

# WHAT CHANGED TODAY?

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## M365 CHANGES

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## AI & PRODUCTIVITY

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# Why this brief exists.

This brief is pulled from the Microsoft 365 official release communications feed and supplemented with verified news from the past 48 hours. It runs automatically twice a day and curates what has actually changed, not what has been announced. Every item is sourced. Every takeaway is plain English.

The editorial insight on the final item connects the week's patterns. If something is wrong, check the source. If a source is unavailable, it is noted. This is not marketing. It is a briefing.

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01

# Copilot Chat History Now Scoped to Active

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Copilot Chat will show conversation history scoped to the current endpoint rather than a combined view across all surfaces. Users can still switch to an 'All chats' view. This change reaches General Availability in June 2026 and affects any user who works across Teams, the web app, and the M365 Copilot App.

## TAKEAWAY

- ✓ **If your team retrieves past Copilot conversations across surfaces, the way they find those conversations will change in June — worth communicating before the rollout.**

Do you know which Copilot surfaces your users work across most, and have you told them that per-surface history scoping is coming?

Source: Microsoft M365 Roadmap #559601  
<https://www.microsoft.com/microsoft-365/roadmap?id=559601>

02

# Teams Interpreter Simultaneous Mode Gets

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Microsoft is shipping three changes to AI Interpreter's Simultaneous mode in Teams. Live captions and interpreter audio will now use the same selected language. Admins gain a policy option to fully disable voice simulation. Users get more voice choices, with dynamic assignment to help distinguish speakers. General Availability is expected in July 2026.

## TAKEAWAY

- ✓ **For teams running multilingual meetings, the audio-caption mismatch problem is resolved, and admins now have a disable control if voice simulation conflicts with accessibility or compliance policy.**

Does your organisation's meeting policy address voice simulation in interpreter mode, and does your admin team know this new override is coming?

Source: Microsoft M365 Roadmap #562035  
<https://www.microsoft.com/microsoft-365/roadmap?id=562035>

03

# Copilot Notebooks Now Generate Interactive Mind

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Copilot Notebooks in OneNote and the M365 Copilot App can now generate Mind Maps — interactive visual diagrams that show key topics, themes, and relationships within a notebook. Users can explore individual nodes, read per-node summaries, and ask follow-up questions through notebook chat. General Availability is May 2026, meaning this is available now for licensed users.

## TAKEAWAY

- ✓ **Dense OneNote notebooks — meeting notes, research collections, project logs — can now be visualised as navigable topic maps. No setup is required if you hold an M365 Copilot licence.**

Which OneNote notebooks in your organisation would benefit most from a visual topic map, and do your users know this feature is active?

Source: Microsoft M365 Roadmap #559029  
<https://www.microsoft.com/microsoft-365/roadmap?id=559029>

04

# Copilot Now Reads Long Files and Embedded

M365 CHANGE

Copilot has updated how it handles long documents. It now understands document structure and navigates to relevant sections before answering, rather than treating content as a flat sequence. It also reads charts, diagrams, screenshots, and scanned PDFs embedded in files. Both improvements are part of the May 2026 rollout and are on by default.

## TAKEAWAY

✓ **Documents that were too long or image-heavy for reliable Copilot analysis should now produce more accurate answers. No configuration change is needed.**

## ASK

What are the complex or lengthy documents your team most often asks Copilot to analyse, and is now a good time to retest those with the updated model?

Source: Level Up M365 (May 2026 Roadmap) <https://levelupm365.com/2026/05/07/microsoft-365-roadmap-updates-may-2026/>

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# SharePoint Authoritative Sites Shape What Copilot

M365 CHANGE

Admins can now designate SharePoint sites as authoritative sources for Copilot Chat and Search. Content from these sites is prioritised over other available content when Copilot generates answers. The feature takes effect immediately on designation and is listed as one of May's default-on, admin-attention items.

## TAKEAWAY

✓ **This is a direct lever for controlling what Copilot 'knows' in your organisation. Without designating authoritative sites, Copilot draws on all available SharePoint content equally — including outdated or unofficial documents.**

Which SharePoint sites in your organisation should be authoritative for Copilot answers, and who owns the governance decision to designate them?

Source: Level 1: M365 / Microsoft M365 Roadmap #561323  
<https://level1.ms.com/2026/05/23/microsoft-365-roadmap-updates-may-2026/>

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# Agentic Workflow Market Projected to Triple by 2033

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Industry analysis published in early 2026 puts 64% of organisations as actively using AI in operations. The workflow automation market — covering agentic AI systems — is valued at \$29.9 billion in 2026 and projected to reach \$87.7 billion by 2033. The main driver is the shift from individual AI assistance to team-level and process-level orchestration, where agents coordinate end-to-end workflows rather than answering individual queries.

✓ **Most enterprises are past the pilot phase. The gap now is between organisations that have wired AI into workflows and those still using it as a standalone prompt tool.**

ASK

What proportion of your team's recurring workflows involve AI at the process level rather than the individual prompt level?

Source: LogicBalls, Industry Analysis 2026 / TechRepublic AI Adoption Report, 2026  
<https://www.techrepublic.com/news/enterprise-agentic-workflow-trends-2026/>

07

# Microsoft Entra Now Assigns Identities to AI

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Microsoft is extending Entra ID to AI agents, giving each deployed agent an enterprise identity equivalent to a user account. Agent activity becomes visible in network logs, security dashboards, and compliance reporting without separate infrastructure. Gartner separately estimates that 40% of enterprise applications will include task-specific AI agents by end of 2026, up from under 5% in 2025.

## TAKEAWAY

- ✓ **Organisations running Copilot Studio or Azure AI agents can now audit what each agent did, when, and with what permissions — using the same governance tools already in place for human users.**

Does your current security and compliance posture include AI agents, and is there a named person responsible for monitoring agent activity?


Source: CIO Dive / Gartner, <https://www.cio-dive.com/news/agents-ai-operations-gartner-digital-workplace/814244/>

08

# Deloitte 2026: Staff Upskilling Is Now the

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Deloitte's 2026 State of AI in the Enterprise report finds that deployment capability is no longer the main constraint. Organisations can get AI tools in place; the gap is that non-technical staff are not using them effectively. Internal AI literacy programmes are now the most cited investment priority. 57% of organisations report measurable productivity gains in software development; 55% in customer service — but most other functions lag.

 **The technology gap has narrowed. The adoption gap has not. Organisations with structured, ongoing staff training are outperforming those relying on informal or self-directed learning.**

ASK What is the ratio of your organisation's investment in AI tools versus AI training for staff, and does that match where the actual bottleneck is?

Source: Deloitte State of AI in the Enterprise 2026  
<https://www.deloitte.com/uk/en/issues/ai-what-we-need-capabilities/applied-artificial-intelligence/con>

09

# The Governance Gap

EDITORIAL

All eight items this edition point in the same direction: AI is moving from assistance to action. Copilot reads documents more accurately, agents receive enterprise identities, authoritative sites determine what Copilot knows, and Entra governance now extends to AI actors. At the same time, Deloitte data shows that most organisations are investing in tools rather than training, and Gartner's projection puts agentic apps in 40% of enterprise software by year end. Microsoft is building governance infrastructure. Most organisations are not yet

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ready to use it. Capable AI with unclear ownership is the specific risk **Identify one workflow this week where an AI agent is acting on your organisation's behalf without a named human responsible for its output and access permissions. That is where governance work starts.**

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Take action.**

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