



**DEFENCE POLICE FEDERATION**  
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**To All Members**

**22<sup>nd</sup> November 2019**

**Circular 34/19**

**DPF Response to Fitness Standards Engagement Document**

Your attention is drawn to our website, where our initial response paper can be viewed.

It can be found via [this link](#) and has been sent to the Force this afternoon.

This is, without a doubt, the most impactful and wide-reaching issue to ever face the Ministry of Defence Police and the Defence Police Federation.

Please ensure that any and all concerns you have are raised with your local DPF representatives, and continue to be fed into us at the Federation, as it is this engagement, that informs our responses and position.

We will keep you fully updated on this via our website, circulars and through social media, so please keep a watchful eye on all of these mediums.

In addition, a major part of our concern here is in relation to the current pension age, and you will be aware we are currently working with Loughborough University to examine this area. We need everyone to get involved, and whilst we understand many do not relish taking part in fitness testing at the best of times, it is the evidence from this study, that will help inform our position here on the pension age. So please get involved.

Please participate, because we need all the evidence we can obtain, to ensure we get the right outcome for our current members and those to come in the future.

**Mitchel Batt**  
**General Secretary**

**Eamon Keating**  
**National Chairman**

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