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Report Reference : Sash Windows May 2026 at Friarton, Semley, SP7 9AU.

W01.FF – Sliding Sashes

The sliding sash has broken joints on the corners of the top and bottom sash. There have been repairs to the original boxes that are now failing and causing rot further up. The parting bead has been replaced previously with a brush pile parting bead which is not in keeping with the original box.

W02.FF – Sliding Sashes

The sliding sash is beyond repair due to the extensive rot. The original box has been repaired previously; the internal lining of the box has severe rot where the lining meets the cill.

W03.FF – Sliding Sashes

The sliding sashes are beyond repair. The original box has also been repaired previously and the fixings of the main box have failed allowing the box to move.

W04.GF & W05.GF

The sliding sashes are beyond repair. The original boxes have also been repaired previously with the outer mould replaced that does not match the original mould on other parts of the windows. The top joints of the box has opened up and moved allowing water ingress.

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Overview of all windows

With all five sliding sash windows being situated on the front elevation and of the same age they are all subject to similar deterioration. The sashes have a considerable amount of putty missing or broken down. The joints on the heads, meeting rails and bottom rails tenoned into the sash stiles have rot and are failing, resulting in these sashes being unsafe to move.

The main boxes have all had repairs previously which have now deteriorated. As you can see by the photos the joints on the outer face of the boxes where the head and jambs intersect have broken down and are out of line. This means the sashes will not slide properly or seal when in their closed position. In my opinion the sashes and the boxes are beyond repair. The existing boxes are not fixed securely. If restoration work was attempted the existing boxes would not withstand the work needed.

Yours sincerely

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