

## Police Pensions Debate

Police officers across England and Wales have helped to secure a debate on police pensions. The debate which has been tabled by Keith Vaz, Chairman of the Home Affairs Select Committee will take place at Westminster Hall on 28 November 2012. From the e-petition set up by Nigel Tompsett which gained over 100,000 signatures to Federation members contacting Mr Vaz directly – all have played their part in getting this debate secured.

It is now important that members contact their MPs to ensure they ask questions during the debate and raise the key issues to ensure this opportunity has a beneficial outcome and does not go unheard.

MPs should be made aware of the following points:

- Section 2 of the Police Pensions Act should be honoured by the government. For more information on section [http://www.polfed.org/Statement\\_IanRennie\\_clarification\\_over\\_section2\\_PolicePensionsAct.pdf](http://www.polfed.org/Statement_IanRennie_clarification_over_section2_PolicePensionsAct.pdf)
- Any new pensions introduced should only be for new recruits.
- In our submission we stated that there was no necessity to increase the contribution rate OR the retirement age.
- These terms were rejected by the Home Office and the Treasury Department who determined that all public servants will pay more for their pensions.

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