Reddot User Group
Leo Mindel, Sotic

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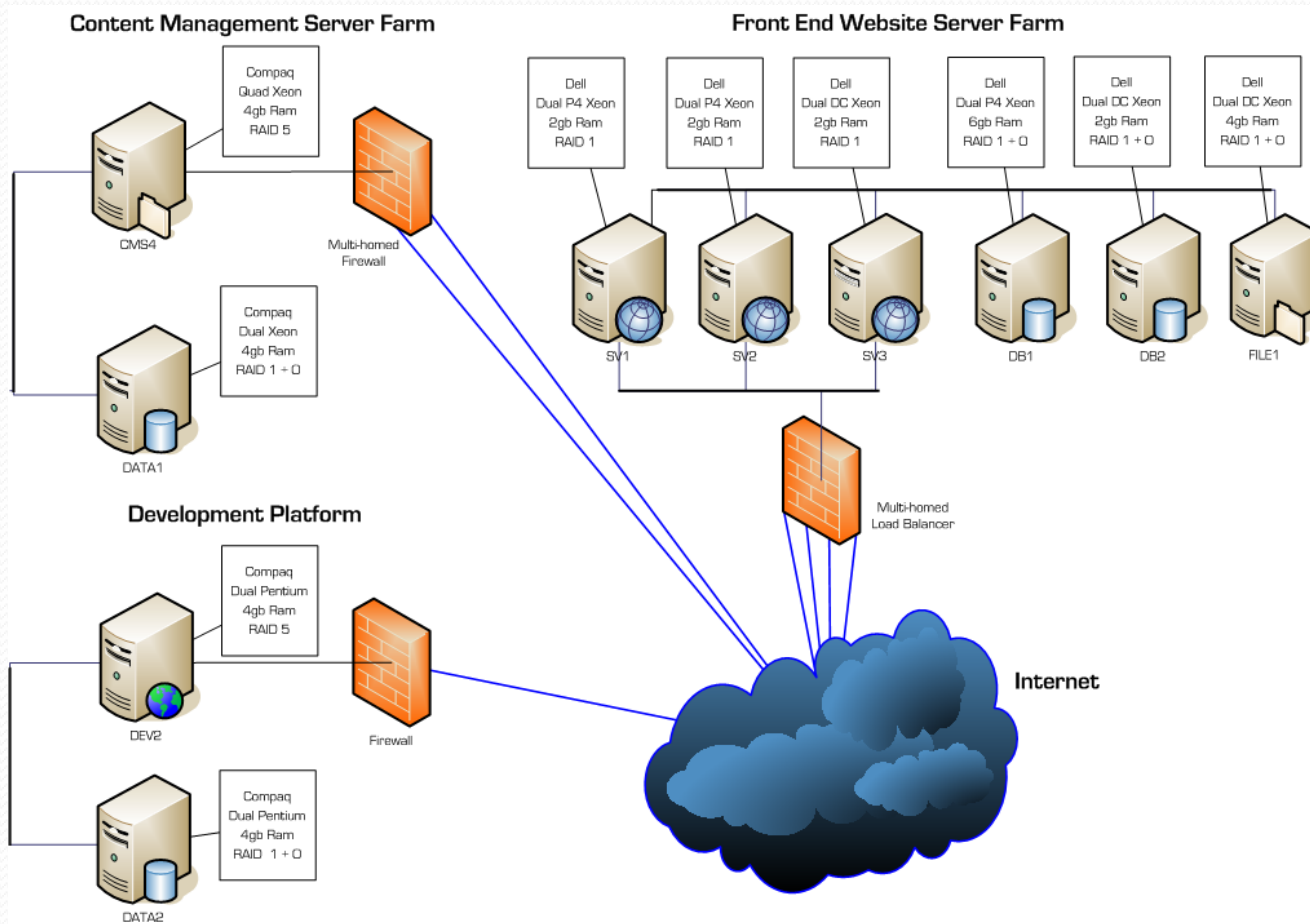London (Not Stanstead)

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- Sotic – What we do
- Sotic – How we deliver our sites
  - Correct Specification
  - Look after the platform
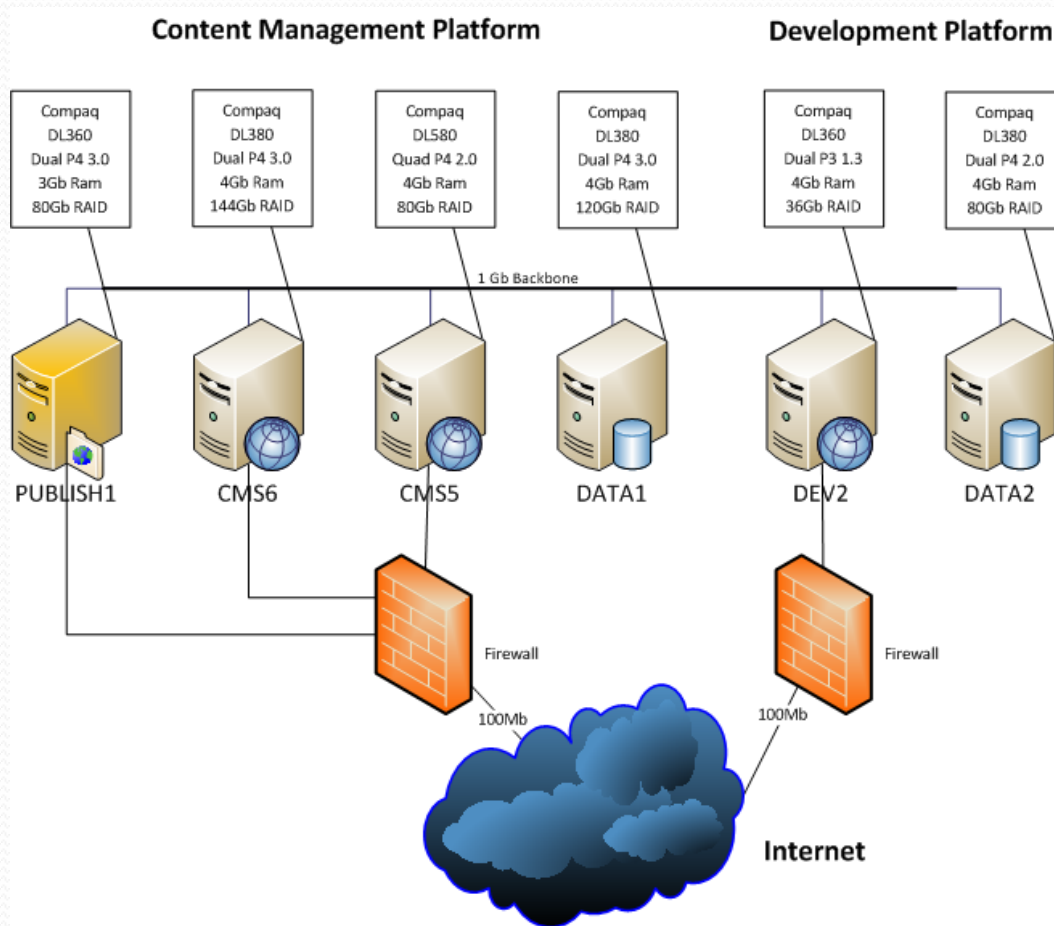 - Sharing the load

Sotic – Who are we

Heineken Cup, ISAF

RBS 6 Nations, Wales Rally

Guinness Premiership

Welsh Rugby Union

Irish Rugby Football Union

Bath Rugby, Gloucester

Leicester Tigers, Munster

Newcastle Falcons
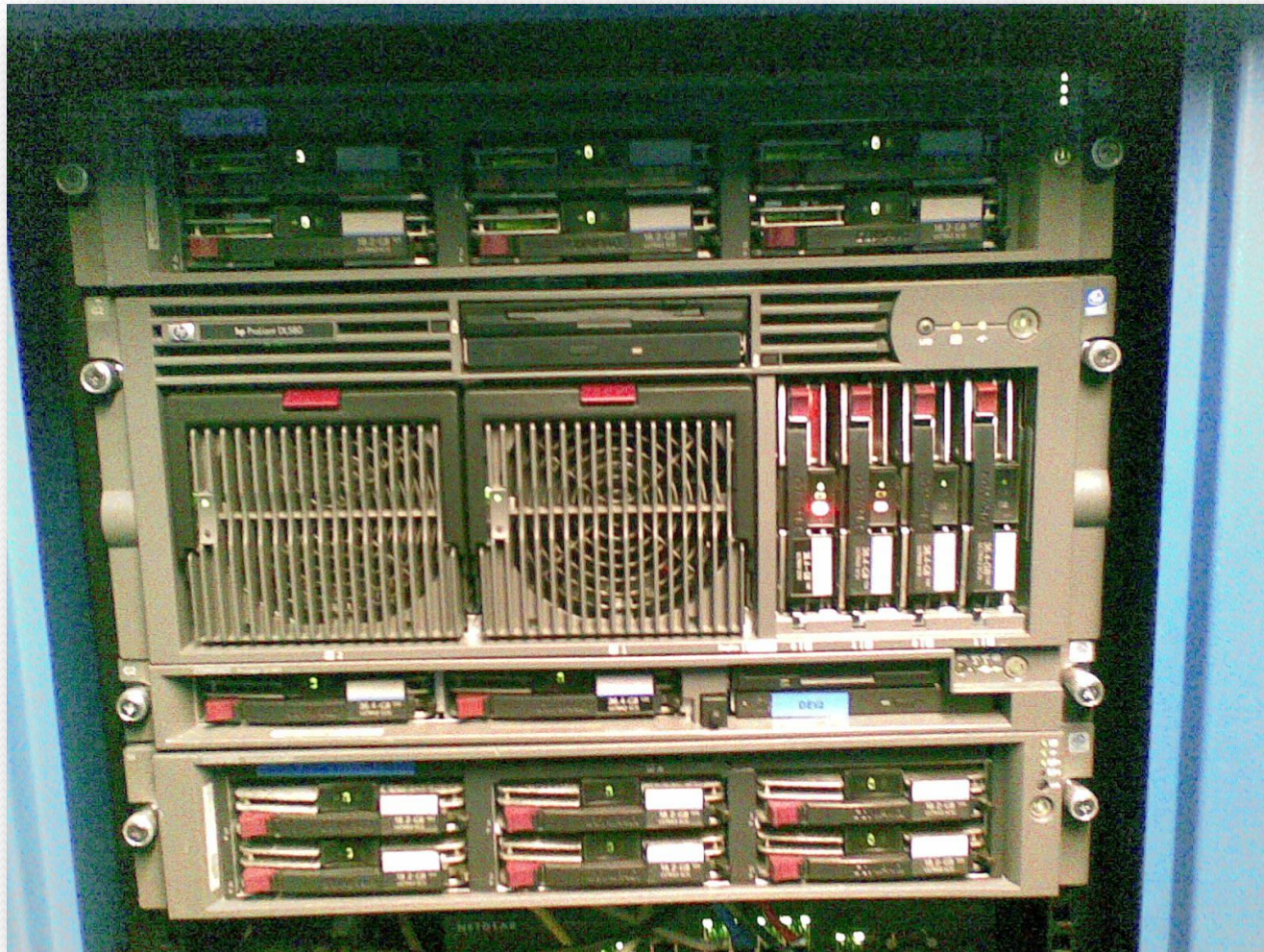
Northampton Saints

Ulster Rugby, Worcester

Sotic Website Platform

Content Management Platform

Sotic –RedDot Platform

Correct Specification

- Separate SQL server to CMS server
- SQL server not Express
- A real server not desktops
- Minimum of two cores / twin processor
  - However Reddot does not utilise any more than two
- Fast disks, with a caching raid controller
- 1gb interconnects, server class network cards

Look after the platform

- Regular patching – hardware and operating system
- Nightly disk defragmenting
- Clean up the disk space
  - Reddot\asp\logs
  - Windows\system32\logfiles\W3SVC1
- MSDAC – correct version
- Configure virus checking to be less intrusive

Sharing the load

- Investigate the cluster approach
- Change to directory publishing and use a 3rd party tool to carry out the FTP
- Move publishing to another server
- Golden rule –
  - Let Reddot do what it does with nothing else on the box
  - Reddot wants all the toys to itself

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