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Scrutiny Matters Feedback - Affordable Jersey Housing

To start I will summarize by saying yes I agree that Jersey housing is very expensive there is no disagreement here. However I was able to buy my first 2 bedroom apartment in Jersey at the age of 23 in 2019 coming from a working class family without any gifts or money given to me. I am now looking to sell up and buy a house which will be a struggle financially for a few years yes but anything that is worth having shouldn't come easy.

To do this I have had to make sacrifices i.e. not going out 3 days a week drinking, working a few extra hours here and there, not buying the new top of the range phone every year, driving your run of the mill a to b car rather than a crisp and shiny thing, not smoking and not having thousands of pounds worth of designer clothes.

In reality what I am saying is that if you don't adhere to the everyday American influencer society that is considered the "norm" these days then buying a house in Jersey is more than possible.

Don't get me wrong paying 900,000 pounds for a 3 bedroom house is out of the question for most if not all of Jersey's population under the age of 30 without help but what do you need that for? 2/3 bedroom apartment is more than adequate to get you on the ladder and to start a family. To get everything you want by the end of your life you will have to sacrifice things to get there it will never just be handed to you