



Extending Working Life



DWP PSAs and DSOs

PSA 17 – tackling **poverty** and promoting **greater independence and well being in later life**

DSO4 - Promote independence and well-being in later life, continuing to tackle pensioner poverty and implementing welfare reform.

- encourage continued participation through work in later life
- ensure choices are well informed to help people provide a satisfactory income for themselves in later life/retirement

Current DWP policy responses (1)

Participation through work in later life

- employment focus; impact of the recession; measures for older workers in the white paper, “Building Britain’s recovery”
- engagement with employers through the Age Positive initiative; encouraging flexible retirement and flexible working; age legislation; DRA review (with BIS)
- training, Health, skills, caring – all important barriers to continued participation

Current DWP policy responses (2)

Helping people to be well informed and to have a satisfactory income in later life and retirement

- information products and messages as part of the DWP Planning and Saving for Later Life communications campaign
- developing further communications products on EWL
- further research on challenging cultural norms and expectations about retirement and what happens to you in later life