



**Save money, save the planet. Borrow, don't buy. Hastings Library of Things**

## **Frequently Asked Questions**

### **What is a library of things?**

A way for people to borrow things they need, rather than buy. Members browse online and choose what they want – a cake tin, a carpet cleaner, a drill. Book a collection spot and pick up their “things” from our new library in Claremont. Friendly member librarians will help you with your collections.

### **When do you open**

Spring 2021

### **What kind of “things will you have?**

We have a [list](#). Feel free to browse and make suggestions

### **How can I get involved?**

Email [hastingslibraryofthings@mail.com](mailto:hastingslibraryofthings@mail.com). Tell us what you want to do:

- Become a member
- Get involved in making it happen
- Ask a question or make a suggestion

### **What does it cost?**

Membership will probably be around £4 a year, with a borrowing fee of £2 or £3 per item. *(Charges will be as low as we can make them and still cover our essential costs. Hastings Library of Things is not profit making, no-one takes a wage and all the fees go back into making it happen.)*

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### **Can I donate?**

Yes please. We don't "get the keys" til March 2021, so we will struggle to take anything big before then, but, speak to us, and let's see what happens.

### **Where are you going to be?**

A "bricks and mortar" library in Claremont- just a hop from the Hastings main library.

### **Are you accessible?**

We are trying to be- ask us questions and make suggestions.

- There is step free access to the library, and we are near a couple of bus routes
- We are committed to sensible font sizes and colours and the use of "plain English".
- We are looking for a delivery and collection service for members who are less mobile
- The borrowing software is adaptive and works well on computers and phones

### **Can community groups join?**

Yes, we will have a special rate, and things for community groups, like tables and a tea urn, and a tombola.

### **What delivery options will you offer?**

We are working with [Hastings Cargo Co](#) to offer low cost zero carbon delivery and collection on their excellent electric bikes.

### **I have another question**

Great, ask away: [hastingslibraryofthings@mail.com](mailto:hastingslibraryofthings@mail.com) or on through our [facebook group](#)