Aurecon Future-Proofs Data Management with AvePoint

Customer Profile

Aurecon is an Asia Pacific design, engineering and advisory company with over 7,000 employees across 11 locations. Providing integrated solutions across the entire asset lifecycle, Aurecon works with large private and public asset owners across energy, resources, water, digital, transport, Defence and infrastructure.

Locations
Australia
New Zealand
Asia

Industry
Engineering

Platform
Microsoft 365

Solution
AvePoint Opus

Success Highlights

- 60% storage cost savings
- Self-service file restoration
- Improved compliance and security posture
- Reduced IT burden
- Future scalability

Critical Needs

- Improve data storage capacity
- Reduce costs of data storage
- Strengthen governance
- Create scale for growth

The Challenge

Smart data management is no longer a luxury — it's a necessity

For Aurecon, the rapid growth of data wasn't just a storage issue. It was a strategic one. Driven by remarkable growth across multiple practices and regions, along with rising demand for high-quality client solutions, storage costs had significantly increased. Paul Martinico, Aurecon's Information Management Lead, explains: "Smart data management is no longer a luxury — it's a necessity. We needed a better way to manage the lifecycle of our information to reduce costs, strengthen governance, and scale for growth."

Driving innovation, quality, and data excellence

This initiative is more than an operational win; it's a major step in Aurecon's journey toward data excellence. By modernising data and information management lifecycle practices, we're promoting innovation, quality, and growth across the

organisation. Lifecycle automation isn't just about managing data; it's about empowering our people to access what they need, when they need it, with confidence and clarity. Aurecon is setting a new standard for information management that aligns with our broader vision: to be a leader in digital engineering and advisory, driven by intelligent systems, scalable platforms, and a culture of continuous improvement.

Managing data at scale

SharePoint is a heavily used collaboration platform, housing everything from critical project files to footy tipping competitions. Without proper lifecycle controls, Aurecon found itself storing large volumes of redundant, obsolete, or trivial (ROT) data. Without archiving protocols or versioning limits, data sprawl was undermining performance, compliance, and cost efficiency.

The AvePoint Solution

A comprehensive lifecycle strategy powered by AvePoint

To take back control, Aurecon implemented a full-scale Data & Information Lifecycle Management Strategy, underpinned by AvePoint Opus. Key initiatives included:

- **Automated archiving:** Using AvePoint Opus, Aurecon identifies and archives low-value content while preserving access through SharePoint.

- **Version control optimisation:** Default versioning limits were reduced.

- **Data footprint reduction:** The initiative aimed to realign Microsoft licensing costs and improve operational efficiency.

- **AvePoint cloud governance:** Uplifting use to improve awareness, compliance and governance.

Outcomes

Cost savings, governance gains, and scalable success

By combining policy automation, user-friendly archiving, and stronger governance protocols, Aurecon unlocked powerful benefits:

- 60% storage cost savings and avoidance by FY26 via Opus

- Self-service file restoration within SharePoint

- Improved compliance and security posture through structured retention

- Reduced IT burden, freeing up internal resources for higher-value work

- Future scalability to support Aurecon's evolving digital ecosystem

The Road Ahead

With automated lifecycle rules now in place, Aurecon is well-positioned to stop the accumulation of ROT data before it starts. More than a storage strategy, this is about enabling better decisions, faster innovation, and long-term resilience. It reflects Aurecon's deep commitment to delivering high-quality outcomes through digital leadership and purposeful data transformation.

> *We're not just saving money — we're building a smarter, leaner, and more agile data environment to support our teams today and into the future."*
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> **Information Management Lead at Aurecon**