

Style and substance

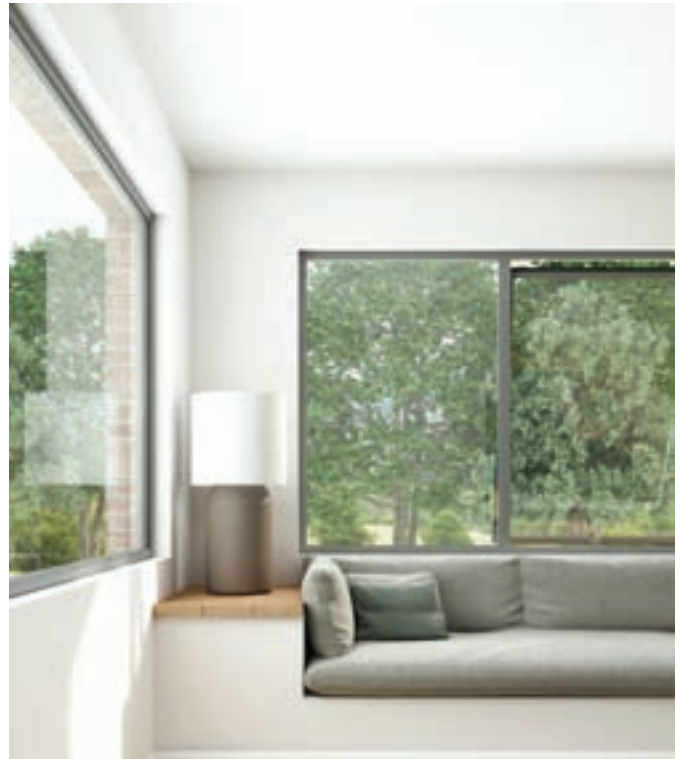
As more trade customers 'Ask for Ali', Senior Architectural Systems has responded by adding weight to its domestic product range with the launch of the new slimline Ali VU aluminium window.

Offering slim sightlines, the new thermally broken Ali VU aluminium window complements Senior's Ali Fold range of single, double and bi-fold aluminium doors to offer the trade a complete suite of glazing solutions for the residential market.

Senior Architectural System's sales director James Keeling-Heane says: "Along with Senior's established Ali Fold aluminium doors, the new Ali VU aluminium window has been specifically developed with the trade fabricator and installer in mind, offering a range of benefits that can be passed on to the domestic end-user. Easy to fabricate, adjust, install and maintain, the slim profile of the new Ali VU window also looks great and offers high thermal efficiency and low U-values.

"We are committed to giving our customers the products they need with the high levels of service they deserve and we are excited to be able to offer a full range of glazing solutions that are ideally suited to the residential market where the popularity of aluminium glazing systems continues to soar." □

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Comar Architectural Aluminium Systems, part of The Parkside Group (TPG) has launched Comar 7P.i CDE, a commercial swing door with electronic locking, that now holds a Secured By Design licence. The Comar 7P.i CDE is an electronic lock option for the thermally broken commercial swing door range, which offers access control integration for both single and double leaf door sets. Secured by Design homes 2016 requires that occupants, of a residential building with 10 or more distinct dwellings, must be able to remotely control the main entrance door from their apartment to allow access to known visitors. The Comar 7P.i CDE is ideal for multi-dwelling apartment applications, where the electronic lock suites in with most access control panels and includes panic exit hardware options. The solution can also be used in all matter of public buildings where occupant safety is required, such as health, education and other public buildings. □

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Support and strength



The Conservatory and Window Company has taken advantage of REAL Aluminium's comprehensive aluminium package and reckons it has upped turnover by at least 20% in less than two years. Aluminium now accounts for around 40% of the Bristol-based installer's work.

The Conservatory and Window Company predominantly offered PVC-U products and decided to expand by introducing aluminium into its range to make the most of growing demand. Since working with REAL Aluminium, the firm says it has gained access to a wealth of fenestration products including windows, bi-folding doors, sliding doors, French doors, residential doors, flat rooflights and lantern roofs.

Kevin Bray, managing director of The Conservatory and Window Company, says: "PVC has always been our bread and butter, but we wanted to expand and future-proof our operation by tapping into new opportunities with a company we could rely on. Aluminium represents an enormous growth area in this industry and we saw the potential for it to enhance our business. It has, however, been historically challenged by lengthy lead times and unpredictable service, which had deterred us from making the move earlier. When we heard REAL Aluminium had the support and strength we needed to enter the lucrative world of aluminium, we naturally took notice." □

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Bringing together more than eight decades of technical industry experience, fire door and window partition systems specialists Aluprof and fire glass experts Pyroguard, have completed an ambitious testing programme for a new, cost-efficient, non-insulated, slimline fire-resistant glazing system for the UK and European market.

Following two years of collaboration, the new MB-45EW framing system has been developed and tested for applications where non-insulated screens and doors are required. A first for the UK market, the slim system exceeds the current ratings of E30 and EW requirements with additional radiation reduction. Suitable for internal applications, the framing system also offers a smoke-proof screen arrangement with doors, compliant with EN 13502-2.

Pyroguard Integrity Plus glass is the first fire glazing tested and certified for the new system delivering EI 15 and EW30 fire performance along with IBI impact protection.

Wojciech Brozyna, managing director at Aluprof UK, says: "As we've strived to deliver a solution which is effective, cost-efficient and aesthetically pleasing to suit the needs of specifiers today, we've had to overcome several challenges. The expertise of Pyroguard has been invaluable and by combining our efforts throughout the testing phase we have created a solution which exceeds current safety requirements to deliver advanced protection." □



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