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# Scottish Single Survey



### survey report on:

Property address	Ground Floor Right 43 Esslemont Avenue Aberdeen AB25 1SX
Customer	Robert Innes
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Prepared by	Shepherd Chartered Surveyors
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#### PART 1 - GENERAL

#### 1.1 THE SURVEYORS

The Seller has engaged the Surveyors to provide the Single Survey Report and a generic Mortgage Valuation Report for Lending Purposes. The Seller has also engaged the Surveyors to provide an Energy Report in the format prescribed by the accredited Energy Company.

The Surveyors are authorised to provide a transcript or retype of the generic Mortgage Valuation Report on to Lender specific pro-forma. Transcript reports are commonly requested by Brokers and Lenders. The transcript report will be in the format required by the Lender but will contain the same information, inspection date and valuation figure as the generic Mortgage Valuation Report and the Single Survey. The Surveyors will decline any transcript request which requires the provision of information additional to the information in the Report and the generic Mortgage Valuation Report until the Seller has conditionally accepted an offer to purchase made in writing.

Once the Seller has conditionally accepted an offer to purchase made in writing, the Purchaser's lender or conveyancer may request that the Surveyors provide general comment on standard appropriate supplementary documentation. In the event of a significant amount of documentation being provided to the Surveyors, an additional fee may be incurred by the Purchaser. Any additional fee will be agreed in writing.

If information is provided to the Surveyors during the conveyancing process which materially affects the valuation stated in the Report and generic Mortgage Valuation Report, the Surveyors reserve the right to reconsider the valuation. Where the Surveyors require to amend the valuation in consequence of such information, they will issue an amended Report and generic Mortgage Valuation Report to the Seller. It is the responsibility of the Seller to ensure that the amended Report and generic Mortgage Valuation Report are transmitted to every prospective Purchaser.

The individual Surveyor will be a member of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors who is competent to survey, value and report upon Residential Property<sup>1</sup>.

If the Surveyors have had a previous business relationship within the past two years with the Seller or Seller's Agent or relative to the property, they will be obliged to indicate this by marking the adjacent box.



The Surveyors have a written complaints handling procedure. This is available from the offices of the Surveyors at the address stated.

#### 1.2 THE REPORT

The Surveyors will not provide an amended Report on the Property, except to correct factual inaccuracies.

The Report will identify the nature and source of information relied upon in its preparation.

The Surveyor shall provide a Market Value of the Property, unless the condition of the Property is such that it would be inappropriate to do so. A final decision on whether a loan will be granted rests with the Lender who may impose retentions in line with their lending criteria. The date of condition and value of the property will be the date of inspection.

Prior to 1 December 2008, Purchasers have normally obtained their own report from their chosen Surveyor. By contrast, a Single Survey is instructed by the Seller and made available to all potential Purchasers in expectation that the successful Purchaser will have relied upon it. The Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors rules require disclosure of any potential conflict of interest when acting for the Seller and the Purchaser in the same transaction. The Single Survey may give rise to a conflict of interest and if this is of concern to any party they are advised to seek their own independent advice.

The Report and any expressions or assessments in it are not intended as advice to the Seller or Purchaser or any other person in relation to an asking price or any other sales or marketing decisions.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Which shall be in accordance with the current RICS Valuation Standards (The Red Book) and RICS Rules of Conduct.

The Report is based solely on the Property and is not to be relied upon in any manner whatsoever when considering the valuation or condition of any other property.

If certain minor matters are mentioned in the Report it should not be assumed that the Property is free of other minor defects.

Neither the whole nor any part of the Report may be published in any way, reproduced or distributed by any party other than the Seller, prospective purchasers and the Purchaser and their respective professional advisers without the prior written consent of the Surveyors.

#### 1.3 LIABILITY

The Report is prepared with the skill and care reasonably to be expected of a competent residential surveyor who is a member of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors.

The Report is addressed to the Seller and was prepared in the expectation that it (or a complete copy) along with these Terms and Conditions (or a complete copy) would (or, as the case might be, would have been) be disclosed and delivered to:

- the Seller:
- any person(s) noting an interest in purchasing the Property from the Seller;
- any person(s) who make(s) (or on whose behalf is made) an offer to purchase the Property, whether
  or not that offer is accepted by the Seller;
- the Purchaser; and
- the professional advisers of any of these.

The Surveyors acknowledge that their duty of skill and care in relation to the Report is owed to the Seller and to the Purchaser. The Surveyors accept no responsibility or liability whatsoever in relation to the Report to persons other than the Seller and the Purchaser. The Seller and Purchaser should be aware that if a Lender seeks to rely on this Report they do so at their own risk. In particular, the Surveyors accept no responsibility or liability whatsoever to any Lender in relation to the Report. Any such Lender relies upon the Report entirely at their own risk.

#### 1.4 GENERIC MORTGAGE VALUATION REPORT

The Surveyors undertake to the Seller that they will prepare a generic Mortgage Valuation Report, which will be issued along with the Single Survey. It is the responsibility of the Seller to ensure that the generic Mortgage Valuation Report is provided to every potential Purchaser.

#### 1.5 TRANSCRIPT MORTGAGE VALUATION FOR LENDING PURPOSES

The Surveyors undertake that on being asked to do so by a prospective purchaser, or his/her professional advisor or Lender, they will prepare a Transcript Mortgage Valuation Report for Lending Purposes on terms and conditions to be agreed between the Surveyors and Lender and solely for the use of the Lender and upon which the Lender may rely. The decision as to whether finance will be provided is entirely a matter for the Lender. The Transcript Mortgage Valuation Report will be prepared from information contained in the Report and the generic Mortgage Valuation Report<sup>2</sup>.

#### 1.6 INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

All intellectual property rights whatsoever (including copyright) in and to the Report, excluding the headings and rubrics, are the exclusive property of the Surveyors and shall remain their exclusive property unless

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Which shall be in accordance with the current RICS Valuation Standards (The Red Book) and RICS Rules of Conduct.

they assign the same to any other party in writing.

#### 1.7 PAYMENT

The Surveyors are entitled to refrain from delivering the Report to anyone until the fee and other charges for it notified to the Seller have been paid. Additional fees will be charged for subsequent inspections and Reports.

#### 1.8 CANCELLATION

The Seller will be entitled to cancel the inspection by notifying the Surveyor's office at any time before the day of the inspection.

The Surveyor will be entitled not to proceed with the inspection (and will so report promptly to the Seller) if after arriving at the property, the Surveyor concludes that it is of a type of construction of which the Surveyor has insufficient specialist knowledge to be able to provide the inspection satisfactorily. The Surveyor will also be entitled not to proceed if after arriving at the property, the surveyor concludes that the property is exempt under Part 3 of The Housing (Scotland) Act 2006 as detailed in the (Prescribed Documents) Regulations 2008. If there is a potential threat to their health or personal safety, the inspection may be postponed or cancelled, at the Surveyor's discretion.

In the case of cancellation or the inspection not proceeding, the Surveyor will refund any fees paid by the Seller for the inspection and Report, except for expenses reasonably incurred and any fee due in light of the final paragraph of this section.

In the case of cancellation by the Seller, for whatever reason, after the inspection has taken place but before a written report is issued, the Surveyor will be entitled to raise an invoice equivalent to 80% of the agreed fee.

#### 1.9 PRECEDENCE

If there is any incompatibility between these Terms and Conditions and the Report, these Terms and Conditions take precedence.

#### 1.10 DEFINITIONS

- the "Lender" is the party who has provided or intends or proposes to provide financial assistance to the Purchaser towards the purchase of the Property and in whose favour a standard security will be granted over the Property;
- the "Transcript Mortgage Valuation Report for Lending Purposes" means a separate report, prepared by the Surveyor, prepared from information in the Report and the generic Mortgage Valuation Report, but in a style and format required by the Lender. The Transcript Mortgage Valuation Report for Lending Purposes will be prepared with the skill and care reasonably to be expected from a surveyor who is a member of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors and who is competent to survey, value and report on the Property;
- the "Generic Mortgage Valuation Report" means a separate report, prepared by the Surveyor from information in the Report but in the Surveyor's own format;
- the "Market Value" is the estimated amount for which a property should exchange on the date of valuation between a willing buyer and a willing seller in an arm's-length transaction after proper marketing wherein the parties had each acted knowledgeably, prudently and without compulsion;
- the "Property" is the property which forms the subject of the Report;
- the "Purchaser" is the person (or persons) who enters into a contract to buy the Property from the Seller;

- a "prospective Purchaser" is anyone considering buying the Property;
- the "Report" is the report, of the kind described in Part 2 of these Terms and Conditions and in the form set out in part 1 of Schedule 1 of the Housing (Scotland) Act 2006 (Prescribed Documents) Regulations 2008;
- the "Seller" is/are the proprietor(s) of the Property;
- the "Surveyor" is the author of the Report on the Property; and
- the "Surveyors" are the firm or company of which the Surveyor is an employee, director, member or partner (unless the Surveyor is not an employee, director, member or partner, when the "Surveyors" means the Surveyor) whose details are set out at the head of the Report.
- the "Energy Report" is the advice given by the accredited Energy Company, based on information collected by the Surveyor during the Inspection, and also includes an Energy Performance Certificate, in a Government approved format.

#### **PART 2 - DESCRIPTION OF THE REPORT**

#### 2.1 THE SERVICE

The Single Survey is a Report by an independent Surveyor, prepared in an objective way regarding the condition and value of the Property on the day of the inspection, and who is a member of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors. It includes an Energy Report as required by Statute and this is in the format of the accredited Energy Company. In addition, the Surveyor has agreed to supply a generic Mortgage Valuation Report.

#### 2.2 THE INSPECTION

The Inspection is a general surface examination of those parts of the Property which are accessible: in other words, visible and readily available for examination from ground and floor levels, without risk of causing damage to the Property or injury to the Surveyor.

All references to visual inspection refer to an inspection from within the property at floor level and from ground level within the site and adjoining public areas, without the need to move any obstructions. Any references to left or right are taken facing the front of the property.

The Inspection is carried out with the Seller's permission, without causing damage to the building or contents. Furniture, stored items and insulation are not moved.

Unless identified in the report the Surveyor will assume that no harmful or hazardous materials have been used in the construction. The presence or possible consequences of any site contamination will not be researched.

The Surveyor will not carry out an asbestos inspection, and will not be acting as an asbestos inspector in completing a Single Survey of properties that may fall within the Control of Asbestos in the Workplace Regulations. In the case of flats it will be assumed that there is a duty holder, as defined in the Regulations and that a Register of Asbestos and effective Management Plan is in place, which does not require any expenditure, or pose a significant risk to health. No enquiry of the duty holder will be made.

#### 2.3 THE REPORT

The Report will be prepared by the Surveyor who carried out the property inspection and will describe various aspects of the property as defined by the headings of the Single Survey report with the comments

being general and unbiased. The report on the location, style and condition of the property, will be concise and will be restricted to matters that could have a material effect upon value and will omit items that, in the Surveyor's opinion, are not significant. If certain minor matters are mentioned, it should not be interpreted that the property is free of any other minor defects.

Throughout the Report, the following repair categories will be used to give an overall opinion of the state of repair and condition of the property.

- 1 <u>Category 3:</u> Urgent repairs or replacement are needed now. Failure to deal with them may cause problems to other parts of the property or cause a safety hazard. Estimates for repairs or replacement are needed now.
- 2 <u>Category 2:</u> Repairs or replacement requiring future attention, but estimates are still advised.
- 3 Category 1: No immediate action or repair is needed.

**WARNING:** If left unattended, even for a relatively short period, Category 2 repairs can rapidly develop into more serious Category 3 repairs. The existence of Category 2 or Category 3 repairs may have an adverse effect on marketability, value and the sale price ultimately achieved for the property. This is particularly true during slow market conditions when the effect can be considerable.

Parts of the property, which cannot be seen or accessed, will not be reported upon and this will be stated. If the Surveyor suspects that a defect may exist within an unexposed area and which could have a material effect upon the value, he may recommend further investigation by specialist contractors.

#### 2.4 SERVICES

Surveyors are not equipped or qualified to test the services and therefore no comment can be interpreted as implying that the design, installation and function of the services are in accordance/compliance with regulations, safety and efficiency expectations. However, comment is made where there is cause to suspect significant defects or shortcomings with the installations. No tests are made of any services or appliances.

#### 2.5 ACCESSIBILITY

A section is included to help identify the basic information interested parties need to know to decide whether to view a property.

#### 2.6 ENERGY REPORT

A section is included that makes provision for an Energy Report, relative to the property. The Surveyor will collect physical data from the property and provide such data in a format required by an accredited Energy Company. The Surveyor cannot of course accept liability for any advice given by the Energy Company.

#### 2.7 VALUATION AND CONVEYANCER ISSUES

The last section of the Report contains matters considered relevant to the Conveyancer (Solicitor). It also contains the Surveyor's opinion both of the market value of the property and of the re-instatement cost, as defined below.

"Market Value" The estimated amount for which a property should exchange on the date of valuation between a willing buyer and a willing seller in an arm's-length transaction after proper marketing wherein the parties had each acted knowledgeably, prudently and without compulsion. In arriving at the opinion of the Market Value the Surveyor also makes various standard assumptions covering, for example, vacant possession; tenure and other legal considerations; contamination and hazardous materials; the condition of un-inspected parts; the right to use mains services; and the exclusion of curtains, carpets etc. from the valuation. In the case of flats, the following further assumptions are made that:

There are rights of access and exit over all communal roadways, corridors, stairways etc. and to use

communal grounds, parking areas, and other facilities;

- There are no particularly troublesome or unusual legal restrictions;
- There is no current dispute between the occupiers of the flats or any outstanding claims or losses; and the costs of repairs to the building are shared among the co-proprietors on an equitable basis.

Any additional assumption, or any found not to apply, is reported.

"Re-instatement cost" is an estimate for insurance purposes of the current cost of rebuilding the Property in its present form unless otherwise stated. This includes the cost of rebuilding the garage and permanent outbuildings, site clearance and professional fees, but excludes VAT (except on the fees).

Sellers or prospective Purchasers may consider it prudent to instruct a reinspection and revaluation after a period of 12 weeks (or sooner if appropriate) to reflect changing circumstances in the market and/or in the physical condition of the Property.

#### 1. Information and scope of inspection

This section tells you about the type, accommodation, neighbourhood, age and construction of the property. It also tells you about the extent of the inspection and highlights anything that the surveyor could not inspect.

All references to visual inspection refer to an inspection from within the property without moving any obstructions and externally from ground level within the site and adjoining public areas. Any references to left or right in a description of the exterior of the property refer to the view of someone standing facing that part of the property from the outside.

The inspection is carried out without causing damage to the building or its contents and without endangering the occupiers or the surveyor. Heavy furniture, stored items and insulation are not moved. Unless identified in the report the surveyor will assume that no harmful or hazardous materials or techniques have been used in the construction. The presence or possible consequences of any site contamination will not be researched.

Services such as TV/cable connection, internet connection, swimming pools and other leisure facilities etc. will not be inspected or reported on.

Description	The subjects comprise a purpose built ground floor tenement style flat within a four storey mid-terraced block which contains eight flats in total.
Accommodation	Ground Floor: Hallway, Living Room, Kitchen, Bedroom and Bathroom with W.C.
Gross internal floor area (m²)	35 sq.m or thereby.
Neighbourhood and location	The subjects form part of an established residential area within Aberdeen City centre where surrounding properties are of a similar style and nature. Locally a wide range of services and facilities are available.
Age	Built circa 1900.
Weather	Dry and cloudy.
Chimney stacks	Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.
	Chimneys are constructed of solid pointed granite stonework and are assumed to be sealed to the roof with cement fillets. Our inspection of the chimneys was limited due to the dormer projections.

Roofing including roof space	Sloping roofs were visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.
	Flat roofs were visually inspected from vantage points within the property and where safe and reasonable to do so from a 3m ladder externally.
	Roof spaces were visually inspected and were entered where there was safe and reasonable access, normally defined as being from a 3m ladder within the property.
	If this is not possible, then physical access to the roof space may be taken by other means if the Surveyor deems it safe and reasonable to do so.
	The roof over the property is of a pitched design and clad externally in slates, with a metal ridge and cement skews. There are flat dormer windows to the front and rear elevations which are assumed to be the liability of the top floor flats only.
	No access was possible to any roof void at the time of inspection due to the access hatches being located within the top floor flats only.
Rainwater fittings	Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where
	appropriate.
	A mixture of PVC and cast iron gutters and downpipes set into the drainage system.
Main walls	Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.
	Foundations and concealed parts were not exposed or inspected.
	Main walls are constructed of solid pointed granite stonework.
Windows, external doors and joinery	Internal and external doors were opened and closed
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	Random windows were opened and closed where possible.
	Doors and windows were not forced open.
	Windows are of PVC design and are fitted with double glazed units.
	The front entrance door to the property is of timber design.

External decorations	Visually inspected.
	Mainly PVC finishes.
Conservatories / porches	None.
Communal areas	Circulation areas visually inspected.
	Access to the building is via a secured timber entrance door which leads to a shared internal hallway and staircase.
Garages and permanent outbuildings	None.
Outside areas and boundaries	Visually inspected.
	Located to the rear of the building is an area of shared garden ground which is mainly laid to lawn and shrubs.
	Boundaries are defined by stonework walls.
Ceilings	Visually inspected from floor level.
	Ceilings are mainly lined in lath and plaster.
Internal walls	Visually inspected from floor level.
	Using a moisture meter, walls were randomly tested for
	dampness where considered appropriate.
	Internal and partitions are mainly lined in lath and plaster.
Floors including sub floors	Flooring throughout the accommodation is of a suspended timber design. Our inspection of flooring was limited due to fitted floor coverings. A restricted sub-floor inspection was possible via the mat-well within the hallway.
	The solum area is unsealed.
Internal joinery and kitchen fittings	Built-in cupboards were looked into but no stored items were moved.
	Kitchen units were visually inspected excluding appliances.
	Internal doors are of timber panel design sitting within painted timber skirtings and facings.
	The kitchen is fitted with a range of floor and wall units, worktop surfaces and a sink unit.

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None.
Visually inspected.
Internal decorations are generally painted throughout.
Visually inspected where there was a safe and purpose- built access.
Located within the basement area is assumed to be an exclusive store. No access was possible due to no key access being available.
Accessible parts of the wiring were visually inspected without removing fittings. No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances. Visual inspection does not assess any services to make sure they work properly and efficiently and meet modern standards. If any services are turned off, the surveyor will state that in the report and will not turn them on.  Electricity is from mains public supplies. The meter and fuse board are located overhead within the hallway.
Accessible parts of the system were visually inspected without removing fittings. No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances. Visual inspection does not assess any services to make sure they work properly and efficiently and meet modern standards. If any services are turned off, the surveyor will state that in the report and will not turn them on.  Gas is from mains public supplies. The meter is located within the living room alcove cupboard.
Visual inspection of the accessible pipework, water tanks, cylinders and fittings without removing any insulation.  No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances.  Water is from mains public supplies. Where seen, internal plumbing is of copper supplies and PVC waste pipes. It is assumed that any historic lead pipework has been replaced and no longer in use.  The bathroom is fitted with a white three piece suite.

#### Heating and hot water

Visual inspection of the accessible pipework, water tanks, cylinders and fittings without removing any insulation.

No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances.

Heating and hot water are provided by means of a gas fired combination boiler which is wall mounted within the kitchen and supplies radiators throughout.

#### **Drainage**

Drainage covers etc. were not lifted.

Neither drains nor drainage systems were tested.

Drainage is assumed to be to a main public sewer.

#### Fire, smoke and burglar alarms

Visually inspected.

No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances.

All Scottish homes require a smoke alarm to be installed in the room most frequently used for living purposes and in every circulation space on each floor. A heat alarm also needs to be installed in each kitchen. The alarms need to be ceiling mounted and interlinked. Where there is a carbonfuelled appliance such as a boiler, open fire or wood burner, a carbon monoxide detector is also required. We have not assessed or tested any existing equipment and it is the purchasers responsibility to confirm that the property will comply with these standards following a change of ownership.

#### Any additional limits to inspection

#### For flats / maisonettes

Only the subject flat and internal communal areas giving access to the flat were inspected.

If the roof space or under-building / basement is communal, reasonable and safe access is not always possible. If no inspection was possible, this will be stated. If no inspection was possible, the surveyor will assume that there are no defects that will have a material effect on the valuation.

The building containing the flat, including any external communal areas, was visually inspected only to the extent that the surveyor is able to give an opinion on the general condition and standard of maintenance.

An inspection for Japanese Knotweed was not carried out. This is a plant which is subject to control regulation, is considered to be invasive and one which can render a property unsuitable for some mortgage lenders. It is therefore assumed that there is no Japanese Knotweed within the boundaries of the property or its neighbouring property. Identification of Japanese Knotweed is best undertaken by a specialist contractor.

The property was part furnished and had fitted floor coverings, therefore no detailed inspection was possible of the floors and accordingly, no comment can be made on their condition. Internal cupboards were generally filled with storage items. No access was available beneath sanitary or kitchen fittings.

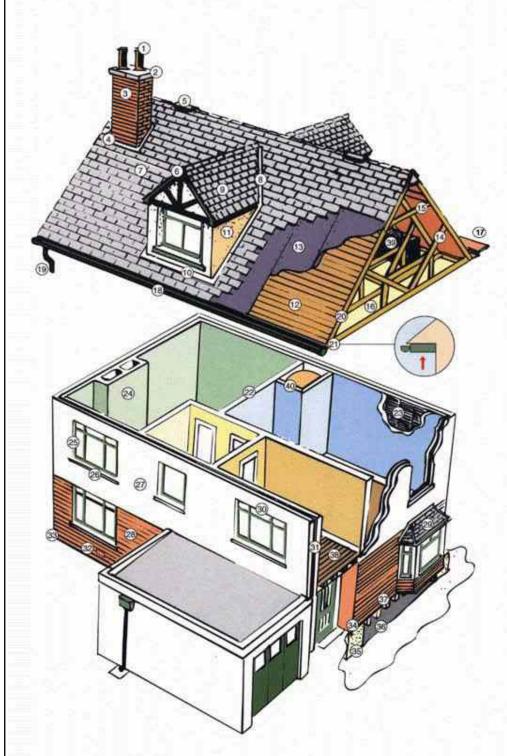
Windows and external doors were not all fully opened or tested.

Our inspection of the sub-floor area was limited due to there being minimal clearance.

No inspection was possible to any roof void areas.

Some areas of the external building fabric including some roof pitches, chimneys and elevations were not fully or closely inspectable from the surrounding ground level, due to the confines of the site.

### Sectional Diagram showing elements of a typical house



Reference may be made in this report to some or all of the above component parts of the property. This diagram may assist you in locating and understanding these items.

- 1) Chimney pots
- 2) Coping stone
- 3 Chimney head
- (4) Flashing
- 5) Ridge ventilation
- 6 Ridge board
- (7) Slates / tiles
- 8 Valley guttering
- 9 Dormer projection
- 10 Dormer flashing
- 11) Dormer cheeks
- (12) Sarking
- 13) Roof felt
- 14) Trusses
- (15) Collar
- 16) Insulation
- (17) Parapet gutter
- 18) Eaves guttering
- (19) Rainwater downpipe
- 20) Verge boards /skews
- 21) Soffit boards
- 22) Partition wall
- 23) Lath / plaster
- (24) Chimney breast
- 25) Window pointing
- 26) Window sills
- 27) Rendering
- 28) Brickwork / pointing
- (29) Bay window projection
- (30) Lintels
- (31) Cavity walls / wall ties
- 32) Subfloor ventilator
- (33) Damp proof course
- 34) Base course
- (35) Foundations
- 36) Solum
- 37) Floor joists
- 38) Floorboards
- 39) Water tank
- 40) Hot water tank

### 2. Condition

This section identifies problems and tells you about the urgency of any repairs by using one of the following three categories:

Category 3	Category 2	Category 1
	Repairs or replacement requiring future attention, but estimates are still advised.	

Structural movement	
Repair category	1
Notes	Evidence of settlement/movement has affected the building reflected by slopes to the window sills/lintels as well as sloping to the internal floors. On the basis of a single inspection this appears longstanding with no evidence of recent movement apparent.

Dampness, rot and infestation	
Repair category	2
Notes	Above average damp readings were obtained to sections of wall lining within the front living room alcove cupboard and along the rear elevation within the bedroom and cupboard. A check of the property should be carried out by a reputable timber and damp specialist prior to purchase.

Chimney stacks	
Repair category	1
Notes	Our inspection of chimneys was limited but they are of an age and style where a degree of regular ongoing maintenance should be anticipated.  Our inspection of the chimneys was restricted due to the dormer projections.

Roofing including roof space	
Repair category	2
Notes	A number of loose and broken roof slates and components were visible. Roof coverings are of an age and style where a degree of regular ongoing maintenance should be anticipated. More extensive overhaul work may be required in future.  There are flat roofs over the dormer projections. It should be appreciated that this type of covering can have a limited life span and will require a higher than normal degree of ongoing maintenance and eventual replacement. It may be prudent to confirm the service history of the roof covering. Liability for the dormer projections should be confirmed prior to purchase.

Rainwater fittings	
Repair category	2
Notes	We would highlight that it was not raining at the time of our inspection and we would recommend that all rainwater fittings be inspected during heavy rainfall in order to ensure they are free from defect.
	The cast iron sections of rainwater fittings are subject to corrosion. There is also vegetation growth within the guttering which should be removed to prevent any possible blockages.

Main walls	
Repair category	1
Notes	Within the limitations of our inspection, no significant defects were noted, however normal levels of maintenance are recommended.

Windows, external doors and joinery	
Repair category	2
Notes	Windows were not all fully opened or tested, and it should be appreciated that some defects are only evident during certain weather conditions. Within the limitations of our inspection, no significant defects were noted.
	Windows are of an age and style where a degree of ongoing maintenance should be anticipated to sealed units and opening mechanisms.
	The kitchen window does not fully close and will require repairs. Other window handle mechanisms were noted to be stiff to fully open and close.

External decorations	
Repair category	1
Notes	Paint finished and decorated external surfaces will require redecoration on a regular basis.

Conservatories/porches	
Repair category	N/A
Notes	N/A

Communal areas	
Repair category	2
Notes	Communal areas leading to and surrounding the subject property have been visually inspected where possible, however it should be appreciated that there may be a common repairing liability in respect of other parts of the building out with the scope of our inspection and this should be confirmed.
	External timbers were noted to be weathered.
	Within the communal hallway/staircase, areas of marked decor were noted, with particular reference to the top floor ceiling which has staining and flaking paintwork.
	A number of missing stair treads were noted.

Garages and permanent outbuildings	
Repair category	N/A
Notes	N/A

Outside areas and boundaries	
Repair category	2
Notes	Boundary walls and fences should be regularly checked and maintained as necessary. A number of damaged wall heads were noted.
	The garden area is generally overgrown and requires seasonal maintenance.

Ceilings	
Repair category	2
Notes	The ceiling within the hallway was noted to have blistered and will require repairs. Further areas of plaster cracking were noted to ceilings within the property.

Internal walls	
Repair category	1
Notes	Within the limitations of our inspection no significant defects were noted.

Floors including sub-floors	
Repair category	1
Notes	Due to fitted carpets and floor coverings no detailed inspection of floors was possible and accordingly no comment can be made on their condition.
	There are areas of slight staining noted to flooring and these areas should be fully exposed to check for further defects.

Internal joinery and kitchen fittings	
Repair category	2
Notes	The kitchen has suffered from wear and tear and would benefit from replacement.

Chimney breasts and fireplaces	
Repair category	N/A
Notes	N/A

Internal decorations	
Repair category	2
Notes	The internal decoration will require to be upgraded dependant on individual taste.

Cellars	
Repair category	2
Notes	No internal access was possible to the basement store. Within the basement areas however, staining was noted to wall linings and general dampness also noted.

Electricity	
Repair category	2
Notes	The Institution of Engineering Technology recommends that inspections and testings are undertaken at least every five years and on a change of occupancy. It should be appreciated that only the most recently constructed or re-wired properties will have installations which fully comply with IET regulations.
	Aspects of the electrical installation are dated and the system should be checked as a precaution by a registered electrician and upgraded if necessary.  The electrics were off at the time of inspection.

Gas	
Repair category	1
Notes	In the interests of safety and in light of recent regulations it would be prudent to have all gas appliances checked by a Gas Safe registered contractor.

Water, plumbing and bathroom fittings	
Repair category	2
Notes	No tests have been undertaken of the system, however within the limitations of our inspection, no significant defects were noted. No inspection has been possible to enclosed timbers beneath wet appliances and no comment has been made on the condition of unseen areas. Watertight seals will require to be regularly checked and replaced, to prevent water damage to adjoining areas.
	The seal around the bath was noted to be marked and should be replaced prior to use.
	The sink within the bathroom was noted to be cracked and should be sealed or replaced.
	Damaged tiling was noted adjacent to the W.C. and there is currently no bath side panel fitted.
	The extractor fan was not tested at the time of inspection due to the electrics being off at the time of inspection.

Heating and hot water	
Repair category	2
Notes	It is assumed that the central heating system has been properly installed, updated and maintained to meet with all current regulations and standards with particular regard to fluing and ventilation requirements. Service records should be obtained and checked. In the absence of service documentation further advice should be obtained from a qualified heating engineer to ascertain the condition, efficiency, and life expectancy of the system.  The central heating boiler is in excess of ten years old. Further advice should be obtained from a gas safe registered contractor to fully ascertain the condition, life expectancy and efficiency of the system.

Drainage	
Repair category	1
Notes	All foul and surface water drainage is assumed to be to the main public sewer. The system was not tested.

Set out below is a summary of the condition of the property which is provided for reference only. You should refer to the previous comments for detailed information.

Structural movement	1
Dampness, rot and infestation	2
Chimney stacks	1
Roofing including roof space	2
Rainwater fittings	2
Main walls	1
Windows, external doors and joinery	2
External decorations	1
Conservatories/porches	N/A
Communal areas	2
Garages and permanent outbuildings	N/A
Outside areas and boundaries	2
Ceilings	2
Internal walls	1
Floors including sub-floors	1
Internal joinery and kitchen fittings	2
Chimney breasts and fireplaces	N/A
Internal decorations	2
Cellars	2
Electricity	2
Gas	1
Water, plumbing and bathroom fittings	2
Heating and hot water	2
Drainage	1

#### Category 3

Urgent repairs or replacement are needed now. Failure to deal with them may cause problems to other parts of the property or cause a safety hazard. Estimates for repairs or replacement are needed now.

#### Category 2

Repairs or replacement requiring future attention, but estimates are still advised.

#### Category 1

No immediate action or repair is needed.

#### Remember

The cost of repairs may influence the amount someone is prepared to pay for the property. We recommend that relevant estimates and reports are obtained in your own name.

#### Warning

If left unattended, even for a relatively short period, Category 2 repairs can rapidly develop into more serious Category 3 repairs. The existence of Category 2 or Category 3 repairs may have an adverse effect on marketability, value and the sale price ultimately achieved for the property. This is particularly true during slow market conditions where the effect can be considerable.

#### 3. Accessibility information

#### Guidance notes on accessibility information

Three steps or fewer to a main entrance door of the property:

In flatted developments the 'main entrance' would be the flat's own entrance door, not the external door to the communal stair. The 'three steps or fewer' are counted from external ground level to the flat's entrance door. Wherea lift is present, the count is based on the number of steps climbed when using the lift.

Unrestricted parking within 25 metres:

For this purpose, 'Unrestricted parking' includes parking available by means of a parking permit. Restricted parking includes parking that is subject to parking restrictions, as indicated by the presence of solid yellow, red or white lines at the edge of the road or by a parking control sign, parking meters or other coin-operated machines.

1. Which floor(s) is the living accommodation on?		Ground		
2. Are there three steps or fewer to a main entrance door of the property?		X	No	
3. Is there a lift to the main entrance door of the property?	Yes		No	X
4. Are all door openings greater than 750mm?	Yes		No	X
5. Is there a toilet on the same level as the living room and kitchen?	Yes	X	No	
6. Is there a toilet on the same level as a bedroom?	Yes	X	No	
7. Are all rooms on the same level with no internal steps or stairs?	Yes	X	No	
8. Is there unrestricted parking within 25 metres of an entrance door to the building?	Yes	X	No	

#### 4. Valuation and conveyancer issues

This section highlights information that should be checked with a solicitor or licensed conveyancer. It also gives an opinion of market value and an estimated reinstatement cost for insurance purposes.

#### Matters for a solicitor or licensed conveyancer

The subjects form part of a tenement/block of flats and it has been assumed that maintenance/repair costs of the common parts of the building will be shared on an equitable basis with adjoining proprietors. It is therefore assumed that the cost of common repairs detailed within the report will be apportioned accordingly although exact liability should be confirmed.

The property is located in a conservation area and as such the cost of repair or reinstatement works are likely to be higher than normal. Any works considered necessary will require to be carried out in consultation with the Local Authority Planning Department and Historic Environment Scotland.

It is assumed that there are no statutory, town planning, road proposals or environmental matters which are likely to have an adverse effect on the property.

The road and footpath adjoining the site are made up and are assumed to be adopted by the Local Authority.

Where defects or repairs have been identified within this report it is recommended that, prior to entering into any legally binding sale or purchase contract, further specialist's or contractor's advice and estimates should be obtained, to establish the implications, if any, on a potential offer to purchase or the sale price likely to be achieved for the property.

#### Estimated reinstatement cost for insurance purposes

For Reinstatement Cost Assessment purposes, it is recommended that the subjects be insured for a sum of not less than £175,000 (ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY FIVE THOUSAND POUNDS STERLING).

This figure is the estimate of the cost of rebuilding the premises and bears no direct relationship to current market value.

#### Valuation and market comments

Having considered matters, taking account of our general observations on site, we are of the opinion that the Market Value of the subjects in their present condition and with the benefit of vacant possession may be fairly stated in the sum of £45,000 (FORTY FIVE THOUSAND POUNDS STERLING).

Signed	Andrew Sinclair Electronically signed :- 02/02/2024 15:58
Report author	Andrew Sinclair

Company name	J & E Shepherd Chartered Surveyors
Address	35 Queen's Road Aberdeen AB15 4ZN
Date of report	14/12/2023



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Property Address	
Address Seller's Name	Ground Floor Right, 43 Esslemont Avenue, Aberdeen, AB25 1SX Robert Innes
Date of Inspection	14/12/2023
Province Date No.	
Property Details	
Property Type House Purpose built flat	Bungalow Purpose built maisonette Converted maisonette Converted flat X Tenement flat Flat over non-residential use Other (specify in General Remarks)
Property Style Detached Back to back	Semi detached       Mid terrace       End terrace         High rise block       X Low rise block       Other (specify in General Remarks)
Does the surveyor believe that the military, police?	property was built for the public sector, e. g. local authority,
Flats/Maisonettes only Floor(s) on whether the state of t	hich located Ground No. of floors in block 4 Lift provided? Yes X No No. of units in block 8
Approximate Year of Construction	1900
Tenure	
X Absolute Ownership	Other
Accommodation	
Number of Rooms  1 Living room 1 Bathroom(s	
Gross Floor Area (excluding garage	es and outbuildings) 35 m² (Internal) m² (External)
Residential Element (greater than 4	0%) X Yes No
Garage / Parking / Outbuildings	
Single garage Double gal	rage Parking space X No garage / garage space / parking space
Available on site?	□ No
Permanent outbuildings:	
None.	

Construction
Walls Brick X Stone Concrete Timber frame Other (specify in General Remarks)  Roof Tile X Slate Asphalt Felt Other (specify in General Remarks)
Roof Tile _X Slate Asphalt Felt Other (specify in General Remarks)
Special Risks
Has the property suffered structural movement?
If Yes, is this recent or progressive?
Is there evidence, history, or reason to anticipate subsidence, heave, landslip or flood in Yes X No the immediate vicinity?
If Yes to any of the above, provide details in General Remarks.
Service Connections
Based on visual inspection only. If any services appear to be non-mains, please comment on the type and location of the supply in General Remarks
Drainage       X       Mains       Private       None       Water       X       Mains       Private       None         Electricity       X       Mains       Private       None       Gas       X       Mains       Private       None
Electricity       X       Mains       Private       None       Gas       X       Mains       Private       None         Central Heating       X       Yes       Partial       None
Brief description of Central Heating and any non mains services:
Gas fired boiler to radiators.
Site
Apparent legal issues to be verified by the conveyancer. Please provide a brief description in General Remarks.
Rights of way  X Shared drives / access Garage or other amenities on separate site Shared service connections
☐ Ill-defined boundaries ☐ Agricultural land included with property ☐ Other (specify in General Remarks)
Location
Residential suburb X Residential within town / city Mixed residential / commercial Shared service connections
Commuter village
Planning Issues
Has the property been extended / converted / altered?
Roads
X Made up road Unmade road Partly completed new road Pedestrian access only Adopted Unadopted

#### **General Remarks**

The subjects form part of an established residential area within Aberdeen City centre where surrounding properties are of a similar style and nature. Locally a wide range of services and facilities are available.

At the time of inspection the property was found to be generally in a condition which would benefit from renovation throughout. On-going maintenance will be required to the external fabric of the building.

The subjects form part of a tenement/block of flats and it has been assumed that maintenance/repair costs of the common parts of the building will be shared on an equitable basis with adjoining proprietors. It is therefore assumed that the cost of common repairs detailed within the report will be apportioned accordingly although exact liability should be confirmed.

The property is located in a conservation area and as such the cost of repair or reinstatement works are likely to be higher than normal. Any works considered necessary will require to be carried out in consultation with the Local Authority Planning Department and Historic Environment Scotland.

It is assumed that there are no statutory, town planning, road proposals or environmental matters which are likely to have an adverse effect on the property.

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	·		
Essential Repairs			
None			
Estimated cost of essential repairs	N/A		
Retention recommended?	Yes X No		
Retention amount			
Comment on Mortgageability	1		
The property forms suitable security for	mortgage purposes subject to the specific lend	ing criteria of any mortgage provider.	
Valuation			
Market value in present condition	1	£	45,000
Market value on completion of es	sential repairs	£	
Insurance reinstatement value		£	175,000
(to include the cost of total rebuilding	, site clearance, professional fees, ancilla	ry charges plus VAT)	
Is a reinspection necessary?			Yes X No

#### Declaration

Signed Andrew Sinclair

Electronically signed :- 02/02/2024 15:58

Surveyor's name Andrew Sinclair
Professional qualifications BSc (Hons), MRICS

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Date of Inspection 14/12/2023



# **Energy Performance Certificate**



### **Energy Performance Certificate (EPC)**

**Dwellings** 

## **Scotland**

#### FLAT 2, 43 ESSLEMONT AVENUE, ABERDEEN, AB25 1SX

Dwelling type: Ground-floor flat
Date of assessment: 14 December 2023
Date of certificate: 14 December 2023

Total floor area: 35 m<sup>2</sup>

Primary Energy Indicator: 328 kWh/m²/year

**Reference number:** 1590-7849-0522-7092-1273 **Type of assessment:** RdSAP, existing dwelling

Approved Organisation: Elmhurst

**Main heating and fuel:** Boiler and radiators, mains

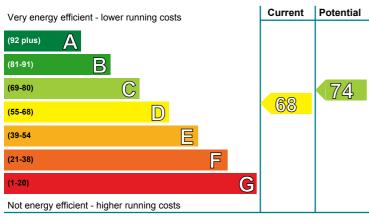
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#### You can use this document to:

- Compare current ratings of properties to see which are more energy efficient and environmentally friendly
- Find out how to save energy and money and also reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by improving your home

Estimated energy costs for your home for 3 years*	£3,318	See your recommendations
Over 3 years you could save*	£786	report for more information

<sup>\*</sup> based upon the cost of energy for heating, hot water, lighting and ventilation, calculated using standard assumptions

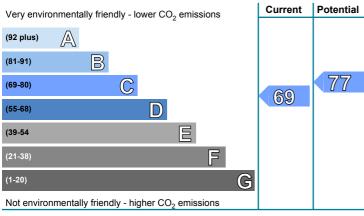


#### **Energy Efficiency Rating**

This graph shows the current efficiency of your home, taking into account both energy efficiency and fuel costs. The higher this rating, the lower your fuel bills are likely to be.

Your current rating is **band D (68)**. The average rating for EPCs in Scotland is **band D (61)**.

The potential rating shows the effect of undertaking all of the improvement measures listed within your recommendations report.



#### **Environmental Impact (CO<sub>2</sub>) Rating**

This graph shows the effect of your home on the environment in terms of carbon dioxide  $(CO_2)$  emissions. The higher the rating, the less impact it has on the environment.

Your current rating is **band C (69)**. The average rating for EPCs in Scotland is **band D (59)**.

The potential rating shows the effect of undertaking all of the improvement measures listed within your recommendations report.

### Top actions you can take to save money and make your home more efficient

Recommended measures	Indicative cost	Typical savings over 3 years
1 Internal or external wall insulation	£4,000 - £14,000	£303.00
2 Floor insulation (suspended floor)	£800 - £1,200	£336.00
3 Replacement glazing units	£1,000 - £1,400	£150.00

A full list of recommended improvement measures for your home, together with more information on potential cost and savings and advice to help you carry out improvements can be found in your recommendations report.

To find out more about the recommended measures and other actions you could take today to stop wasting energy and money, visit greenerscotland.org or contact Home Energy Scotland on 0808 808 2282.

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#### Summary of the energy performance related features of this home

This table sets out the results of the survey which lists the current energy-related features of this home. Each element is assessed by the national calculation methodology; 1 star = very poor (least efficient), 2 stars = poor, 3 stars = average, 4 stars = good and 5 stars = very good (most efficient). The assessment does not take into consideration the condition of an element and how well it is working. 'Assumed' means that the insulation could not be inspected and an assumption has been made in the methodology, based on age and type of construction.

Element	Description	Energy Efficiency	Environmental
Walls	Granite or whinstone, as built, no insulation (assumed)	***	***
	Timber frame, as built, no insulation (assumed)	****	****
Roof	(another dwelling above)	_	_
Floor	Suspended, no insulation (assumed)	_	_
Windows	Fully double glazed	***	***
Main heating	Boiler and radiators, mains gas	****	<b>★★★</b> ☆
Main heating controls	Programmer, room thermostat and TRVs	****	<b>★★★</b> ☆
Secondary heating	None	_	_
Hot water	From main system	****	<b>★★★</b> ☆
Lighting	Low energy lighting in all fixed outlets	****	****

#### The energy efficiency rating of your home

Your Energy Efficiency Rating is calculated using the standard UK methodology, RdSAP. This calculates energy used for heating, hot water, lighting and ventilation and then applies fuel costs to that energy use to give an overall rating for your home. The rating is given on a scale of 1 to 100. Other than the cost of fuel for electrical appliances and for cooking, a building with a rating of 100 would cost almost nothing to run.

As we all use our homes in different ways, the energy rating is calculated using standard occupancy assumptions which may be different from the way you use it. The rating also uses national weather information to allow comparison between buildings in different parts of Scotland. However, to make information more relevant to your home, local weather data is used to calculate your energy use, CO<sub>2</sub> emissions, running costs and the savings possible from making improvements.

### The impact of your home on the environment

One of the biggest contributors to global warming is carbon dioxide. The energy we use for heating, lighting and power in our homes produces over a quarter of the UK's carbon dioxide emissions. Different fuels produce different amounts of carbon dioxide for every kilowatt hour (kWh) of energy used. The Environmental Impact Rating of your home is calculated by applying these 'carbon factors' for the fuels you use to your overall energy use.

The calculated emissions for your home are 58 kg CO<sub>2</sub>/m<sup>2</sup>/yr.

The average Scottish household produces about 6 tonnes of carbon dioxide every year. Based on this assessment, heating and lighting this home currently produces approximately 2.0 tonnes of carbon dioxide every year. Adopting recommendations in this report can reduce emissions and protect the environment. If you were to install all of these recommendations this could reduce emissions by 0.5 tonnes per year. You could reduce emissions even more by switching to renewable energy sources.

#### Estimated energy costs for this home

	Current energy costs	Potential energy costs	Potential future savings
Heating	£2,598 over 3 years	£1,809 over 3 years	
Hot water	£531 over 3 years	£534 over 3 years	You could
Lighting	£189 over 3 years	£189 over 3 years	save £786
Tot	tals £3,318	£2,532	over 3 years

These figures show how much the average household would spend in this property for heating, lighting and hot water. This excludes energy use for running appliances such as TVs, computers and cookers, and the benefits of any electricity generated by this home (for example, from photovoltaic panels). The potential savings in energy costs show the effect of undertaking all of the recommended measures listed below.

#### **Recommendations for improvement**

The measures below will improve the energy and environmental performance of this dwelling. The performance ratings after improvements listed below are cumulative; that is, they assume the improvements have been installed in the order that they appear in the table. Further information about the recommended measures and other simple actions to take today to save money is available from the Home Energy Scotland hotline which can be contacted on 0808 808 2282. Before carrying out work, make sure that the appropriate permissions are obtained, where necessary. This may include permission from a landlord (if you are a tenant) or the need to get a Building Warrant for certain types of work.

December and administration	Indicative and	Typical saving	Rating after improvement	
Recommended measures	Indicative cost	per year	Energy	Environment
1 Internal or external wall insulation	£4,000 - £14,000	£101	C 70	C 72
2 Floor insulation (suspended floor)	£800 - £1,200	£112	C 73	C 75
3 Replacement glazing units	£1,000 - £1,400	£50	C 74	C 77

### Choosing the right improvement package



For free and impartial advice on choosing suitable measures for your property, contact the Home Energy Scotland hotline on 0808 808 2282 or go to www.greenerscotland.org.

#### About the recommended measures to improve your home's performance rating

This section offers additional information and advice on the recommended improvement measures for your home

#### 1 Internal or external wall insulation

Internal or external wall insulation involves adding a layer of insulation to either the inside or the outside surface of the external walls, which reduces heat loss and lowers fuel bills. As it is more expensive than cavity wall insulation it is only recommended for walls without a cavity, or where for technical reasons a cavity cannot be filled. Internal insulation, known as dry-lining, is where a layer of insulation is fixed to the inside surface of external walls; this type of insulation is best applied when rooms require redecorating. External solid wall insulation is the application of an insulant and a weather-protective finish to the outside of the wall. This may improve the look of the home, particularly where existing brickwork or rendering is poor, and will provide long-lasting weather protection. Further information can be obtained from the National Insulation Association (www.nationalinsulationassociation.org.uk). It should be noted that a building warrant is required for the installation of external wall insulation. Planning permission may also be required and that building regulations apply to external insulation so it is best to check with your local authority on both issues.

#### 2 Floor insulation (suspended floor)

Insulation of a floor will significantly reduce heat loss; this will improve levels of comfort, reduce energy use and lower fuel bills. Suspended floors can often be insulated from below but must have adequate ventilation to prevent dampness; seek advice about this if unsure. Further information about floor insulation is available from many sources including www.energysavingtrust.org.uk/scotland/Insulation/Floor-insulation. Building regulations generally apply to this work so it is best to check with your local authority building standards department.

#### 3 Replacement glazing units

Replacing existing double-glazed units with new high-performance units. Building regulations require that replacement glazing is to a standard no worse than previous; a building warrant is not required. Planning permission might be required for such work if a building is listed or within a conservation area so it is best to check with your local authority.

#### Low and zero carbon energy sources

Low and zero carbon (LZC) energy sources are sources of energy that release either very little or no carbon dioxide into the atmosphere when they are used. Installing these sources may help reduce energy bills as well as cutting carbon.

**LZC energy sources present:** There are none provided for this home

#### Your home's heat demand

In this section, you can see how much energy you might need to heat your home and provide hot water. These are estimates showing how an average household uses energy. These estimates may not reflect your actual energy use, which could be higher or lower. You might spend more money on heating and hot water if your house is less energy efficient. The table below shows the potential benefit of having your loft and walls insulated. Visit https://energysavingtrust.org.uk/energy-at-home for more information.

Heat demand	Existing dwelling	Impact of loft insulation	Impact of cavity wall insulation	Impact of solid wall insulation
Space heating (kWh per year)	6,175	N/A	N/A	(892)
Water heating (kWh per year)	1,480			

#### **Addendum**

This dwelling has stone walls and so requires further investigation to establish whether these walls are of cavity construction and to determine which type of wall insulation is best suited.

#### **About this document**

This Recommendations Report and the accompanying Energy Performance Certificate are valid for a maximum of ten years. These documents cease to be valid where superseded by a more recent assessment of the same building carried out by a member of an Approved Organisation.

The Energy Performance Certificate and this Recommendations Report for this building were produced following an energy assessment undertaken by an assessor accredited by Elmhurst (www.elmhurstenergy.co.uk), an Approved Organisation Appointed by Scottish Ministers. The certificate has been produced under the Energy Performance of Buildings (Scotland) Regulations 2008 from data lodged to the Scottish EPC register. You can verify the validity of this document by visiting www.scottishepcregister.org.uk and entering the report reference number (RRN) printed at the top of this page.

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Assessor membership number: EES/022131

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If you have any concerns regarding the content of this report or the service provided by your assessor you should in the first instance raise these matters with your assessor and with the Approved Organisation to which they belong. All Approved Organisations are required to publish their complaints and disciplinary procedures and details can be found online at the web address given above.

#### Use of this energy performance information

Once lodged by your EPC assessor, this Energy Performance Certificate and Recommendations Report are available to view online at www.scottishepcregister.org.uk, with the facility to search for any single record by entering the property address. This gives everyone access to any current, valid EPC except where a property has a Green Deal Plan, in which case the report reference number (RRN) must first be provided. The energy performance data in these documents, together with other building information gathered during the assessment is held on the Scottish EPC Register and is available to authorised recipients, including organisations delivering energy efficiency and carbon reduction initiatives on behalf of the Scottish and UK governments. A range of data from all assessments undertaken in Scotland is also published periodically by the Scottish Government. Further information on these matters and on Energy Performance Certificates in general, can be found at www.gov.scot/epc.

#### Advice and support to improve this property

There is support available, which could help you carry out some of the improvements recommended for this property on page 3 and stop wasting energy and money. For more information, visit greeners cotland.org or contact Home Energy Scotland on 0808 808 2282.

Home Energy Scotland's independent and expert advisors can offer free and impartial advice on all aspects of energy efficiency, renewable energy and more.

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Property address	Ground Floor Right 43 Esslemont Avenue Aberdeen AB25 1SX
Seller(s)	Robert Innes
Completion date of property questionnaire	02/02/2024

#### **Note for sellers**

- Please complete this form carefully. It is important that your answers are correct.
- The information in your answers will help ensure that the sale of your house goes smoothly. Please answer each question with as much detailed information as you can.
- If anything changes after you fill in this questionnaire but before the date of entry for the sale of your house, tell your solicitor or estate agent immediately.

### Information to be given to prospective buyer(s)

1.	Length of ownership
	How long have you owned the property?
2.	Council tax
	Which Council Tax band is your property in?
3.	Parking
	What are the arrangements for parking at your property?
	(Please tick all that apply)
	• Garage
	Allocated parking space
	• Driveway
	Shared parking
	On street
	Resident permit
	Metered Parking
	Other (please specify):
4.	Conservation area
	Is your property in a designated Conservation Area (that is an area of special architectural or historical interest, the character or appearance of which it is desirable to preserve or enhance)?

5.	Listed buildings
	Is your property a Listed Building, or contained within one (that is a building recognised and approved as being of special architectural or historical interest)?
6.	Alterations/additions/extensions
a.	(i) During your time in the property, have you carried out any structural alterations, additions or extensions (for example, provision of an extra bath/shower room, toilet, or bedroom)?
	If you have answered yes, please describe below the changes which you have made:
	(ii) Did you obtain planning permission, building warrant, completion certificate and other consents for this work?
	If you have answered yes, the relevant documents will be needed by the purchaser and you should give them to your solicitor as soon as possible for checking.
	If you do not have the documents yourself, please note below who has these documents and your solicitor or estate agent will arrange to obtain them:
b.	Have you had replacement windows, doors, patio doors or double glazing installed in your property?
	If you have answered yes, please answer the three questions below:
	(i) Were the replacements the same shape and type as the ones you replaced?
	(ii) Did this work involve any changes to the window or door openings?
	(iii) Please describe the changes made to the windows doors, or patio doors (with approximate dates when the work was completed):
	Please give any guarantees which you received for this work to your solicitor or estate agent.
7.	Central heating
a.	Is there a central heating system in your property? (Note: a partial central heating system is one which does not heat all the main rooms of the property — the main living room, the bedroom(s), the hall and the bathroom).
	If you have answered yes or partial – what kind of central heating is there? (Examples: gas-fired, solid fuel, electric storage heating, gas warm air).

	If you have answered yes, please answer the three questions below:			
	i) When was your central heating system or partial central heating system installed?			
	(ii) Do you have a maintenance contract for the central heating system?			
	If you have answered yes, ple you have a maintenance con	ease give details of the compa tract:	ny with which	
	(iii) When was your maintena (Please provide the month ar	nce agreement last renewed? nd year).		
8.	Energy Performance Certification	ate		
	Does your property have an I than 10 years old?	Energy Performance Certificat	e which is less	
9.	Issues that may have affected	d your property		
a.	Has there been any storm, flo property while you have own	ood, fire or other structural da ed it?	mage to the	
	If you have answered yes, is insurance claim?	the damage the subject of any	outstanding	
b.	Are you aware of the existen	ce of asbestos in your propert	y?	
	If you have answered yes, please give details:			
10.	Services			
a.	Please tick which services ar supplier:	e connected to your property	and give details of the	
	Services	Connected	Supplier	
	Gas or liquid petroleum gas			
	Water mains or private water supply			
	Electricity  Mains drainage			
	Telephone			
	Cable TV or satellite			

	Broadband		
b.	Is there a septic tank system at your property?		
	If you have answered yes, please answer the two questions below:		
	(i) Do you have appropriate consents for the discharge from your septic tank?		
	(ii) Do you have a maintenance contract for your septic tank?		
	If have answered yes, details of the company with which you have a maintenance contract:		
11.	Responsibilities for shared or common areas		
a.	Are you aware of any responsibility to contribute to the cost of anything used jointly, such as the repair of a shared drive, private road, boundary, or garden area?		
	If you have answered yes, please give details:		
b.	Is there a responsibility to contribute to repair and maintenance of the roof, common stairwell or other common areas?		
	If you have answered yes, please give details:		
C.	Has there been any major repair or replacement of any part of the roof during the time you have owned the property?		
d.	Do you have the right to walk over any of your neighbours' property — for example to put out your rubbish bin or to maintain your boundaries?		
	If you have answered yes, please give details:		
e.	As far as you are aware, do any of your neighbours have the right to walk over your property, for example to put out their rubbish bin or to maintain their boundaries?		
	If you have answered yes, please give details:		
f.	As far as you are aware, is there a public right of way across any part of your property? (public right of way is a way over which the public has a right to pass, whether or not the land is privately-owned.)		
	If you have answered yes, please give details:		
12.	Charges associated with the property		
a.	Is there a factor or property manager for your property?		

If you have answered yes, please provide the name and address, and give details of any deposit held and approximate charges:	
Is there a common buildings insurance policy?	
If you have answered yes, is the cost of the insurance included in monthly/annual factor's charges?	
Please give details of any other charges you have to pay on a regular basis for the upkeep of common areas or repair works, for example to a residents' association or maintenance or stair fund.	
Specialist work	
As far as you are aware, has treatment of dry rot, wet rot, damp or any other specialist work ever been carried out to your property?	
If you have answered yes, please say what the repairs were for, whether you carried out the repairs (and when) or if they were done before you bought the property.	
As far as you are aware, has any preventative work for dry rot,wet rot, or damp ever been carried out to your property?	
If you have answered yes, please give details:	
If you have answered yes to 13(a) or (b), do you have any guarantees relating to this work?	
If you have answered yes, these guarantees will be needed by the purchaser and should be given to your solicitor as soon as possible for checking. If you do not have them yourself please write below who has these documents and your solicitor or estate agent will arrange for them to be obtained. You will also need to provide a description of the work carried out. This may be shown in the original estimate.	
Guarantees are held by:	
Guarantees	
Are there any guarantees or warranties for any of the following?	
(i) Electrical work	
(ii) Roofing	
(iii) Central heating	
(iv) National House Building Council (NHBC)	
(v) Damp course	
(vi) Any other work installations? (for example, cavity wall installation, underpinning, indemnity policy)	
	Is there a common buildings insurance policy?  If you have answered yes, is the cost of the insurance included in monthly/annual factor's charges?  Please give details of any other charges you have to pay on a regular ba upkeep of common areas or repair works, for example to a residents' as or maintenance or stair fund.  Specialist work  As far as you are aware, has treatment of dry rot, wet rot, damp or any other specialist work ever been carried out to your property?  If you have answered yes, please say what the repairs were for, whether you carried out the repairs (and when) or if they were done before you bought the property.  As far as you are aware, has any preventative work for dry rot, wet rot, or damp ever been carried out to your property?  If you have answered yes, please give details:  If you have answered yes, these guarantees will be needed by the purchaser and should be given to your solicitor as soon as possible for checking. If you do not have them yourself please write below who has these documents and your solicitor or estate agent will arrange for them to be obtained. You will also need to provide a description of the work carried out. This may be shown in the original estimate.  Guarantees  Are there any guarantees or warranties for any of the following?  (i) Electrical work  (ii) Roofing  (iii) Central heating  (iv) National House Building Council (NHBC)  (v) Damp course  (vi) Any other work installations? (for example, cavity wall installation,

b.	If you have answered 'yes' or 'with title deeds', please give details of the work or installations to which the guarantee(s) relate(s):		
C.	Are there any outstanding claims under any of the guarantees listed above? If you have answered yes, please give details:		
15.	Boundaries		
	So far as you are aware, has any boundary of your property been moved in thelast 10 years?		
	If you have answered yes, please give details:		
16.	Notices that affect your property		
	In the past three years have you ever received a notice:		
a.	advising that the owner of a neighbouring property has made a planning application?		
b.	that affects your property in some other way?		
C.	that requires you to do any maintenance, repairs or improvements to your property?		
	If you have answered yes to any of a-c above, please give the notices to your solicitor or estate agent, including any notices which arrive at any time before the date of entry of the purchaser of your property.		

Declaration by the seller(s)/or other authorised body or person(s)

I/We confirm that the information in this form is true and correct to the best of my/our knowledge and belief

Name(s): Robert

Date: 02/02/2024

## Residential

Home Report

Mortgage & Re-Mortgage Valuation Home & Flat Buyer Report

Energy Performance Certificate (EPC)

Private Sale Valuation

Inheritance Tax Valuation

Capital Gains Tax Valuation

Separation Valuation

**Driveby Valuation** 

Desktop Valuation

New Build, Development & Plot Valuation

Extension & Alteration Valuation

Portfolio Valuation

**Rental Valuation** 

**Expert Witness Report** 

Council Tax Appeal

Bespoke Condition Report

## Commercial

Commercial Valuation

Commercial Agency

Acquisitions & Disposals

Commercial Lease Advisory

Rent Reviews

Asset Management

Project Consultancy

**Development Appraisals** 

**Commercial Property Auctions** 

Property Management

**Professional Services** 

Licensed Trade / Leisure

## Property & Construction

**Quantity Surveying** 

**Building Surveying** 

Project Management

Dispute Resolution Support Services

Principal Designer

Clerk of Works

Commercial EPC

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Health & Safety Management

Employer's Agent

**Energy Department** 

Housing Services

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△ 01674 676768

Motherwell △ 01698 252229

Musselburgh

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△ 01631 707 800

Montrose

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Cumbernauld △ 01236 780000

Dalkeith △ 0131 663 2780

Dumbarton △ 01389 731682

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East Kilbride △ 01355 248535

Edinburgh

△ 0131 2251234 ▲ 0131 557 9300 Elgin ▲ 01343 553939

Falkirk

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Fraserburgh △ 01346 517456

Galashiels △ 01896 750150

Glasgow △ ▲ 0141 331 2807

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△ 0141 649 8020

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