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# Asset Fineline's smooth vs operation transforms hospital

Minimising disruption to day-to-day patient care was a key requirement of Sheerframe approved fabricator Asset Fineline Windows during its £330,000 window refurbishment programme at a major Brighton hospital.

The Thetford based firm produced more than 500 Sheerframe vertically sliding sash windows, plus a further 300 tilt and turn windows, and installed them at the Royal Sussex County Hospital. The contract awarded to Asset Fineline involved replacement windows for the hospital's Charles Barrie and Jubilee buildings with the work forming a key part of the renovation of these ward buildings.

Working closely with the building contractor and hospital managers, a programme was developed to ensure the maximum number of beds would remain in-use during the window replacement work. A post-contract review of how successfully this worked showed that Asset Fineline performed extremely well as part of this complex programme of work.

By using the Sheerframe PVC vertically sliding sash, restoring the visual appeal of the original Victorian hospital buildings was easily achievable, with tilt and turn Sheerframe windows complementing this traditional style in the more modern elements of the building.

In addition to transforming the internal environment by reducing draughts and condensation and improving all-round aesthetics, the new PVC frames allow the hospital to reduce its maintenance demands during the long service life of the windows and should make a contribution towards improved energy efficiency.

Darren Sowter, Commercial Sales Manager of Asset Fineline says, "With the Royal Sussex County Hospital's location right on the coast, high performance PVC windows provide the perfect solution. Frequent maintenance work where wards have to be put out of action is something that a busy healthcare facility like this cannot afford, which is why the intelligent design of the Sheerframe vertically sliding sash in particular should prove priceless in the long term."



The Royal Sussex County Hospital in Brighton where Asset Fineline Windows has completed an extensive replacement window programme using the Sheerframe vertically sliding sash and tilt and turn windows.

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