



Technical case study

Scotbeef Limited

Navigating digital transformation for enhanced business agility

Scotbeef Limited, a leading meat wholesaler, provides innovative primary and added-value red meat products to the UK retail sector, food service, and export markets. With a commitment to quality and innovation, Scotbeef has consistently delivered exceptional products to a diverse clientele.

The challenge

The primary challenge faced by Scotbeef was an ageing IT infrastructure that had become a bottleneck to efficiency and growth. In response, Scotbeef embarked on an ambitious digital transformation journey within a tight timeline, aiming not just for an upgrade but for a strategic overhaul to redefine their technological leverage for improved business outcomes.

The solution

Leveraging their longstanding relationship with Consilium, who were acquired by Kick in 2022, Scotbeef adopted a modern cloud-centric approach. This transition involved integrating SharePoint, OneDrive, Microsoft 365, and Entra ID into their core operational framework. The shift was profound, transitioning from traditional on-premises servers to a flexible, cloud-based infrastructure that enhanced both operational agility and cybersecurity.

Scotbeef's strategic IT overhaul not only addressed immediate operational challenges but also ensured Scotbeef's continued leadership in the market through enhanced technological innovation.

Implementation and key milestones

- / **Secure access rollout:** Implementation of Entra ID for secure, identity-based access control
- / **Data accessibility:** Enabling seamless access to data and services from any device and any location, ensuring flexibility and security
- / **Cloud integration:** Full integration of SharePoint, OneDrive, and Microsoft 365, enhancing data management, collaboration, and overall cybersecurity

Impact

The digital transformation at Scotbeef significantly enhanced their business operations both in the short term and long term:

- / **Short-term benefits:** Immediate improvements in operational efficiency and flexibility allowed Scotbeef's team to access critical data and services securely from anywhere, facilitating a quicker response to client needs and market changes
- / **Long-term benefits:** The adoption of a cloud-based infrastructure laid a robust foundation for future growth and innovation. Improved data security, streamlined processes, and enhanced collaboration across teams have strongly positioned Scotbeef in a competitive landscape, driving productivity and client satisfaction upwards

“The transformation journey with Kick was straightforward and effective. They understood our needs from the start and were committed to helping us achieve our goals. Their clear communication and readiness to assist made the process smoother than anticipated.”

Leigh Williams / Group IT Manager

