

# IT TRANSFORMATION FOR LEADING BUILDING CONTRACTORS CHEESMUR



## AT A GLANCE

### Challenges

- Cheesmur needed to migrate their working data and systems to Microsoft SharePoint, which their incumbent IT provider were trying to do for 18 months
- The data that Cheesmur had already been moved to SharePoint needed organising as many of the files had been duplicated

### Results

- Reconfigured their network cabling
- Installation of a new, robust server
- Implementation of a remote desktop server to allow for remote working
- Management of Cheesmur's leased line
- LMS Group was employed as Cheesmur's new IT provider



Whilst we were aware that we had some issues with our IT systems, the audit carried out by LMS Group and the subsequent report highlighted serious potential risks to our business. In reviewing and implementing the recommendations in the audit report, we now have a robust IT infrastructure that is future proofed and scalable.

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## OBJECTIVES

The main objective for Cheesmur was not only migrating the rest of the data to SharePoint, which their IT resource has been trying to do for 18 months, but organising the data that had been migrated.

## LMS GROUP APPROACH

Following thorough audits of Cheesmur's IT systems and overall setup we were able to identify the areas that needed to be improved. Our initial investigation found a number of serious issues with their infrastructure, such as:

- 19 ex-employee accounts were still active and not blocked
- 8 ex-employee accounts still has Business Essentials Licenses that Cheesmur were still paying for
- Redundant server power supplies were left unplugged
- A hard drive in their server had failed
- Two servers were running Windows Server 2008 R2, which was approaching end of support
- The warranty on one of their servers had expired

For LMS Group to continue Cheesmur's project, all of the above would first need to be rectified. Without doing so, the very foundations of their working environment would be unreliable and likely to fail under increased workload.