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ProFume Case Study

Rentokil treated a 19th Century granary barn restoration, using unique ProFume fumigation technology, to eliminate an active infestation of woodboring beetles within the Oak timbers.

ProFume treatment of a 19th Century barn

The Problem

As part of his West Sussex estate Dr Walker owns a 19th century granary barn, which two years ago was lovingly restored from its dilapidated state to create a usable living space.

Six months after the renovations were complete Dr Walker noticed small round holes which had appeared in the Oak timbers and found sawdust on the floor directly beneath the affected areas.

Dr Walker commented on the problem, "We'd previously had an issue with Death Watch Beetle in the main house which had been treated by Rentokil, so we called them in again to take a look at this activity within the barn conversion".

Rentokils Solution

The property was surveyed by Rod Durrant from Rentokil Property Care. On inspection, Rod immediately identified the problem as a Powder Post Beetle infestation that had been active within the sapwood of 'Green Oak', which had been used to renovate the property two years previous.

Rod explained, "the damage to the building timbers were superficial, but if left untreated, Powder Post Beetle could have reduced the sapwood to sawdust, potentially causing structural problems."

Rentokil treated the property with a unique fumigation gas called ProFume. This fumigation process eliminates all life stages of wood boring insect infestations, effectively tackling deep-seated insect infestations that other conventional pesticide application techniques cannot reach.

Customer Benefit

The main concern that Dr Walker had was the damage that could be caused to the unique property, by the beetles, if left untreated.

The treatment with ProFume gas allowed the building to be safely fumigated, resulting in no damage to the building, but effectively killing all life stages of the Powder Post Beetle within.

Dr Walker was left with peace of mind knowing that there is no further risk of these wood boring insects damaging the property any further.



Dr Walker Homeowner

"The Rentokil staff were extremely pleasant and helpful. They started work on the Tuesday and 48 hours later we had the property back Powder Post Beetle free!"

The Expert in Property Care

- Nationwide coverage
- With over 85 years of property care experience
- Guaranteed Service
- Fully trained and experienced staff
- Cost effective treatments
- Providing effective protection and peace of mind