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The Damp Proofing, Timber Treatment & Basement Experts



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WHO WE ARE...

Danford Brewer & Ives provide a wide range of specialist building services including, damp proofing, timber treatments and basement conversions. Based in Ripon North Yorkshire our team covers the whole of Yorkshire, Teesside and Cheshire.

We work closely with homeowners as well as estate agent's, letting agents and architects to ensure they have the best advice and support to deal with any specialist works their properties may need.

Danford Brewer & Ives are committed to building a customer-centric approach and will continue to think of new and creative ways to help say thank you to our customers, other than of course, consistently competitive pricing and helpful, courteous and professional staff.



WHAT WE DO...

Danford Brewer & Ives are a qualified damp proofing and timber treatment company that provides expert advice and solutions for any damp or timber problems your property may have.

Before any specialist work is started we will carry out a detailed diagnostic inspection of your property which is followed up with a report that details both the cause and the proposed remedial action.

We have vast experience in all aspects of the damp and timber industry and are able to provide a full turnkey service for all our clients. In addition to the specialist work we provide, our time served team of tradesmen also carry out building projects ranging from simple structural maintenance solutions through to house extensions and complex basement conversions.

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| DAMP PROOFING | WET & DRY ROT | WOODWORM | BASEMENT CONVERSIONS |
| BUILDING PROJECTS | CAVITY WALL TIE REPLACEMENT | BUILDING PROJECTS | SURVEYS & REPORTS |



HOW WE DO IT...

Before any work begins we need to fully understand what problems your property has. We have simplified the whole process in to four easy stages.



Contact Us

On this call, we will arrange to visit you and survey your property. There is a small fee for the site survey, which will be confirmed when booking. If you proceed with any of the works, this fee is refundable against any works carried out.



Site Survey

One of our qualified team will visit your property at an agreed time and date. We will assess the problem and determine the best solution. Once we understand the root cause of the problem we can create a suitable plan to fix it. Following the site survey we will provide you with a written report and quotation.



We fix it

Once you are happy for the works to proceed we will then arrange a convenient time and date with you to carry out the specialist works as per the quotation. Most specialist works are usually completed within a couple of days and involve minimal disruption. Our team will keep you fully up to date on the works progress during this time.



Aftercare

In order for the guarantee to be activated all of the specialist works need to be signed off. A comprehensive checklist will be completed and signed off by both our team & yourself to make sure you are fully satisfied with the works. Following the sign off, where appropriate, the works can be fully guaranteed.

Areas we cover

We have regional staff in Yorkshire, Teesside, and Cheshire.



Darlington
Halifax
Harrogate
Huddersfield
Ilkley
Macclesfield
Middlesbrough
Ripon
Selby
Skipton
Wakefield
York

WHAT YOU GET...

Damp Surveys and Reports

Our expert surveyors can produce reports and quotations for specialist works that might be needed. These reports are often needed by mortgage companies ahead of any sale.

All our reports are carried out by local Fully Certified Surveyors with the Property Care Association (PCA). The reports are supplied a couple of days after the site survey, ensuring that there are no delays in the process.

Our surveyors are all PCA qualified as either CSRT (Certified Surveyor in Remedial Treatments) or CSSW (Certified Surveyor in Structural Waterproofing).



TOTAL PIECE OF MIND...

Insurance Backed Guarantees

Danford Brewer & Ives expect our customers to experience total peace of mind, so we always offer a long-term insurance backed guarantee which covers all aspects of our specialist work. This makes our guarantee an exception to the rule in an industry where guarantees will often only cover certain chemicals or treatments.



Damp Proofing Problem? Don't let it get any worse.

Danford Brewer & Ives are damp proofing experts in Yorkshire, Teesside & Cheshire. We assess Dampness, Timber Problems, Wall Stabilisation and Basement Conversion works with a survey carried out by our own qualified surveyors. There are several different types of damp, and we assess which type it is before treating it accordingly.

Rising Damp

Rising damp is not the most common form of dampness encountered in buildings; this is left to condensation, however, it is very likely that a high proportion of older buildings are affected by rising damp to some degree or another, and it does cause problems. With positive identification, appropriate remedial action and ancillary works can be carried out.

Rising damp in buildings may be defined as the vertical flow of water up through a permeable wall structure, the water being derived from ground water. The water rises through the pores (capillaries) in the masonry by a process loosely termed 'capillarity'. In other words, the masonry acts like a wick.

Obvious signs of rising damp are patches of damp on external walls or moss growth, and interior walls may look or feel wet, or bands of salt may appear.

Penetrating Damp

Penetrating damp can happen when parts of the building such as inadequate or faulty roofing, windows, brickwork etc. allow water to penetrate the walls of a building.

If any of the outsides of the building is unsound, such as cracked render or brickwork, blocked or broken guttering, poorly fitted door or window frames, or uncapped chimneys etc. rain can easily penetrate into the building, causing damp. Some common signs to look out for are tide marks on internal walls or discolouration of interior decoration, salt deposits, blistered plaster, damp skirting boards or black mould on internal walls or window frames.

OUR DAMP PROOFING PROCESS



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Jayceel

County Durham - 21/09/2017

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TIMBER TREATMENTS



Stop the Rot.

Both dry rot and wet rot are caused by moisture, commonly from poor ventilation below the floor, rising or penetrating damp, water leaks etc. Normally, dry rot happens from relatively low moisture levels, and wet rot is from very high moisture levels.

Wet Rot

Wet rot can be a white or brown rot, which does not refer to the colour of the mould, but the shade that the timber turns when affected. Brown rot will darken the wood, and will break in small cracks, whereas white rot lightens the wood and the damage is visible across the grain.

Treating Wet Rot

Once Danford Brewer & Ives have identified the problem to be wet rot, the area will have to be properly ventilated to allow the wood to dry and the root cause of the problem will have to be solved. Any damaged timber may have to be replaced and specialist treatments carried out.

Dry Rot

Dry rot is different from wet rot in the sense that it can travel through a building taking its own moisture supply, and can travel between plaster and brick work as well as wood. Dry rot can cause severe damage if it is not treated.

Treating Dry Rot

Treating dry rot can be quite disruptive, as locating the causing source may require floor boards to be taken up or walls to be opened up. All affected timbers will need to be removed and the damp areas will have to be dried out thoroughly, and specialised fungicide treatments will be applied.

Woodworm

There are many different types of woodworm and they all cause damage to any timber they choose to live in. Woodworm larvae bore holes in the wood in search of food; cellulose.

Treating Woodworm

Danford Brewer & Ives will first determine the species of woodworm causing the damage as different circumstances need different treatments. Depending on what they find, Danford Brewer & Ives can treat the woodworm with either a chemical spray, injection or surface paste.



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Francesca

North Yorkshire - 20/02/2018

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BASEMENT CONVERSIONS



Give your home that extra space you need.

Danford Brewer & Ives are specialists in basement conversions and could give your home that extra space you need – even if you don't currently have a cellar. You can rest assured that Danford Brewer & Ives will have the whole job in hand, from the plans and structure design to accessing the planning permissions and having the building regulations passed, to the final lick of paint.

Various Work Included in Converting Your Cellar:

- Excavation & Underpinning
- Waterproof Membranes
- Drainage Systems
- Interior Finishes

You may think it's not possible to make an extra room out of your cellar because of its low ceiling, or perhaps you don't currently have a cellar at all. Danford Brewer & Ives can create a new, liveable space for you by lowering the foundation of your house through a method called underpinning.



Underpinning can extend existing foundations of a building by depth or width to either give a cellar more headroom where the current cellar is too shallow, or to create a cellar where there currently is none.

Danford Brewer & Ives will excavate soil from beneath the existing foundations, and fill most of this excavation with concrete. Once the concrete has settled, the remaining gap is filled with a sand and cement mix. This is carried out step by step to ensure the foundations are solid at all times.

A structural engineer will draw up the underpin schedule, and alongside building inspectors, will inspect the work as it progresses then approve it once the underpinning is complete.

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OUR BASEMENT CONVERSION PROCESS



Contact Us

On this call we will try to ascertain whether or not your property is suitable for a basement conversion. If we agree that it is suitable we will arrange to visit you to view the property and discuss the practicalities and the approximate cost of the project.



Site Meeting

We will arrange to visit your property to carry out a site survey and project assessment. During the hour-long meeting, we will discuss how you would like the space to function, what the practicalities of the project would be, and to talk through any potential challenges you may face. This meeting is followed up with a written quotation.



Work Schedule

If you would like Danford Brewer and Ives to carry out the work, we would need an initial deposit from you. We would then confirm when the work would start and provide you with a detailed Schedule of Works giving you an idea of what the project stages are and how long each of them would take. Our team is always on hand to answer any questions you may have.



Build & Sign Off

We will begin the build phase at the agreed time, closely following the Schedule of Works. Once the project is completed we will assess the work with you and complete and sign off a comprehensive checklist with you to make sure you are fully satisfied that the works have been completed to your satisfaction. Following this sign-off, the works are then guaranteed.

"This was a big, and expensive project. It was delivered exactly on time, to the highest professional standards by people it was a pleasure to have working in my house. I received a project plan before work started and was able to ask questions and make additions to the spec as the project unfolded over about five weeks. I would have no reservation about recommending this firm."

Rod

North Yorkshire - 16/05/2018

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BUILDING PROJECTS



Experienced, Qualified Tradesmen.

Danford Brewer & Ives carry out all types of building work on both commercial and domestic buildings. We have a team of time served qualified tradesmen who are adept at carrying out stunning building projects for our clients. Unlike other companies, we have the confidence to guarantee our work, and the ability to put things right if you are not delighted by the work we have done. Some of the areas we specialise in are...

House Extensions

At the core of our building services, we pride ourselves in offering unparalleled house extensions. Working closely with our clients and the architects we ensure your new extension functions the way you had planned. Our professional team are courteous and tidy and will make the process as easy as possible for you and your family.

Home Renovations

We often get asked by our clients to help them renovate an existing space or appoint us to carry out full home renovations. Because we have all of the trades under our roof we can tackle any renovation project large or small with minimal fuss and upheaval.

Loft Conversions

Developing additional space in your home is a good way to add additional value to your property. Our team can advise you on how best to expand your home, whether that be moving down and having a basement conversion, or move up into the loft space and have a loft conversion. Not all properties can accommodate a loft conversion, so our experienced team will meet with you and discuss the practicalities of the loft conversion project and leave you with practical solution and time frame for any works to be completed. If you are considering a loft conversion then give Danford Brewer and Ives a call today.

If your property requires any building work however large or small, please contact Danford Brewer & Ives for more information on how we can help you and your property.



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OUR BUILDING PROJECT PROCESS



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On this call, we will discuss your project ideas. We will then arrange to visit you at the property to assess the feasibility, discuss the practicalities of the work and talk about an approximate project cost.



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Michael

North Yorkshire - 30/01/2018

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