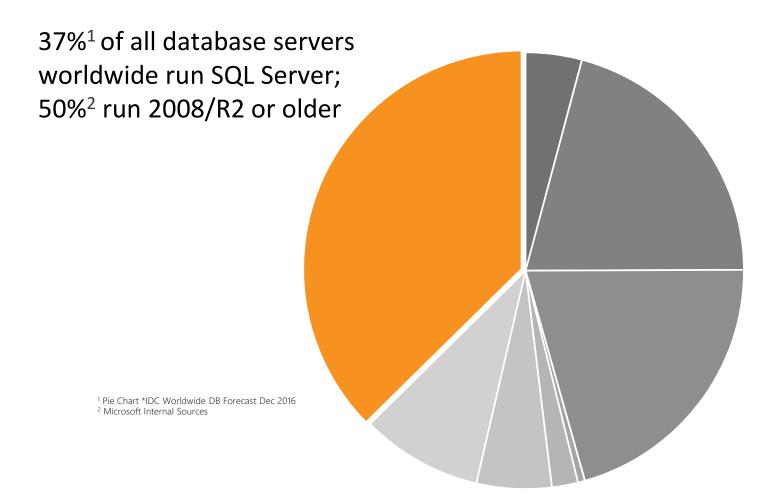




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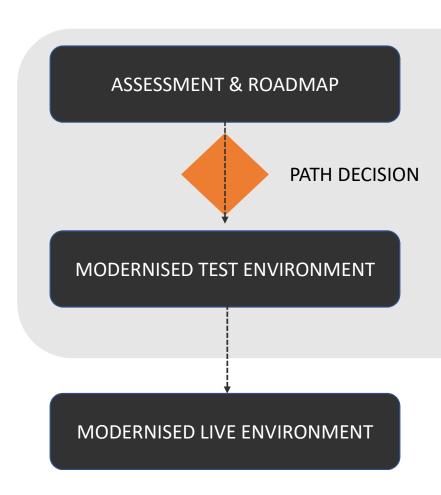
- With the end of extended support for SQL Server 2008 and SQL Server 2008 R2, there will no longer be security fixes produced for new vulnerabilities.
- This creates a major issue for companies as the majority of Information Security Management Systems designed to adhere to legal requirements mandate a security control based on Patch Management. This means that companies are subject to substantially increased risks for a system which holds organisational data.

### **Common Legal Requirements:**

- Data Protection Act 2018 (GDPR)
- Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000
- Official Secrets Act 1989
- Privacy & Electronic Communications (EC Directive) Regulations 2003

## **OUR APPROACH - PATHFINDER**





Our Pathfinder service provides the following benefits:

- A rapid solution to modernise your SQL Server 2008/R2 instance
- A range of modernisation options based on your specific needs
- Gains buy in from the stakeholders
- · Reduces cost and resource demands
- Provides a validated test environment and an actionable roadmap

## PATHFINDER: ASSESSMENT & ROADMAP



### **AM: Requirements Workshop**

- Application Dependencies
- Software Licensing
- Infrastructure and Environment Dependencies
- Architectural Standards
- Discuss and Review approaches (Upgrade, Azure laaS Swing, Azure SQL)

## **PM: Environment Analysis**

- SQL Server Health Check
- SQL Server 2017 Upgrade Advisor
- Azure SQL (Database) Compatibility Review

**Deliverable:** You will be provided with a report detailing the options for modernisation and a recommended Phase 2 work package.

## PATHFINDER: MODERNISED TEST ENVIRONMENT



Work Package 1.

### **2008/R2 Upgrade to 2017**

Node4 will undertake an upgrade on the existing SQL Server 2008
Test instance and upgrade it to SQL Server 2017.

Work Package 2.

#### 2008/R2 Migrate to Azure SQL MI

Node4 will undertake a migration of the existing SQL Server 2008 Test instance and migrate it to an Azure SQL Managed instance.

Work Package 3.

#### 2008/R2 Migrate to Azure VM

Node4 will undertake a migration of the existing SQL Server 2008
Test instance and migrate it to an Azure SQL VM.

Work Package 4.

#### 2008/R2 Migrate to Azure SQL DB

Node4 will undertake a migration of up to 3 SQL Server 2008 Test databases and migrate it to the Azure SQL Database Service.