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**DRUMMONDS ARCHITECTURAL & FLOORING MOVES TO SELHAM, WEST SUSSEX  
FROM HINDHEAD, SURREY**

**LANDMARK ARCHITECTURAL ANTIQUES PREMISES CLOSING AS DRUMMONDS ON  
THE MOVE TO NEW LOCATION**

The architectural salvage yard and showrooms at the Hindhead crossroads has seen people visit from around the world to shop for reclaimed doors, fireplaces, bathrooms, garden features, stone and timber flooring and more over the past decade since the company moved into the converted district bus garage in 1999.

“After 12 years trading in Hindhead we are sad to be leaving but it is time for the firm to move in a new direction,” said founder Drummond Shaw, “I wish to thank all our past customers for their support over the years.”

“Our industry is changing and we made the decision two years ago to reduce our general architectural salvage business and concentrate on our strengths in reclaimed flooring and handmade brassware. We look forward to opening a new chapter in the growth of our company in Selham, Petworth.”

Drummonds Manager David Bedding estimates it is a three week task to move the company’s stock holdings to the new premises, with lorries shuttling back and forth daily, carrying in the region of 5,000 square meters of timber flooring and hundreds of tons of stone. Furthermore Drummonds is reclaiming as much as is practical from the showrooms which are scheduled for demolition and re-development.

Drummonds Architectural & Flooring now specialise in reclaimed oak flooring, reclaimed pine flooring, superior reclaimed flagstones, internal stone and classic brass door furniture

### **Background**

Drummonds Architectural & Flooring and sister company Drummonds Bathrooms were both formerly known as Drummonds Architectural Antiques.

Drummonds Architectural Antiques was founded in 1988 in Bramley, near Guildford, specialising in reclaimed architectural items, garden features and materials. By 1999, in need of larger premises, the company renovated and moved into the old bus garage in Hindhead.

Now in need of a property to better suit its primary focus on timber flooring the company is moving to new premises in Selham, West Sussex. Drummond Shaw, founder, sees the move as a natural progression for his company. “We always prided ourselves in offering a full range of reclaimed architectural materials, but as time passed we could see that playing to our strengths was essential in developing the business.”

“When we started out garden features were best sellers, we then became well known for our restored antique bathrooms. By concentrating on this success we built a new bathrooms business which has grown to the point that a year ago it was set up as a separate independent business operating from its head office in Guildford.”

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"In Hindhead we invested in skills, equipment and significant stock holdings of reclaimed flooring alongside a wide range of architectural salvage. We have gained a respected reputation in both supplying, and with many years experience, in fitting reclaimed antique timber flooring processed from salvaged stock ready-to-lay.

From January 2013 Drummonds Architectural & Flooring will operate from purpose built offices in Selham, near Petworth, partnering with W.L. West & Sons, a family company established in 1865 as a sawmill and timber processing business. With the necessary skill sets, equipment and storage facilities, Drummonds Architectural & Flooring is well established to develop and grow its business further.

### **New business niche**

"We are one of only a few companies that truly specialise in reclaimed flooring materials, making our floors unlike any new or engineered products currently available. With many repro/antique/distressed/aged-flooring products on the market it is only a Drummonds floor that uses authentic, reclaimed flooring materials sourced from the UK and European properties," comments David Bedding Drummonds flooring manager.

"Drummonds floorboards are meticulously prepared, being hand selected to differentiate grade and amount of distressing inherent in each board. We kiln dry, machine and thickness the floorboards in order to reinstate them ready to lay. The face of each board is lightly sanded prior to fitting, maintaining the patina, character and age of the wood. Every floor is hand-finished on-site using either traditional wax, hard wax oils or wood stains and lacquers, ensuring unique, easily maintained, fully repairable floors that will last for generations to come.

Drummonds also offers a full restoration and finishing service for existing floors. With many years experience of antique and old floors, our staff are able to take what otherwise might be a condemned floor and restore it to its former glory, retaining original features in the home.

Drummonds also continues with its range of classic, hand-made door furniture. Each piece in the unique range is designed and produced in solid un-lacquered brass by skilled craftsmen, using the traditional lost wax process. The entire manufacturing process is in Drummonds workshops, ensuring high quality throughout. Quality control standards adhere to ISO9002 accreditation.

Drummonds brassware can be finished in chrome and nickel finishes or can be patinated to give an aged appearance.

For more details regarding our flooring range please click through to:  
<http://www.drummondsflooring.co.uk/wood-flooring/>

For more details regarding our door furniture please click through to:  
<http://www.drummondsflooring.co.uk/category/door-furniture/>

For more information regarding Drummonds Bathrooms please follow the link:  
<http://www.drummonds-uk.com/>

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