

Day in the life of the boardroom in the next normal



10:00am – It's the board's monthly meeting. Jacob, IT Director, Stephanie, HR director, and Steve, Finance Director, are present. Katie, Marketing Director, is self-isolating but joins via **IRIS Hosting**.



10:15am – Steve raises the fact the new Job Support Scheme, which the business had been planning for is now delayed or axed, with furlough continuing until March. They must decide on how to proceed with furloughed staff. He plans more detailed analysis of the impact using **IRIS Analytics**.



10:40am – Furlough has significantly increased the complexity of payroll, says Stephanie, adding it's time to consider outsourcing. Jacob is keen to bring greater efficiencies between HR and Payroll and cut manual processes.



12:00pm – Stephanie reports a sharp rise in COVID-related absences. The existing system, which lacks automation, is struggling to cope. She proposes adopting **IRIS Cascade** to tackle this problem and to also improve employee retention and engagement, talent acquisition, and identifying skills gaps.



11:00am – Steve outlines a price quote from **IRIS Managed Payroll**, which would provide a BACS-Approved Payroll Bureau with experienced CIPP-Accredited payroll managers to handle compliance.



12:20pm – Jacob supports this because **IRIS Cascade** is an online product requiring no on-premise infrastructure, fitting in perfectly with his IT strategy of solutions enabling staff to work anywhere, with no need for expensive servers in-house. The move to IRIS Hosting has been a successful example.



1:30pm – Steve explains how the company's switch to using IRIS Financials has led to better, simpler reporting and lower costs. IRIS' unified ledger software has eliminated the need to reconcile separate sales. Each firm had its own ledgers. Now all the financials are rolled into one.



3:00pm – Breaking news: the lockdown restrictions are to be tightened again meaning no offices can remain open. The board agree a communications plan.



4:00pm – Jacob instructs his team to assess (via IRIS Assets) if staff have all got the right equipment.



3:45pm – Alan, Operations Director, says IRIS Engage will help him to ensure Facilities are aware of specific responsibilities and able to access offices.



3:30pm – Utilising **IRIS Engage**, they inform staff of further office closures and remote working plans via in-app messages and texts. About 50% of staff are already remote working via **IRIS Hosting**.