



# Chancellor challenged on the frozen pensions policy in House of Commons questions on the Autumn Budget

Today, Sir Peter Bottomley MP raised the issue of frozen pensions directly to the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Jeremy Hunt, following his presentation of the Autumn Budget.

This followed on from the APPG meeting earlier that morning, chaired by Sir Peter Bottomley, marking the launch of a new report, *UK-Canada: An Unequal Partnership*, which highlights the differences in engagement with the policy between the two countries.

Sir Peter Bottomley highlighted to the Chancellor the case of 98-year old WW2 veteran Anne Puckridge, a British pensioner now living in Canada receiving less than half the full current UK state pension due to the frozen pensions policy. Sir Peter asked the Chancellor to look into this issue personally, to which the Chancellor agreed, as well as offering to write or meet with Sir Peter personally on this matter.

Read the transcript of Sir Peter Bottomley's intervention and the Chancellor's response here: [\[Contribution by Sir Peter Bottomley \(Worthing West\) \(Con\) \(parliament.uk\)\]](#)

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My pension is reduced to GBP100 per week, because of time spent abroad. I have a wife, a 14year old, a 24year old, all at home. My wife now sells corn cobs on the street. I must now do a job which no Mexican will do, cleaning chicken entrails. Just trying to make ends meet and keep our son in a decent school. Inflation here is incessant. I never imagined life could be so hard, at 72. And my government gives me the cold shoulder. Or actually, is it frozen???? I just want to ask why?

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