



CASE STUDY 3

theguardian



"The project was completed on time and within budget. Qube is now integral to the continued high availability of Guardian Unlimited, consulted on almost every infrastructure discussion; we have extended Qube's services throughout **Guardian Newspapers Ltd**".

A MEDIA GIANT WHO WANTED TO KNOW WHAT SOMEBODY ELSE THOUGHT::

Founded in 1821 the Guardian Media Group has grown into one of the most renowned and respected multi-media organisations in the world. Publishing 6 National newspapers, 41 Regional newspapers and owning 5 radio licences through over 30 offices spread across the UK their need for reliable Infrastructure is second to none.

BRIEF :: To take existing online infrastructure and modify it so that it becomes more rigid, easily managed, maintained and scaled.

DESIGN :: No change was required to the actual design of the infrastructure, but the simple addition of structured cabling, naming conventions and managed power systems significantly enhanced the ease of operation and the overall reliability.

BUILD :: Working on a "live" system Qube modified The Guardian infrastructure over an eight week time period. This was rather like changing the spark plugs on a moving vehicle.

RESULT :: Throughout the build, the online systems suffered zero outages. Qube's engineers are now consulted on almost every infrastructure decision, to ensure that the infrastructure stays as tidy as it is today.