

Case Study



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Army Sport Control Board

Client Profile

The Army Sport Control Board (ASCB), formed in 1918, is based in Aldershot, Hampshire. It is the regulatory body for all sports played in the British Army and its mission is to 'promote and deliver sport within the Army'. The organisation has used Net Technical Solutions for IT Support since 2008.

The Challenge



Following an in-depth review, it was determined that the IT network at ASCB needed modernisation and to be secure and resilient by design. Access was becoming unreliable and inconsistent and file sharing amongst staff and sports teams was laborious. These aspects needed solving to make collaboration easier for both external and internal people.

The 55 strong team were used to a certain way of working, so any changes would need to be made with their full engagement and comprehensive training to bring them up to speed. The timing of the project was heavily influenced by the onset of remote working from March 2020 when the first lockdown took place.

Our Solution

All parties agreed that a cloud migration to Microsoft architecture was the appropriate strategy and that this would be a hybrid solution involving a partial migration to Office365, utilisation of SharePoint and Teams and day-to-day operations hosted on the Azure Cloud platform.

Dave Campey, Secretary Army Martial Arts & Squash, who oversaw the project, commented:

“ Having worked with Net Tech for a number of years we felt confident they were the right company to take our project forward. They worked with us to develop a great solution that would satisfy all staff and throughout the process we felt totally supported by the excellent communication from all involved.

Net Tech were very enthusiastic, assigning a friendly Senior Engineer straight away, who was able to discuss all our questions in a non-techy way and made the whole process simple to understand. Also, having our Account Manager on board from the start made communication easy. ”

The Outcome

As well as benefiting from cost savings by not having to replace physical servers, ASCB has found that having a cloud-based system in place with SharePoint and Teams, provides a much more efficient and collaborative way of working. The cloud architecture has also allowed for better security and enhanced data recovery and business continuity solutions.

“ Over time staff will realise the benefits even more as they use the new system and see what it can do. The outcome has been very positive and good value for money. Each department can go at their own pace with learning how to use the system and Net Tech is always there to support us at any stage which is great as each department has different requirements. ”

Dave Campey, Secretary Army Martial Arts & Squash

Technologies and Services Employed

- Office 365, Microsoft Teams and SharePoint
- MFA and Secure Remote Login
- Azure Cloud Platform and AD
- Cloud Backup and Business Continuity