

The finest timber products in the industry









the **best** in **wood** 



# Introduction to Gowercroft

We are a premium quality, full service, UK-manufacturer of joinery products with extended guarantees. Designing, manufacturing and installing windows, doors, garden rooms and internal fittings for new build, renovation and heritage projects.

#### Introduction to Gowercroft

Why buy from us?	3
Elite service	4
Sustainability	6

#### Classic Range

Case studies	10-17
The difference is in the details	18
Timber options	20
Glass specification	22
Ironmongery	24
Paint finishes	26
The Chatsworth, Sliding sash window	28
The Hardwick, Flush casement window	w 30
The Kedleston, Tilt and turn window	32
Single, Stable and French doorsets	34
The Peveril, Lift and slide door	36
The Tutbury, Bifolding door	38
Roof lanterns	40

#### Heritage and Bespoke

Case studies	44-52
Garden rooms and conservatories	54
Staircases	56
LIK Manufacturor	5.0



## Why buy from us?



#### Elite Service

One provider looking after you through design, installation and aftercare.



## Sustainability

We are committed to the R3 policy of environmental sustainability. Reducing our usage, Reusing wherever possible and Recycling everything else.



## **UK Manufacturer**

Well-established Derbyshire business with many years of knowledge in UK product **design** and **experience** in the market.



## **Exceptional Quality**

**Quality is our passion.** Our continual improvement culture means that we are always seeking ways to develop the product and processes to deliver consistency and unrivalled quality in the marketplace.

We drive quality into everything throughout the whole business. We hold our suppliers and partners to the same rigorous standards as we hold ourselves and refuse to accept inferior performance or materials.



## The Sales Process

## Design & Specification

At the point of the initial enquiry, we will discuss the project with you either on the phone or in person. After listening to the end result you hope to achieve and key features that are important to you, we will provide input and pricing ramifications on the options available. Once the scope has been narrowed down, we will provide a quotation with full specification details and a fixed price for your consideration. Where projects require high levels of design input, we will collaborate with you to produce and refine CAD drawings. Our intention is to deliver exactly what you want and make sure that you understand exactly what you are getting up front. Nobody likes surprises.

#### Manufacture

After the specification is agreed and a deposit is in place, we may need to undertake a full site survey. The sizes taken at survey or given by the builder/architect will then provide the basis of a works order. The project is released to the factory and manufacture begins. High quality timber is machined and assembled to an accuracy of 0.1mm by a team of dedicated craftsmen. All products are then finished using the required coatings with a comprehensive 8-10 year guarantee. Finally, the items enter fit-up where handles, hinges, glazing and other fittings are added.

The items pass through a final quality control check and are then ready to travel to site.

We undergo 5 separate quality control checks as the products pass through the workshop to ensure that any potential issues are caught and rectified early; minimising potential delays and maximising final quality.

#### Installation

We have dedicated installation teams who travel across the U.K. to deliver and fit our products. These fitters understand our products and they ensure that the exceptional work done in the factory is continued to final installation. They work systematically to cause minimal disruption, and leave the site clean at the end of each work day.







## Aftercare & Maintenance

Our relationship is just beginning at completion of the project. There are three options for you to consider:



After completion you will receive full instructions laying out how to maintain each element of the product. We will also include a comprehensive 8-10 year guarantee; if you ever have any issues with functionality then we will work with you to correct them.

#### 2 Do-it-Yourself Extended Aftercare

In addition to the basic package, for a one-off fee you will receive full instructions laying out how to maintain each element of the product, together with all products necessary to complete yearly maintenance cycles until the conclusion of the guarantee. This will help to keep your windows and doors looking like new for years.

#### 3 Extended Aftercare Programme

For a small yearly charge, you can receive a completely no maintenance solution! We undertake yearly scheduled visits to site and complete all required works to keep the products looking immaculate. This is the best way to protect your investment and extends your guarantee indefinitely.

We are dedicated to long-term relationships; and with over 80% of our enquiries coming from repeat customers or referrals, our goal is for you to be delighted both at the point of sale and with our level of service going forward.



Gowercroft is committed to the R3 policy of environmental sustainability. **Reducing** our usage, **Reusing** wherever possible and **Recycling** everything else.

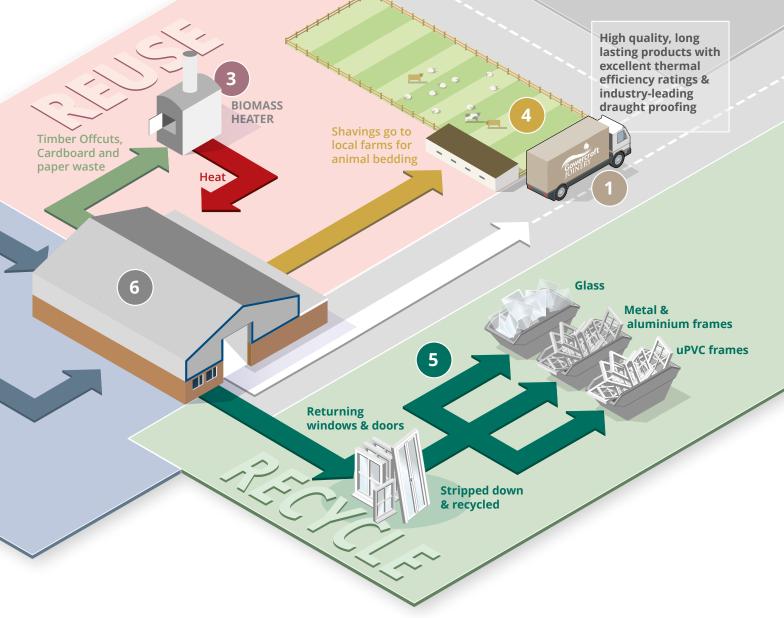
Here is a breakdown of how we achieve this.

Our products are designed to achieve very high standards on energy efficiency and draught-proofing to reduce energy usage throughout their lifespans.

We exclusively use water-based paints and finishes. These coatings do not release volatile

organic compounds (VOCs), which are toxic to the environment and can be carcinogenic to humans and animals. Water-based paints are safe for disposal and have a long shelf life. Products painted with water-based paints are safe to burn in domestic applications at the end of their service life – so our products will never end up in the landfill.





All of our standard products are made from fast-growing, long lasting timber from plantations in the developed world. These trees take about 25 years to reach full maturity, but will last upwards of 50 years in application – being a net Carbon sink. If we are required to use tropical hardwoods, then all of these timbers will come from managed plantations independently-verified under European regulations for sustainability.

The majority of our timber is ordered based on component sizes, so we have very minimal waste material in the thickness and width.

- Our timber off-cuts are incinerated in our onsite Biomass heater, with the heat generated used to warm the factory and ensure an ambient drying temperature in the paint shop.
- All shavings are taken by a local farm and are used for bedding animals. This mixture is then used to mulch around the farm.

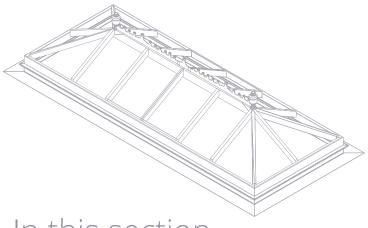


- All joinery products brought back from sites across the U.K. are fully disassembled; with glass and ironmongery recycled and the timber put through the Biomass burner (where the paint system allows). All uPVC and Aluminium frames are taken away for recycling.
- Our 16,000 square foot workshop produces less than 5,000 kilograms of landfill each year. (The domestic average per person, per year is just over 600 kilograms.)









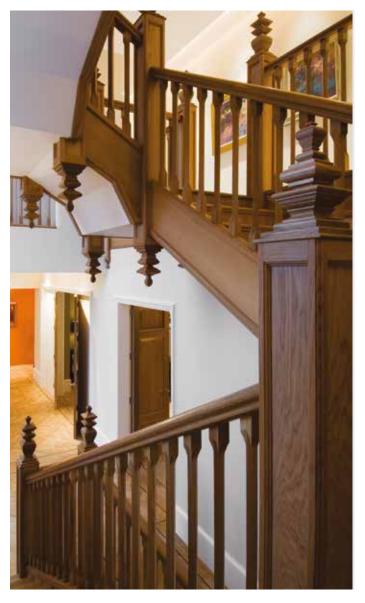
## In this section

Case studies	10-17
The difference is in the details	18
Timber options	20
Glass specification	22
Ironmongery	24
Paint finishes	26
The Chatsworth, Sliding sash window	28
The Hardwick, Flush casement window	30
The Kedleston, Tilt and turn window	32
Single, Stable and French doorsets	34
The Peveril, Lift and slide door	36
The Tutbury, Bifolding door	38
Roof lanterns	40

## Grange Road

## Internal and external joinery, Highgate, London

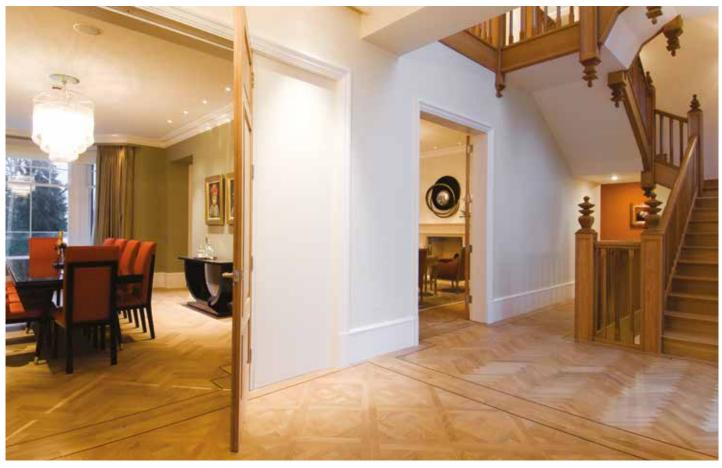
Complete renovation of London property, completed by WillowAcre Developments. Internal and external joinery package. Including internal doors, skirting, architraves, pocket doors, and external windows, doors, garage doors and front gates. Staircase and feature newel caps. Also produced Douglas Fir beams on exterior.













## The Pastures

## External joinery, Derbyshire

New build private family residence utilising a combination of tilt and turn, flush casement, single exterior doors, French doors and bifolding doors to create a stunning and unique property to take advantage of the superb views of the mud flats.







## The Common

Internal and external joinery, Quarndon, Derbyshire

Complete renovation of traditional property with new sliding sash windows and doors throughout. All items included replacement of existing architraves, linings and trims to give a complete and traditional solution.









Classic Range - Case Study



## Orchard Grove

#### External joinery, Breaston, Derbyshire

New build property with sliding sash windows and doors. Project also included all joinery for a feature orangery on the rear, including a traditional roof lantern. We supplied canopies and pilasters for install on the main front and rear doors to draw the eye to these key parts of the home.









## The difference is in the details

# All products are designed to combine traditional aesthetics with unparalleled performance

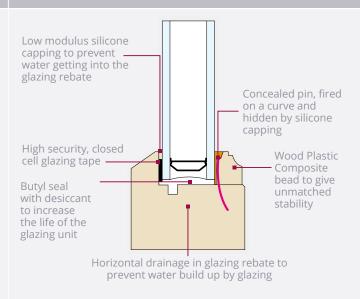
- Thinner than industry-standard sections to deliver more sunlight, better vistas and improved energy efficiency.
- Perfectly flush jointing with no unsightly grooves or breaks.
- 22mm external glazing bars and 9mm external bevel to replicate the traditional linseed oil putty effect. Internal 22mm glazing bars and 18mm beads in a traditional lambs tongue moulding to give elegance and slenderness of sections.
- Full paint system delivering exceptional life span and minimal maintenance schedules.

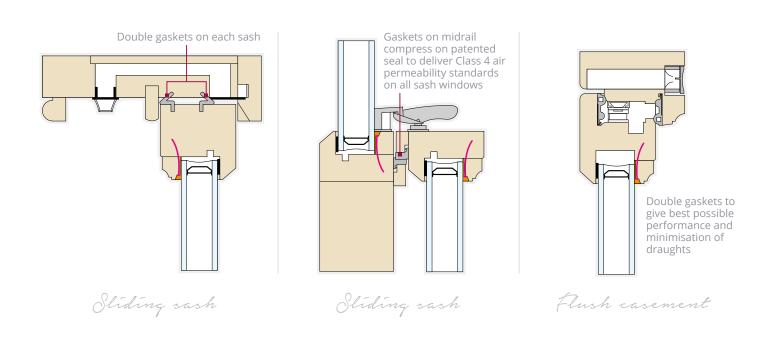
Comb joint construction increases product longevity and stability.

D4 grade glue, which is fully water-proof, giving further protection to the joints and end-grain

Comb jointing gives increased surface area compared to industry standard mortice and tenon joint

Internally glazed product with concealed pinning to give maximum security and best possible finish.

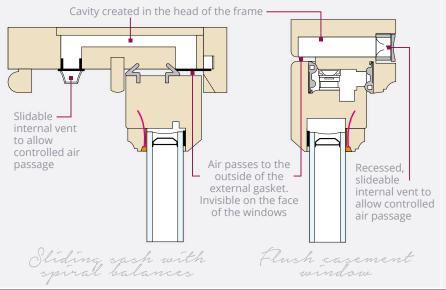


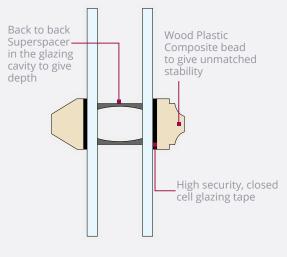


Double gasketing and patented seal deliver the best air permeability ratings in the industry

Trickle ventilation designed to detract as little as possible from the aesthetics of the product, running the head of the frame and invisible or the external face.

High technology, applied glazing beads with deep bonded bars in glazing units to give longevity and traditional appearance.







## Timber options

We have selected only **100% F.S.C. timbers** for our standard options. We do; however, have comfort working in a great variety of sustainably-sourced, exotic hardwoods if required.

## Engineered Red Grandis

A high-grade clear timber delivering consistency of, appearance, grain and workability. We purchase this timber as an Engineered Component offering proven strength and extraordinary efficiency.



Red Grandis has undergone independent thirdparty testing by TRADA Technology Limited and Building Research Establishment, achieving great results for natural durability and resistance to fungi – (key for long term performance), as well as Class D35 for strength and stiffness and Class C35 for density to prove its suitability for joinery and structural use.

Under the plantation growing process intensive pruning is carried out to provide a knot free, clear, uniform timber with sapling thinning to enable the trees to reach significant diameters. It is easy to machine and shape and because all lengths are identical, there is less waste and reduced production time, as well as giving a much better finish overall – great for us and for our customers.

#### Formal name:

Eucalyptus grandis.

#### Growth to full maturity:

25 years, saplings have been known to put on 7m of growth in the first year!

#### Location of growth:

Native to East coast of Australia, now grown in plantations in Australia, New Zealand, South Africa, Sri Lanka, Brazil and Uruguay.

## Estimated lifespan in external joinery application:

50 years+ Please note that this figure would be based on sensible coating cycles and good maintenance.

#### Quality of paint finish:

Very good, grain clearly visible



Accoya is the world's leading high technology wood. Created from sustainably sourced softwood; it matches or exceeds the durability and stability of the very best tropical hardwoods.



Accoya wood production process takes sustainably-sourced, fast growing softwood and, in a non-toxic process, creates a durable and stable wood.

The technology behind Accoya is based on acetylation, a process that has been studied by scientists around the world for more than 75 years. Acetylation effectively changes the free hydroxyls within the wood into acetyl groups. When this happens the ability of the wood to absorb water is greatly reduced, rendering the wood more dimensionally stable and, because it is no longer digestible, extremely durable.

Typically, we use this material in external applications, including windows (of all kinds), doors and conservatories. There are some applications where Accoya is particularly well suited, including long runs of sliding, folding doors, projects where final quality is absolutely critical and highly exposed external applications. Gowercroft were among the first to embrace this timber over 5 years ago and are fully certified users under the Accsys Technology scheme.

#### Formal name:

Pinus radiata or Radiata Pine. Chemical modification process transforms this timber into Accoya.

#### Growth to full maturity:

20-25 years

#### Location of growth:

Native to California and Mexico, now grown in extensive plantations in New Zealand, as well as Australia, Spain, Argentina, Chile, Uruguay, Kenya, and South Africa.

## Estimated lifespan in external joinery application:

60 years+ Please note that this figure would be based on sensible coating cycles and good maintenance.

#### Quality of paint finish:

Exceptionally good, little grain visible



## Glass specification

#### All of our glass comes with a full 10-year guarantee against unit breakdown.

All products are internally glazed as standard, with full integrated drainage, high security closed-pore glazing tape to both faces and silicone seal internally and externally.

**U-values:** A U-value is the rate of heat loss through a material. The lower the U-Value, the less heat will be lost and the more efficient (and money saving) the unit will be.

**Acoustic Performance:** Acoustic performance levels are expressed using the index Rw (C; Ctr) expressed in decibels (dB) Rw is used to categorise products and compare them to one another. A higher number represents a higher percentage reduction of the noise frequency. The Rw value is not normally used to assess the sound insulation level of a particular element. For noise containing predominantly high- and medium-range frequencies, the sound insulation level of a product is determined using the index Rw + C = RA.

#### **Comfort** Pack

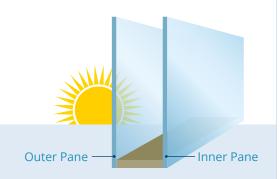
The standard option represents what has become the modern standard for energy efficient double glazed windows.

By using Planitherm Total + on the inner pane, this option has high energy efficiency performance and provides an excellent balance of summer and winter comfort, meaning the home stays cooler in the summer and warmer in the

Energy performance: centre pane U-value is 1.1 Acoustic performance: RW29dB, RA 27dB, RC,tr 26dB

Outer pane Diamant JNIT MAKE-U Argon-filled Cavity Inner pane Low-E, Total+

\* Includes for warm edged spacer bar as standard in black, white or grey.



4mm

20mm

4mm\*

**Key Functions:** 







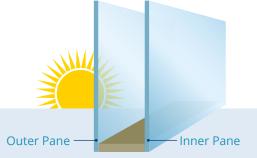
## **Security** Pack

With enhanced security and basic acoustic protection, the Security option builds on the energy efficiency and winter comfort properties of the Comfort option for double glazed windows. The Security option provides an excellent balance of summer and winter comfort, combined with high energy efficiency performance. The glass combination also boosts UV protection, helping to reduce the bleaching effect of the sun's rays on furnishings and window dressings.

Energy performance: centre pane U-value is 1.1 Acoustic performance: RW35dB, RA 34dB, RC,tr 32dB

J	Outer pane	Planilux	6.4mm
7 7 1	Cavity	Argon-filled	16mm
$\geq$	Inner pane	Low-E, Total+	4mm*

\* With PVB interlayer. Includes for warm edged spacer bar as standard in black, white or grey.



**Key Functions:** 







## **Energy** Pack

The Energy option provides a highly energy efficient solution for triple glazed windows. Triple glazed units allow a high level of solar heat gain, capturing free heat energy from natural daylight to warm the home. This is combined with exceptional thermal insulation properties to retain heat and produce a very low U-value. The extra pane in a triple glazed unit produces enhanced security, while the use of Diamant low-Iron outer pane helps to maximise daylight comfort...

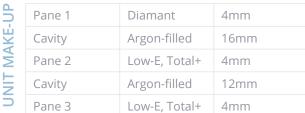
Energy performance: centre pane U-value is 0.8 Acoustic performance: RW35dB, RA 34dB, RC,tr 32dB

**Key Functions:** 









\* With PVB interlayer. Includes for warm edged spacer bar as standard in black, white or grey. Pane 1 Pane 2 Pane 3

#### Silence Pack

The Silence option represents a glazing specification that delivers real peace and quiet for those customers who want to escape from the hustle and bustle of the outside world. It features two different laminated glass panes of different thicknesses to eradicate the widest possible spectrum of sound wavelengths. This option also delivers the highest security of any of the glazing packs, while still delivering all of the benefits of an energy efficient glass specification.

Energy performance: centre pane U-value is 1.2 Acoustic performance: RW37dB, RA 37dB, RC,tr 34dB

**Key Functions:** 



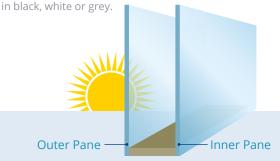






Outer pane	Stadip Silence PVB interlayer	6.4mm*
Cavity	Argon-filled	12mm
Inner pane	Stadip Silence	8.8mm*

\* Includes PVB interlayer with Planitherm Total + low E coating. Includes for warm edged spacer bar as standard



6.4mm 12mm

4mm

12mm

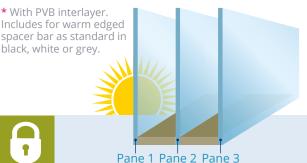
6.4mm\*

## **Ultimate** Pack

The Ultimate option offers homeowners the optimum performance characteristics available for triple glazed window units. This option maximises winter comfort and energy savings potential alongside enhanced security and acoustic performance with a laminated inner pane. The use of Diamant low-Iron outer pane helps to maximise daylight comfort.

Energy performance: centre pane U-value is 0.8 Acoustic performance: RW35dB, RA 34dB, RC,tr 32dB

MAKE-UP	Pane 1	Diamant
	Cavity	Argon-filled
	Pane 2	Low-E, Total+
LINO	Cavity	Argon-filled
5	Pane 3	Low-E, Total+



**Key Functions:** 













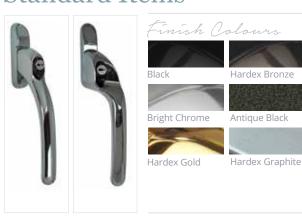
## Ironmongery

## Casement

All handles offer full multipoint locking functionality and are compatible with night vent facility.

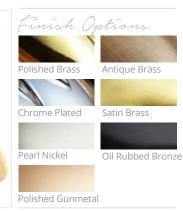


#### Standard Items









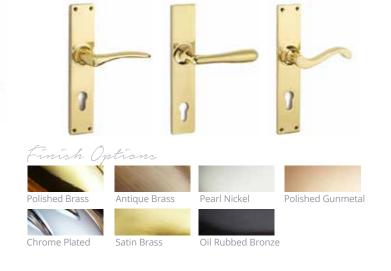
## Doors

All door handles offer full multipoint locking functionality, but individual items vary based on product type. Examples of standard options are shown below.

#### Standard Items

# Finish Colours Black Hardex Bronze Hardex Gold Bright Chrome Antique Black Hardex Graphite

#### **Premium Items**



## Sliding Sash

We offer a traditional suite including lockable fitch fasteners, sash limiters and sash lifts to give maximum functionality with good security. We can also offer sash pulls and poles as required.



#### Standard Items



#### **Premium Items**



All items shown have been selected to give a long service life and good functionality. If nothing shown is appropriate to your property, then we are happy to search our suppliers for compatible items.

All standard items come with a full **10-year guarantee** on functionality and finish.

All items are subject to availability and change



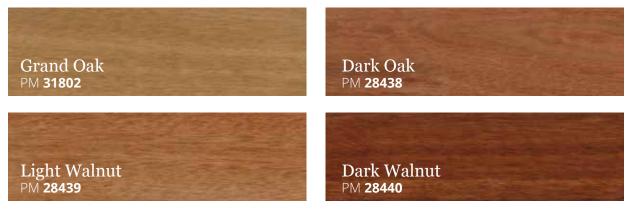
## Paint finishes

All of our products are delivered to site fully finished with three coats of high quality, water-based coating and should require no further decoration after installation.

#### Popular Paint Colours



### Popular Stain Colours



All colours and stains shown above are included in our standard pricing.

Our coating system is the best in the industry and offers incredibly low maintenance requirements. Any painted product utilising the full three coat system will include a full 10-year, no maintenance guarantee backed by our supplier.

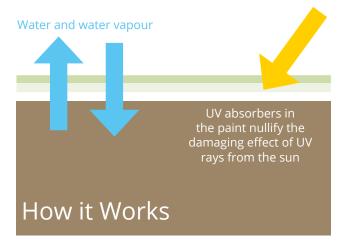
We also offer a full aftercare service, which allows you to protect your investment by having our skilled joiners and decorators complete all required maintenance for you. Details of this service can be found on page 7 of this booklet or on our website.

## Maintenance free, microporous paint coatings

10 Year
NO MAINTENANCE
Guarantee

#### The Advantages

- Does not crack or fade in the sunlight. Doesn't become brittle over time due to a higher elasticity than solvent-based paints.
- Release many times fewer volatile organic compounds (VOCs), which can be harmful to the environment, animals and humans in large exposure conditions.
- Less likely to mildew. The oils that are used in solvent-based paints feed mildew and actually encourage its growth.
- Improved colour retention. Oil based paints fade and chalk with time, whereas water based paints retain a better colour throughout.



Water and vapour can pass freely through the micro-porous paint system to establish equilibrium with the environment. The paint system has a high elasticity and can stretch to accommodate swelling and contraction in the timber.

UV light, which can damage the timber, is absorbed by the paint.

# The Chatsworth Sliding sash window

Sash windows have been used in Britain since the 17th Century. Their pleasing proportions and traditional appearance add character and elegance to any building.

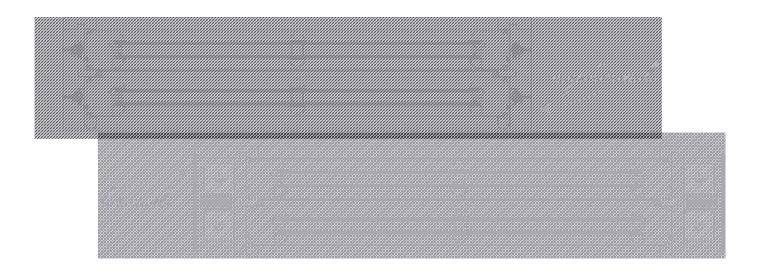


Sliding sash windows are our flagship product; offering an industry-leading combination of draught-proofing, life-span, maintenance cycles and aesthetics, there is no better product on the market. The Chatsworth sliding sash window is available with either the spiral balanced sliding system or the traditional weights and pulleys system.



#### KFY FFATURES:

- Patented SashSealer technology delivering the only Class 4 Air Permeability, traditional sliding sash window on the market.
- Fully concealed trickle ventilation through the head of the frame is invisible on the internal or external face of the product.
- Traditional horn detailing to the top sash as standard. Options to have variation on the horn detail, or to add a horn to the bottom sash.
- All traditional shapes and sizes are available in the same profile to deliver consistency throughout the build and allow you to contract with a single supplier.
- Traditional ironmongery is included with a range of finishes.
- Spiral balance system includes balance covers as standard to give the most traditional appearance possible.
- Available in double or triple glazing, with the ability to deliver A+ rated products with U-values of below 1.0W/m2K.



## The Hardwick Flush casement window

Flush casement windows have featured in buildings dating back to the 16th century, prominently featuring in farmhouses and cottages.



Our flush casement windows have a number of modern features that differentiate them from the windows of the 16th century, but these have been implemented with a goal of maintaining the general proportions and sightlines wherever possible.

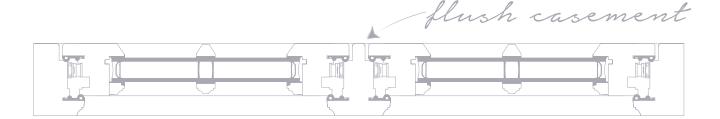
The result is a product that delivers exceptional draught proofing, energy efficiency and security, while still appearing to be a traditionally-styled product.



#### **KEY FEATURES:**

- Double gasket around the entire sash delivers exceptional air-tightness. This is achieved without undermining the flush appearance of the window.
- Fully concealed trickle ventilation through the head of the frame is invisible on the external face of the product, with the internal vent recessed to reduce its impact.
- All traditional shapes and sizes are available in the same profile to deliver consistency throughout the build and allow you to contract with a single supplier.

- Full multi-point locking system on all products with night ventilation facility.
- Key lockable espagnolette ironmongery is included with a range of finishes.
- Adjustable egress friction hinges allow full opening width for fire regulations and sliding to centre for easy clean functionality. Having no visible hinges on the product when closed improves both security and appearance.
- We included dummy sashes as standard to give a balanced look of non-opening parts of the window.



## The Kedleston Tilt and turn window

Tilt and turn products are very popular on the continent. They are inward opening side-hung windows that, with a turn of the handle, offer a secure inward tilt function for ventilation.



We search the world to bring our customers innovative and different products. This ironmongery system is unfamiliar in Britain, but is well known across Europe. The locking bars and hinges surround the entire Sash offering a number of benefits to the end user. The proportions and over-rebated styling look modern and are best incorporated into contemporary new builds.



#### **KEY FEATURES:**

- Locking around the entire perimeter of the frame gives enhanced security performance.
- Integrated water-bar system to ensure weather-tightness despite the inward opening functionality.
- Sophisticated ironmongery allows considerably larger opening casements than the traditional outward opening system. This allows a wider variety of designs and a more modern appearance.
- All products can be securely locked in an inward tilt to allow ventilation at night. The product will be rain-proof in this position in all but the most severe weather.
- Key lockable espagnolette ironmongery is included with a range of finishes.
- We include dummy sashes as standard to give a balanced look of non-opening parts of the window.
- Available in double or triple glazing, with the ability to deliver A+ rated products with U-values of below 1.0W/m2K.



## Single, Stable and French Doorsets

External doors are an important part of any property, offering a first impression of the quality of the build. The required design varies considerably based on the type of home.



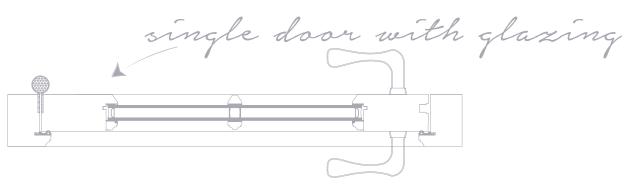
Although the doors we manufacture vary considerably in size, style and functionality; the core design remains consistent. Single, stable and French doors are all available in any configuration with side panels, top panels or wing lights as required. All of our doors are delivered pre-hung with all ironmongery installed, reducing installation time on site.



#### **KEY FEATURES:**

- All traditional shapes and sizes are available in the same profile to deliver consistency throughout the build and allow you to contract with a single supplier.
- Fully concealed trickle ventilation through the head of the frame is invisible on the external face of the product, with the internal vent recessed to reduce its impact.
- Full multi-point locking system on all products with a combination of hooks and deadbolts. This delivers good security and helps to prevent bow or twist in the door leaf during acclimatisation.

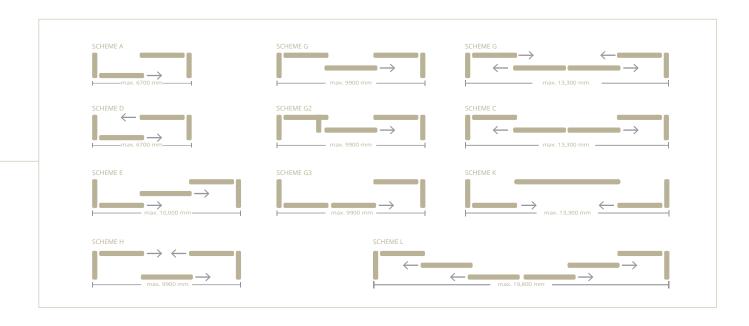
- Ironmongery is included with a range of finishes. French door sets include cabin hooks as standard.
- Ball-bearing butt hinges give long life span and excellent functionality.
- Clapping strips included as standard on French door-sets delivers exceptional airtightness.
- We include dummy top and bottom rails as standard to give a balanced look on fixed side screens.



## The Peveril Lift and slide door

Another ironmongery system discovered on the continent, the lift and slide offers a different option for functionality. When the handle is rotated, the door is lifted up and away from the track sliding effortlessly behind the side panel or next door.





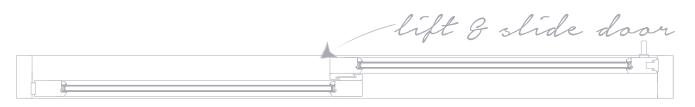
Lift and slide doors are manufactured around a very high specification German ironmongery system. This system moves a very heavy door without straining the user, allowing much larger door leafs than would be available on comparable systems. These products are typically used on modern new builds in cooperation with tilt and turn products to give a seamless continental-type appearance.

#### KFY FFATURES:

- Locking around the entire perimeter of the frame gives enhanced security performance.
- Sophisticated ironmongery allows very large door leafs (up to 3.2m wide) and long runs of up to 19.8m in a single 6 door item.
- Key lockable ironmongery is included with a range of finishes.
- Option for removal of side panels and fixing tracking so doors open and slide into a pocket in the wall.
- Available in double or triple glazing, with the ability to deliver A+ rated products with U-values of below 1.0W/m2K.

# What are the advantages over a bi-folding door?

- 1 Large unobstructed vistas.
- 2 Increased surface area of glazing gives superior energy efficiency.
- 3 Doors slide between one another and do not protrude into the outdoor space.
- 4 A more cost effective solution over a long run of doors.

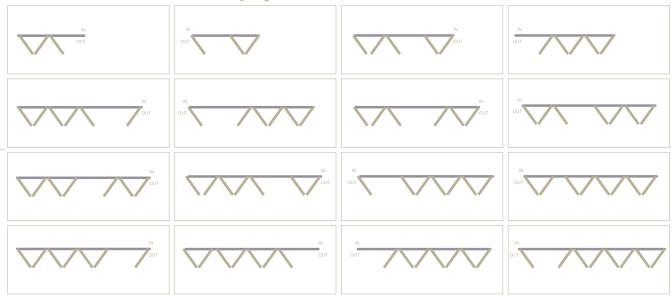


# The Tutbury Bifolding door

Initially designed and utilised in Australia; sliding, folding doors have become a staple of new build and large scale renovation projects in the U.K. The ironmongery system allows a run of doors to concertina together to one end, to give a wide opening.



#### A small selection of the many options available:



Delivering seamless interior/exterior living spaces, the bifolding door is very popular in the open-plan culture of homebuilding. We use only Centor ironmongery systems which are widely considered to be the best available on the market. They are available in either a top rolling or bottom rolling to give flexibility depending on the application.

#### **KEY FEATURES:**

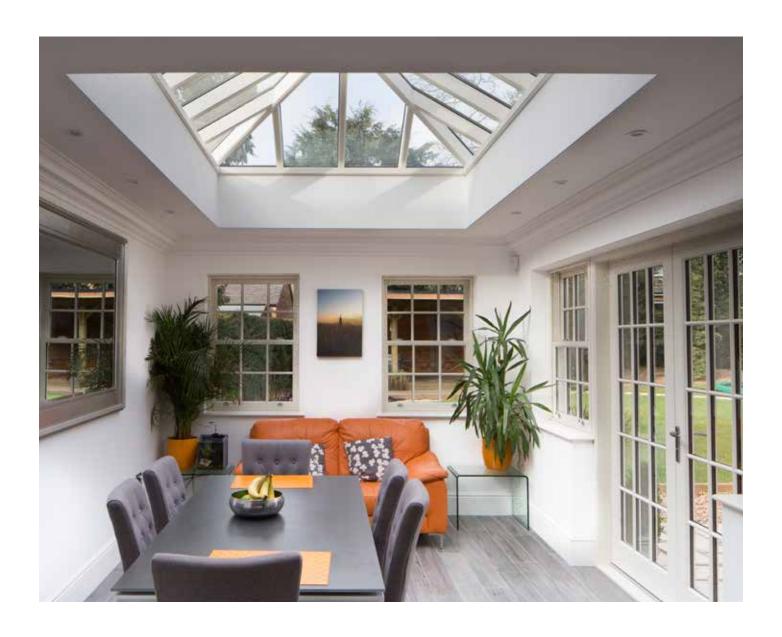
- The main access door has full multipoint locking, while every second junction between doors leafs also give top and bottom locking opportunity.
- Key lockable ironmongery is included with a range of finishes.
- Available in double or triple glazing, with the ability to deliver A+ rated products with U-values of below 1.0W/m2K.

# What are the advantage over a lift and slide door?

- 1 Typically offers a single or double access door, which can make it more suitable for everyday use.
- 2 Doors can be concertinaed to give a full opening width.
- There are a greater variety of options available, including curved systems and ones that allow full opening of a corner.
- The door leafs are limited to 1.1m wide, so the product looks traditional in U.K. buildings.

### Roof lanterns

Dating from the middle ages, roof lanterns are typically incorporated into a larger roof and funnel natural light into the space or room below. With the growing desire of customers to have open and bright living spaces, roof lanterns are becoming increasingly popular within the UK-market.



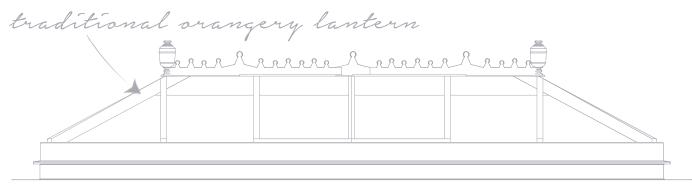
Gowercroft supply and install roof lanterns throughout the UK on a wide variety of properties. As standard, we manufacture the lanterns from fine hardwood, with stepped double glazed units and Aluminium cappings to the outer face of the glazing. This gives a superb balance of appearance, weather-tightness and maintenance.

As a bespoke company, our range of designs and finishes is very wide ranging. We can accommodate Aluminium opening vents controlled manually, by a rocker switch or automatically by a climate control system. We offer a wide range of glazing options to control light, provide self-cleaning or to improve energy efficiency. A popular option is to include a cable management system, which conceals wiring and allows a chandelier or light to hang from the boss.

During the installation of the product, we coordinate closely with the other trades – providing detailed drawings of preparation required and integrating an internal window-board for the plasterer to work to. All products are fully factory spray finished with a 10-year guarantee, and are glazed on site to suit the wider schedule.





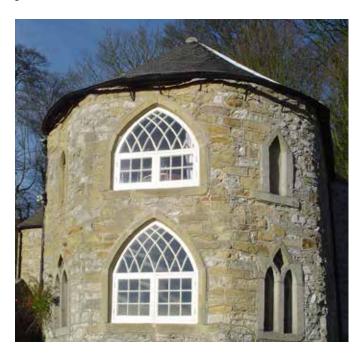






The variety and scope of products offered is best demonstrated by case studies of completed works, so we have included unique case studies that tested the grey matter and we were proud to be involved in.

If you would like to discuss your ideas, then please contact us to set up an appointment, either in our Derbyshire workshop or at your site or office.



#### In this section

Case Studies	44-52
Garden rooms and conservatories	54
Staircases	56

### Olde Longmoor Hall

#### External and internal joinery, High Peak, Derbyshire

Collaborative design, manufacture and install of highly bespoke windows to match profiles on the listed property. New windows were designed with Accoya, slim double glazed units and polymer putty to give modern performance with the traditional aesthetic. Gowercroft also manufactured and installed internal and external doors to match conservation officer demands.

"We spent many difficult months trying to find an appropriate supplier who could deliver a new window which suited the property, before discovering Gowercroft. We couldn't be happier with the end result, their products breathe new light into our property!"

Mr. and Mrs. Smith









#### Riber Castle

#### External joinery, Matlock, Derbyshire

Design and manufacture of casement windows with highly bespoke system to deal with very high wind-loading pressures. Included thick timber sections with disguised moulded profiles, Neoprene gaskets, internal beading and extra-strength glazing tape. This project included a wide variety of shapes and sizes to meet the building dimensions.

"From the start of the project, David Brown of Gowercroft embraced our vision and helped us design a product that met the local planning constraints with all the criteria of aesthetics and performance. Their traditional craftsmanship and use of innovative, modern materials delivered a product that worked. I would have no hesitation in recommending Gowercroft for all types of projects; their assistance with design is invaluable."

Ivan White, Project Director, Cross Tower Ventures Ltd.





Heritage and Bespoke



#### **Ensor Mews**

#### External joinery, Mayfair, London

Manufacture and installation of tilt-and-turn and tilt-and-slide windows and doors to complement the Mediterranean-feel of the property and the desired 'Green' credentials. Manufactured using laminated Oak to give the ideal combination of stability and aesthetic appeal.

"I knew what I wanted in terms of functionality and sustainability. Gowercroft were able to incorporate my requirements with good joinery practice to deliver products that really worked with the building. I couldn't be happier with the service I received and the performance of the products"

Mr. Tim Brown





#### Holbrook Hall

#### External joinery, Belper, Derbyshire

The combination of sliding sash and casement windows were designed to satisfy planning constraints whilst also offering high functionality and warmth to elderly residents.

"I found that Gowercroft offered both the slim double-glazing and Accoya timber products that I required for this project. The work I saw was of a high standard and they were friendly and helpful.

Once appointed to make the windows, they provided samples of the various timber profiles required for each window type, working from my scale drawings, and supplied a fully finished window sample for approval by the Conservation Officer. This sample was glazed partly with single-glazing and partly with slim double-glazing and was very helpful in convincing the Conservation Officer to remove the single-glazing planning condition as no discernible difference could be seen between the two glazing types. Gowercroft also helpfully provided alternative options for the ironmongery, sourcing special components and obtaining samples for approval.

The double-glazed windows were all factory finished and fitted by Gowercroft to the satisfaction of myself, my client at Holbrook Hall and the Conservation Officer at Amber Valley Borough Council."

Darren Mayner BAHons BArch ARB, Principal Architect at Darren Mayner Architecture



### Elms Farm

### External joinery and garage doors, Snelston, Derbyshire

External joinery package for a multiple-dwelling barn conversion including traditional windows and doors, sliding, folding doors and garage doors. All to fit within unusual and differing shapes of openings.

"We were looking for a joinery company who could deliver the highly bespoke items required, while also offering the traditional appearance, neat joints and thin glazing bars required for the conservation-area. We chose Gowercroft after looking at a number of options and I was delighted with the outcome. They delivered an excellent quality product to the timeline required, helping us to keep on track with the development. We sold all of the dwellings without difficulty and the quality of the windows and doors had a big impact on the buyers"

Mr. Jeremy Cooper















We have a successful background of working in this area; completing the design, manufacture and install custom garden rooms of all varieties. The process always begins with a collaborative design process, where the customer's vision for the site takes shape on paper.

Our experience in the industry and our use of innovative products ensures that the product will fit within the wider context of your property and will offer the maximum functionality and service life.

If you want to discuss your project, then please give us a call.









We design, manufacture and install bespoke staircases of all types across the U.K. We have worked on everything from timber cladding of steel and concrete staircases for ultra-modern solutions to more traditional staircases with turned spindles and ramped and wreathed handrails.

If you want to discuss your project, then please give us a call.

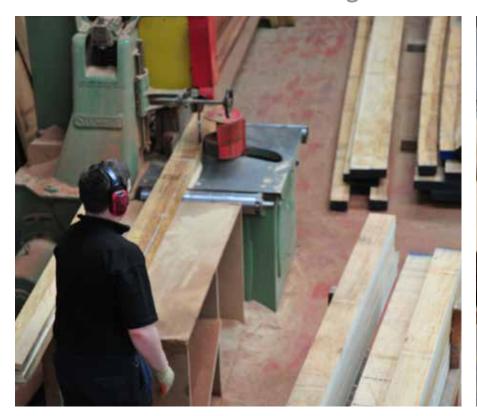


## We are very proud to be based in the UK and carry out all of our production in our Derbyshire workshop.

We contribute to the UK economy and deliver product based on many years of knowledge of traditional UK joinery design and climatic conditions. We always welcome existing and potential. If you are interested in visiting us and seeing our production facilities, simply call us to make an appointment.

The most important element of a quality culture is the people involved and each has a responsibility for enforcing standards with the person next to them. For this reason we have always utilised apprenticeships to develop long-term key staff members who understand the requirements. Typically 10% of our total work force is currently in an apprenticeship and many more have graduated and stayed with the business.

# Visits by appointment only Tel: 01773 300510 or Email: info@gowercroft.com





We reserve the right to amend sections and specifications shown in their document at our discretion. We will always inform customers of substantive changes and confirm acceptance.











If you would like a video tour of the factory you can now do this through our YouTube videos.

Photograph the QR code with your smart-phone or tablet for a direct link.



Gowercroft are based in Alfreton, Derbyshire. We have the benefit of being in the foothills of the Peak District, yet still offering excellent access to the M1 and A38. Our offices and workshop are less than 30 minutes drive from Sheffield, Nottingham and Derby.

Chesterfield

A61

Mansfield

A61

A610

A610

Derby

Derby

We're social! Come and talk to us on your favourite media platform.











#### **Gowercroft Limited**

Unit 1 | Birchwood Way | Cotes Park | Alfreton | Derbyshire | DE55 4QQ

Company Registration: 3523806

Tel: **01773 300510** | Email: **info@gowercroft.com** www.gowercroft.co.uk



