

## MICROSOFT AI STORE ASSISTANT conversation July 27<sup>th</sup> 6pm

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Hi, I'm a Store Assistant powered by AI. I can help you with shopping and support. I can also connect you with a Microsoft Sales Associate. What can I do for you?

Store Assistant is powered by AI, so surprises and mistakes are possible.

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I have been trying for 12 months to cancel a subscription to Planner and Project Plan 3 and cannot do so online, I have been retired for over 12 months and do not need access to it at all. - it is costing me \$50-\$60 per month.

You can cancel your Planner and Project Plan 3 subscription online through your Microsoft account, even if you are retired and no longer using it.

First, sign in to your Microsoft account and go to [Manage your subscriptions](#). Locate your Project Plan 3 (and any related Planner/Project subscriptions), select **Manage**, and look for the option to **Cancel subscription** or turn off **recurring billing**. Confirm the cancellation so future monthly charges stop.

Since you've been trying for a long time, can you tell me what specifically blocks you online—do you not see the subscription listed, do you get an error message, or is the Cancel option missing? That will help me guide you through the next self-service steps.

I cannot login in to the Microsoft Account with my personal email address - it asks for a business or school address. I must have registered it under my work e-mail address which is no longer active.

It sounds like this subscription is linked to your old work or school account, which is why it keeps asking for a business or school address.

For work or school accounts, the subscription is usually managed by your organisation's Microsoft 365 administrator. If your work email is no longer active and you cannot sign in, you typically need to contact that organisation (your former employer) to have them stop or transfer the subscription, because Microsoft cannot convert or cancel it from a different personal account.

If you still have any way to contact your former employer's IT or admin team, they can sign in to the [Microsoft 365 Admin Center](#) with the organisation account and cancel or change the Project Plan 3 subscription there.

Were you personally paying for this subscription on your own credit card, or was it billed through your employer's organisation account?

I was personally paying for this through my personal credit card and the Account Info on the Invoice is my business consulting name, which also doesn't exist anymore and it did use my personal e-mail address - so ???

Thanks for explaining—that's really helpful context.

Since the charges are on your personal credit card and tied to your personal email, the first step is to access your **personal Microsoft account**, not the work/school sign-in. Go to <https://account.microsoft.com> and make sure you choose **"Sign in with Microsoft"** using your personal email (e.g. @outlook, @hotmail, @gmail), then try the **"Can't access your account?"** or **password reset/recovery** options if you can't get in. Once signed in, open [Manage your subscriptions](#) to locate and cancel the Project Plan 3 subscription or turn off recurring billing.

If the system keeps forcing you to a work/school sign-in screen, can you tell me exactly what you see—does it show your email with a message about work/school, or does it redirect after you enter your address? That detail will help narrow down the next self-service steps.

Hi I have logged in and only MSoft 365 Family and One yearIAP show as subscriptions NOT Projects

That detail helps—thank you. If Project Plan 3 doesn't appear under **Services & subscriptions**, it may be using a different Microsoft account or billing profile than the one you just signed into.

Here are the next self-service checks:

1. While signed in at [Services & subscriptions](#), click your profile picture / name in the top-right and confirm the exact email address shown.
2. Sign out, then try signing back in using any other personal email addresses you may have used in the past (for example different @outlook, @hotmail, @gmail addresses) and re-check **Services & subscriptions** for Project Plan 3.
3. In your credit card statements, look at the latest Project/Planner charge and carefully note the description line—it may show which Microsoft identity or organisation it is associated with, which can hint at the account you need to use.

After trying these, can you tell me whether you have (or ever had) more than one personal Microsoft account email, and whether the charge description shows anything like a different alias or organisation name?

Hi I have not had any other personal e-mail addresses for the last 15-20 years. and there is NO detail on my Credit Card statement detail line. The e-mail address on my profile / picture is my personal e-mail address only.

Given you only have one personal email and Project Plan 3 doesn't appear under **Services & subscriptions**, you'll want to focus now on the **billing and payments** view for that same account.

While signed in with your personal email, go to **Payment & billing** in your Microsoft account, then open **Order history** and **Manage your payments** to look for any recurring charges or orders related to Project/Planner that may not show as a standard subscription. If you find the Project/Planner entry there, you should see options to manage or stop recurring billing from that order/payment view.

If you still do not see any Project/Planner entries in **Services & subscriptions**, **Order history**, or **Manage your payments**, the safest next step on your side is to use your bank or card provider's tools to block or dispute the recurring charge, as it will continue otherwise.

Can you check **Order history** and **Manage your payments** next and tell me whether any Project or Planner items appear there?

The only subscriptions in Order History since 2022 are MSoft 365 and OneyearIAP. There is NO reference to MS Projects.

Given Project Plan 3 and Planner don't appear anywhere in your **personal Microsoft account** (Services & subscriptions, Order history, or Manage your payments) but your credit card is still being charged, the most effective next step is to stop the payments directly at the card level.

For an ongoing charge you can't locate in your Microsoft account:

- Use your bank or card provider's online tools or contact them to block the recurring Microsoft Project/Planner charge and/or raise a dispute for future transactions.
- Ask them to treat it as an unauthorised or unmanageable recurring subscription, since you cannot find any way to cancel it through your Microsoft account.

Continuing to search inside the account will not stop the billing if the subscription is not visible there, so working through your credit card provider is the reliable way to prevent further \$50–\$60 monthly charges.

If you'd like, you can also review all known Microsoft charges using your card statements to ensure no other subscriptions are active that you don't recognise.

The bank have stated that they cannot stop the payment unless I stop the credit card and get a new card which is totally unacceptable to me.

Understood, cancelling the whole card is a big step, so it makes sense you'd like another way to stop this charge.

Since the Project Plan 3 subscription is not visible in your personal Microsoft account, the remaining self-service option is to continue investigating the charge from the Microsoft side using billing tools. You can review and investigate charges through the Microsoft account billing dashboard, which may surface details that don't appear in the standard subscription list. Visit [Manage your payments](#) and look for the specific monthly amount that matches the Project/Planner charge, then use any available **"Investigate"** or **details** links to see more information about what account or service it is tied to.

If the charge still doesn't appear there under your personal Microsoft account, the only self-service control you have is via your bank/card provider, even if they suggest replacing the card for future charges.

Can you check the **Manage your payments** page now and confirm whether the monthly Project/Planner amount appears anywhere in that list?

Understood, cancelling the whole card is a big step, so it makes sense you'd like another way to stop this charge.

Thx I am still reveiwing and will respond soon

Take your time reviewing the **Manage your payments** and other billing details in your Microsoft account.

When you're ready, it will help to know:

- **Whether the specific monthly amount for Project/Planner appears anywhere on the Manage your payments page.**
- **Whether any item there shows a different billing profile name or organisation that might be linked to your old consulting business.**

Once you've checked those, tell me what you find and I can suggest the next best self-service step.

Hi it doesn't appear to be able to sign me in to Manage Your Payments

Thanks for letting me know—that sign-in issue is important.

When you try to open **Manage your payments**, what exactly happens? For example:

- **Do you get an error message (like "Something went wrong" or a code)?**
- **Does it keep looping back to the sign-in page even though you're already signed in?**
- **Does it redirect you to a work/school login screen?**

Knowing the exact behaviour or any message you see will help narrow down whether this is a browser/login issue we can fix with self-service steps (like trying another browser, private/incognito mode, or checking the account you're signed in with).

It keeps looping with a Microsoft "trying to sign you in" message

That looping "trying to sign you in" message points to a sign-in/session issue rather than the subscription itself.

You can often clear this with a few self-service steps:

1. **Sign out of all Microsoft sites, then close your browser completely.**
2. **Reopen the browser in InPrivate/Incognito mode and go to <https://account.microsoft.com>, sign in with your personal email, then try Payment & billing → Manage your payments again.**

3. **If that still loops, try a different browser (for example, Edge instead of Chrome, or vice versa) or device to rule out a local cache/cookie problem.**

After trying these, let me know whether you can reach **Manage your payments** without the loop, or if the behaviour is exactly the same.

Yes, you do need to stay logged in to your Microsoft account, but for the troubleshooting steps it's important to sign out everywhere once, then sign back in cleanly.

Please try this sequence:

1. **While you're on this site, sign out of your Microsoft account completely.**
2. **Close your browser.**
3. **Open a new browser window in InPrivate/Incognito mode.**
4. **Go directly to <https://account.microsoft.com>, sign in with your personal email, and then try Payment & billing → Manage your payments.**

After you do that clean sign-in, tell me whether Manage your payments still shows the "trying to sign you in" loop or if it opens correctly.

I do not see a Payment & Billing option only Order History and Payment Options which now appears to be looping

Thank you for the update—that's very useful detail.

Since **Payment options** is also looping, this confirms a sign-in/session problem with the billing pages rather than with your specific subscription. The best self-service next steps are:

- **Try accessing your account from a different device (for example, a tablet or phone) and a different browser, then sign in at <https://account.microsoft.com> and open Order history → Payment options from there.**
- **If you use any password manager or saved sign-in, temporarily disable it and type your email and password manually, then retry the billing pages.**

If, even on another device and browser, Payment options and billing still loop and you cannot reach them, you're effectively blocked from managing payments through self-service. In that case, the only reliable controls left are through your bank/card provider, even if they require stronger measures.

After trying another device/browser, can you tell me whether Payment options still loops in the same way?

Hi, I have an engagement that I need to attend now - how can I revisit this please note I have spent hours on this today alone.

Thank you for all the detail you've shared and for your patience today.

You can come back to this site at any time and start a new chat from the Microsoft.com page to continue working through the issue when you're free again. If you still see looping or can't reach billing pages next time, mention that right away so the assistant can focus on sign-in/billing troubleshooting from the start.

Thank you for contacting Microsoft, and best of luck with your engagement.

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