

# Home Report

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## Scottish Single Survey



#### survey report on:

Property address	47 High Street New Pitsligo Fraserburgh AB43 6NF
Customer	Mr A Gibb
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Prepared by	Shepherd Chartered Surveyors
Date of inspection	01/09/2023



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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	A traditional style, two storey, detached dwellinghouse.
Accommodation	Ground Floor - Entrance vestibule, hallway, lounge, diningroom, bedroom, dining kitchen, boiler room and bathroom with w.c.
	First Floor - Four bedrooms and shower room with w.c.
Gross internal floor area (m²)	153 square metres or thereby.
Neighbourhood and location	The subjects are situated within an established mainly residential area in the rural village of New Pitsligo. Other properties in the vicinity are generally of a mixed residential nature, although there is a licensed hotel/public house in close proximity, and shop premises nearby. Local amenities are available in the village, within easy reach.
Age	Built around 1900, or before.
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Weather	Dry and bright.
Chimney stacks	Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.
	There are two chimney stacks, of pointed stone construction, with clay chimneypots and having cement mortar skews around the chimney heads. The chimneys were inspection from ground level only.

#### Roofing including roof space

Sloping roofs were visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.

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 is of traditional pitched timber construction externally clad with slates, and having a tiled ridge. There are traditional style slated dormers to the front and rear, with metal lined ridges and valleys at intersections in the roof slopes. The roof covering was inspected from ground level only.

A very limited inspection of the roof space over the main part of the property was carried out from a ceiling on the first floor landing. An inspection of the roof space over the single storey rear projection was also carried out from a ceiling hatch in the bathroom. Inspection within these areas was considerably restricted due to limited accessibility and the presence of insulation material. Additional insulation has been installed in the past.

#### Rainwater fittings

Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.

Rainwater fittings comprise a mixture of cast iron and pvc gutters and downpipes. It was not raining at the time of inspection and the adequacy of the system could not be verified.

#### Main walls

Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.

Foundations and concealed parts were not exposed or inspected.

The main walls are of solid granite stone construction, mainly externally pointed and partly rendered.

Windows, external doors and joinery	Internal and external doors were opened and closed where keys were available.  Random windows were opened and closed where possible.  Doors and windows were not forced open.  The windows are of timber casement construction, mainly equipped with sealed unit double glazing, although with a single glazed window in the boiler room.  The front and back doors are of timber construction, with single glazed top panels.
	There are timber fascia around the dormers.
External decorations	Visually inspected.
	There is paintwork to external joinery timbers and to cast iron sections of rainwater fittings.
Conservatories / porches	There is no porch or conservatory.
Communal areas	There are no communal areas.
Garages and permanent outbuildings	Visually inspected.  There is a single car garage/store, with further adjoining store, located at the rear of the house, of stone wall construction, with pitched, profiled metal clad roof. Vehicular access is provided by means of an electrically operated metal
	up-and-over door.
Outside areas and boundaries	Visually inspected.
	The subjects are contained within a sloping, terraced site, with garden ground to the rear of the house only. The garden is mainly in grass, with concrete paths and steps.
	Site boundaries are defined by stone and concrete block walls. Some of the boundaries could not be clearly seen due to dense plant growth within the site.
	There are retaining walls within the site, supporting raised sections of garden ground.

# Ceilings appeared to be mainly of the original timber lath and plaster, and partly plasterboard lined. Visually inspected from floor level. Using a moisture meter, walls were randomly tested for dampness where considered appropriate. Internal walls and partitions appeared to be mainly of the original timber lath and plaster, and partly plasterboard lined.

#### Floors including sub floors

Surfaces of exposed floors were visually inspected. No carpets or floor coverings were lifted.

Physical access to the sub floor area may be taken if the Surveyor deems it is safe and reasonable to do so, and subject to a minimum clearance of 1m between the underside of floor joists and the solum as determined from the access hatch.

The flooring is mainly of suspended timber laid in tongue and groove boarding, and partly of solid concrete. Inspection of the flooring was considerably restricted due to fixed and fitted floor coverings throughout, and most areas were unseen.

Sections of previously replaced floorboards were noted within the ground floor bedroom.

We were unable to locate any hatches or loose floorboards to gain access to the sub-floor area and accordingly the underfloor timbers were unseen and we are unable to comment on their condition.

#### 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 mainly of traditional style timber pressed panel construction, some with glazed sections. Skirtings and door facings appeared to be mainly of the original hardwood, and partly of replaced softwood.

A timber staircase with timber handrail and balustrades provides access to the upper floor accommodation.

The kitchen, re-fitted around 2008, is equipped with a range of wall and base cupboards, worktop surfacing, stainless steel sink unit and drainer, and built-in double oven, cooker hob and hood.

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Chimney breasts and fireplaces	Visually inspected.
	No testing of the flues or fittings was carried out.
	There is a coal fire contained within a traditional style tiled fireplace and hearth in the lounge, open to the chimney breast. The fire was not in use at the time of inspection.
	Chimney breasts elsewhere within the property have been boarded over and are no longer in use.
	The presence of a chimney, chimney breast or fireplace should not be taken as an indication that there is any adequate or useable flue present.
Internal decorations	Visually inspected.
	Internal walls and ceilings are painted and/or papered. Joinery timbers are stained/varnished and painted.
Cellars	There are no cellars.
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Electricity	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.
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#### Water, plumbing, bathroom fittings

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.

A mains supply of water is laid on to the property. The main stop-cock is located within a cupboard in the bathroom, where a pvc rising main is evident.

Elsewhere within the property, the plumbing system, where seen, comprises copper supply pipes and pvc wastepipes. There is no requirement for a cold water storage tank within the property. There is a disused tank within the roof space over the bathroom.

The bathroom, re-fitted around 2021, is equipped with white three piece sanitary fittings, including a jacuzzi bath.

The shower room is equipped with white three piece sanitary fittings and mixer shower unit. The shower cubicle has been replaced in recent years.

Areas below the bath and shower cubicle were unseen. Leakage can often occur around sanitary fittings causing deterioration to concealed areas which may only become apparent once the fittings are removed.

#### 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.

Space heating is provided by an oil-fired central heating system. A free-standing "Worcester" condensing boiler located in the boiler room, supplies individually thermostatically controlled pressed steel radiators throughout the main accommodation. There is a plastic oil storage tank located externally at the rear of the house.

The vendor advised that the heating system was installed around 1995, that the boiler was replaced in 2014, and has been serviced annually.

Hot water is also provided by the central heating boiler, with electric immersion back-up. A large capacity, unvented, indirect hot water storage cylinder is located within a cupboard in the bathroom, having been replaced in recent years.

# Drainage covers etc. were not lifted. Neither drains nor drainage systems were tested. Drainage is assumed to be connected to the 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

The property was unfurnished although fully floor covered at the time of inspection. Fixed and fitted floor coverings were not lifted or moved. No sub-floor inspection was possible. Concealed areas around sanitary fittings were unseen.

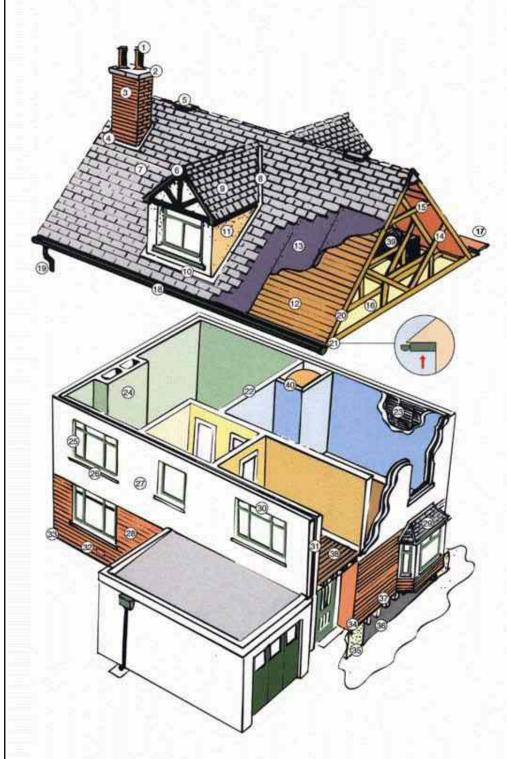
Full and safe access was not available to roof void areas due to limited accessibility and the presence of insulation material. Most of the roof structure was unseen.

Woodwork or other parts of the structure that were covered, unexposed or inaccessible have not been inspected and we are therefore unable to confirm that any such part of the property is free from beetle, rot or other defects.

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

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.

#### 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 past movement of the building was observed in the form of cracking to external masonry and internal plasterwork. On the basis of a single inspection all movement appeared longstanding, with no evidence of recent movement apparent.

Dampness, rot and infestation	
Repair category	2
Notes	It is understood that rot repairs and woodworm eradication treatment works have been carried out within the property on at least two occasions in the past, latterly in 2011. All Report and Guarantee documentation in this respect should be obtained, checked and held for future reference purposes.
	Damp meter readings were taken where considered appropriate within the property and high moisture levels were detected to lower walls at localised areas within the ground floor accommodation and at a disused chimney breast in one of the upper floor back bedrooms. Under these circumstances there is the possibility of rot affecting concealed timbers due to damp absorption.
	A further inspection of the entire subjects, including exposure work, should be carried out by a reputable timber and damp specialist, prior to purchase, with a view to advising on any additional repairs or remedial works deemed necessary in this respect.

Chimney stacks	
Repair category	2
Notes	There are loose/open mortar joints to chimney stacks, and weathered skew pointing around the chimneyheads.
	Chimneys are of a type and age where a degree of regular, ongoing maintenance should be anticipated.

Roofing including roof space	
Repair category	1
Notes	Roof coverings are of an age and style where a degree of regular, ongoing maintenance should be anticipated and more extensive overhaul work may be required in future.
	No significant defects were noted at the time of inspection. Roofing contractors recommend that roof coverings are inspected regularly in order to ensure they remain watertight.
	Roof timbers have been affected by woodworm although are understood to have been treated by a specialist contractor in the past.

Rainwater fittings	
Repair category	2
Notes	Cast iron sections of rainwater fittings are affected by corrosion and there is a cracked downpipe to the front elevation, requiring replacement.

Main walls	
Repair category	2
Notes	There are some open mortar joints and cracking in the pointing to the outerwalls, notably to the right-hand gable elevation, requiring repair to prevent further deterioration.

Windows, external doors and joinery	
Repair category	2
Notes	Double glazed windows are of an age and style where a degree of ongoing maintenance should be anticipated to sealed units and opening mechanisms.
	Some double glazed units are defective having failed and allowed condensation to form between the panes. Repairs, including the replacement of defective units, will be required.
	The old single glazed window in the boiler room will likely require replacement in the short term.
	Timber fascia around the dormers are affected by weathering, consistent with age.

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	

Communal areas	
Repair category	N/A
Notes	

Garages and permanent outbuildings	
Repair category	2
Notes	There is cracking to the walls of the garage/stores. There is evidence of woodworm and decay affecting internal timbers.

Outside areas and boundaries	
Repair category	1
Notes	Within the limitations of our inspection, no significant defects were noted to the outside areas and boundaries.
	Retaining walls within the site, and boundary walls, should be regularly checked and maintained as necessary.
	There are large, mature trees growing in neighbouring ground in close proximity. Tree roots and overhanging branches can cause structural damage and ongoing professional maintenance will be required.

Ceilings	
Repair category	1
Notes	Within the limitations of our inspection no significant defects were noted.  There is plaster cracking to some ceilings and cornicing, generally consistent with the age of the property.
	Original plasterwork will be susceptible to cracking and deterioration due to age.

Internal walls	
Repair category	1
Notes	Within the limitations of our inspection no significant defects were noted.
	There is plaster cracking to some walls, generally consistent with the age of the property.
	Dampness was detected to walls at localised areas, as referred to above.
	Original plasterwork will be susceptible to cracking and deterioration due to age.

Floors including sub-floors	
Repair category	2
Notes	An area of uneven flooring was detected in the kitchen, although not clearly seen due to fixed floor coverings.
	Damaged and loose sections of floor boards were noted within one of the upper floor bedrooms.
	Having regard to the age of the property, concealed underfloor timbers which are built into stonework and unprotected may be deteriorated due to damp absorption, although this could not be ascertained within the scope of our inspection.
	A precautionary exposure examination of all floor timbers should be carried out by a timber specialist contractor, prior to purchase, with a view to advising on any necessary works.

Internal joinery and kitchen fittings	
Repair category	1
Notes	Internal joinery is generally serviceable however some wear and tear items were noted to kitchen fittings/internal doors/facings etc. and future maintenance or upgrading should be anticipated.

Chimney breasts and fireplaces	
Repair category	1
Notes	Within the limitations of our inspection, no significant defects were noted.  As a precautionary measure, the chimney breast to the open fire should be
	checked and cleared as necessary, prior to re-use.  Ventilators should be fitted to disused chimney breasts to prevent a build-up of moisture therein.

Internal decorations	
Repair category	1
Notes	The property is in reasonable decorative order.
	Redecorative works may be required in places to suit the purchaser's taste.

Cellars	
Repair category	N/A
Notes	

Electricity	
Repair category	1
Notes	An Electrical Installation Condition Report prepared on the property by an electrical contractor in 2015 confirmed the general condition of the installation to be "satisfactory". Such documentation should be obtained, checked and held for future reference purposes.  The fusebox is of older style and consideration will require to be given to future upgrading.  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.

Gas	
Repair category	N/A
Notes	

Water, plumbing and bathroom fittings		
Repair category	1	
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 cold water rising main was not fully inspectable.	
	Sanitary fittings appear serviceable however surround seals, tiling and finishes should be checked and maintained watertight. We were unable to view concealed areas below sanitary fittings and cannot confirm they are free from damp or other defects.	

Heating and hot water		
Repair category	1	
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.	

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	2
Roofing including roof space	1
Rainwater fittings	2
Main walls	2
Windows, external doors and joinery	2
External decorations	1
Conservatories/porches	N/A
Communal areas	N/A
Garages and permanent outbuildings	2
Outside areas and boundaries	1
Ceilings	1
Internal walls	1
Floors including sub-floors	2
Internal joinery and kitchen fittings	1
Chimney breasts and fireplaces	1
Internal decorations	1
Cellars	N/A
Electricity	1
Gas	N/A
Water, plumbing and bathroom fittings	1
Heating and hot water	1
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 and First		
2. Are there three steps or fewer to a main entrance door of the property?	Yes	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		No	X
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

As far as we could ascertain, no significant alterations or additions have been made to the property in recent years which would have required local authority approval, although this cannot be guaranteed.

It is understood that rot repairs and woodworm eradication treatment works have been carried out within the property on at least two occasions in the past, latterly in 2011. All Report and Guarantee documentation in this respect should be obtained, checked and held for future reference purposes.

An Electrical Installation Condition Report prepared on the property by an electrical contractor in 2015 should be obtained, checked and held for future reference purposes.

Roads and footpaths adjoining the property are fully formed and, we assume, maintained by the local authority. This should be confirmed.

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 ONE MILLION POUNDS STERLING (£1,000,000).

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 ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTY THOUSAND POUNDS STERLING (£180,000).

Signed	Alan V Kennedy Electronically signed :- 14/09/2023 09:48
Report author	Alan V Kennedy
Company name	J & E Shepherd Chartered Surveyors

Address	54 Broad Street Fraserburgh AB43 9AH
Date of report	01/09/2023



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Property Address			
Address Seller's Name Date of Inspection	47 High Street, New Pitsligo, Fraserburgh, AB43 6NF Mr A Gibb 01/09/2023		
Property Details			
Property Type X House Purpose built flat	Bungalow Purpose built maisonette Converted maisonette Converted flat Tenement flat Flat over non-residential use Other (specify in General Remarks)		
Property Style X Detached Back to back	Semi detached Mid terrace End terrace High rise block Low rise block Other (specify in General Remarks)		
Does the surveyor believe that the military, police? Flats/Maisonettes only Floor(s) on what Approximate Year of Construction	property was built for the public sector, e. g. local authority,  No. of floors in block  No. of units in block  1900  No. of units in block		
Tenure			
X Absolute Ownership	Other		
Accommodation			
Number of Rooms  2 Living room 2 Bathroom(s			
Gross Floor Area (excluding garage	es and outbuildings) 153 m² (Internal) m² (External)		
Residential Element (greater than 4	0%) X Yes  No		
Garage / Parking / Outbuildings			
X Single garage Double gar	rage Parking space No garage / garage space / parking space		
Available on site? X Yes No			
Permanent outbuildings:			
Garden store.			

Construction
Walls Brick X Stone Concrete Timber frame 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 $\square$ Yes $\boxtimes$ 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       Mains       Private       X       None         Central Heating       X       Yes       Partial       None
Brief description of Central Heating and any non mains services:
Oil-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  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 Residential within town / city Mixed residential / commercial Shared service connections Remote village Remote village Isolated rural property Other (specify in General Remarks)
Planning Issues
Has the property been extended / converted / altered? Yes X No  If Yes provide details in General Remarks.
Roads
Made up road Unmade road Partly completed new road Pedestrian access only X Adopted Unadopted

#### **General Remarks**

The subjects are situated within an established mainly residential area in the rural village of New Pitsligo. Other properties in the vicinity are generally of a mixed residential nature, although there is a licensed hotel/public house in close proximity, and shop premises nearby. Local amenities are available in the village, within easy reach.

At the time of inspection the property was found to be in a condition generally consistent with its age and type of construction but some works of maintenance and repair are required. Elements of the property are aging and likely to require attention.

Evidence of past movement of the building was observed in the form of cracking to external masonry and internal plasterwork. On the basis of a single inspection all movement appeared longstanding, with no evidence of recent movement appearent.

It is understood that rot repairs and woodworm eradication treatment works have been carried out within the property on at least two occasions in the past, latterly in 2011. All Report and Guarantee documentation in this respect should be obtained, checked and held for future reference purposes.

Notwithstanding, a further inspection of the entire subjects, including exposure work, should be carried out by a reputable timber and damp specialist, prior to purchase, having particular regard to dampness and possible timber rot, with a view to advising on any additional repairs or remedial works deemed necessary in this respect. For the purpose of this valuation it is assumed no extensive works of this nature would be required at this time, although this cannot be guaranteed.

Essential Repairs				
None apparent.				
Estimated cost of essential repairs	N/A	]		
Retention recommended?	Yes X No			
Retention amount		]		
Comment on Mortgageabilit	у			
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	£	180,000	
Market value on completion of es	ssential repairs	£		
Insurance reinstatement value		£	1,000,000	
(to include the cost of total rebuilding, site clearance, professional fees, ancillary charges plus VAT)				
Is a reinspection necessary?			Yes X No	

#### Declaration

Signed Alan V Kennedy

Electronically signed :- 14/09/2023 09:48

Surveyor's name Alan V Kennedy

Professional qualifications MRICS

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# **Energy Performance Certificate**



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

**Dwellings** 

#### **Scotland**

#### BRAE NEUK, 47 HIGH STREET, NEW PITSLIGO, FRASERBURGH, AB43 6NF

Dwelling type: Detached house
Date of assessment: 01 September 2023
Date of certificate: 06 September 2023

Total floor area: 153 m<sup>2</sup>

Primary Energy Indicator: 313 kWh/m²/year

**Reference number:** 1017-3821-2000-0959-5206 **Type of assessment:** RdSAP, existing dwelling

**Approved Organisation:** Elmhurst

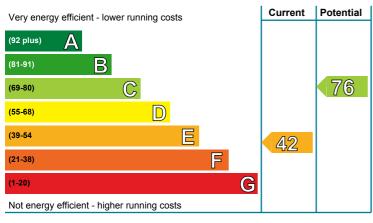
Main heating and fuel: Boiler and radiators, oil

#### 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*	£10,770	See your recommendations report for more information
Over 3 years you could save*	£4,680	

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

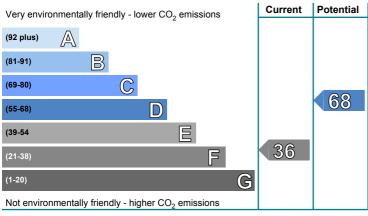


#### **Energy Efficiency Rating**

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 E (42)**. 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 F (36)**. 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	£2976.00
2 Floor insulation (suspended floor)	£800 - £1,200	£894.00
3 Low energy lighting	£50	£276.00

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.

THIS PAGE IS THE ENERGY PERFORMANCE CERTIFICATE WHICH MUST BE AFFIXED TO THE DWELLING AND NOT BE REMOVED UNLESS IT IS REPLACED WITH AN UPDATED CERTIFICATE

#### 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)	****	***
Roof	Pitched, 250 mm loft insulation Pitched, 200 mm loft insulation	**** ****	**** ****
Floor	Suspended, no insulation (assumed)	_	_
Windows	Mostly double glazing	***	***
Main heating	Boiler and radiators, oil	***	<b>★★★★</b> ☆
Main heating controls	Programmer, TRVs and bypass	***	***
Secondary heating	Room heaters, dual fuel (mineral and wood)	_	_
Hot water	From main system	***	***
Lighting	Low energy lighting in 44% of 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 80 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 12 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 6.2 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	£9,111 over 3 years	£5,043 over 3 years	
Hot water	£756 over 3 years	£468 over 3 years	You could
Lighting	£903 over 3 years	£579 over 3 years	save £4,680
Totals	£10,770	£6,090	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.

Recommended measures		Indicative cost	Typical saving	Rating after improvement	
		indicative cost	per year	Energy	Environment
1	Internal or external wall insulation	£4,000 - £14,000	£992	D 60	E 51
2	Floor insulation (suspended floor)	£800 - £1,200	£298	D 65	D 57
3	Low energy lighting for all fixed outlets	£50	£92	D 65	D 58
4	Upgrade heating controls	£350 - £450	£103	D 67	D 60
5	Solar water heating	£4,000 - £6,000	£74	C 69	D 62
6	Solar photovoltaic panels, 2.5 kWp	£3,500 - £5,500	£621	C 76	D 68

### 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 Low energy lighting

Replacement of traditional light bulbs with energy saving bulbs will reduce lighting costs over the lifetime of the bulb, and they last many times longer than ordinary light bulbs. Low energy lamps and fittings are now commonplace and readily available. Information on energy efficiency lighting can be found from a wide range of organisations, including the Energy Saving Trust (http://www.energysavingtrust.org.uk/home-energy-efficiency/lighting).

#### 4 Heating controls (room thermostat)

The heating system should have a room thermostat to enable the boiler to switch off when no heat is required. A competent heating engineer should be asked to do this work. Insist that the thermostat switches off the boiler as well as the pump and that the thermostatic radiator valve is removed from any radiator in the same room as the thermostat. Building regulations generally apply to this work and a building warrant may be required, so it is best to check with your local authority building standards department and seek advice from a qualified heating engineer.

#### 5 Solar water heating

A solar water heating panel, usually fixed to the roof, uses the sun to pre-heat the hot water supply. This can significantly reduce the demand on the heating system to provide hot water and hence save fuel and money. Planning permission might be required, building regulations generally apply to this work and a building warrant may be required, so it is best to check these with your local authority. You could be eligible for Renewable Heat Incentive payments which could appreciably increase the savings beyond those shown on your EPC, provided that both the product and the installer are certified by the Microgeneration Certification Scheme (or equivalent). Details of local MCS installers are available at www.microgenerationcertification.org.

#### 6 Solar photovoltaic (PV) panels

A solar PV system is one which converts light directly into electricity via panels placed on the roof with no waste and no emissions. This electricity is used throughout the home in the same way as the electricity purchased from an energy supplier. Planning permission might be required, building regulations generally apply to this work and a building warrant may be required, so it is best to check with your local authority. The assessment does not include the effect of any Feed-in Tariff which could appreciably increase the savings that are shown on this EPC for solar photovoltaic panels, provided that both the product and the installer are certified by the Microgeneration Certification Scheme (or equivalent). Details of local MCS installers are available at www.microgenerationcertification.org.

#### 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)	27,907	N/A	N/A	(9,451)
Water heating (kWh per year)	2,882			

#### **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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#### 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.

### BRAE NEUK, 47 HIGH STREET, NEW PITSLIGO, FRASERBURGH, AB43 6NF 06 September 2023 RRN: 1017-3821-2000-0959-5206 Recommendations Report

### 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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Completion date of property questionnaire	31/8/2023
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### **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? $29 \text{ Vis}$	
2.	Council tax	
	Which Council Tax band is your property in? (Please tick one)	
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	
	13 your property in a designated something of the share of	☐ Yes ☑ No ☐ Don't know

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)?	☐ Yes ☑ No
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:	☐ Yes ☑ No
	(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:	☐ Yes ☐ No
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:	✓ Yes No
	(i) Were the replacements the same shape and type as the ones you replaced?	✓ Yes   ☐ No
	(ii) Did this work involve any changes to the window or door openings?	☐ Yes ☑ No
	(iii) Please describe the changes made to the windows doors, or patio approximate dates when the work was completed):	doors (with
	Please give any guarantees which you received for this work to your so agent.	olicitor or estate

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).	<ul><li>✓ Yes</li><li>☐ No</li><li>☐ Partial</li></ul>
	If you have answered yes, please answer the three questions below:  (i) When was your central heating system or partial central heating	g system installed?
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	(ii) Do you have a maintenance contract for the central heating system?  If you have answered yes, please give details of the company with which you have a maintenance contract:	☑ Yes ☐ No  COWIE  PLUMBING AND HEATING
	(iii) When was your maintenance agreement last renewed? (Please and year). AUGUST 2023	provide the month
8.	Energy Performance Certificate	
	Does your property have an Energy Performance Certificate which is less than 10 years old?	<ul><li>✓ Yes</li><li>☐ No</li></ul>
9.	Issues that may have affected your property	
a.	Has there been any storm, flood, fire or other structural damage to your property while you have owned it?  If you have answered yes, is the damage the subject of any outstanding insurance claim?	☐ Yes ☑ No ☐ Yes ☐ No
b.	Are you aware of the existence of asbestos in your property?  If you have answered yes, please give details:  Don't know	☐ Yes ☑ No

10.	Services				
a. Pl	lease tick which services are connected to your property and give details of the supp			of the supplier:	
	Services	Connected	Supplier		
	Gas or liquid petroleum gas				
	Water mains or private water supply	MAINS WATER			
	Electricity	British Gas			
	Mains drainage		~		
	Telephone		V		
	Cable TV or satellite		V		
	Broadband		V		
b.	Is there a septic tank system a			☐ Yes	
:	If you have answered yes, please answer the two questions below:			<b>№</b> No	
	(i) Do you have appropriate consents for the discharge from your septic tank?		from your	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Don't Know	
	(ii) Do you have a maintenand If you have answered yes, pleath which you have a maintenance	ase give details of the cor		☐ Yes ☐ No	

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:	☐ Yes ☑ No ☐ Don't Know
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:  Don't know	☐ Yes ☑ No ☐ Not applicable
c.	Has there been any major repair or replacement of any part of the roof during the time you have owned the property?	☐ Yes ☑ No
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:  Don't know	☐ Yes ☑ No
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:  Don't know	☐ Yes ☑ No
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:  Don't know	☐ Yes ☑ No
12.	Charges associated with your 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:	☐ Yes ☑ No

b.	Is there a common buildings insurance policy?  If you have answered yes, is the cost of the insurance included in your monthly/annual factor's charges?  Please give details of any other charges you have to pay on a regular lupkeep of common areas or repair works, for example to a residents' a maintenance or stair fund.	
13.	Specialist works	274,1-2
a.	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.	☑ Yes ☐ No
b.	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:	☑ Yes □ No
C.	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:	☑ Yes □ No

14.	Guarantees						
a.	Are there any guarantees or warranties for any of the following:						
		No	Yes	Don't know	With title deeds	Lost	
(i)	Electrical work						
(ii)	Roofing						
(iii)	Central heating		₩.				
(iv)	National House Building Council (NHBC)						
(v)	Damp course						
(vi)	Any other work or installations? (for example, cavity wall insulation, underpinning, indemnity policy)						
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:					☐ Yes ☑ No	
	Don't know						
15.	Boundaries						
	So far as you are aware, has any boundary of your property been moved in the last 10 years?					☐ Yes ☑ No	
	If you have answered yes, please give details:					☐ Don't know	

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?	☐ Yes ☑ No				
b.	that affects your property in some other way?	☐ Yes ☑ No				
c.	that requires you to do any maintenance, repairs or improvements to your property?	☐ Yes ☑ No				
	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.

Signature(s): Man Gibb ElizoBeth LyBB,

Date:

31/8/2023



### 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

Fire Engineering

Health & Safety Management

Employer's Agent

**Energy Department** 

Housing Services

**Development Monitoring** 

**Mediation Services** 

**Aberdeen**▲ ▲ 01224 202800

△ 01292 267987

Coatbridge △ 01236 436561

Cumbernauld △ 01236 780000

Dalkeith △ 0131 663 2780

Dumbarton △ 01389 731682

**Dumfries**▲ ▲ 01387 264333

#### Dundee

△ 01382 200454 ▲ 01382 220699

Dunfermline

▲ 01383 731841

East Kilbride △ 01355 248535

Edinburgh △ 0131 2251234 ▲ 0131 557 9300 Elgin ▲ 01343 553939

Falkirk

△ 01324 635 999 Fraserburgh △ 01346 517456

Galashiels △ 01896 750150

Glasgow △ ▲ 0141 331 2807

Glasgow South

△ 0141 649 8020

#### Glasgow West End △ 0141 353 2080

Greenock

△ 01475 730717

Hamilton △ 01698 897548

Inverness

△ ▲ 01463 712239

Kilmarnock

△ 01563 520318

Kirkcaldy △ 01592 205442

**Livingston**△ 01506 416777

Montrose △ 01674 676768

Motherwell △ 01698 252229

Musselburgh

△ 0131 653 3456

Oban △ 01631 707 800

Paisley
△ 0141 889 8334

Perth

△ 01738 638188 ▲ 01738 631631

Peterhead ▲ 01779 470766

St Andrews

△ 01334 477773

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