



Sisters are doin' it for themselves

THREE in four Irish women in their 20s prefer to pay their own way on dates, a new survey revealed yesterday.

The online study of 600 male and female 22- to 28-year-olds found that most have a sensible approach to personal saving and spending, despite public perceptions to the contrary.

The research discovered that 57pc of the group most resented spending €158 on the TV licence fee, while 50pc cribbed about shelling out to pay the family doctor.

The research was carried out during June for Bank of Ireland, to coincide their Advice Week from July 23 to 27.

The survey found that 61pc of women worry regularly about money, compared with only 41pc of men.

Women are more inclined to budget than men, with 53pc budgeting regularly, while 89pc use family and friends as a means to get financial advice and 39pc of people said spending money makes them feel better.

University College Dublin social psychologist Kenneth McKenzie said: "Most people have sown their wild oats by the time they reach 25, and then begin to focus on long-term goals, like buying a house, marriage and children."



SUIT CHOO: 'Fairy godmother' Rosanna Davison was out to make dreams come true with a 6ft replica of a Jimmy Choo stiletto at the launch of Bank of Ireland's Advice Week