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# ACS and PayPoint announce new independent retailer partnership

All PayPoint One retailers to get free ACS membership

**Welwyn Garden City, 11 February 2019:** ACS (the Association of Convenience Stores) and PayPoint have today announced a new independent retailer partnership to provide support and best practice to thousands more store owners across the UK. The agreement will see all PayPoint One retailers offered free ACS membership, getting access to industry-leading events, advice and networking.

The new partnership will see ACS content and communications made available to retailers via the PayPoint One platform, as well as working together on events and communications focused on future developments of in-store technology. This underlines PayPoint's commitment to provide cutting edge technology solutions that help retailers save time, reduce costs and increase profitability.

Lewis Alcraft, Commercial Director for PayPoint, commented: *"The ACS are the leading industry body representing thousands of convenience retailers across the UK and I'm delighted to be working with them closely to drive better standards, best practice and helping more retailers engaged in the important work the ACS do."*

James Lowman, Chief Executive of ACS, commented: *"We are delighted to be working with PayPoint to extend the benefits of ACS membership to retailers using the PayPoint One system, including our Assured Advice scheme which ensures that all local enforcement authorities have to respect the in-store procedures of retailers who follow our guides."*

PayPoint One retailers can find out more about how to register at [paypoint.com/acs](http://paypoint.com/acs)

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## **ABOUT PAYPOINT**

In thousands of retail locations, at home and on the move, we make life more convenient for everyone.

For retailers, we offer innovative and time-saving technology that empowers convenience retailers in the UK and Romania to achieve higher footfall and increased spend so they can grow their businesses profitably. Our innovative retail services platform, PayPoint One, is now live in over 12,000 stores in the UK and offers everything a modern convenience store needs, from parcels and contactless card payments to EPoS and bill payment services. Our technology helps retailers to serve customers quickly, improve business efficiency and stay connected to their stores from anywhere.

We help millions of people to control their household finances, make essential payments and access in-store services, like parcel collections and drop-offs. Our UK network of 28,000 stores is bigger than all banks, supermarkets and Post Offices together, putting us at the heart of communities nationwide.

For clients of all sizes we provide cutting-edge payments technologies without the need for capital investment. Our seamlessly integrated multichannel payments solution, MultiPay, is a one-stop shop for customer payments. PayPoint helps over 500 consumer service providers to save time and money while making it easier for their customers to pay – via any channel and on any device.

## **ABOUT ACS**

The Association of Convenience Stores is the voice of over 33,500 local shops, supporting our members through effective lobbying, comprehensive advice and innovative networking opportunities.

ACS' core purpose is to lobby Government on the issues that make a difference to local shops, supported by a research programme designed to discover new information about the convenience sector which can be used to inform decision making both in Government and with those involved directly in the sector.

ACS' Assured Advice guides provide accredited standards for in-store procedures, such as health and safety or underage sales.

By signing up to the ACS Assured Advice scheme and following our guidelines, the procedures in your store will be respected by ALL local enforcement officers including Environmental health and Trading Standards officers.