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**4. Details of the impact**

***Raising public debate on unpaid wages***

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more practical advice and advocacy, with a key role for non-governmental bodies on the issue of unpaid wages, informed the Legal Action Group in the launch of their online employment advice service in February 2019 [5.5]. Local impacts were exemplified by the “Weymouth & Portland Action on Wages” group, partly created in response to the report, whose Chair stated: “*The report and its findings made a significant impact on those present and shaped an agenda for action on poverty wages in the area*” [5.6].

### ***Influencing government policy on employment rights and their enforcement***

The enhanced public debate generated on unpaid wages created a context in which the *Unpaid Britain* findings impacted directly upon government policy and practice, resulting in over 2 million of Britain’s lowest paid workers directly benefitting from improved publicity and enforcement of entitlement to unpaid wages. A House of Commons Environment Audit Committee’s report noted that: “*Researchers from Middlesex University working on the Unpaid*

