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Neil

Hello, welcome to Authentic Real English, I'm Neil and joining me in the studio is Helen.

Helen

Hello everyone. It's nice to relax a bit. It's been a crazy few weeks. We had just four weeks to buy our new home.

Neil

Oh no, four weeks! That's not really much time.

Helen

I know. Luckily the lawyers were very helpful. We got the mortgage in time and we completed the purchase last weekend.

Neil

So you've finally got your own place.

Helen

Yes, the money has exchanged hands and we got our keys yesterday!

Neil

Brilliant, so it's all done and dusted then.

Helen

No, we haven't had the chance to inspect the house yet. Never mind dusting it.

Neil

I wasn't talking about dusting the house!

Helen

But I heard you ask if it was done and dusted.

Neil

Oh, it's just a way of saying everything is ok now - nothing else needs doing. You've closed the deal on your house purchase. It's done and dusted.

Helen

原来 **done and dusted** 是全部完成，完毕的意思。我才拿到钥匙，还没空去呢，怎么可能就已经完成打扫卫生了呢？

Neil

Done and dusted is actually a very common expression. We hear it a lot at work. And usually it means something has been completed successfully, there's no more work to be done on it. Let's hear some examples.

Examples

The dispute between me and the Council about my parking ticket has been resolved. It's done and dusted.

After two months of hard work, the project is finally done and dusted.

About this logo design... as far as I'm concerned, it's done and dusted.

Helen

好了从上面的例句中我们能看到 **done and dusted** 是一个口语化的表达，说什么事情全部完成，到此告一段落。

Neil

That's right. And this programme is now done and dusted.

Helen

Thanks for listening. Join us next time for more useful English expressions.

Neil

Bye.

Helen

Bye.