



Chorley and District Building Society Case Study

ABOUT THE CHORLEY AND DISTRICT BUILDING SOCIETY

Chorley and District Building Society is the oldest Building Society in Lancashire. It became established on the 7th March 1859 and was originally called The Chorley Permanent Benefit Building Society. It was created to help mill workers buy their homes.

The name officially became The Chorley and District Building Society on the 6th of February 1933. The Society now has over 37,000 customers and assets in excess of £200 million. It currently operates from three branches including the Head Office which offers full branch facilities including a 'drive-through' service and employs 50 members of staff.

Whilst the world may have changed beyond recognition since 1858, the core values of the Society have remained constant. Chorley attribute their success to delivering simple, traditional high quality service combined with attractive products providing long term value to their members and a highly flexible, innovative approach.

Chorley and District are proud to be a mutual Building Society, meaning that everything they do is for the benefit of their members. Their mission statement is "To be the best independent regional Building Society in the United Kingdom."

ALTINET'S MANAGED EMAIL SECURITY HELPS CHORLEY AND DISTRICT BUILDING SOCIETY PROTECT THEIR NETWORK AGAINST APT'S.

Prior to speaking with Altinet, Chorley and District Building Society were using a BLOXX email filter. Whilst BLOXX had been rendered end of life, Mike Hume and his IT team identified the need for improved security capabilities to ensure any new attack vectors, such as zero day and malware attacks, were accounted for. The growing need for securing email as a business-critical application that is under increasing attack from sophisticated threats was something Mike and his team recognised as a necessity. Altinet spent time understanding the business requirements and worked in a consultative way to evaluate, install and manage a cutting-edge email security solution for the Building Society.

“ Altinet offer flexibility and understanding of the customer needs. Demonstrable value for money, with a functionally rich solution. They provided us with excellent implementation and continued technical support. ”

MIKE HUME

Head of IT, Chorley and District Building Society

LESS MANAGEMENT, IMPROVED PROTECTION

Impressed with the Advanced Threat Detection feature to sandbox and detect zero day advanced threats, the proactive support our managed service solution offers and after a 14-day free evaluation, Chorley and District Building Society purchased Altinet's Email Security Solution. The Managed Service enabled the Building Society to add an additional level of protection to prevent any new and advanced threats attacking their infrastructure.

Mike sees the Advanced Threat Detection as one of the main benefits of the Altinet Managed Email Security Solution, saying "This additional measure implemented with the solution proves an excellent additional level of protection to the Society with newer attack methods and vectors." The Advanced Threat Detection offers protection against advanced malware, zero-day exploits and targeted attacks, which are not detected by traditional signature based anti-virus engines or intrusion prevention systems.



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SUMMARY:

- + Chorley and District Building Society
- + Located in Lancashire
- + 50 Staff Members

CHALLENGES:

- + Limited Security for Advanced Threats
- + Poor Functionality from Previous Solution

SOLUTION:

- + Altinet's Email Security and Advanced Threat Detection, powered by Barracuda's Email Security Gateway

ABOUT ALTINET

Altinet is a specialist IT security and storage value added reseller (VAR) for IT infrastructures. We work with our clients in both public and private sectors to design and implement a wide variety of solutions to meet the ever changing IT landscape.

Our experience and expertise in the IT security and storage industry allows us to work in a consultative way with our customers to ensure best practice and latest technology protect the users and networks of our valued clients.

We work with a wide range of global market leading vendors to ensure that each one of our customers has the solution that meets their individual requirements on each project.

UNDERSTANDING OF THE CUSTOMER'S NEEDS, DEMONSTRABLE VALUE FOR MONEY AND EXCELLENT IMPLEMENTATION AND TECHNICAL SUPPORT

Working with Altinet, Mike communicated a need for an Email Security solution that would not only work well with their current IT infrastructure, but also be affordable and easy to manage. Altinet's fully managed Email security solution was the perfect fit for Mike and his team. Mike continued, "Altinet offered Flexibility and understanding of the customer needs and demonstrated clear value for money."

Our security experts were hands on with each stage of the project, beginning with a webinar all the way through to installing an evaluation and implementing the service in a production environment. Along with proactive technical support after implementation, we ensured with the 14-day free evaluation of the product, that Mike had enough time to fully work with the Altinet solution and see its potential. We were able to help Mike with any questions he had about the product and have an open line of communication should there be any questions or assistance needed.

ABOUT ALTINET MANAGED EMAIL

Altinet's Managed Security Gateway is a cloud-based email security gateway that manages and filters all inbound and outbound email traffic to protect organizations from email-borne threats and data leaks. As a complete email management solution, partnered with Barracuda, the Email Security Gateway lets organisations encrypt messages and leverage the cloud to spool email if mail servers become unavailable.

KEY FEATURES - ADVANCED THREAT DETECTION

- + Prevent malicious files—even unknown ones—from entering the organization and avoid network breaches.
- + Identify zero-day malware exploits, targeted attacks, advanced persistent threats and other advanced malware which routinely bypass traditional signature based IPS and antivirus engines.
- + Granular Control over PDFs, EXEs/MSIs/DLLs, Android APKs, Microsoft Office files, and compressed files and archives
- + Full interoperability with the integrated SSL Inspection files can be extracted and checked in order to detect advanced malware in the encrypted stream.
- + Cloud based emulation – resource intensive file emulation is offloaded to the Barracuda Cloud.
- + Learning local cryptographic hash database for emulation optimization
- + Multiple and simultaneous OS environments for emulated files
- + Automatic email notifications in case malware activity has been identified can help minimizing the time for reaction of the administrator in order to mitigate the network breach.
- + Available for hardware and virtual appliances as well as for Microsoft Azure and the Amazon AWS Cloud

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