

MEASURING: HOW TO MEASURE FOR A SIDE FIX FRAME

18.0: Side fixing

Measuring for a side fix frame

The side fix frame can fit anywhere within the window recess.

Fitting towards the front will allow the shutters to wrap back around the wall.

Level

It is important to check the level as there is minimum clearance to play with. Level the window all round and measure the diagonals to work out where to measure the smallest width and height from.

Angled recess

If the recess is slightly angled, measure the recess width at the front and back of where you wish to fit the frame. Use the smallest size or you may need to plane the frame to fit the angle.

Square recess

Square recessed windows can be measured at the front of the frame as standard.

Use the smallest width and the smallest height when ordering the side fix option.

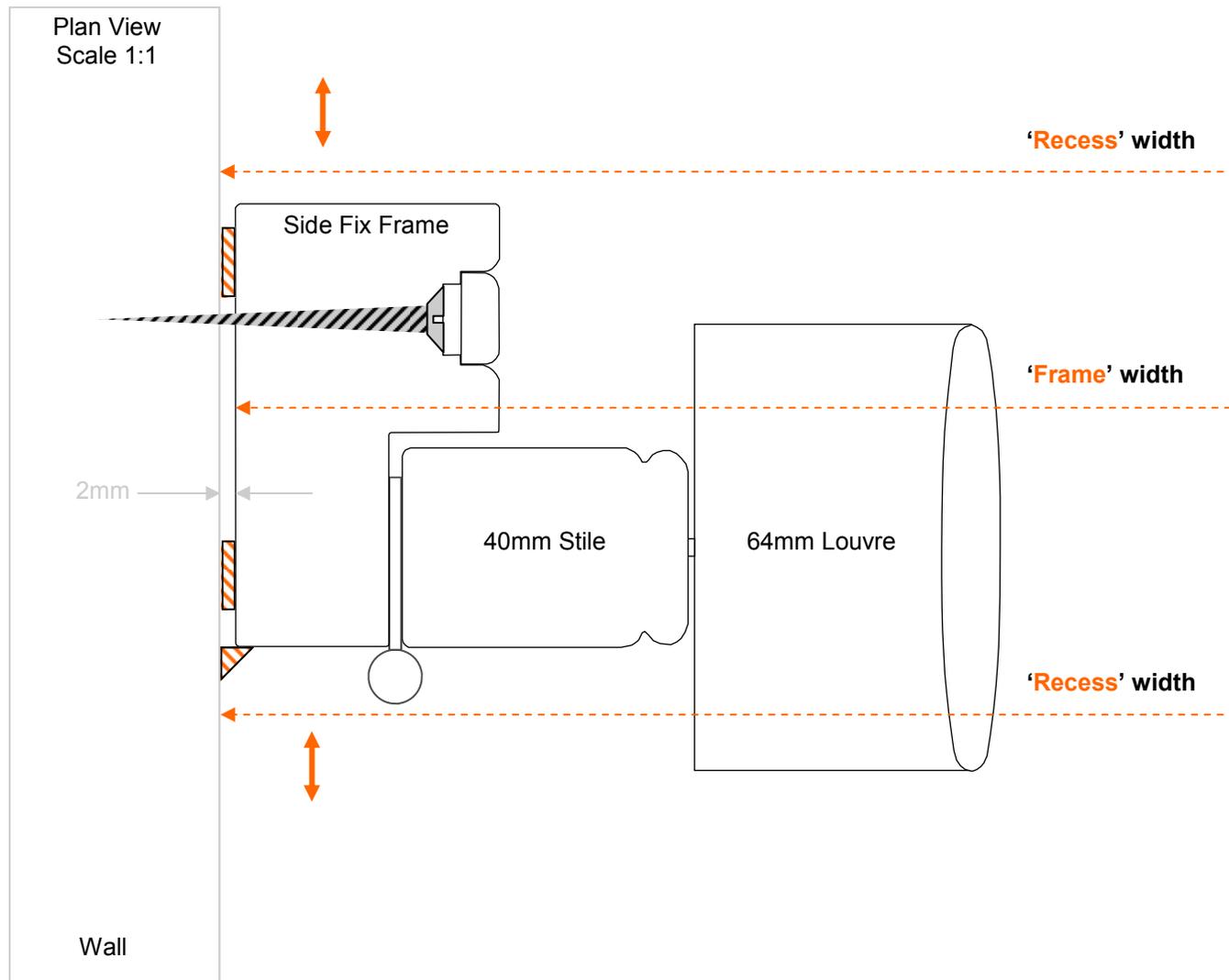
Clearance

Minimum 2-3mm clearance should be deducted all round to ensure the frame fits in the recess. These frames are designed to be cut, planned and filled to fit snugly into place.

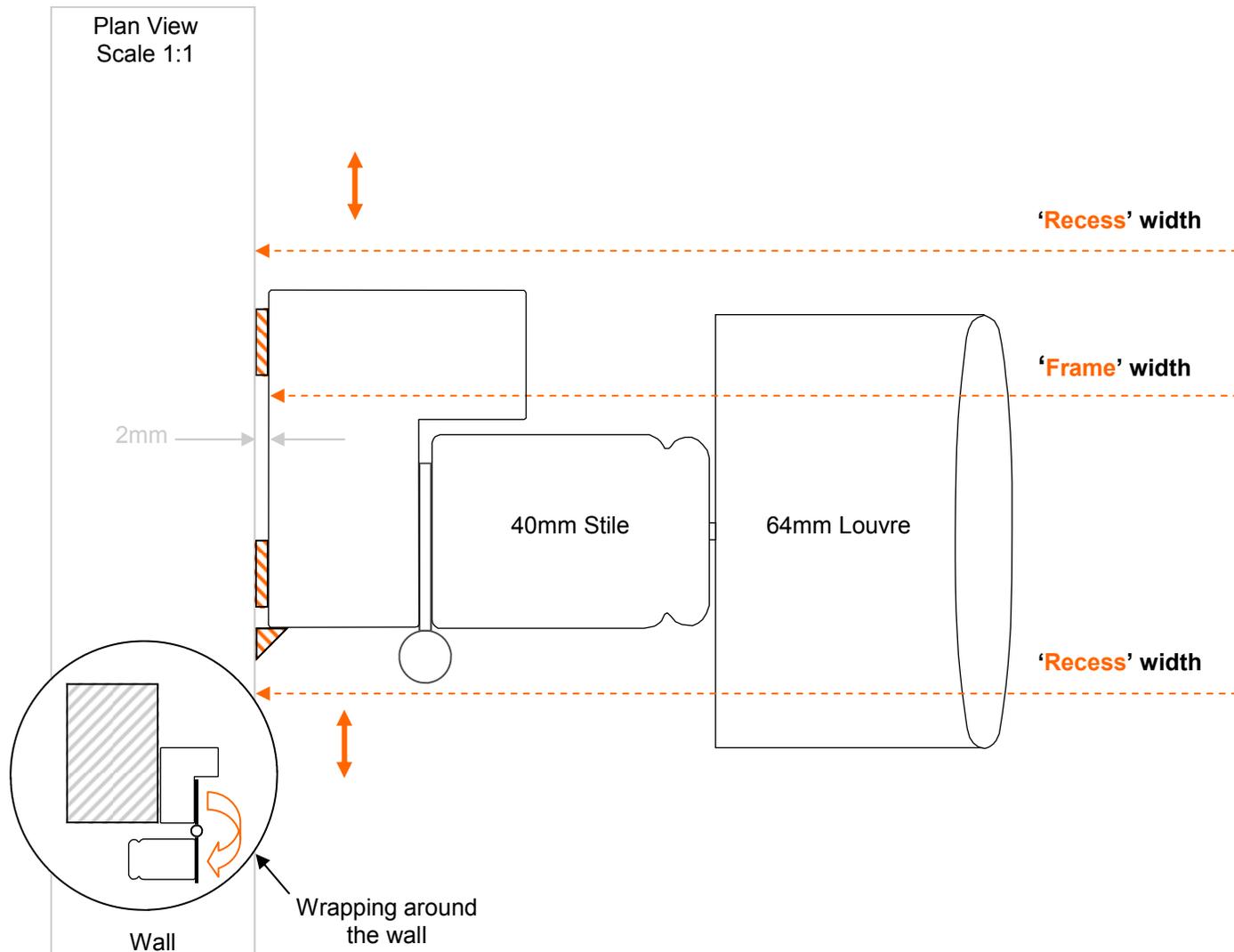
Packers

Side packers will be required between the wall and frame to ensure the frame is fitted squarely within the recess and not pulled out of shape when screws are tightened.

Filler or infill battens will be required to create a neat finish at the front of the frame.



MEASURING: SIDE FIXING STANDED L FRAMES



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Side fixing standard L frames

You can choose to side fix any of the L frames.

This drawing shows the Plain L frame with no insert strips built into the frame.

Choose where to put your fixings. Drill your own pilot holes and use cover caps to cover any visible screw heads.

Side fixing L frames with inserts at the front are not designed to be planed to size or to have infill's fitted around the front due to the slightly raised insert strip already running around the front of the frame.

Measuring

Use the guide on side fixing on page 1.

Important advice.

When side fixing frames and using tighter measurements. It is **really important** you know how level your window is.

If you don't check and you just measure the width and height. When you come to line up the shutters within the frame you will not be able to.

Ensuring the shutter panels line up top and bottom requires some movement in the frame. Measuring too tight or not allowing enough clearance thinking you want a tight neat finish will lead to fitting problems.

Side fixing with a shadow gap

Please contact Sam and request a side fix shadow strip to hide your fixings.