

February Newsletter



Circle Cloud Monthly Insights

Welcome to this month's Circle Cloud Monthly Insights — a quick look at the latest Microsoft 365 updates, time-saving tools like Microsoft Bookings, and the security improvements we're rolling out to keep your organisation protected.

Microsoft Updates- Agent Mode in Excel- From advising to doing



Microsoft has introduced **Agent Mode in Excel**, a major step forward for Copilot and a real advantage for anyone who uses Excel regularly.

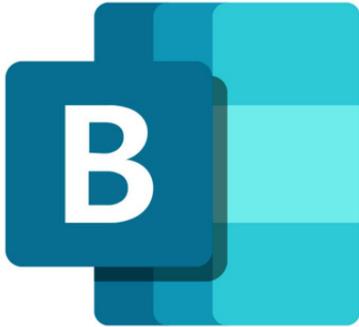
Previously, Copilot was great at explaining how to build formulas, tables, or reports — but it stopped short of actually completing the work. Often, what you really needed was for Excel to *just do it*.

With **Agent Mode**, that becomes possible. You simply describe what you want to achieve, and Excel will build

or modify the spreadsheet automatically — including formulas, tables, charts, and layouts using Excel's native features.

This means **advanced capability without the learning curve**. Less time wrestling with formulas, more time focusing on decisions and results.

See a quick overview of Agent Mode from Microsoft [here](#).



Circle Cloud App of the Month: Microsoft Bookings

Microsoft Bookings makes it simple for customers and external contacts to book time with you or your team — without endless back-and-forth emails.

Share your booking link, and people can see your team's availability and choose a time that works for them. You can create booking pages for teams such as sales, customer service, onboarding, or account management, with availability managed automatically across staff calendars.

Appointments sync with Outlook, reminders are sent automatically, and Microsoft Teams meetings can be generated when needed.

Think of it as **Calendly for individuals and teams**, already included with Microsoft 365 Business Premium.

Watch this 1-minute overview video of Bookings from Microsoft [here](#).

Security Corner: What We're Doing — and What's Coming Next

Cybersecurity isn't a one-off project — it's ongoing work to keep your systems protected as technology and threats evolve. Below is a summary of what we've been actively working on, along with what we'll be focusing on next to continue strengthening your security.



Windows 11 Major Updates — Staying Secure and Supported

Windows 11 has major version updates, each with its own support lifecycle. Once a version reaches end of support, it stops receiving security updates, increasing risk over time.

While Windows 11 version remains supported until **October 2026**, we proactively move customers to the

latest release, **Windows 11 25H2**, to ensure devices stay secure and future-ready.

We're currently **around 75% complete** across our customer base, with the remaining devices scheduled as part of our ongoing rollout.

Email Security Improvements (Rollout Over the Next Two Months)

Email remains one of the most common entry points for cyberattacks. Over the coming months, we'll be reviewing customer email domains to ensure **DMARC, DKIM, and SPF** protections are correctly configured and fully up to date. These controls work together to:

- Confirm emails are genuinely sent from your organisation
- Reduce the risk of spoofing or impersonation
- Improve email deliverability
- Protect your brand's reputation

We'll be in touch as we complete these reviews and implement any necessary updates.

Customer Spotlight: Share Your Experience



We're proud to support organisations across the UK with their Microsoft 365 and cybersecurity needs — and your feedback helps us continue improving the service we deliver.

If we've helped your organisation recently, whether through security improvements, Microsoft 365 support, or ongoing management, we'd really appreciate if you could take a moment to share your experience in a Google review.

Your feedback not only supports our team, but also helps other organisations understand the value of working with Circle Cloud.

👉 You can leave us a review [here](#)

