

A real family feeling

Swindon-based Garden of Eden, one of Sheerline's original fabricator launch partners, has now added the new Index bi-fold to its range, which means the company now carries every Sheerline window and door product available.

The purpose of this is two-fold: to increase customer choice and ensure the business maintains its competitive edge. Since carrying the Sheerline aluminium range, Garden of Eden says it has achieved steady business growth, with aluminium now accounting for almost half of all sales.

Garden of Eden took the strategic decision to start fabricating and selling Sheerline's products as it had previously worked with Sheerline's founder Roger Hartshorn.

Based on that experience, Garden of Eden directors Martin, Terry, and Helen Henly felt the new Sheerline range would be forward-thinking and offer exceptional performance.

Terry says: "When we deal with Sheerline, there's a real family feel and personal service. We aren't simply a number. I know that if I need to speak to someone I can, so things get sorted out if you've got a problem or need a hand with something. If you urgently need something you've forgotten to order, they'll do what they can." □

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Controlling the acoustic

Reynaers Aluminium has developed an acoustic calculator to indicate the level of noise protection offered by its window, door and curtain walling systems.

The acoustic calculator provides a way to match project specifications with existing test reports and can calculate the acoustic performance of various configurations for Reynaers' systems.

Acoustic performance is a key element for all fenestration systems ensuring a comfortable living or working environment, particularly in high rise, or city centre projects where design specifications typically require higher levels of sound reduction.

At its European headquarters in Belgium, Reynaers Aluminium conducts extensive acoustic test programmes incorporating system solutions with varying glass specifications.

The use of techniques such as layered inner glass panes fitted with acoustic PVB interlayers can further help systems to achieve optimal acoustic performance.

The calculator allows Reynaers' customers to outline project requirements and modify elements used within that, specify the system range, model, and additional product details. This includes stipulating the total height and width, and glass sound reduction values.

James Murray, technical manager at Reynaers



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Aluminium UK, says: "When tackling the important issue of noise control and supporting acoustic specification from the earliest stages, the acoustic calculator offers our customers an intuitive online tool enabling them to compare multiple systems and configurations across our range.

"The calculator's user centric design and functionality expedites the process of matching project specifications against Reynaers' extensive library of tested solutions providing support, transparency, and easy access to technical details." □

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