

## Re: .local or .com

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thank you very much for a good answer.

Tomppa

"Kevin D. Goodknecht Sr. [MVP]" <admin@xxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message <news:O4Sy4MFyGHA.2516@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>

Tomppa wrote:

well I have some understanding of DNS, but to call it Full understanding of DNS it too much.  
If I choose to go with .local and want to host our own mail later on, then I am in trouble or?

No, you can easily host mail for your users, one of two ways.  
One way is for you to leave the ISP mail server as the public host, then use the POP3 connector in SBS to collect the mail from the ISP to deliver it to the correct mailboxes. Then make the ISP's mail server the Smart host for Exchange, and I highly recommend using an SMTP connector in Exchange to relay the mail from Exchange to the ISP SMTP server with all mail going through the connector. This will prevent a possible delay in mail delivery.  
You can do this without changing a thing in your Public zone as far as MX records are concerned.  
The other way is to make Exchange your public SMTP server with the Public MX record naming Exchange as the SMTP server. This increases the security risk because you would have to give full public access to the SMTP server because it would be published in the MX record.

In either case, if you wish to allow OWA access to your users, you will need an A record internally that gives the local OWA website IP, and an A

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record  
in the public zone, preferably with the same name giving the public IP  
that  
has port 80 and/or port 443 forwarded to the OWA website. For RPC over  
HTTPS  
you need only port 443 and a SSL cert for Exchange.  
So that you can access exchange internally and publicly by the same name,  
create a zone with the Full DNS name that is used for the public name.  
E.G.  
Create a forward lookup zone named owa.example.com, in that zone create  
one  
new host, leave the name field blank, give it the internal IP of the  
Exchange server.

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Best regards,  
Kevin D. Goodknecht Sr. [MVP]  
Hope This Helps

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