

Refurbishment Assessment

Find the cheapest good furniture you already own.

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Run this before specifying any new furniture. Walk the floor and tag every item.

STEP 1 · RUN EACH ITEM THROUGH THREE QUESTIONS

- 1 Is the frame structurally sound?**
The deciding factor. Worn fabric and dated finishes are cosmetic. A solid frame is a candidate.
- 2 Was it quality to begin with?**
Recognised manufacturer or solid commercial build is worth renewing. Budget grade rarely is.
- 3 Is it part of a consistent set?**
A matching estate keeps its consistency through refurbishment. The secondary market cannot match this.

STEP 2 · TAG EACH ITEM INTO ONE OUTCOME

REFURBISH

Frame sound · quality build · part of a set

Strip, replace wear parts, reupholster, return like-new at roughly 30 to 60% of new cost.

RESELL / BUYBACK

Frame sound · quality build · no longer needed

Has value to someone else. Recover it through buyback or resale rather than disposal.

RECYCLE

Frame compromised · or budget grade

Genuine end of life. Separated recycling by material type, documented.

STEP 3 · RUN THE COMPARISON

Get a refurbishment cost on your candidates. Compare it against full replacement, and include:

the disposal cost of what you would have thrown away + the carbon you would have lost.

Not sure what is worth renewing?

Send a few photos and item details to info@coggin-sos.co.uk and we will tell you honestly what to refurbish.