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HALF of UK adults don't want to be their best friend's maid of honour or best man!

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- **38% of Brits are left out of pocket, and feel like debt-collectors**
- **Biggest bugbears include coordinating flights and dropouts**
- **Planners typically will send nearly 90 WhatsApp messages trying to organise everyone**
- **42% would use an online money pot to alleviate planning woes**

14 February, 2018: Half of UK adults DO NOT want to be their best friend's maid of honour or best man because they can't be bothered with the hassle of organising a stag or hen do, according to new research.

Friendship politics, the responsibility of booking flights and hotels, and having to chase people for money were just some of the annoyances associated with people not wanting to be stood next to their friend on the big day.

One in five adults have actually tried to back out of the responsibility of being a best man or maid of honour after accepting, because of the pressure of organising what is essentially a holiday for up to twenty or thirty strangers.

Two of the biggest bugbears in planning a stag or hen do was coordinating flights from different airports, and 39% said people dropping out was the worst aspect. However, 41% felt having to deal with everyone's differing opinions was by far the worst part of planning a 'fun' trip away for their best pal - backseat drivers clearly apply to party planning too.

The poll by group gifting and personal fundraising platform, [Leetchi.com](https://leetchi.com) also found that 38% of adults who have been tasked with organising their best mate's last moments of freedom said they felt like a debt collector, and the typical organiser will be left £57 out of pocket.

Over the course of planning a hen or stag do, the typical planner will send a whopping 89 emails or WhatsApp messages regarding the trip.

With this in mind, It's not surprising that the average stag or hen party will take ten solid hours of planning, leading to a quarter of people stating the experience of planning one left them stressed, overwhelmed or annoyed.

[Céline Lazorthes](#), CEO and founder of Leetchi.com, commented on the findings:

"Taking into consideration the time and effort put into planning a hen or stag do, on top of coordinating and paying for flights, hotels, cost of drinks and food, it's not surprising to see that Brits are reluctant to plan their friend's do!"

"The findings revealed that nearly half (42%) would rather use an online money pot to take the hassle out of collecting money and organising the group gift or trip, and Leetchi.com provides just that. The organiser no longer has to worry about chasing people up to pay their share or keeping a tab on who's

paid or not. They can instead focus on the life moments that matter, as opposed to wanting to back out!"

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Notes to editors

About The Research: Survey of 2,066 respondents conducted by [GingerComms](#) on behalf of [Leetchi.com](#)

About [Leetchi.com](#):

[Leetchi.com](#) is the leading European group gifting and personal fundraising platform. It proposes a fast, easy and secure way for people to collect and raise money online via personalised money pots. From organising group gifts and events, to supporting causes, to financing personal projects Leetchi.com helps bring ideas to life!

Today, Leetchi.com has more than 10 million users in 150 countries.