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1. Click on the download button, and ensure that you know where the download is being saved to (usually the "downloads" folder).

2. Once the download has completed, you should navigate to the downloaded zip file and then unzip it. This can be done in later versions of Windows using built-in tools. Simply right click on the file and click on "Extract All…" as shown in *Fig. 1*.

3. Then simply select a destination for the extracted files to be placed in (*Fig. 2*).

4. Once you have done this, navigate to your extracted directory and then enter the top level folder. It should look something like this (*Fig. 3*):

Fig. 1

Fig. 2

Fig. 3

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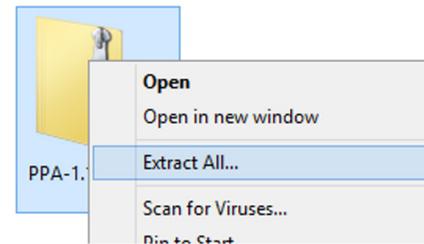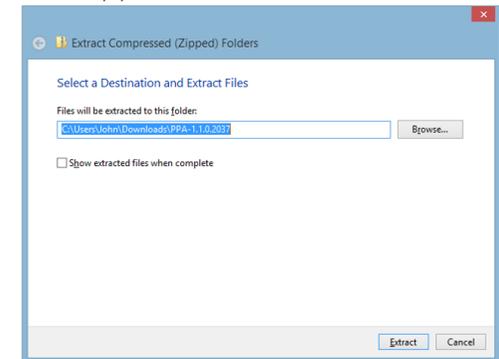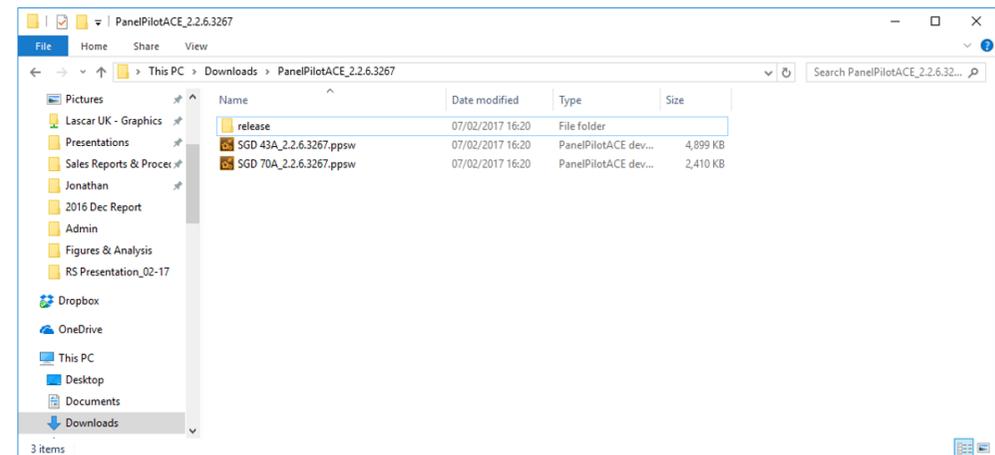
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The contents of the 'release' folder should look like *Fig.4*:

N.B. There is no need to uninstall the previous application. Both can run in conjunction with each other. Although it is worth noting that applications created in previous versions will have to be upgraded to work on the new version. New applications will not work at all on the previous versions of the Design Studio. Because of this, we recommend that you do not upgrade your previous projects or if you intend to do so that you make a copy of the application before you perform the upgrade.

Configurations	06/11/2014 15:08	File folder	
DeviceDrivers	06/11/2014 15:08	File folder	
Fonts	06/11/2014 15:08	File folder	
imageformats	06/11/2014 15:08	File folder	
Localizations	06/11/2014 15:08	File folder	
Plugins	06/11/2014 15:08	File folder	
ProjectVersions	06/11/2014 15:08	File folder	
QML	06/11/2014 15:08	File folder	
Templates	06/11/2014 15:08	File folder	
Tutorials	06/11/2014 15:08	File folder	
Common.dll	06/11/2014 15:08	Application extens...	444 KB
DesignerCore.dll	06/11/2014 15:08	Application extens...	3,622 KB
DesignerGui.dll	06/11/2014 15:08	Application extens...	2,320 KB
PanelPilotACE.exe	06/11/2014 15:08	Application	18,924 KB
QtCore4.dll	06/11/2014 15:08	Application extens...	2,506 KB
QtDeclarative4.dll	06/11/2014 15:08	Application extens...	2,516 KB
QtGui4.dll	06/11/2014 15:08	Application extens...	8,388 KB
QtNetwork4.dll	06/11/2014 15:08	Application extens...	1,015 KB
QtOpenGL4.dll	06/11/2014 15:08	Application extens...	761 KB
QtScript4.dll	06/11/2014 15:08	Application extens...	1,310 KB
QtSql4.dll	06/11/2014 15:08	Application extens...	197 KB
QtSvg4.dll	06/11/2014 15:08	Application extens...	277 KB
QtXml4.dll	06/11/2014 15:08	Application extens...	348 KB
QtXmlPatterns4.dll	06/11/2014 15:08	Application extens...	2,573 KB
Runtime.dll	06/11/2014 15:08	Application extens...	361 KB
zlib1.dll	06/11/2014 15:08	Application extens...	105 KB

Fig. 4

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5. In order to run the new version of the PanelPilotACE Design Studio you should simply double click on the "PanelPilotACE.exe" from inside the 'release' folder. Dependant on the location of these files, you may get a warning similar to the one shown in *Fig. 5*.
    Please note this message will vary based on your version of Windows.

6. You will need to tell your PC to run the application anyway, this can be done on Windows 8 by clicking on the "More info" and then selecting "Run Anyway".

    N.B. you will only need to do this the first time.

7. The new Design Studio should then load. If you already have projects from the old version of Design Studio, you will be asked if you want to upgrade these to run in the new version. We suggest that you click "No to All" for now. You will be able to upgrade these later (*Fig. 6*).

8. You should now have access to the new version of the PanelPilotACE Design Studio. If at any point you want to upgrade an old application, this can be done simply by trying to open it at which point you will be prompted to upgrade (*Fig. 7*).

9. You will also need to ensure that your device firmware has been upgraded. In order to do this, first plug in your device.
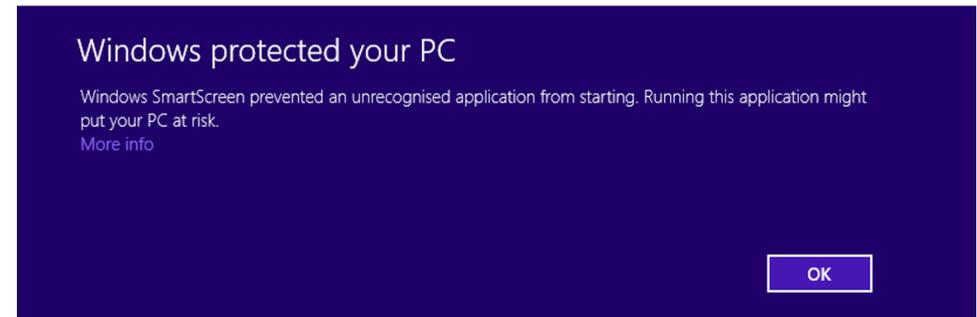
Fig. 5
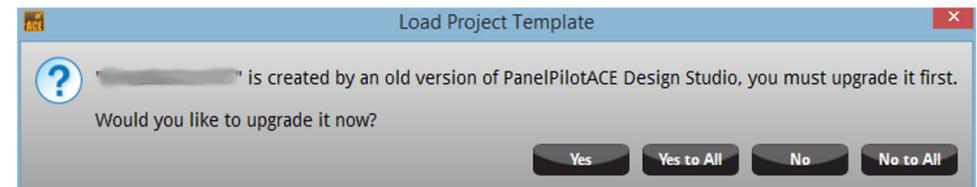
Fig. 6
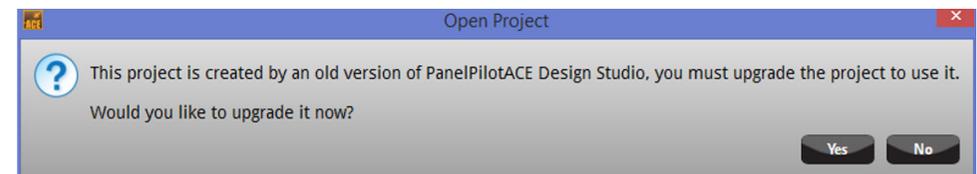
Fig. 7

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10. You should see your device now listed in the "Device:" section. From the drop-down menu select 'Upgrade Device Software' and then navigate to the .ppsw file from step 4. There are different files for the SGD 43-A and SGD 70-A (*Fig. 8*).

WARNING – at present it is not possible to downgrade your device once again. As such you will not be able to use the old version to program it. We will be providing the necessary file to downgrade your device soon.

Fig. 8