

# bluesource helps Hoare Lea reduce over 20% of its internal IT support costs by moving its archiving to Enterprise Vault.cloud

Hoare Lea is a highly successful, award-winning firm of consulting engineers, specialising in mechanical, electrical and public health (MEP) engineering, and is the largest of its kind in the UK. Founded in 1862, Hoare Lea remains an independent partnership, with 11 offices throughout the UK and a growing international presence. The firm works on some of the highest profile projects in the industry and with leading architects, designers and contractors.

## Summary

- bluesource has supported Hoare Lea's data archiving needs, across its UK and international branches, for 9 years.
- To reduce its internal IT support costs and better cope with data growth, Hoare Lea wanted to extend its archiving infrastructure's search and eDiscovery capabilities.
- bluesource recommended Veritas's Enterprise Vault.cloud as it enabled the appropriate IT cost savings, as well as providing the extra functionality they demanded.
- Additionally, bluesource successfully migrated Hoare Lea's data from an on-premises environment to Veritas's Enterprise Vault.cloud, maintaining data integrity.
- The new platform has resulted in Hoare Lea experiencing significant support cost savings and efficiency improvements as data can now be quickly accessed for legal and compliance purposes.



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## The challenge

Since 2005, Hoare Lea has successfully used Enterprise Vault as an on-premises archiving solution for 800 users - working across its UK & Middle East offices. To more efficiently cope with both its corporate and data growth, Hoare Lea wanted to streamline its IT resources and liberate the in-house

support burden. The company wanted to either upgrade to the latest Enterprise Vault, on-premises, or a cloud version.

Additionally, the updated archiving solution needed to deliver more features that included powerful search functions, for

data compliance – and lower storage and internal IT support costs. The solution also had to ensure that email data was journaled in a compliant manner and offer eDiscovery capabilities, to assist with potential legal risks.

## The solution

Hoare Lea chose bluesource to advise and assist in the transition to an updated archiving solution. As Hoare Lea was happy with Veritas products, bluesource recommended that they move to Enterprise Vault.cloud – Veritas high performance cloud archiving platform.

The cloud option was deemed more cost effective and efficient for Hoare Lea's needs,

than an on-premises solution and also delivered performance continuity. Crucially, being a fully managed service, the cloud solution would liberate Hoare Lea's in-house support resources. bluesource used Akaibu Evolve to migrate 9 terabytes of Hoare Lea's journal and email data to Enterprise Vault.cloud. Importantly, the data was delivered securely, with a full audit trail and was completed with no data losses.

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## The benefits

- Hoare Lea now possess a cost effective and efficient cloud archiving platform to support future growth.
- Hoare Lea has reduced its in-house, archiving support costs by over 20%.
- Hoare Lea's staff can easily and independently access all stored email data.
- The business can now swiftly respond to eDiscovery, compliance and audit requests.
- A major storage footprint reduction has been achieved both for Hoare Lea's user email and journal data.
- Freed from running its archiving solution in-house, Hoare Lea's IT team can now focus on conducting more high visibility projects within the company.



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