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Within weeks of implementing Cognition 360's Team Utilization and Agreement Profitability reports, UK MSP AZTech IT Solutions has boosted technician. utilization by around 20 percent and gained a new level of insight to better manage profitability of its managed service agreements.

Founded in 2006, AZTech IT has grown rapidly to offer a full range of IT services from its brand spanking new 5,000 square foot headquarters in Milton Keynes – mostly supporting SME customers.

But as services and staff have grown, AZTech IT's Commercial and Operations Director Sean Houghton was frustrated by their inability to extract critical data out of ConnectWise. "We particularly wanted more detailed info on utilisation of our techs, and the profitability of our customer agreements," he says. "We had good dashboards, but we couldn't get trend and historical data using BrightGauge."

Within weeks of engaging with Cognition 360, AZTech IT was up and running with Cognition360's Team Utilization and Agreement Profitability reports. including tuning of the reports to meet AZTech IT's requirements.

And Sean Houghton is delighted with the results: "Using the Team Utilization report we have detailed visibility of time entries and we sit down with our techs to help them to fix the reasons why their time recording is not accurate. We measure weekly KPIs showing how many hours they are logging and how they are being utilised. As a result, our utilisation and time recovery have gone up. Productivity wise, we had an average utilisation rate across all teams of below 75 percent. That's now above 90 percent.



"We also now have a much better understanding of customer profitability via the Agreement Profitability report. Now we're having the right conversations with our customers. With some customers that are very profitable we can put more resources in place. With lower profitability customers we can identify areas of potential cost saving, or if necessary realign the agreement.

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