

### **News item 8<sup>th</sup> Nov 2008**

After displaying our **eurosash** at 2 shows back to back, we have received mixed reviews concerning the new Window Energy Ratings. **Everyone was pleased to see that a PVC-U sliding sash window has achieved certification to class 'C', but people want more!!**

Sash windows are notoriously harder to seal than conventional casement type windows, which can lead to drafts under high wind pressure. It is due to this that class 'C' is the best that we can achieve to date.

We have been looking at the air leakage aspect of the window for some time now and have already put in place several new seals to combat the problem. Ideally we need to be able to supply windows with class 'B' and class 'A' certification. This is no easy task and to do so we would have to have an air leakage similar to that of conventional windows.

We know where the problem areas are and we have some ideas on how to seal these places, but some major design work is required – we will keep you informed as to our progress.