



## The Anderson Group

Founded in 1987, The Anderson Group generates an annual turnover in excess of £50 million from its involvement in construction, design and build, contaminated land, property development, sites in receivership and plant hire. Based in Chelmsford, Essex, the company has over 130 IT users spread between its head office, a satellite office in Grays and mobile staff.

### Sector

Construction

### Project Focus

Cloud Solutions – Microsoft Office 365 and Mimecast Unified Email Management

## Requirement

Being in the construction business means that Anderson personnel operate from many sites. The business needed to streamline email communication and improve the associated security, archiving and compliance issues, and also needed to facilitate continual email access, even in the event of a disaster.

## Solution

### Cloud email with security, archiving and guaranteed continuity

CMI designed a cloud-based email solution consisting of Microsoft Office 365 and Mimecast Unified Email Management to meet Anderson's business needs. CMI also migrated the on-premise Microsoft Exchange server data to Office 365. All historic email was imported into the cloud-based Mimecast service, which provided the business with a highly secure archive for compliance. Mimecast also provided an extra layer of business continuity, satisfying concerns about over-reliance on one vendor.

In addition, the project was specifically scheduled to take advantage of the company's annual Microsoft license review and purchase, so CMI transitioned the business from traditional Office volume licenses to an Office 365 subscription, incorporating the Office application suite, therefore absorbing the software cost of this project.