

Our ageing population brings both challenges and opportunities.

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## Policy and Research Update - October 2017

Dear Friend

This month we have a particular focus on employment issues, with our new report on how a Career MOT at 50 might be able to help people keep working. We are also delighted to host a blog from Maria Miller MP, Chair of the House of Commons Women and Equalities Committee, on their Inquiry into older people and employment.

Warm wishes,

Jane Vass, Director of Policy and Research

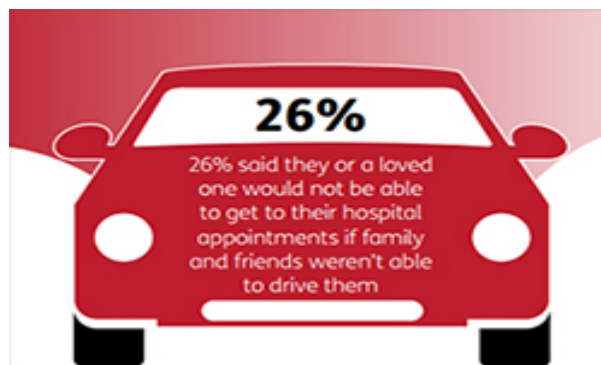
### News

Half of all workers aged 40-64 – nearly eight million people – do not expect to have enough money to stop work and retire when they reach their State Pension Age, according to new research. Age UK is calling for government action to help people plan their later working lives.

[Read the full story here >](#)

### Featured Publication

Age UK has launched our new campaign, 'Painful Journeys', addressing the difficulties older people have getting to hospital. Go to [our website](#) to see how you can get involved or read more about the issue in [our report here](#).



### Publications

Read Age UK's briefing on the risk of scams and fraud for older people and what banks, local authorities and the national government can do to minimise those risks.

[Read the briefing >](#)

### Consultation responses

Age UK responded to the Financial Conduct Authority Consultation on Pension Transfers. The Charity broadly supports changing the advice regime for people transferring their money out of a Defined

Benefit pension scheme, but is concerned at the escalating numbers of transfers taking place.

[Read the response >](#)

Age UK responded to the Work and Pensions Select Committee inquiry into pension freedoms and the impact of the 'freedom and choice' agenda has had on consumers.

[Read the response >](#)

## Blog

Read this guest blog by Maria Miller MP, Chair of the House of Commons Women and Equalities Committee on the [relaunch of their older people and employment inquiry](#) and contribute to the [evidence gathering here](#) until 3 November.

## More from Age UK

### Age UK information guides and factsheets

We have just updated our Information and Advice on NHS services. You can find these updates, along with all of our other resources, [here](#).

### Research Digest

Catch up with the [latest developments](#), including two scholarships available for an MSc Palliative Care Course at KCL. Additionally, the National Cancer Research Institute Survey to improve patient experience is open until 15 November, [click here to participate](#).

### Upcoming Events

#### *Later Life Conference*

The For Later Life 2018 programme has now been announced. Book your early bird tickets now.

Highlights include:

- What makes Later Life worth living?
- Building financial resilience
- Can the voluntary sector pick up the pieces?

The conference will take place on the 14 March 2018 at Church House Westminster.

Join the debate on twitter: [@age\\_uk #forlaterlife](#)

[Book your place now >](#)

#### *Love Christmas Carol Concert*

Join us for Age UK's much-loved celebrity carol concert on **Thursday 7 December at 7.30pm in Westminster Cathedral**, London.

[Visit www.ageuk.org.uk/lovechristmas](http://www.ageuk.org.uk/lovechristmas) to find out more >

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