

The latest news and progress from the Systems Team

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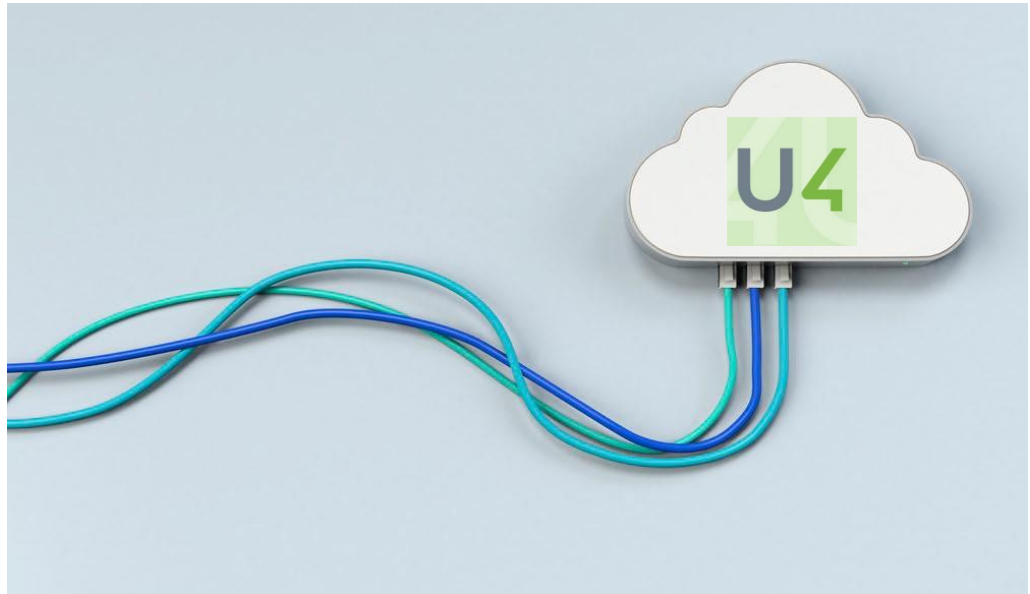
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Welcome to the first issue of regular newsletters on the progress of CCC's Unit4 ERP (formerly known as Agresso) journey to the Cloud.

You may already have heard that Unit4 ERP is migrating to a SaaS Cloud version which means that it will no longer be on-site hosted. In addition to increasing our IT resilience, it will mean that we could achieve the following benefits:

1. We will always be on the latest version of the software meaning that we can take advantage of all the latest functionality
2. Lessen our risks related to resource and bespoke adaptations
3. Free up our IT resource to focus on new developments
4. Allow easier integration with other apps
5. Increased accessibility using a web browser and in future mobile devices

The journey to the Cloud has already started



What does this mean for users?

Will it be different?

The main difference in being Cloud hosted is that all user functions will need to be carried out using the Web version of Unit4 ERP. The aim is to make the transition to Cloud as seamless as possible.

The majority of users are already Web users e.g. for raising sales orders and raising or approving requisitions and invoices, so those users will notice very little or no difference to the current look and use of the system. Users who still use the 'back office' system are already being encouraged to use the Web for things like enquiries and journal entry. For the remaining legacy users there will necessarily be some changes required to transition to the Web.

Questions?

What is the timescale?

We are aiming for completion mid-2026.

Will there be training?

Yes, if the changes affect you then training will be provided as the need arises

Will it be a different system?

No, it's the same system but some screens may look a little different if you don't already use the Web version. If there are any changes that require you to use different screens, we will train you.

What's next?



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There are many sub project steps that need to be completed along the way. A small team of dedicated IT staff have already worked for more than a year to move from Oracle to Microsoft SQL, culminating in the shift of a database of more than 100 million lines - the financial history of CCC for the last two decades, as well as the ledgers for Dyfed Powys Police, Mid and West Wales Fire and Rescue and Brecon Beacons National Park - taking place over the Easter weekend.

The next step is to upgrade on-premise ERP to the latest Version 7.15 to allow full Web functionality. Planned for completion by the end of August.

Meanwhile, we will continue to assist users in moving to the Web version as more functionality becomes available.