

CAREYS

Building stronger security from a single platform for construction giant the Carey Group

Company Name

Carey Group

Website

www.careys.co

Region

UK

Industry

Construction and engineering

Employees

700+

Solutions

Trend Micro Apex One[™], Trend Micro[™] Cloud App Security, Trend Micro[™] Web Security

Business Benefits

Trend Micro Apex One for complete endpoint protection including:

- Advanced detection techniques (including pre-execution and runtime machine learning, and detection of fileless malware and living off the land techniques)
- Encryption, integrated DLP and device control
- Enhanced application control
- Centralised management from a single UI
- Vision One integration for fullfeatured XDR to improve threat detection and response

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The Carey Group is one of the UK's leading construction and engineering firms. A family-run business for over 50 years, the firm has grown into a multimillion-dollar organization, with customers across commercial, healthcare, residential, retail, industrial, and many other sectors.

Amjad Khan is the infrastructure engineer at the firm, where he manages a team of five with responsibility for on-premises and cloud IT systems and cybersecurity. With over 1,000 users and additional contractors, there's plenty to keep him busy. In fact, cyber risk is escalating to such levels that UK's National Cyber Security Centre (NCSC) recently published its **first ever quidance document** for the industry. It warned that as organizations in the sector that increasingly expand their use of digital technologies, may unwittingly be exposing themselves to phishing, ransomware, supply chain attacks, and other threats. A combination of managing sensitive data and processing high-value payments makes construction firms a particularly lucrative target for cyber-criminals, NCSC warned.

Amjad says that although ransomware keeps him awake at night, it's a threat the firm has been able to manage with the right tools and policies..

A UNIFIED APPROACH

In 2018, Amjad realized that the firm's endpoint protection was unable to manage mounting cyber risk. Reliant for years on Microsoft Windows Defender, the Carey Group had avoided a major breach, and Amjad wanted to keep it that way.

After evaluating several vendors, he selected Trend Micro due to not only the breadth of protection offered by the Trend Micro Apex OneTM endpoint security suite, but also the prospect of combining it with cloud security, detection and response capabilities, and web gateway protection, from a single platform. The firm has since expanded its Trend Micro portfolio to include Trend MicroTM Cloud App Security and Trend MicroTM Web Security to bolster its email and web gateway protection for 30,000 apps.



Business Benefits (continued)

Cloud App Security for protection of Microsoft 365, Google Workspace, and other SaaS environments. It offers:

- Advanced sandbox analysis to find previously unknown threats
- Threat intelligence powered by the Smart Protection Network
- Scanning of internal email/file sharing services to spot attacks in progress
- Seamless API integration, meaning no software to install

<u>Web Security</u> delivers gateway protection including:

- Layered protection against advanced and unknown threats via sandbox analysis and other techniques
- Data loss prevention
- A single cloud-based management portal
- Application access control for 30,000 apps

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SIMPLE, POWERFUL SECURITY

The Carey Group had already run a business continuity plan in 2018, so it was well prepared for the rapid shift to remote working that came with the emergence of COVID in early 2020. However, the SaaS deployment model used by Trend Micro's solutions made the transition even more seamless, according to Amjad.

"When COVID struck we didn't really need to introduce any drastic changes. We just followed the plan, and everything worked pretty well for us," he says. "Trend Micro was deployed on our endpoint devices so we had eyes on our teams and on whether they were connected from the corporate network or home. In addition, Cloud App Security was doing its job by checking everything from a cloud aspect. So overall it was a very smooth transition for us."

Consolidating onto a single vendor has also made Amjad's life easier in terms of training team members up on the tools, keeping threats at bay, and simplifying support calls.

"It's better to work with one platform, one technology and one vendor which has control over multiple different environments," he concludes. "It's easier for my team to learn about the technology, and optimized security for my data and systems. We tend to receive so many phishing and whaling attacks and our solutions pick up and defend against all of them."

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