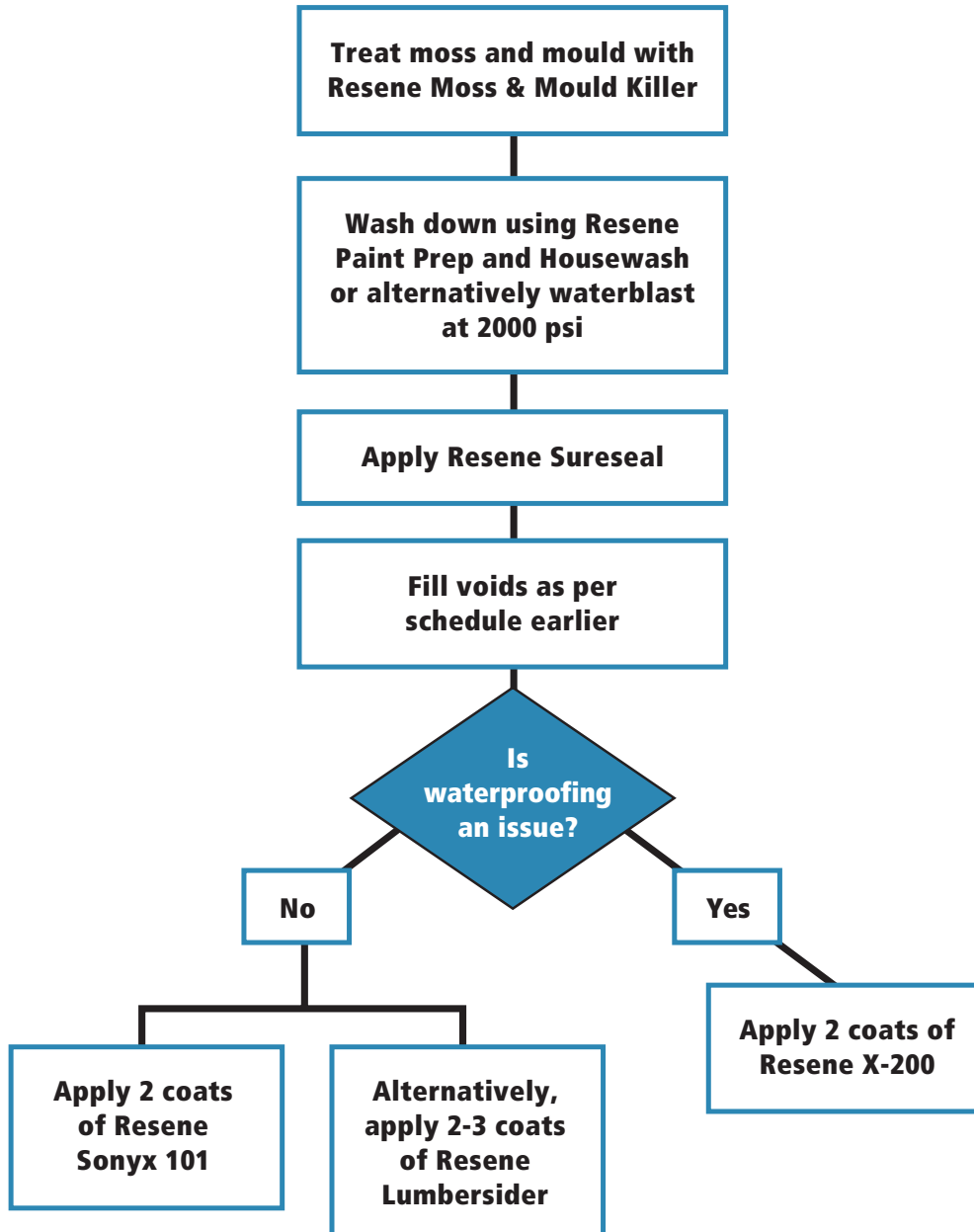




Brickwork



An alternative is to plaster the brickwork using Rockcote. It is popular to plaster over bricks and achieve either a monolithic finish or to retain the patina of the bricks. Resene AquaShield makes an ideal topcoat.

Things to consider

- **Are the bricks old or new?**
- **What condition are they in?**
- **What sort of look or finish do you have in mind?**
- **How large is the area to be painted?**
- **Will you be undertaking the painting yourself?**

Brickwork



Clinker brick style.

- Painting over bricks either new or old is relatively straightforward. Resene generally recommend Resene Sureseal as a first coat to seal the bricks due to their high porosity and bind up old weak and friable pointing. It also serves to hold back potential salt staining on old brickwork.
- Many homes built in the 70's and early 80's were built using 'Clinker bricks', a normal brick with a rough outward facing profile. It is possible to chip the profile off and then plaster to achieve a monolithic finish, however this is not a project for the home handyman.
- Bricks can look quite striking when painted.
- Resene X-200 is the ideal paint for bricks, even if there are no waterproofing issues, as it fills any small cracks and has a low gloss level, which suits a brick construction home.

Key accessories essential to complete the job

- 50-75mm Legend or Haydn Ultimate brush
- Extension pole (depending on access)
- Fillers as per schedule
- PAL No.3 or No.2 roller sleeve – depending on how deep the pointing is or if Resene X-200 is used
- Resene Paint Prep and Housewash
- Roller tray and handle

Add-ons – to make the job easier or quicker

- Dropsheet/s
- Masking tape – for around windows etc
- Meths to remove paint splatter from windows