

## In-Work Poverty and the Living Wage Survey - Dundee Fairness Commission

At the end of September, the Dundee Fairness Commission will be discussing in-work poverty, the Living Wage and the stigma faced by people on low incomes.

Many people in Dundee are living in poverty despite the fact that one or more adults in the house is in work. If people can't find full and part time jobs that are fairly paid, they may not be able to afford the quality of life which most of the public think everyone should have. They may also rely on in-work benefits or tax credits which are continually being cut. More employers are choosing to pay the Living Wage because they believe it is better for their services and businesses if their employees are fairly rewarded for their work.

Often people on low incomes feel that they are not being treated fairly or with the respect that everyone in our community deserves. Some newspapers and television programmes misrepresent the real picture of life on a low income and paint people receiving benefits very negatively. These negative attitudes can spread across the general public and make the experience of living on a low income even more difficult.

We'd like to know what people in Dundee think about this.

We know your story may involve personal details so we will treat everything you tell us confidentially. If you are happy for us to use your name when we are presenting views to the Commission, please include your name below. And if you'd like us to be able to contact you to follow up on anything you tell us, please include your email address or telephone number.

Do you find it hard to make ends meet even though you are in work in Dundee? What has your experience been like and what would help you to improve this?

Have you had experience of being on a zero hours contract? What impact do these contracts have on you and your families?

Do you feel that you have been treated unfairly or disrespectfully because you receive benefits or are on a low income? Please tell us what happened and how it made you feel.

What could we do in Dundee to change public attitudes and tackle the stigma that people on low incomes face?

Do you live in Dundee?	Yes		No	
Name (optional):				
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