Jonathon Smith

Technology & Cybersecurity Leader

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Achievements

- Built award winning technology platform for automotive financial services company
- Scaled technology team from 0 to 10 and business to 50+ staff
- Transformed business by architecting & implementing bespoke digital process system
- Ran multi-million revenue business as Director & Chief Information Officer
- Sold business delivering multi-million exit for investors

Key Skills

- Leadership: Combines technical knowledge with a generalist mindset to deliver insight in all areas
- Collaboration: Builds solutions by ensuring all parties understand each others problems
- Cybersecurity: Skilled Penetration Tester, ISO27001 Auditor & Cyber Essentials+ Assessor
- Web Developer: Over 15 years experience as a .NET developer solving business problems
- Data Protection: Qualified former DPO who was responsible for GDPR in a regulated industry

Personal Summary

Currently founder & director of Cybersmith, provider of pentesting & cybersecurity auditing. Previously Chief Information Officer in the automotive finance sector for over a decade. Volunteer Vice-Chairman of Kettering Mind & Governor of Kettering General Hospital. Trampoline gymnastics specialist, with 18 years experience coaching all ages & abilities.

Qualifications

Sample of the 20+ qualifications I hold:

Leadership

| • MCIIS | CliSec | Full Member of the Chartered Institute of Information Security |
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| CISSP | ISC ² | Certified Information Systems Security Professional |
| CCSK | CSA | Certificate of Cloud Security Knowledge |
| • CISM | ISACA | Certified Information Security Manager |
| CISMP | BCS | Certificate in Information Security Management Principles |

Penetration Testing & Audit

| • CRT | CREST | Registered Penetration Tester |
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| CPTS | HTB | Certified Penetration Testing Specialist |
| PNPT | TCM | Practical Network Penetration Tester |
| • CISA | ISACA | Certified Information Security Auditor |
| • 27001 | BSI | ISO27001 Lead Auditor Practitioner |
| • CE | IASME | Cyber Essentials+ Lead Assessor |

Data Protection

| • FIP | IAPP | Fellow of Information Privacy |
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| CIPP/E | IAPP | Certified Information Privacy Professional (Europe) |
| PCDP | BCS | Practitioner Certificate in Data Protection (UK) |

Degree & Education

- 1st Class BScEcon International Politics and the Third World (Aberystwyth University)
- 4 A Levels & 10 GCSEs A-C including Maths & English (Latimer College)

Founder & Director

Cybersmith Mar 2022 to Now

- **Leadership & Governance**: Guided boards by working collaboratively with technical and non-technical staff to help everyone understand each others needs.
- **Security Consultancy**: Improved organisational security posture and supply chain resilience by taking a business-case first approach to change.
- Auditing & Testing: Delivered Cyber Essentials+ assessment, ISO27001 guidance and technical penetration testing.
- **Data Protection**: Created data inventories & advised on compliance with the UK/EU GDPR as well as on general privacy best practice.
- **Web Development**: Reviewed complex web applications and provided guidance on how to improve them, both from a security and business efficiency standpoint.

Non-Compete Period After Business Sale

Various Organisations Feb 2020 to Feb 2022 (2 yrs)

- Volunteering: Coached gymnastics & volunteered locally.
- **Education**: Passed various qualifications required to set up my next business.

Chief Information Officer, IT Director & IT Manager

Fleet Assist Nov 2009 to Jan 2020 (10 yrs 3 mos)

- Security: Worked within the regulated financial services sector and was responsible for cybersecurity audits from our FCA regulated customers.
- **Data Protection**: Appointed DPO & responsible for all data protection matters including running an extensive 2018 GDPR program to review circa 1000 contracts.
- **Web Development**: Developed from a greenfield project, code reviewed and project managed the web based "Atlas" system which was the company's primary system.
- IT & Cloud: Created and managed an on-prem/cloud hybrid Hyper-V based Windows Server environment within local server rooms and Azure.
- **Networking**: Procured, configured and monitored a fully redundant network using a Avaya PABX, Juniper firewalls and switches combined with Ubiquiti access points.
- **Data Analytics**: Designed and built a multi-award winning (Fleet News and Alphabet Awards) data analytics platform to process over £2bn in automotive maintenance data.
- **People**: Line managed 6 direct reports, with a team of 10 in total across the IT, Software Development, Analytics, Data and Admin departments.
- **Procurement**: Completed multiple IT technology refreshes with budgets up to £100k on projects ranging from software migrations to networking and server installs.
- **Facilities**: Managed the challenging environment of a 15th century manor house and led a £250k project to renovate then move to a modern office.
- **Sales**: Won multiple contracts as the lead tender writer & technical sales presenter with customers ranging from SMEs to multi-nationals.
- M&A: Led sale of the business to private investors, demonstrating the ability to raise capital by finding and managing the relationship with investors.