
“I took an oath to be a police officer not for the money or the pension but because it is something I believe in and one that underpins our society. I feel that I have no value anymore. My morale is shot. If the government of the day do not support us, why did I take that oath?”

Police Officer, North Wales

Officer Profile

44 years old

22 years service

Married with 5 children, aged 4yrs - 14yrs

Realities of the job

“I have been spat on, assaulted and called every name imaginable by people who called for the police to help them! I have carried body parts from the side of roads and half an hour later told the family of that person their son is dead. I have been at the scene of a double child murder and then gone home and sat watching my kids sleep.”

What will the proposed changes mean for you?

“My family and I are really worried about what the future holds for us. Will I have to work longer? The proposed changes will cost me £2,500 a year and if interest rates start to climb or I get posted further from home, we may have to sell the house. What really disappoints me is the lack of support from the public. This government is betraying the very fabric of our society and at the same demands our loyalty.”