Submission to Fair Pay Commission.

One and a half million adult low income workers are struggling to exist through no fault of their own. They did not have the benefit of a good education but work just as hard or harder than others earning twice or three times more. Yet all their expenses are exactly the same. Rent, petrol, food, gas, electricity, tax, phone etc.

Low income families receive a lot of assistance but the single adult worker gets nothing from the government. They can’t save any money to put into a tax free account or towards a first home. Living expenses have doubled over a short period. A single adult worker needs a net wage of at least £600 a week to exist. Of course employers will strongly object while they continue to enjoy the expensive homes, cars, boats and plasma TVs. It is not the low income workers causing high inflation. They can’t afford any luxury items.

Any single adult earning up to £32,000 pa should not have to pay tax. It’s time the wealthy made some sacrifices to help lift the poor out of the gutter.