4.3 Security

4.3.1 Cyber Security Risk Assessment (Summary)

A mini risk assessment was performed for Truelec's new HQ and Brisbane branch using the unit template (TVA Matrix).

It considered threats, vulnerabilities, impacts, and likelihoods across eight major information-security threats.

Assets included hardware, software, data, people, and processes; four key data assets were assessed.

Key Assets & Threats Evaluated

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#	Threat Type	Vulnerability /	Asset	Impact	Likelihood	Risk
		Description	Affected			Level
1	Malware /	Unpatched PCs or	CRM & HR	High	Medium	High
	Ransomware	USB devices	Data			
2	Phishing / Social	Staff may click	Employee	High	High	High
	Engineering	malicious email	Credentials			
		links				
3	Insider Threat	Disgruntled	Project Files	High	Medium	High
		employee	/ CRM			
		downloads client				
		data				
4	Unsecured Wi-Fi	Weak or shared	HQ Wi-Fi	Medium	High	High
	Access	passwords on APs	Network			
5	Data Loss /	Single server point	HR Records,	High	Low	Medium
	Hardware Failure	of failure	CRM	_		
6	DDoS Attack on	No cloud WAF /	Company	Medium	Medium	Medium
	Public Website	rate-limit	Website			
7	IoT Vulnerability	Default passwords	IoT Feeds	Medium	Medium	Medium
		on CCTV / RFID				
8	Physical Damage	No UPS or backup	Servers &	High	Low	Medium
	/ Power Loss	generator	Routers			

Data Assets Considered

- 1. HR Employee Records (personal & payroll)
- 2. CRM Client Database (contact and project history)
- 3. Financial Accounting Data (Xero/ERP exports)
- 4. IoT Sensor & CCTV Footage (security feeds)

Among these, the CRM Client Database was rated Highest Risk due to its business sensitivity, exposure through remote VPN access, and susceptibility to phishing & malware.

4.3.2 Recommended Security Controls (NIST SP 800-53 Aligned)

Target Asset — CRM Client Database

The following three controls were selected as most effective for reducing risk:

Control	Control Name	Implementation in	Risk Reduced	User Impact /
ID		Truelec		Disadvantage
AC-2	Account Management	• Apply Role-Based Access Control (RBAC) on the CRM server. • Only authorised staff in Sales & Management groups can view client records. • Implemented via Windows AD integration on 48.12.0.0/24 (HQ Server Subnet).	Prevents unauthorised viewing or exfiltration of client data.	Users may need additional logins or approval for new access requests.
IA-2	Identification & Authentication (MFA)	• Enforce Multi-Factor Authentication for all CRM logins (software token or SMS OTP). • Applies to HQ and remote VPN users. • Configured on CRM web portal and VPN gateway (router 48.40.0.3).	Stops credential- stuffing and phished- password attacks.	Slightly slower login; requires mobile device for OTP.
SC-28	Data Encryption at Rest	 Enable AES-256 disk encryption on CRM VM and database storage volume. Keys managed in Azure Key Vault if migrated to cloud. 	Ensures stolen drives or backups cannot reveal client data.	Minor CPU overhead; admins must rotate keys securely.

Summary of Benefits

- AC-2 (RBAC): Ensures only authorised roles access CRM data.
- IA-2 (MFA): Adds a second authentication layer for remote logins.
- SC-28 (Encryption): Protects stored data if servers or backups are compromised.

Together, these controls address confidentiality, integrity, and availability (CIA triad) principles, directly lowering the highest-rated risk from High to Low–Medium.

