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Get to know Bankline for **Communities**

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Welcome to Bankline for Communities

This guide will help you find your way around and introduce you to the key features of Bankline for Communities.

A good way to get started is to sign up for a free Bankline for Communities webinar. Our experts will give you an overview of the service, covering everything from statements to payments. Just visit this page and scroll down to Bankline for Communities:

[Book a webinar](#)

Info for account leaders

Your team can work together to securely manage your finances in Bankline for Communities.

It's important to have the right number of account leaders on your profile. Account leaders are responsible for adding and managing users, you'll need at least two to do this. They can also create and approve payments.

You should consider adding additional accounts leaders, as this will help keep your profile running efficiently when other account leaders are away.

You'll also always need two users to approve payments, it's worth thinking about this when deciding who needs access. You'll find out more about this in the manage users section of this guide.

Logging in

If you're logging in for the first time, you can [find help here](#).

To log in, go to www.natwest.com/bankline, and click the log in button. (If you want to save a link, use this one, not the log in screen itself.)

You'll need your:

| | |
|--|---|
| Customer ID: | the same for everyone in your organisation. Contains numbers only. |
| User ID: | unique to you. Can contain letters and numbers. |
| Password: | 6-20 characters with one number, one letter, but no special characters. |
| Smartcard & QR card reader: | for scanning a QR code with your card reader |

Once you have these, follow these steps:

1. Enter your Customer ID and User ID, then select 'Continue'
2. You'll now be asked to scan a QR code with your Smartcard and card reader. Put your card into your reader and scan the QR code, check the log in details are correct and press 'OK' on your reader. (For help scanning a code, check out this guide)
3. Enter the PIN for your smartcard and press 'OK'
4. The reader will show a response code, enter this back into the log in screen
5. Enter the requested characters from your password and select 'Continue'
6. Check the information in the welcome message is correct then click 'Confirm'

For help logging in, just click the 'Message us' button on the log in page.

Logging in for the first time?

Log in as soon as you can, as after 21 days you'd need to request another activation code. Both account leaders will need to do this, as key activities, like payments, require second approval.

Can't remember your Password?

You can reset your details by clicking the "Request an activation code" link on the password page.

If you can't see this link, ask your Bankline account leader(s) to reactivate your log in details.

What you'll need to get started

You'll need the following items:

| Getting Started Checklist | | |
|---------------------------|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> |  | Email containing your Customer ID and User ID This will arrive the day you're added onto Bankline. Your business will have the same Customer ID for all users but User IDs are specific to each user of Bankline. You'll use this to log into Bankline going forward. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> |  | Email containing your Activation Code This will arrive the day you're added onto Bankline. It is 10 digits long and you'll only need to use this code once, to get started. You'll have 21 days to use this code before it expires. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> |  | User Smartcard This will arrive within 5 working days and will be sent to the account leader who set you up on Bankline. This should only be used by the user whose name is on the card. Smartcards are used to log in, and to authorise payments and certain changes. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> |  | Letter containing your Smartcard PIN This will arrive within 5 working days and will be sent to your user address on Bankline. The PIN that comes in the letter is for one use only, and you'll need to set your own PIN. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> |  | Bankline Smartcard Reader This will arrive within 5 working days and will be sent to the account leader who set you up on Bankline. |

You can find out how to activate and use your smartcard in our guide at:
www.natwest.com/bankline-card-reader-guide



Manage users

Account leaders can [create](#), [edit](#) and [delete](#) users through the 'Manage users' page located under the 'Admin' tab. This is also where you authorise and cancel requests to create new users made by another account leader.

You can view existing users and their roles by expanding the accordion next to each user's name.

To set up new users, click the 'add user' tab on the top right corner of the page. Click [here](#) to follow the step-by-step guide.

There are three different type of users you can set up:

- Account leader
- Payment controller
- Account viewer

The table below shows what each user can do. Please note that all account leaders and payment controllers must be signatories on the bank account.

| Account leader | Payment controller | Account viewer |
|--|---|---|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• View transactions, payments and statements• Raise domestic payments and transfers• Approve all payments• Manage payment templates• Manage users and assign their roles• Open additional accounts and close accounts• Change address and contact details• Request stationary and stop cheques• Manage Open Banking services | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• View transactions, payments and statements• Raise domestic payments and transfers• Approve all payments• Manage payment templates• Open and close additional accounts• Change address and contact details• Request stationary and stop cheques• Manage Open Banking services | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• View all transactions, payments and statements• View account servicing requests• View Open Banking services |

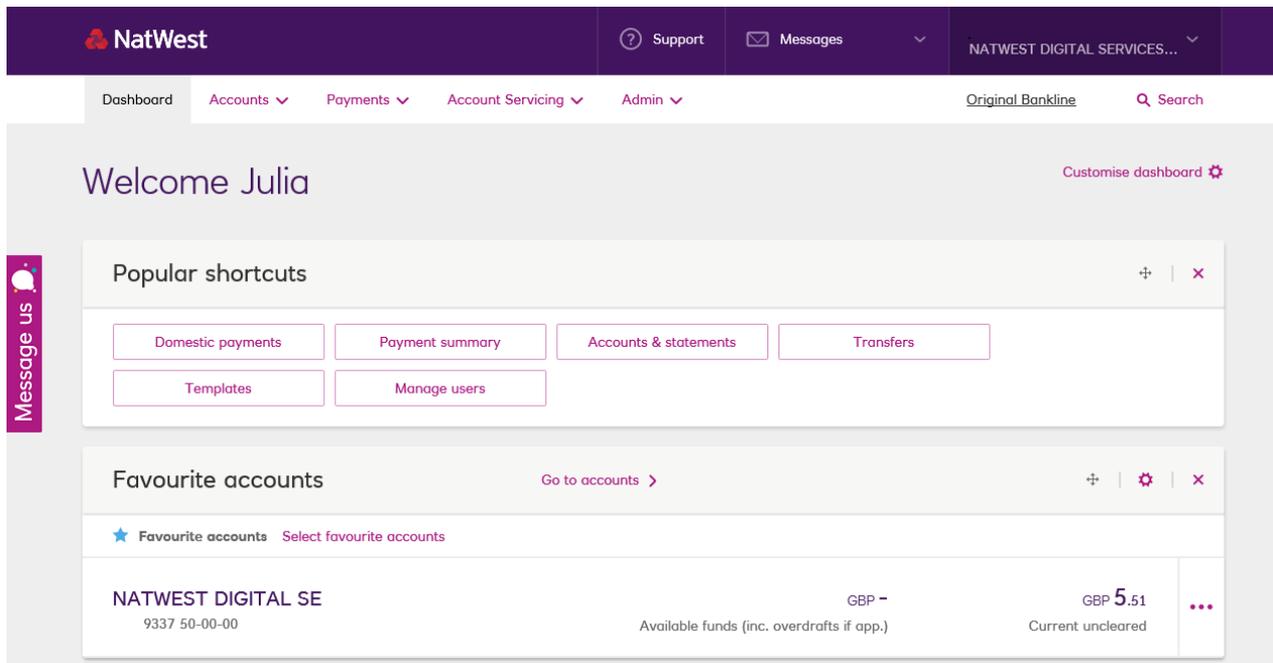
Dashboard

The first thing you'll see is the dashboard. This is your home page for Bankline for Communities.

From here, you can set up a quick view of your favourite accounts and find quick links to some of the most popular Bankline features.

You can customise the dashboard to a view that works for you. Move the panels around or even switch them off.

Tip: To log out, hover over your name in the top right and a drop-down menu will appear with a log out button



If you need to add more of your accounts to Bankline, and you're an account leader, you can find help on how to do this here:

[How do I register an account in Bankline for Communities?](#)

Statements

View your statements

On the statement page you can sort your transactions by any of the headings (1).

You can filter to just show credits or debits (2). You can also set a filter for specific payment types, value ranges or date ranges (3).

Quickly switch between different accounts using the drop down (4), and print or export the statement as needed (5).

Click on a transaction to expand it (6), where you'll also find printable debit and credit advices for CHAPS and international payments (7).

Should you need to find additional account information such as your BIC or IBAN, they're under 'More account information' (8).

The screenshot shows a web interface for a NatWest account statement. At the top, there's a 'Statement' header with a dropdown menu (4) and a 'Print/Export statement' button (5). Below this, the account details for 'NatWest Account 1 ****9337 alias' are shown, along with a 'More account information' link (8). A section for 'Available funds' shows GBP 3.60 and 'Uncleared balance' shows GBP 7.60. A 'Make payment' button is also present.

The 'Transaction history' section features a filter bar (2) with 'All', 'Debit', and 'Credit' options, and a date range selector (3) set from 01-MAR-2022 to 11-MAY-2022. Below the filter bar is a table with columns for Date, Transaction details, Transaction type, Debit, Credit, and Balance. A 'Totals' row shows a debit of -86.68 and a credit of 84.28. A transaction on 24-MAR-2022 is expanded (6), showing details like 'Transaction reference EBANKGO0789321', 'Transaction type Inter Account Transfer (IAT)', 'Posting date 24-MAR-2022', and 'Timestamp 22:05:00'. A 'Print/Export transaction PDF' button is also visible.

Below the expanded transaction, there's a 'Payment credit advice' section (7) with a 'Print/Export payment advice PDF' button. The table continues with several other transactions, including one on 24-MAR-2022 with a credit of 2.00 and a balance of 10.00, and another on 21-MAR-2022 with a credit of 0.01 and a balance of 8.00.

Searching your accounts and payments

Click 'Search' from the top menu to look for specific statement transactions and find payments you've made in Bankline.



You can search for transactions on all of your accounts by completing as many fields as you need to.

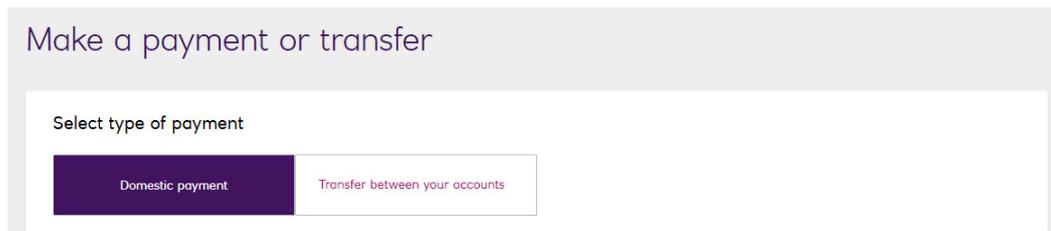
The screenshot shows the 'Transactions' search interface. At the top, there are three tabs: 'Accounts', 'Transactions' (which is active), and 'Payments raised'. Below the tabs, there is a 'Search by' dropdown menu set to 'Transaction details'. The main search area contains several fields: 'Transaction description' (set to 'Case sensitive'), 'Amount from' (set to 'Any'), 'Amount to' (set to 'Any'), 'Date type' (set to 'Value date'), and 'Date range' (set to 'Last 30 days'). There are also dropdowns for 'Account entry type' (set to 'Debits and Credits') and 'Transaction type' (set to 'Any'). At the bottom, there are radio buttons for 'All accounts' (selected) and 'Select accounts', and two buttons: 'Search' and 'Clear'.

Click the 'Payments raised' tab to search for payments you've made in Bankline for Communities. You can complete as many or as few of the below fields as you need to.

The screenshot shows the 'Payments raised' search interface. At the top, there are three tabs: 'Accounts', 'Transactions', and 'Payments raised' (which is active). Below the tabs, there is a 'Payment reference' dropdown set to 'Select type'. The main search area contains several fields: 'Payee name', 'Amount from' (set to 'Any'), 'Amount to' (set to 'Any'), and 'Currency' (set to 'GBP'). There are also dropdowns for 'Date range' (set to 'Date payment received'), 'Payment type' (set to 'All'), and 'Payment status' (set to 'All statuses'). At the bottom, there are radio buttons for 'Input user' (selected) and 'Authorising user', and a text input field for 'Enter User ID here..'. There are two buttons: 'Search' and 'Clear'.

Making payments and transfers between accounts

Payments to others and transfers between your accounts are accessed through the same menu.



The screenshot shows a user interface for making payments or transfers. At the top, there is a header that says "Make a payment or transfer". Below this header is a section titled "Select type of payment". Underneath, there are two buttons: "Domestic payment" which is highlighted in a dark purple color, and "Transfer between your accounts" which is in a light purple color.

You don't need to select the payment type up-front; just enter who the payment is for, how much and when it's to be made.

Bankline will calculate the most appropriate and cost effective way to send your payment.

When you're making a domestic payment you'll run a payee name check to give you greater confidence that you're sending your payment to the intended recipient.

You'll see the option to 'Raise another payment' after you've created a payment. This means you can raise all the payments you need to and then approve them in one go.



If you need to make an international payment you'll need to visit your local branch. You can't make international payments in Bankline for Communities.

Approving payments

Every payment in Bankline for Communities will need a second person to approve it. To do this go into 'Approve payments' from the payments menu.

You'll see all payments awaiting approval, listed in date order (closest date first).

Just use the tick-boxes to select the payments you want to approve and click 'Approve'. You'll then use your smartcard and reader to approve these.

Standard view:

| Expiring today (3) | | | | | | | | | |
|--|------------------------|----------------------|------------|---|---|----------------|--------|------------------------|-----|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Approval required by | Approval status | Payment ID | From | To | Payment amount | Type | Estimated arrival date | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | > 23:59 11-MAY-2022 | Waiting for approval | 808400287 | NatWest Ac... 9337 50-00-00 NATWEST DI... | NATWEST DI... 9353 50-00-00 NATWEST DI... | GBP 1.00 | Faster | 12-MAY-2022 | ... |
| <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payee details match. Accepted by MC on 31-JAN-2022</p> | | | | | | | | | |

Expanded view:

| Expiring today (3) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|------------------------|----------------------|---|---|---|---|--------|------------------------|-----|-------|---------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|----------------------|---------------|----------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Approval required by | Approval status | Payment ID | From | To | Payment amount | Type | Estimated arrival date | | | | | | | | | |
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| <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payee details match. Accepted by MC on 31-JAN-2022</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Payment details Debit account 50-00-00 9337 Account alias NatWest Account 1 * ***9337 alias Payment amount GBP 1.00 Your reference NATWEST DIGITAL SR Date to leave account 12-MAY-2022 | | | Payee details Full payee name NATWEST DIGITAL SRVC BANKL INE Payee name (as appears on statement) NATWEST DIGITAL SR Payee reference NATWEST DIGITAL SE Account details 50-00-00 9353 SWIFT BIC NWBKGB2102M Account holding branch NATIONAL WESTMINSTER BAN K PLC BISHOPSGATE BRANCH BISHOPSGATE, 15 LONDON | | | <div style="border: 1px solid green; padding: 5px; margin-bottom: 10px;"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payee details match These details match. However, you should still check the payment request is from a genuine source. Accepted by MC on 31-JAN-2022 </div> Event history (3) <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Event</th> <th>Date and time</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Authorisation cleared by MC</td> <td>11-MAY-2022 at 10:31</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Fullv authorised by HO</td> <td>11-MAY-2022 at 10:25</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Created by HO</td> <td>11-MAY-2022 at 10:24</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> | | | | Event | Date and time | Authorisation cleared by MC | 11-MAY-2022 at 10:31 | Fullv authorised by HO | 11-MAY-2022 at 10:25 | Created by HO | 11-MAY-2022 at 10:24 |
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| Fullv authorised by HO | 11-MAY-2022 at 10:25 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Created by HO | 11-MAY-2022 at 10:24 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; margin-top: 10px;"> Payment to approve Edit payment Cancel payment Save this payment as a template Print/Export payment </div> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

Templates

Templates are a great way to store details for regular payments. They save the account the payment is sent from, the payee details and payment type.

You can also set a payment limit for payments made from each template. Any templates created are available to account leaders and payment controllers to use.

When selecting a template, you can see who created it and the payments that have been made from it to date.

A new or edited template will need to be approved by another user before you can make a payment from it.

The screenshot shows the 'Templates' management interface. At the top right is a button 'Create single payment template'. Below it is a descriptive sentence: 'Make repeat payments faster with payment templates. A single payment template stores a payee's details and payment information.' There are two dropdown menus for 'Template status' and 'Template type', both set to 'All'. A 'More filters' link shows 'None applied'. Below this is a table of templates with columns: Status, Template name, Payee name, Type, and Last completed payment. The first template is 'Active', 'SNGLTEMP', 'natwest', 'Domestic Foster', and '14-NOV-2021'. A menu icon is visible to the right of the last column. The template details are shown below the table. On the left, 'From' details include 'NatWest Account 2 ****9345 9345 50-00-00' and 'NATWEST' with a 'Payment limit' of 'GBP 11.00'. On the right, 'To' details include 'natwest 9337 50-00-00' and 'NATWEST DIGITAL SE'. A central yellow warning box titled 'Close match' asks 'Did you mean NATWEST DIGITAL SRVC BANKLINE?' and provides instructions to edit the payee name or contact the payee. On the right, 'Event history (3)' shows 'Checked by KE' at 00:56, 'Created by KA' at 00:51, and 'Saved incomplete by KA' at 00:50. Below that, 'Payments raised (1)' shows a payment on '14-Nov-2021 at 01:00' with reference '756429261'. At the bottom are buttons for 'Make payment', 'Edit', 'Clone', 'Suspend', and 'Delete'.

| Status | Template name | Payee name | Type | Last completed payment |
|--------|---------------|------------|-----------------|------------------------|
| Active | SNGLTEMP | natwest | Domestic Foster | 14-NOV-2021 |

From

NatWest Account 2 ****9345
9345 50-00-00

NATWEST

Payment limit
GBP 11.00

If above limit
Show error

To

natwest
9337 50-00-00

NATWEST DIGITAL SE

Payee address
Payee email address
N/A

Close match

Did you mean **NATWEST DIGITAL SRVC BANKLINE?** Edit the payee name and check again, or continue. We recommend you contact the payee to confirm the bank details are correct. If you continue you could be at risk of being scammed and we may not be able to recover your money.

Accepted by MC on 08-MAR-2022

Event history (3)

| Event | Date and time |
|------------------------|----------------------|
| Checked by KE | 14-Nov-2021 at 00:56 |
| Created by KA | 14-Nov-2021 at 00:51 |
| Saved incomplete by KA | 14-Nov-2021 at 00:50 |

Payments raised (1)

| Date raised | Payment reference |
|----------------------|-------------------|
| 14-Nov-2021 at 01:00 | 756429261 |

Print & Export

Statements and balances

You can print or export your statements using the Print/Export link on the top of the statement page. This lets you export in either PDF or CSV formats.

You can print or export balances from the 'View account balances' page. This is also available in PDF or CSV formats.

Payments

Once you've raised a payment, you can print or export it from the 'Payments to be approved' page, or from the 'Approve payments' screen. You can print a single payment before or after approval.

You can also print payments created from templates by clicking the payment reference in the expanded template.

| NatWest | | Transactions from 09-MAY-2022 to 11-MAY-2022 | | | |
|---|-------------------------|--|------------------|--------|---------|
| Account name or alias | Account number | Sort code | Account currency | | |
| NatWest Account 1 ****9337 alias | 9337 | 50-00-00 | GBP | | |
| Debit or credit | Current cleared balance | | | | |
| Any | 3.59 | | | | |
| Any eligible deposits you hold with us are protected by the Financial Services Compensation Scheme (FSCS). A link to the FSCS Information Sheet and list of exclusions can be found on your digital statement. For further information about the compensation provided by the FSCS, refer to the FSCS website at www.FSCS.org.uk . | | | | | |
| Date | Type | Transaction details | Debit | Credit | Balance |
| 11-May-2022 | EBP | NATWEST DIGITAL SR | -0.01 | | - |
| 11-May-2022 | CHQ | 000495 | -2.00 | | - |
| 11-May-2022 | EBP | COPY 2 TEST, RBS TEST | -0.02 | | - |
| Closing balance | | | | | 9.62 |
| 10-May-2022 | EBP | NATWEST DIGITAL, TEST, FP 10/05/22 10, 57123217482478000N | -0.01 | | 9.62 |
| 10-May-2022 | EBP | NATWEST, NATWEST, FP 10/05/22 10, 37123836827333000N | -0.01 | | 9.63 |
| 10-May-2022 | EBP | TEST, TEST, FP 10/05/22 10, 40150029759434000N | -0.01 | | 9.64 |
| 10-May-2022 | EBP | NATWEST, NATWEST, FP 10/05/22 10, 07145445020861000N | -0.01 | | 9.65 |
| 10-May-2022 | EBP | NATWEST DIGITAL SE, NATWEST ACCOUNT 3 | -0.01 | | 9.66 |
| 10-May-2022 | | BLCHQ 701109 | | 2.00 | 9.67 |
| 10-May-2022 | | BLCHQ TEST | | 2.00 | 7.67 |
| 09-May-2022 | BAC | NATWEST DIGITAL SE, NATWEST DIGITAL SE, FP 09/05/22 0906, 01090601336418000N, NATWEST DIGITAL SE | | 0.01 | 5.67 |
| Opening balance | | | | | 5.66 |
| Totals | | | -2.08 | 4.01 | |

Account Servicing

Account Servicing lets you complete everyday banking tasks online, without having to pick up the phone or send off forms.

From the account servicing page in Bankline you can:

- Stop cheques
- Open additional accounts
- Change your address
- Close accounts
- Order stationery (e.g. cheque books)
- Track the progress of all your requests

[Find out more about account servicing](#)

The screenshot shows the NatWest Account Servicing page. The top navigation bar is dark purple with the NatWest logo on the left, and 'Support', 'Messages', and 'NATWEST DIGITAL SERVICES ...' on the right. Below this is a secondary navigation bar with 'Dashboard', 'Accounts', 'Payments', 'Account Servicing' (highlighted with a blue border), and 'Admin'. On the right of this bar are links for 'Original Bankline' and a 'Search' icon. The main content area is divided into four columns: 'Raise a service request' (with links for Stop cheque, Open an additional account, Close an account, Change an address, Order cheque books, and Order certificate of interest or balance), 'Track or action requests' (with a link for See all requests), 'Manage these services via our website' (with links for Manage signatories, Create or amend standing orders, Manage credit cards, and Apply for a new debit card), and 'Need help?' (with a link to Visit our Account Servicing information hub).

Bankline Mobile

Bankline for Communities has a companion app available for both Android and iPhone users. The app has a range of features that let you use Bankline and manage your finances on the go. These include:

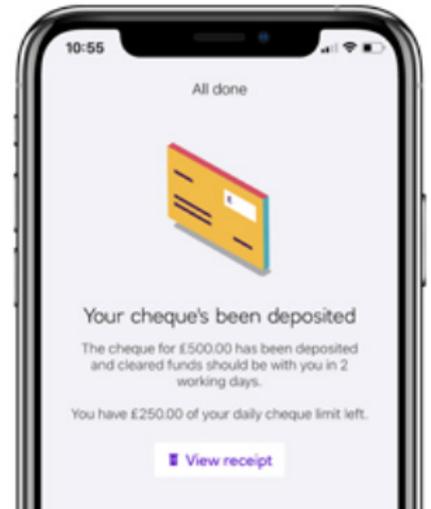
- Biometric log in and payment approval (dependent on device capability)
- Raise payments from scratch or via a template
- Cheque deposit (daily limits apply)
- View balances and statements

Users will have the same access in Bankline Mobile as they do in the web version of Bankline for Communities. You don't need to add any additional permissions to download the app.

For help downloading and registering for Bankline Mobile, visit this page:

[Bankline Mobile support](#)

Bankline Mobile is available on compatible iOS and Android devices with biometrics and a UK or international mobile number in selected countries. Network provider charges may apply. All transactions will be billed in line with the Bankline tariff.



Help when you need it

 Support

FAQs

You can get to these from every Bankline page, just click '[Support](#)' and enter your search terms. Type in 'Bankline for Communities' to find relevant FAQs. Here are some of the most commonly asked questions:

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Cora, our digital assistant, will help with your question and connect you to the right team.



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Relay UK : 18001 0345 030 3109

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