

# KEYSTONE LINTELS

UK & IRELAND'S LARGEST STEEL LINTEL MANUFACTURER



## The Company

The Keystone Group is the UK's largest steel lintel manufacturer and Europe's fastest growing roof window manufacturer.

The company has a strong focus on innovation and has established a reputation as a reliable supplier of quality specialist products. With production facilities in the UK and Poland, plus a remote site in the Philippines, Keystone has over 1,000 employees and continuously grows and develops its extensive product offering.

It is part of the Keystone Group which also includes IG Lintels, Keylite Roof Windows, IG Elements, IG Masonry Support Systems and Smartroof.

## The Challenge

Keystone Lintels' distributed workforce relies on a wide area network for seamless access to critical services. The decision to adopt PeerGFS was driven by the need to upgrade the company's legacy virtual desktop infrastructure (VDI) for engineers.

Keystone Lintels wanted to give every engineer access to more effective workstations, with better responsiveness and performance. An added challenge was that user files were stored centrally and could be slow to access which impacted on productivity.

## Project Profile

### PEER SOFTWARE SOLUTION

- ▶ PeerGFS™

### CUSTOMER PLATFORM(S)

- ▶ Microsoft Windows

### LOCATIONS

- ▶ United Kingdom
- ▶ Poland
- ▶ Philippines

### INDUSTRY

- ▶ Manufacturing

### APPLICATIONS

- ▶ Autodesk AutoCAD
- ▶ Autodesk Revit
- ▶ Microsoft Office
- ▶ Dassault Systèmes CATIA





## Solution

Keystone Lintels implemented PeerGFS to provide local file access of global data to engineers in remote sites such as Swadlincote and Cwmbran.

The ability to efficiently replicate data and prevent version conflicts through integrated file locking across mirrored sites became a key selling point for PeerGFS, as it ensured seamless collaboration among users working on the same projects, simultaneously.

## Results

Since implementation in 2018, the Keystone Group has benefited from:

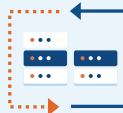
- ▶ **Increased productivity:** opening up colleague collaboration with real-time file synchronisation across remote sites
- ▶ **Flexibility:** to easily decommission legacy infrastructure without losing data
- ▶ **Continuous availability:** protecting users against downtime, ensuring users remain connected to documents, data files and business applications, and reducing the risk of data loss
- ▶ **Substantial cost savings:** retiring its legacy desktop infrastructure saved budget on licensing and infrastructure support

## Benefits



### FAST FILE ACCESS

Improve Productivity for distributed teams by enabling fast local access to shared project files.



### CROSS PLATFORM

Replicate Data between the Storage Systems which best meet specific application / business requirements.



### FILE LOCKING

Enable fast, local access to shared file data without the risk of version conflicts



### NO VENDOR LOCK-IN

Non-proprietary, software-based solution supports native file and object formats.

## ABOUT US

Since 1993, Peer Software has developed data management solutions that address unique challenges related to data synchronization, backup, and file collaboration in multi-site (WAN) environments.

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