

MOTHERS / CARERS HAVE YOUR SAY

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1. Are you a mother? How many children do you have? How old are they?
2. Do any of your children have a disability? Do you have a disability?
3. Do you care for an elderly, sick or disabled relative or friend? Do you get any carer's allowance?
4. Do you help in your children's school or in the community?
5. Do you have a paid job? More than one job? Part-time or full-time?
6. Does your partner, mother or other relative help with childcare? Could you go out to work without their help?
7. Do you pay for childcare? How much of your pay does it take? Are you and your children happy with this arrangement?
8. Did you want to go out to work, or did you have to because of financial pressures (benefit cuts, low wages, other)?
9. Are you the main or only breadwinner? Has your family's income gone up or down in the last two years? Why?
10. Do you ever go without to feed and provide for your children? What do you cut back on?
11. If you could afford it, would you stay at home or work part-time while your children are young? If yes, up to what age?
12. Do you consider raising children or caring for others a contribution to society?
13. Childminders, foster carers and nannies get a wage for their caring work. Should mothers?
14. People caring for a disabled or elderly relative for +35 hours a week can receive a £59 Carer's Allowance. Should they be entitled to a living wage?