





## Accounting Software: QuickBooks

# ‘Before Beanworks, I was spending 50% of my time on AP’

## Sue Sharp, Financial Controller, Radiant Post and Rapid Pictures

Focusing on growth and strategy are key factors for the long-term success of any business. This is especially true for Radiant Post Production, a specialist in providing post-production services to major broadcasters and production companies. Recent expansion has seen them open a third office in Manchester.

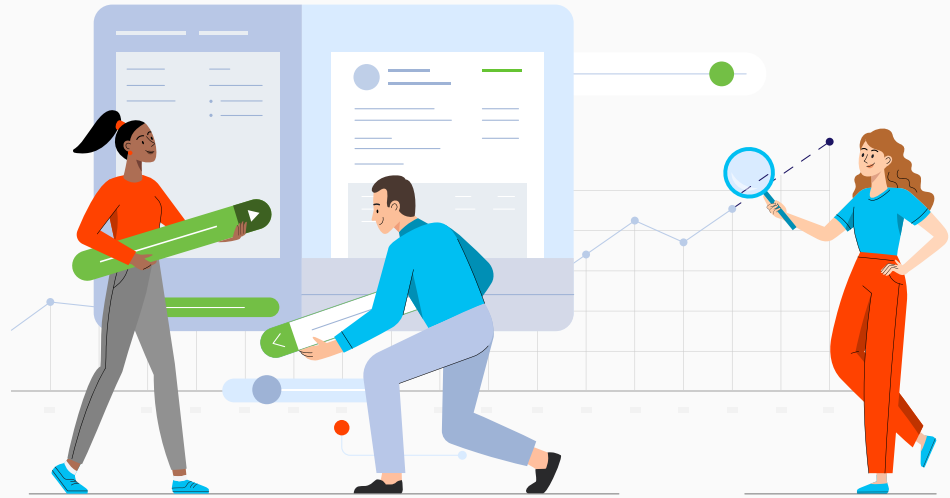
Due to the nature of the work, many employees work remotely. However, this type of working has created a number of challenges including email communication going astray, leading to lengthy delays in the post-production approval process.

Consequently Sue Sharp, Financial Controller at Radiant Post Production and her team were having to spend excessive time on low-value tasks including data entry and bookkeeping.

### Solving the issues of a remote workforce

Radiant Post Production needed help to address the challenges created by having a remote workforce. By choosing to integrate Quadient Accounts Payable (AP) by Beanworks with their existing QuickBooks Online accounting software, they were able to increase the team’s workflow efficiency, reduced errors and improved visibility for both the CFO and the MD on the state of AP processes and orders.

In addition, the software enabled Radiant to focus on higher-value tasks such as accounts and company budget management.



## Finding the right fit

Businesses are having to make a plethora of decisions including choosing the right technology investment, to meet their business needs. For Radiant Post Production, which processes around 180 invoices a month, the accounts team found that some software packages did not suit their needs. Sue Sharp, Financial Controller at Radiant Post and Rapid Pictures explains that “all the other software was too complicated for us as a small-to-medium sized business”.

**“I’ve been bookkeeper for 30 years, I know the process inside out. If I was a small-to-medium size company, I would use this!”**

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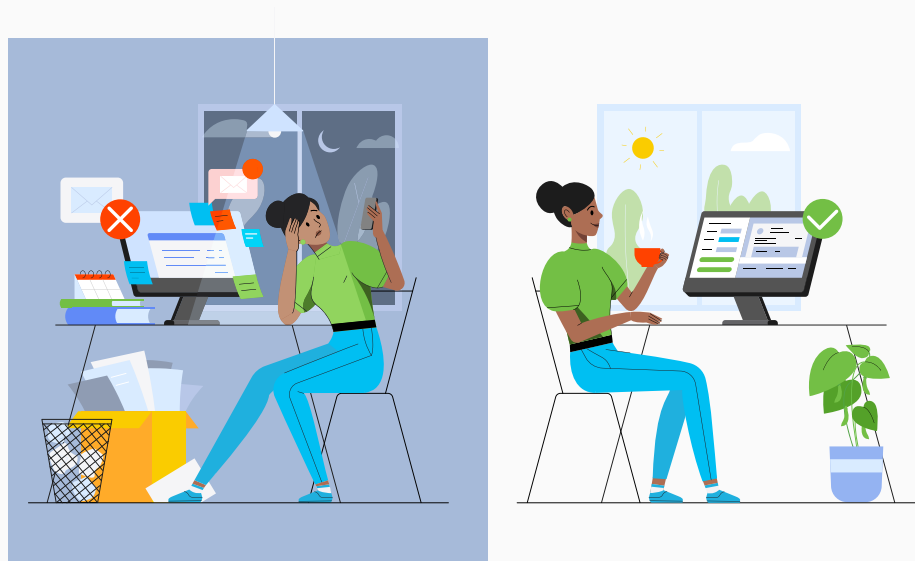
## Ending email and paper-based approvals

Another benefit of using Quadient AP integration is that the provision of cloud-based storage can help to significantly minimise the need for paperwork and email invoicing, required as part of the AP process.

These functions can be difficult to manage, organise and keep track of, as well as being time-consuming to carry out. The reduction in having to print off paperwork and emails by embracing cloud technology, has the added benefit of reducing purchasing costs of paper and ink, helping to support environmental obligations, and for those out of the office, easily access their work remotely.

**“Manual data entry, too much paperwork, filing paper works, searching back through 1,000 of emails - Yes, the AP process was time consuming! Beanworks really sits well with us”**

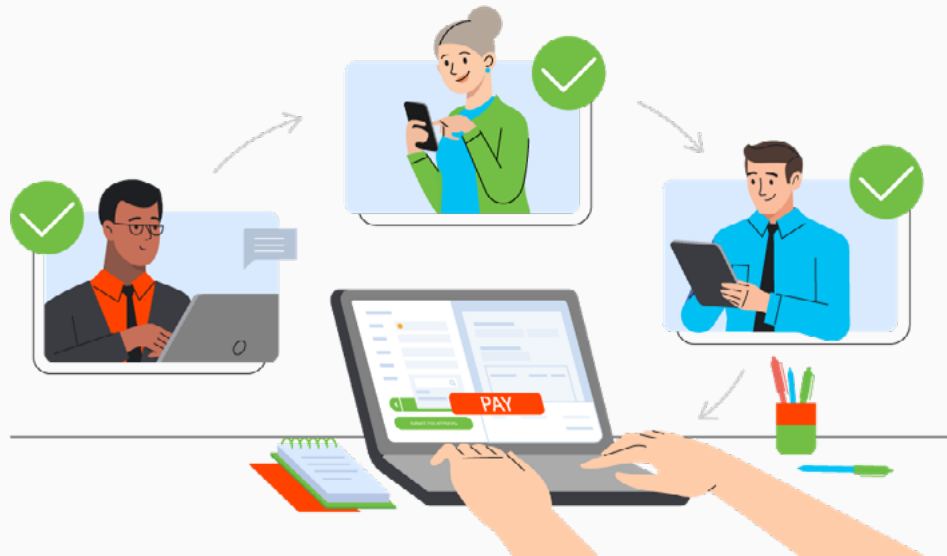
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Implementing Quadient AP has also provided Radiant Post Production with the ability to enable unlimited users to access and view submitted invoices, waiting for approval. This has allowed the CFO to instantly access and report on any stage of the AP process, eliminating the need to rely on manually requesting of reports from the financial controller, which previously caused delays to meeting deadlines.

## Delivering an efficient AP process

Quadient AP integration with QuickBooks Online has drastically increased the efficiency of the AP process; where previously, for one invoice to be approved, five people would have to be involved and a string of emails being sent back and forth, having both financial and time management implications.



**The use of Beanworks has reduced errors in the AP process for Radiant Post Production, whilst also reducing the time spent on entry and approvals and allowing for greater visibility and control**

Quadient AP has provided the team with a seamless AP solution that allows easy access for its users – therefore enabling a wider adoption of the system and the benefits this offers. The new system has also helped increase productivity by reducing time spent manually entering data and chasing employees for their approval or rejection of POs and invoices.

**“It took hours to process the paper pile sitting on my desk and it just got bigger. And I was consistently chasing for approvals by emails. I’m really happy with Beanworks AP”**

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# Save Time, Cut Costs & Reduce Risk With AP Automation

The positive feedback from the team at Radiant Post Production highlights the numerous benefits that Quadient Accounts Payable Automation by Beanworks has brought to their QuickBooks Online AP system, demonstrating why they switched to using Quadient AP as part of their central AP workflow.

**Let's talk about automation.**  
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