



# Take care of Christmas expenses



Find out how Park agent Kerry Blackett, 42, helped 100 families enjoy a debt-free Christmas

**W**e all want to treat our loved ones at Christmas but the expense can make it a stressful time of year. For me, joining Park Christmas Savings has been a great way to take the worry out of it all. I joined Park 11 years ago, and since then, I've been able to buy all my presents without stressing about money.

When I told family and friends, they wanted to join up, too. From then on, there was no looking back and I went from being a customer to an agent.

The customers I look after put aside £10 or £20 a week – whatever they can afford – towards gift cards and

vouchers. That means they've got a pot of £500 or £1,000 or more to spend on presents, food and drinks.

Some people say you could save with your bank, but it's just too easy to dip into your savings pot, whereas with Park, you've got the security of knowing your Christmas money is sorted.

I have a community of around 100 customers now. Most of them have been with me for years and we keep in touch through our own Facebook page.

When they receive their gift cards in November, I get calls and messages to say thanks – they're so grateful that Christmas has been taken care of.

## How does Park Christmas Savings work?

### GETTING STARTED

- ✦ January is the perfect time to join Park, but you can join at any time.
- ✦ Decide what you'd like to put aside for next Christmas – a little each week soon adds up. £10 a week over 40 weeks will give you £400 in gift cards or vouchers, which you'll receive in early November so there's plenty of time to do your Christmas shopping.
- ✦ It's incredibly easy to sign up. You can do it online at [getpark.co.uk](http://getpark.co.uk) or call 03457 678933. You can keep track of your payments through your agent, the Park app or online account.

### FEE-GOOD FINANCES

- ✦ Park is completely flexible – you're in control of how much you pay and when, whether it's by direct debit or standing order, online, by phone, PayPoint or post.
- ✦ If your circumstances change, you can reduce or skip a payment and if you're feeling flush, you can increase it.
- ✦ Your money is securely held by an independent trust and Park adheres to the Christmas Prepayment Association code of conduct.

### HAPPY GIFTING

- ✦ Park offers a wide range of gift cards and vouchers, which you can give as gifts or use to buy presents. You can also use gift cards to do a supermarket shop or for a meal out.
- ✦ The Love2shop gift card can be used with high street retailers, such as Argos, M&S and TK Maxx.
- ✦ E-gift cards are useful for specific retailers such as Primark, Asda or Sainsbury's.
- ✦ The Your Choice card\* can be used anywhere that accepts Mastercard.

Refer a friend to Park Christmas Savings and you'll both get £10 on your accounts.\*\*

It's really satisfying to help other people and, in 2020, I was thrilled to be awarded Park's top UK agent – my prize was a bonus of £1,500, which was an amazing reward for doing something I love.

- ✦ To find out more and to join, visit [getpark.co.uk](http://getpark.co.uk) or call 03457 678933