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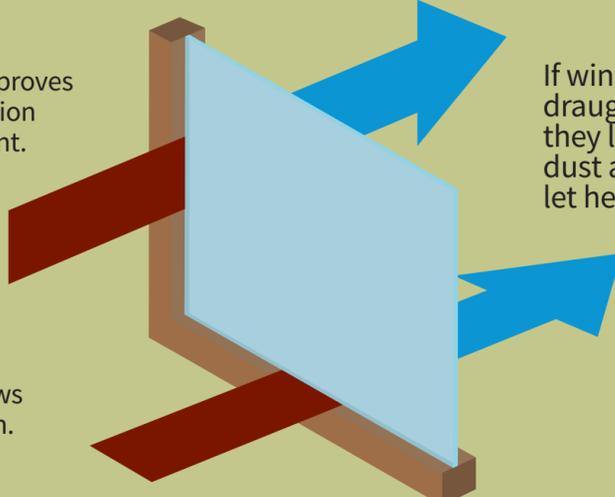
THE THREE R'S OF SASH WINDOW MAINTENANCE EXPLAINED

REFURBISH

Draught proofing improves performance at fraction of cost of replacement.



However, this is only a good long term investment if windows are in good condition.



If windows are draughty and rattly, they let in cold, dirt, dust and noise and let heat out.



If windows are single glazed they can be draught proofed and double glazed into the existing frames so long as the frames are deep enough.

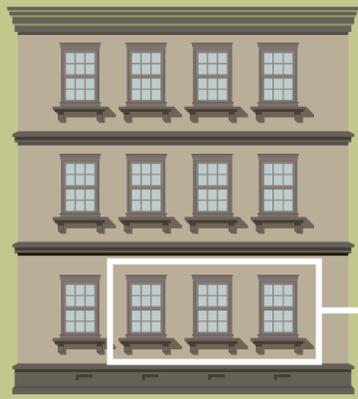
Existing single glazing is removed and double glazing installed into existing frame.



Cost effective however, only a good long term investment if the timber on the windows and frames are in good condition.

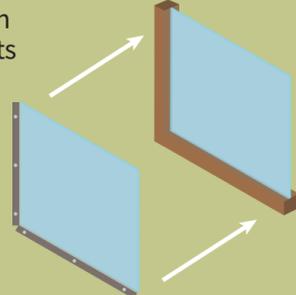


Can be done on site using equipment in specialist bi-glass vans.

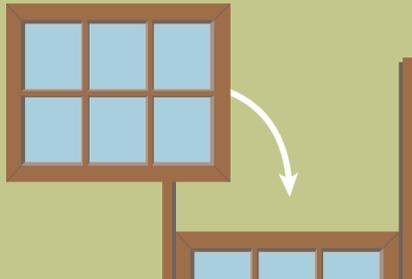


In listed properties, replacement or double glazing may not be an option depending on planning constraints. They can, however, be secondary glazed and tailored to suit existing window configuration.

Secondary glazing can provide all the benefits of modern glazing systems while retaining the original windows.

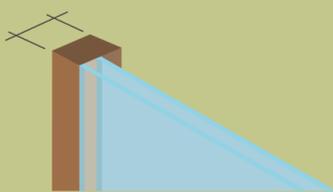


REPAIR

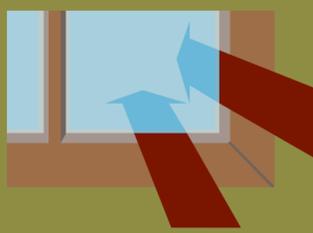


If the existing frame of the window is in good condition but the sashes (the moving parts) are rotten, you can replace with new sashes into the existing frames.

This is more cost effective than replacing the whole window if it is not necessary and retains the heritage.



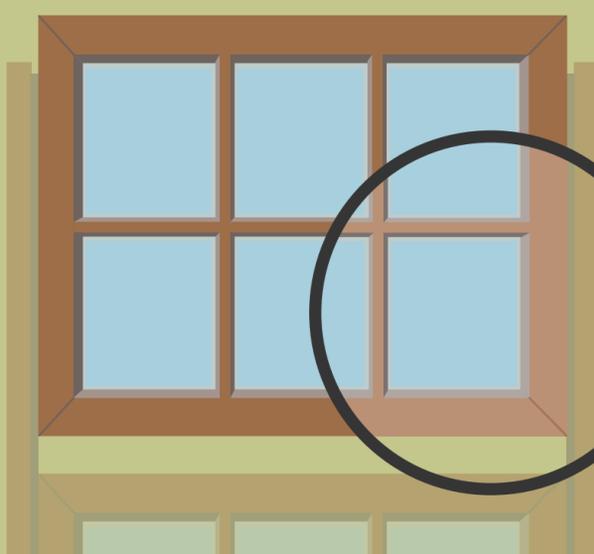
The new sashes can be double glazed to improve energy efficiency – subject to the box frame thickness.



New sashes will be draught proofed to improve window performance.

REPLACE

If the existing window is beyond repair, a complete new window may be needed – incorporating a frame and the moving parts.



Existing designs can be matched by a bespoke timber window company to retain the character of your period home.

The windows can be replaced, double glazed, WER rated, FENSA registered and conforming to Doc L building regulations.



Secondary Glazing could save you **UP TO £300 A YEAR!**

10 That is the equivalent of 10 afternoon tea parties with friends!



Although a larger investment, a good window company will provide industry leading guarantees and a high standard of craftsmanship.



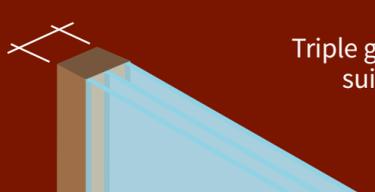
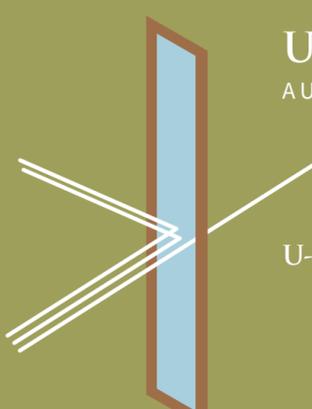
U-VALUES

A U-value is a measure of heat loss in a building element, such as a window.

HIGH U VALUE = POOR INSULATION
LOW U VALUE = GOOD INSULATION

U-VALUES FOR DIFFERENT LEVELS OF WINDOW GLAZING

SINGLE GLAZING [four red bars]
DOUBLE GLAZING [three blue bars]
TRIPLE GLAZING [two green bars]



Triple glazing is receiving a lot of publicity but is not generally suitable for older properties because the thickness of the triple glazed units often won't fit into the apertures.

Triple glazing makes for heavy sashes which do not open completely