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Items needed: A jack to give you a bit more headroom, but put a wheel under the sill too Ratchet & long extension bar 10mm socket Flathead & philips screwdriver (for the fixings on the trangles) Penetrating oil (if nuts get stubborn) Couple of cloths & some household cleaner

Today I decided to see if I could bring some life back into the foglights, they were looking very dull. I cleaned the lens with some T-cut to see if it would make any difference, but it didn't do a thing.

So I decided to remove both lamps & strip them down, clean them both up & refit them 🤒



Here's how mine looked before I started, quick shot:

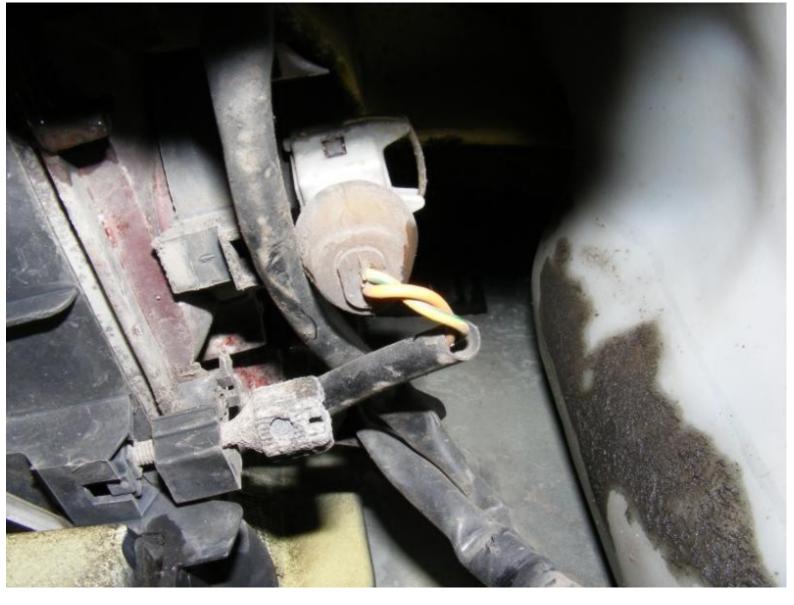


I didn't have a triangle cover under the drivers side, so I wasn't getting frustrated with rusted / rounded off screws. Taking photos was a little awkward under the car so there aren't many, but then again there isn't much to actually do under there.

If you've removed your cover, this is what you'll see. The 2 bolts are 10mm:

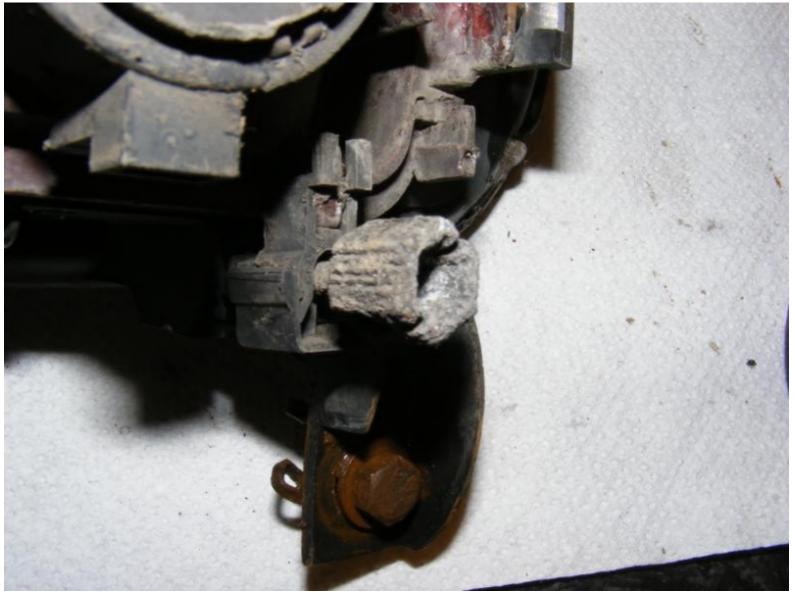


Bulb holder, connector & the silvery thing sticking off the bottom of the lamp housing is the level adjuster:



Once you've unclipped the connector from the bulb holder, or just turned the holder anti-clockwise a few mm to remove it, undo the 2 x 10mm bolts. You might get into trouble with one or 2 of them, mine were quite badly corroded & broke a tiny piece of the bumper where the flat clips go. Once I got the lamp out I sprayed the clip & bolt with some penetrating oil, left for a minute or so then held the clip with some grips & gently loosened & tightened the bolt to free it up, this worked.

Once you've got the lamp out it's time to strip it down. It's a very simple device, it's a screw with a funny head. None of my sockets would fit it 🖓 & I didn't have a wide enough flathead screwdriver 🆓 . Luckily I was just able to get it going by hand. Whilst un-doing it a black plastic clip will come off the front, put it aside, remove the screw from the housing. Before doing this make a mental note of how far in the adjuster goes, then refit it in that position when you build the lamp back up. Here you can see the level adjuster.



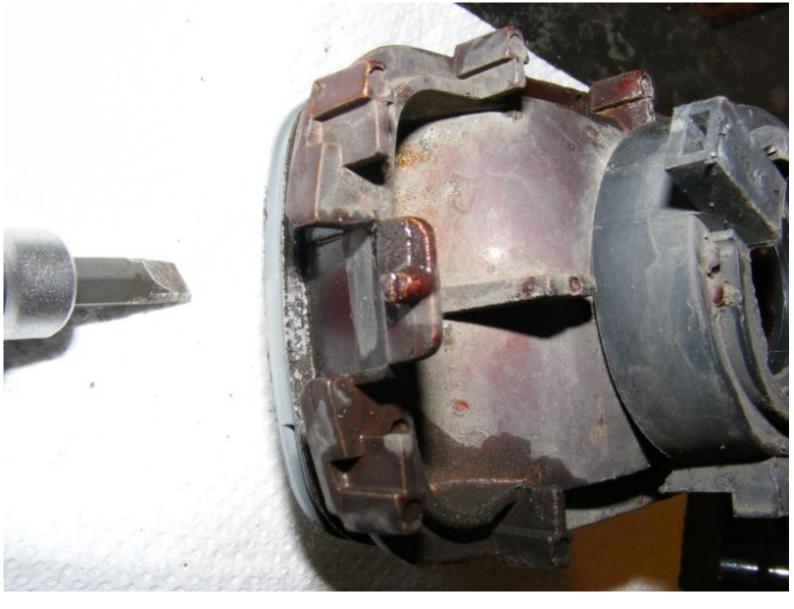
Adjuster & clip:



To remove the inside part, you'll see a tab with a small locating lug on each side, very gently ease the tab away from lamp whilst lifting up on the insides. Do this for both sides & you have this:



The plastic lug (1 on each side) on the inside part of the lamp once removed:



Here's the underside of the inside, remember this is the piece that has the lugs on the back. Luckily mine were very shiny, so I just wiped them:



Now on to the cleaning. I swiped my finger down the inside of the glass ^{So}. How does it get that dirty given as it has a pretty good seal around it:



I wiped the insides with a damp cloth & dried it off. Make sure you get every part as clean as you can, it's not actual dirt, just dust:



I made a little error with the passenger side one. I decided to use a cleaner on it, it started to rub the sliver finish off the insides 😵, luckily it wasn't much & was at the top of the lamp, so it's not seen unless you've got your head on the floor looking upwards at it.

Now you need to put the adjuster & clip back in. On the underside of the lamp where it goes you'll see a small square cutout, put it back in so the square part on the adjuster goes into the cut-out, or put it back so the circular parts are on the sides, this is what allows it to swivel:



Adjuster back in with the clip on. Make sure you adjust it back to where it was previously:



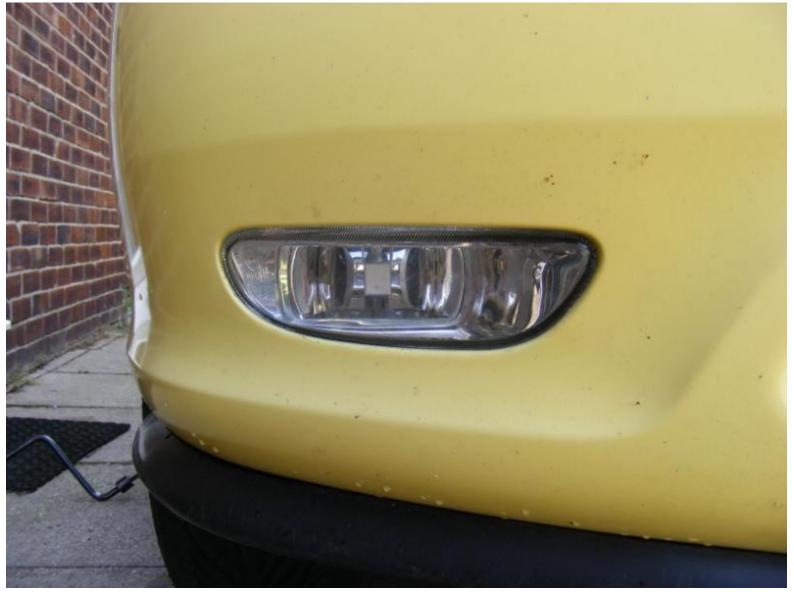
Nice & clean:





Fit the foglight back in, it's pretty simple, but make sure you get the tab at the top of the lamp lined up so it sits inside the groove you can see at the top looking through the foglight hole of the bumper from the outside.

Foglight back in looking all shiny again:



Compared to the other side, which hadn't been done at this stage:



Voila! Not sure how well the camera has picked it up, but they look a whole lot better & well worth cleaning:



No flash:



