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## Samsung Pay launches for HSBC, First Direct and M&S customers

HSBC, first direct and M&S will be offering customers in the UK access to Samsung Pay, which will provide a smart and secure method for payments.

Samsung Pay will be available from 20th June.

### Stuart Haire, HSBC UK's Head of Retail Banking

"Samsung Pay is just one of the ways we're helping customers manage their money in a safe and convenient way. We are committed to provide a great customer experience across all of our retail platforms and are delighted to offer our customers the choice of using this easy-to-use payment system. "

Samsung Pay is accepted almost anywhere you can use your contactless credit or debit card, and uses an encrypted digital token to replace sensitive card information to prevent fraud. You can use the Samsung Galaxy S8 and S8+'s iris scanner to authorise payments, or a registered fingerprint or passcode on your other compatible devices, so you are in complete control when each payment is made. Additionally, Samsung's industry-leading Knox security platform is built into the hardware and software of your device, which ensures mobile information and data is secure.

Samsung Pay is available on the Galaxy S8/S8+, S7/S7 edge and S6/S6 edge (via software update). A Samsung Pay software update is now also rolling out to A3 2017 and A5 2017 devices, and will become available on additional devices in the coming months.

For more information on Samsung Pay, visit: <http://www.samsung.com/uk/samsung-pay/>

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### HSBC Bank plc

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**first direct** provides telephone, online and mobile banking services to its 1.25m customers and offers a full range of personal banking products including its multi-award winning [Current Account](#) and [mortgages](#). It has been recognised for its excellent customer service by numerous independent third parties including Which? Moneywise, Moneyfacts and Moneysavingexpert.com. As well as its

Facebook page, **first direct** uses social media to engage with customers through sites like YouTube, Twitter, Flickr and Tumblr.

### **About M&S Bank**

M&S Bank (the trading name of Marks & Spencer Financial Services plc) was founded in 1985 as the financial services division of Marks and Spencer plc. In November 2004, HSBC bought 100 per cent of the share capital of Marks and Spencer Retail Financial Services Holdings Limited.

Today, M&S Bank operates as a joint venture arrangement between HSBC and Marks & Spencer, however, M&S Bank retains its own board.

M&S Bank offers a broad range of financial products, including current accounts, the M&S Credit Card, and a range of loans, savings and general insurance products, while its travel money offering boasts the widest range of currencies available on the high street. M&S Bank has 29 branches and over 120 bureaux de change located in M&S stores across the UK.

### **The HSBC Group**

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