

Dear Sir

I give my permission for my story to be published.

I was born in the 50's and started work at 16. I worked for 45 years opting to pay a full NI stamp and was told I could retire at 60. When my children were born I had very little time off and was back working in no time at all. In 2013 I requested a pension forecast and was shocked to find I would not get my State Pension till I was 66. This was the first I had heard of this, I had never received any correspondence from the DWP. The forecast shows I have 45 full years but the DWP says I contracted out and am not entitled to a full pension unless I make voluntary NI contributions. Ironically they have moved the goal posts from now on in only 35 years are needed to qualify and they will get a higher pension than I will after paying 45 years. Due to ill health I have had to finish work and my husband who is 10 years older than me and 72 years of age is keeping me on his pension. I have been robbed of in excess of £43000. What has happened to all my NI contributions?

The 50's ladies will not go away, we will fight the injustice that has been done to us.

Regards
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