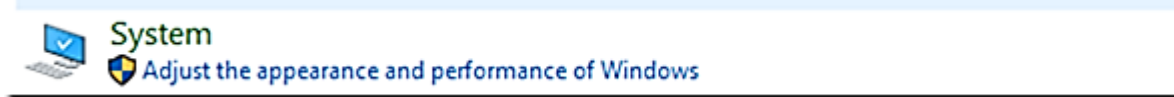


Virtual memory tweak for a slow boot up

Right click on the Start menu button; left click on **Control Panel**

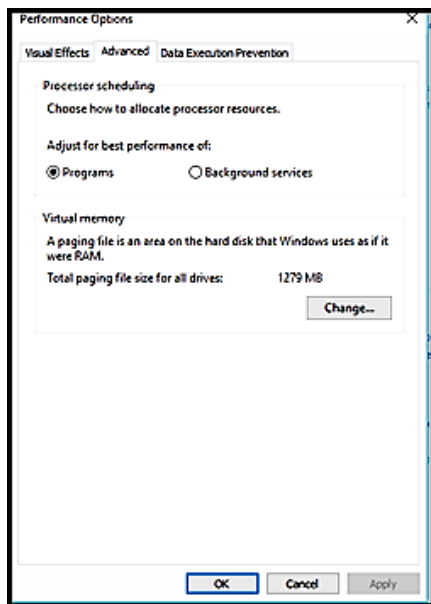
In the top RH corner type in the Search slot **Performance**

Scroll down to *System*



Click on **Adjust the appearance and performance of Windows**

Click on the **Advanced** tab



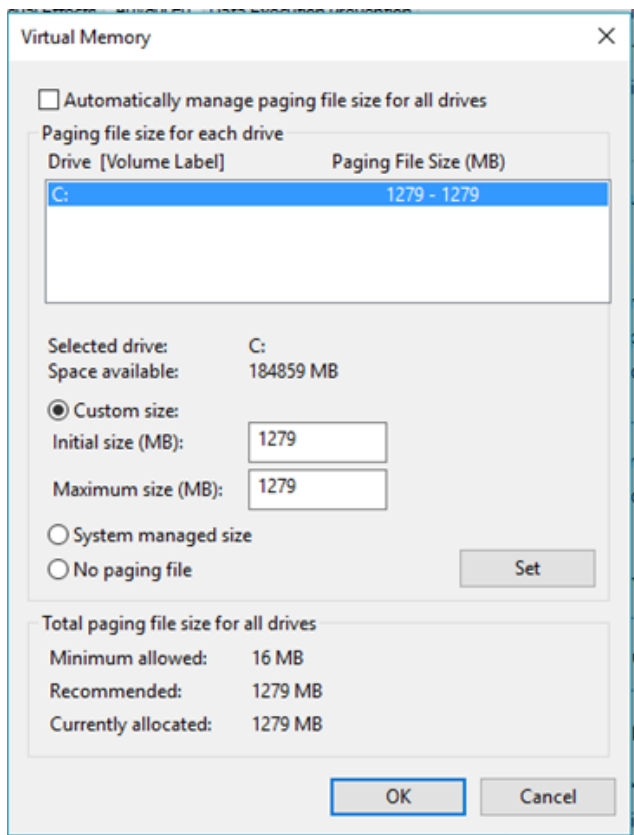
Click **Change...**

Uncheck **Automatically.....**

.....a **paging file** is an area of the hard drive that Windows uses as if it was RAM. This is where the size of the paging file can be changed; it is also called "**Virtual memory**" and it used to be called the "**swap file**".

Select C: (if there is more than one drive showing)

The dot should be in **Custom size**



On the bottom of this dialogue you will see "Total paging file size for all drives"

Enter the Recommended paging file size in both slots... Initial size and Maximum size

Click **Set** , **OK** out and then re-start the computer

This is not a guaranteed fix, but should do no harm and has worked well on many slow computers.

In Windows7 the path to the same tweak is

<Control Panel><System><Advanced System settings>
<Advanced Tab on the System Properties dialogue>
<Settings in the top Performance section>
<Advanced Tab on the Performance options dialogue>
<Change><Untick Automatically....> and follow instructions above.