me and the vast majority of my colleagues this is a real kick in the teeth.”**

**Police Sergeant, Cambridgeshire**

### **Officer Profile**

47 years old

24 years service

Married with two children, aged 20yrs and 18yrs

### **Realities of the job**

“Over the years I have lost count of the number of times I have had to put myself between violent offenders and members of the public. I do however remember every fatal road traffic collision I have attended during the time I was a traffic patrol officer together with the families I have had to break that news to and then give support.

Being a police officer is not just a job, I am a police officer 24/7, 365 days a year. To me and my family it is a way of life!”

### **What will the proposed changes mean for you?**

“My family and I are really concerned about what the future has in store for

us. My wife and I are both serving officers and we are set to lose in excess of £2,000 a year.

We have no problem in helping to address the problems this country faces but to feel that we are being persecuted because of the job that we do is not right and is not fair.”

---

**Cuts are Criminal**