



## Preparing your home for winter checklist

- Clocks adjusted when daylight savings ends (3am, Sunday 7th April 2024)
- Heating system maintenance
- Check fireplace chimney/flue before using for the first time of the year
- Reverse your ceiling fans for warmer air (this can save on your heating costs)
- Consider upgrading insulation
- Clean your gutters of all debris, leaves etc
- Check channel drains are clear
- Check smoke detectors and alarms are working
- Are your exterior lights working (consider LED/solar)
- Timber windows and doors general operation (can swell in wet weather)
- Weatherboards for rot, cracks or splits. If unsure, poke a screwdriver into areas and if they look odd and goes through you may have issues
- Check for bubbling paint on wooden surfaces as this could be an indication of potential rot
- Lastly, check for exterior holes that mice can get into. They love to come in out of the cold and bring the whole family to settle in your roof!

