

Desperate hubby seeks help for wife's shopping addiction

A man desperate to curb his wife's spending habit has pleaded for help online, as the couple are just a few months away from buying a house.

For the last few months, *Dean has found himself getting "p**sed off" at the amount of online shopping his wife has been doing. It feels like nearly every day some other "unnecessary item" is showing up on the doorstep from an online retailer.

So far, Dean has managed to bite his tongue about the purchases – but that is becoming harder and harder to do. "We're meant to be saving and purchasing a house in the next couple months," the UK dad ranted on [Mumsnet](#).

"Although both our names will be on the mortgage, I am funding the entire deposit, and will ultimately be paying the mortgage as my salary enables this. So, is it none of my business what she buys – should I leave her to it? Or am I allowed to be p**sed off as it all seems a little one sided?"

By way of backstory, Dean and his wife are currently living with his parents until the purchase of their brand-new home goes through in March. He is also working full-time at his parents' house – while also keeping track of the kids' homeschooling and doing 75 per cent of all the "chores and childcare".

On the other hand, his wife works part-time at a local cafe, and spends the rest of her time on social media or online shopping.

"We recently during a deep clean and sort out it was discovered that a large percentage of her wardrobe still had the tags on, never worn,"

Dean explained. "Yet if the online shopping is questioned, I am told it's all things that are 'needed'."

"So am I being unreasonable by getting p**sed off at the amount of online shopping and unnecessary items my darling wife is buying?"

Several Mumsnet users immediately jumped on the post to caution Dean to watch out, as they believed his wife was "taking advantage" of him. For many, it wasn't the online shopping that bothered them, but rather Dean's wife's apparent unwillingness to help with anything around the house.

"I think that online shopping is not your only problem. Have things always been like this? Have you really thought this house purchase through?" one concerned commenter asked.

"She will ruin you financially. Don't buy a house with her," another person added.

"This sounds like a terrible situation, and I'd be getting a divorce not a mortgage if she didn't stop being so bloody selfish," a third user remarked.

However, others were a little more sympathetic, suggesting that perhaps Dean's wife might have a shopping addiction.

"Does she have an addictive personality, is she like this with other aspects of her life?" one person questioned.

"She sounds like a shopaholic. Does she have access to your wages? What about credit cards? Compulsive shopping can turn your life into a nightmare," someone else added.

**Names have been changed*