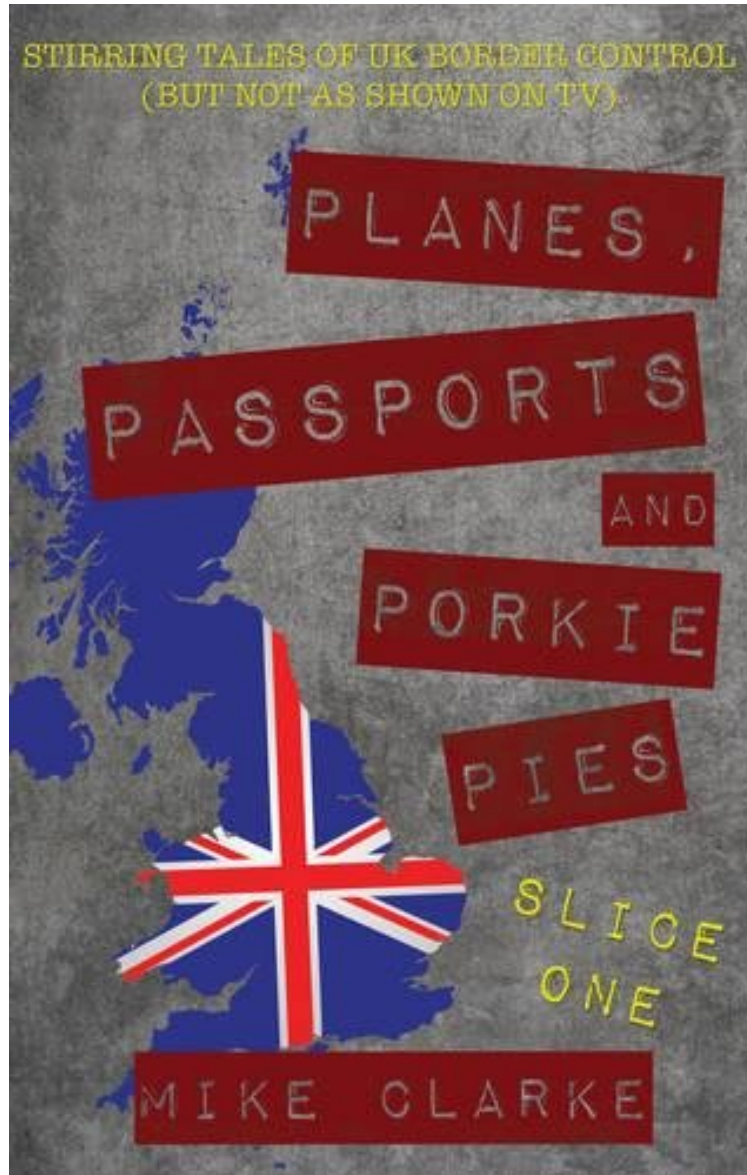


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Mike Clarke : Planes, Passports and Porkie Pies - Slice One before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Planes, Passports and Porkie Pies - Slice One:

"This book is written for all those men and women, of every rank and some now dead, who laboured, wholly unsung,

often abused and largely in vain, in the United Kingdom's old Immigration Service to maintain the country's border controls..." Mike Clarke worked for 18 years in Immigration Control in London's larger airports, the last 9 as a Chief Immigration Officer. In his time there, he encountered every scenario you could imagine - and some you'd never dream of! Planes, Passports and Porkie Pies - Slice One details the ups and downs of his working life: queues and crises, joy and despair, cock-ups, punch-ups, forgers, robbers, liars, lovers, thugs, drugs and always the poorest of the poor. "'Wait,' I hear you ask in probable shocked disbelief when you've read on a bit, 'can these stories really be true?' Well, all I can say is that every tale - barring a number of minor changes to protect both the innocent and the part-guilty, not least myself - is as accurate as my fallible memory allows." Join Mike as he recounts just some of his more memorable moments, from a man wearing a suit filled with 80,000 cash to his part in the truly shocking sudden death of the Russian Atomic Clock. Planes, Passports and Porkie Pies is a hilarious memoir that will particularly appeal to those familiar with the immigration sector, as well as anyone who has ever suffered at the hands of mindless bureaucracy.

About the Author After a disastrous (but character forming) spell at university, then some aimless swanning around, Mike Clarke worked for 38 years in Immigration Control, finally becoming the first Inspector of the elite, discreet and now defunct IS Anti-Terrorist Liaison Unit. He has now, thankfully, retired. Planes, Passports and Porkie Pies - Slice One is his first book, but he has already written its successor, Planes, Passports and Porkie Pies - Slice Two.