

PayPoint Plc

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New Zealand Banking Association choose obconnect to deliver Confirmation of Payee ecosystem

PayPoint has today announced that obconnect, the leading Open Banking technology provider, has secured the contract to deliver the Confirmation of Payee ecosystem in New Zealand, partnering with the New Zealand Banking Association (NZBA). This follows the announcement on 1 August 2024 confirming that PayPoint is making a further strategic investment in obconnect, enabling the Group to further leverage their Open Banking technology platform and unlock greater opportunities within both businesses.

The contract will initially see obconnect providing Confirmation of Payee services to major banks in New Zealand from November 2024, including ANZ, ASB, Bank of China, BNZ, CCB, The Co-operative Bank, Heartland Bank, ICBC, Kiwibank, Rabobank, SBS Bank, TSB, and Westpac. Confirmation of Payee provides bank customers with an extra level of reassurance when making domestic payments from one bank account to another, allowing them to check that the account name matches the account number before the payment is made.

Nick Wiles, Chief Executive of PayPoint, said:

"We are delighted that obconnect has won the contract to deliver the Confirmation of Payee ecosystem in New Zealand, coming soon after our strategic investment was announced. Confirmation of Payee and Open Banking is important to the future of the PayPoint business and our investment in obconnect will enable the Group to strengthen its position further in this fast-growing sector."

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ABOUT PAYPOINT GROUP

For tens of thousands of businesses and millions of consumers, we deliver innovative technology and services that make life a little easier.

The PayPoint Group serves a diverse range of organisations, from SME and convenience retailer partners, to local authorities, government, multinational service providers and e-commerce brands. Our products are split across four core business divisions:

- In Shopping, we enhance retailer propositions and customer experiences through EPoS services via PayPoint One, card
 payment technology, Counter Cash, ATMs and home delivery technology partnerships in over 60,000 SME and retailer
 partner locations across multiple sectors. Our retail network of over 29,000 convenience stores is larger than all the banks,
 supermarkets and Post Offices put together
- In E-commerce, we deliver best-in-class customer journeys through Collect+, a tech-based delivery solution that allows parcels to be picked up, dropped off and sent at thousands of local stores
- In Payments and Banking, we give our clients and their customers choice in how to make and receive payments quickly
 and conveniently. This includes our channel-agnostic digital payments platform, MultiPay, offering solutions to clients
 across cash, card payments, direct debit and Open Banking. PayPoint also supports its eMoney clients with purchase and
 redemption of eMoney across its retail network.
- In Love2shop, we provide gifting, employee engagement, consumer incentive and prepaid savings solutions to thousands
 of consumers and businesses. Love2shop is the UK's number one multi-retailer gifting provider, offering consumers the
 choice to spend at more than 140 high-street and online retail partners. Park Christmas Savings is the UK's biggest
 Christmas savings club, helping over 350,000 families manage the cost of Christmas, by offering a huge range of gift
 cards and vouchers from some of the biggest high street names, including Argos, Primark and B&M.

Together, these solutions enable the PayPoint Group to create long-term value for all stakeholders, including customers, communities and the world we live in.