

Buzz At Belvedere Over New Style Aluminium

South-West manufacturer Belvedere Products believes the thought process behind Sheerline, Garnalex' aluminium window and door system, has created a real buzz of excitement.

Russell Jones, Director of Belvedere Products, learned about Sheerline through word of mouth more than two years ago and wanted Belvedere to be involved from the beginning. He says: "Demand for aluminium windows is definitely growing. The sleek look and large areas of glass that aluminium offers is very popular. I call it the Grand Designs effect.

"There's a huge buzz around Sheerline in the industry, with a great deal of anticipation. As the product range comes to market, the expectations are high

and I don't think they will disappoint.

"For me, the thought process in the product development sets it apart from other systems. The Classic system, in particular. My initial thoughts were how slim the profile is, making it an impressive-looking window. The innovation behind the beadless system to achieve this is ahead of its time. Our experience of fabrication has been good so far and the fast delivery times enable us to offer the quick turnaround our customers are used to. Support and service from Garnalex has also been excellent."

Jones continues: "There are a number of clever features in Sheerline that seem simple yet



have not been addressed previously. The compatibility of the ancillaries is a big positive, as are the thermal breaks. We are still in a very early stage but we're confident Classic and Prestige products will slot into our established range.

"Sheerline is bringing aluminium up to date in a well thought out and integrated manner. We're all excited about the journey." **f**

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Liteleader Leads Roof Window Range



Polycarbonate sheet supplier Novolux has improved its product portfolio with the addition of Liteleader roof windows.

Made by roof window and skylight manufacturer, VKR Hold-

ing, the roofing solution meets the demands for current design trends whilst providing excellent performing and robust windows.

Novolux national sales manager Craig Weatherley says: "Roof windows are a great way to let more natural light into any home and with slimline profiles, Liteleader roof windows really maximise on this. Thanks to clever technology and design, these windows are not only attractive and lightweight but are also durable, easy to operate and require very little maintenance."

First in the range is the Ecolite+, a centre-pivot window that comes with a durable frame and a ventilation valve, maximising natural light and fresh air. With a specially designed slim frame, this roof window uses less wood

than a normal roof window, giving it a smooth, flush appearance.

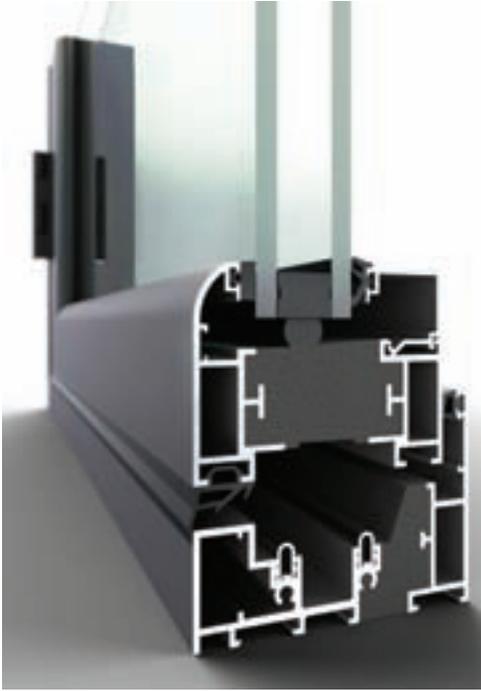
Next is the Ecowhite roof window, a modern and versatile centre-pivot with a white painted wooden frame. Offering a low U-value, the window is sturdy but modern and is an affordable choice for homeowners looking to save money on energy bills.

Finally, the Ecosolid is a PVC-U roof window perfect for rooms with high levels of humidity, such as kitchens and bathrooms, thanks to improved water tightness.

This low-maintenance centre-pivot roof window is tough and durable, while a white PVC-U frame and a steel centre core adds extra strength. **f**

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Pure And Simple Solution To Part L



Senior Architectural Systems is well placed to help its customers achieve the new lower U-value targets required by Approved Document Part L of the Building

Regulations and the new Future Homes Standard.

This is thanks to its established thermally efficient PURE aluminium window system.

PURE has the ability to achieve U-values as low as $0.71\text{W}/\text{m}^2\text{K}$ when calculated as a commercial CEN Standard window. Not only does this exceed current regulations but also comfortably meets the expected U-value target of $0.8\text{W}/\text{m}^2\text{K}$, which is likely to come into effect in mid-2022 following publication of the new guidance towards the end of this year.

The construction of the UK patented system features a high performance expanded polyurethane (PUR) thermal barrier, which gives the PURE system its thermal performance.

As well as helping to prevent heat loss to reduce energy consumption, the PURE system also offers 'cradle to cradle' recycla-

bility, with even the PUR thermal barrier able to be reused with no requirement for landfill.

The slim aluminium frame also makes it ideally suited for use in residential homes and to meet the new requirements of the pending Future Homes Standard. Set to be introduced in 2025, the new Future Homes Standard will require all new build homes to embrace low carbon heating and achieve high levels of energy-efficiency.

Commenting, Senior's sales director James Keeling-Heane said: "The construction of the PURE system and its current ability to meet future U-value targets puts it in a class of its own and as a system, it's incredibly easy to maintain which makes it an ideal long-term investment." **i**

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Great Yarmouth Gets Great Balcony

A private residence in Great Yarmouth recently required a balustrade solution for two adjoining outside balcony areas - with safety glass specialists TuffX chosen to supply the glass.

TuffX supplied 25 panels of 15mm clear toughened safety glass with dubbed corners for the job. The finished balustrade extends around both balcony areas of the property, leaving the occupants able to enjoy natural light from three different directions as the sun moves around the property throughout the day.

The extensive glass balustrade makes the most of the home's fantastic views over rolling countryside. Not only great for unob-

structed views, the toughened glass also protects residents from the elements, while being easy to maintain for long-lasting minimalist good looks.

It is topped with a safety handrail for additional comfort.

Of the two balconies, the smaller private one is set back in brickwork and sits outside huge floor-to ceiling glass with sliding doors. With these doors open or closed, the clear glass balustrade ensures neither the light nor the views are interrupted for those inside. The completed outside area combines glass, steel, wood and brick fin-



ishes to create a stunning, contemporary space filled with complimentary textures that add to the luxury look and feel. **i**

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