

HOME REPORT



ENERGY PERFORMANCE CERTIFICATE



DM HALL
CHARTERED SURVEYORS

Single Survey

survey report on:

Property address	GROUND FLOOR FLAT, 43 BALFOUR STREET, KIRKCALDY, FIFE, KY2 5HA
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Customer	NIGEL COOKE (EXECUTOR)
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Customer address	c/o MCKENZIES, SOLICITORS, 26 EAST FERGUS PLACE, KIRKCALDY, FIFE, KY1 1XT
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Prepared by	DM Hall
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Date of inspection	6th February 2024
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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 Property¹.

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 ticking 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.

¹ Which shall be in accordance with the current RICS Valuation Standards (The Red Book) and RICS Codes of Conduct.

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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.²

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

² Which shall be in accordance with the current RICS Valuation Standards (The Red Book) and RICS Rules of Conduct

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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.

1.1 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;

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- 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 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.
- 2 Category 2: 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*

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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	PURPOSE BUILT GROUND FLOOR FLAT contained within a two storey and attic converted block of similar flats.
Accommodation	Ground Floor: Entrance Hall, Living Room, Bedroom, Kitchen and Shower Room
Gross internal floor area (m²)	42 sq m or thereby.
Neighbourhood and location	The property forms part of an established residential area within central Kirkcaldy. The neighbouring properties are of a similar style with a range of local amenities being readily available nearby.
Age	1900 approx.
Weather	Dry and sunny.
Chimney stacks	Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate. There is a re-built brick built chimney stack on a gable end elevation.
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: The main roof is pitched and overlaid with natural slates incorporating substantial dormer projections at walls to the front and rear serving the flat above. The building design also involves a two storey projection at the rear which has a mono pitched roof overlaid with bituminous felt. There is a further small single storey projection at the rear which is pitched and overlaid with slates. Roof Space: The property is a lower flat with no access to the roof

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Roofing including roof space	space. This area has been developed by the flat above.
Rainwater fittings	<p>Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.</p> <p>The front elevation of the building supports a half round cast iron gutter connecting to a shared tubular downpipe. There are half round PVC gutters and similar downpipes at the rear.</p>
Main walls	<p>Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.</p> <p>Foundations and concealed parts were not exposed or inspected.</p> <p>The building is of solid sandstone wall construction being approx. 600mm thick with a pointed finish. The rear projection is of rendered single brick wall construction being approx. 150mm thick.</p>
Windows, external doors and joinery	<p>Internal and external doors were opened and closed where keys were available.</p> <p>Random windows were opened and closed where possible.</p> <p>Doors and windows were not forced open.</p> <p>Windows: Replacement UPVC framed double glazed window units have been installed which are of a fixed casement/pivot style.</p> <p>External Doors: The side access is via a UPVC panelled door.</p> <p>External Joinery: There are no further joinery items.</p>
External decorations	<p>Visually inspected.</p> <p>The cast iron rainwater fittings have been historically painted.</p>
Conservatories / porches	None.
Communal areas	<p>Circulation areas visually inspected.</p> <p>The extent of any communal areas maybe verified from the Title Deeds.</p>
Garages and permanent outbuildings	None.
Outside areas and boundaries	<p>Visually inspected.</p> <p>There is an area of garden at the rear which is bound by timber fences and the stone wall. There is also a shared drying green.</p> <p>The ownership of gardens maybe verified from the Title Deeds.</p>

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Ceilings	Visually inspected from floor level. The ceilings are of lath and plaster construction. The ceiling in the kitchen is lowered and lined with timber cladding.
Internal walls	Visually inspected from floor level. Using a moisture meter, walls were randomly tested for dampness where considered appropriate. The walls and partitions are formed in a mix of plaster on the hard, lath and plaster, and plasterboard finishes.
Floors including sub floors	Floors: The floors are formed with suspended timber joists overlaid with floorboards. Sub Floors: No sub-floor inspection was carried out.
Internal joinery and kitchen fittings	Built-in cupboards were looked into but no stored items were moved. Kitchen units were visually inspected excluding appliances. The internal doors are of a pine panel style. The kitchen has base and wall units with wood laminate doors and laminate worktops.
Chimney breasts and fireplaces	Visually inspected. No testing of the flues or fittings was carried out. The original fireplaces have been blocked over.
Internal decorations	Visually inspected. The property is decorated with papered and painted finishes.
Cellars	There are no cellars.
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. Mains supply installed. The electric meter and consumer unit are in a recess cupboard in the bedroom.

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Gas	<p>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.</p> <p>Mains supply installed. The gas meter is in an external box.</p>
Water, plumbing, bathroom fittings	<p>Visual inspection of the accessible pipework, water tanks, cylinders and fittings without removing any insulation.</p> <p>No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances.</p> <p>Mains supply installed. There is a white suite in the shower room along with a stainless steel sink unit and side drainer in the kitchen. Visible pipework is in copper or PVC.</p>
Heating and hot water	<p>Accessible parts of the system were visually inspected apart from communal systems, which were not inspected.</p> <p>No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances.</p> <p>A gas fired central heating system is installed being provided by a Worcester Greenstar 24i Junior boiler in a utility area at the rear of the kitchen. This serves a system of water filled radiators and also provides the domestic hot water.</p>
Drainage	<p>Drainage covers etc were not lifted.</p> <p>Neither drains nor drainage systems were tested.</p> <p>Drainage is via the main sewer.</p>
Fire, smoke and burglar alarms	<p>None.</p> <p>Legislation by the Scottish Government, which took effect from February 2022, requires all residential properties to have a system of inter-linked smoke alarms and heat detectors. Carbon monoxide detectors are also required where appropriate. Purchasers should appraise themselves of the requirements of this legislation, and engage with appropriately accredited contractors to ensure compliance.</p>
Any additional limits to inspection	<p>For flats / maisonettes</p> <p>Only the subject flat and internal communal areas giving access to the flat were inspected.</p> <p>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.</p>

<p>Any additional limits to inspection</p>	<p>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.</p> <p>The property was vacant and unfurnished although the floors were covered throughout and the inspection was consequently restricted. No sub-floor inspection was carried out as I did not identify a hatch. I did not gain access into the roof space. I would also reaffirm that the services in the property have not been checked/tested.</p> <p>Parts of the property, which are covered, unexposed or inaccessible, cannot be guaranteed to be free from defect.</p> <p>I have not carried out an inspection for Japanese Knotweed and unless otherwise stated, for the purposes of the valuation I have assumed that there is no Japanese Knotweed or other invasive plants within the boundaries of the property or in neighbouring properties.</p> <p>The report does not include an asbestos inspection. However asbestos was widely used in the building industry until around 2000, when it became a banned substance. If the possibility of asbestos based products has been reported within the limitations of the inspection and you have concerns you should engage a qualified asbestos surveyor. Any such materials should not be drilled or disturbed without prior advice from a licensed specialist.</p> <p>Random testing for dampness was undertaken internally with the use of a moisture meter where accessible and considered appropriate.</p> <p>Concealed areas beneath and around bath/shower trays were not visible. Water spillage in these areas can often be discovered unexpectedly with resultant damage to concealed parts of the fabric.</p> <p>The inspection is not a fire or life safety risk assessment and should not be relied on as a risk assessment inspection. Further advice should be sought if a specific risk assessment of the property and building that it forms part of is required.</p> <p>Where repairs are required at height compliance with Health and Safety legislation often requires the use of scaffolding which can significantly impact on the cost of repair. Pricing repairs is out with the remit of this report but it would be prudent to consider costs and budgeting before offering. The various trades can advise further.</p>
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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.


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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
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.	Repairs or replacement requiring future attention, but estimates are still advised.	No immediate action or repair is needed.

 Structural movement	
Repair category	1
Notes	There is evidence of past settlement having occurred in the building but within the limitations of my inspection I found no evidence to suggest that this appears recent, serious or ongoing.

 Dampness, rot and infestation	
Repair category	3
Notes	High readings were recorded in the wall surfaces within the rear projection. Further investigation would be advisable. There is also condensation staining at places.

 Chimney stacks	
Repair category	1
Notes	No significant defects evident.

 Roofing including roof space	
Repair category	2
Notes	<p>Several slipped/dislodged slates on the small single storey rear projection where leakage may occur. Full replacement costs should be considered.</p> <p>The slates on the main roof are also original although repair and replacement costs should be budgeted for. Maintenance liabilities should be verified.</p> <p>Natural slates have an expected lifespan of up to 100 years or more depending on slate quality, source, thickness and cutting skill of the slater. Slates will deteriorate over time; nail fixings will corrode and loosen resulting in on-going maintenance requirements. Close quarter and disruptive inspections may reveal damage to roofing materials, especially where these are original. Regular maintenance should be anticipated particularly after adverse weather conditions.</p> <p>I am unable to comment on the condition of the felt roof covering at the rear within</p>



Roofing including roof space

Repair category	2
Notes	the limitations of a ground level appraisal. Felt roof coverings of this type do have a limited life expectancy and can fail without warning.



Rainwater fittings

Repair category	2
Notes	The cast iron conductors are subject to heavy rust/corrosion.



Main walls

Repair category	2
Notes	<p>There is weathering to the stonework and mortar pointing notably on the side/gable end elevation. There is also cracking to the render at the rear.</p> <p>The rear projection is of single brick construction which is inferior by modern day building standards.</p>



Windows, external doors and joinery

Repair category	3
Notes	The window units are old with joinery repair issues and the living room window is not secure.



External decorations

Repair category	2
Notes	The paintwork to the cast iron is in need of reapplication.



Conservatories/porches

Repair category	-
Notes	Not applicable.



Communal areas

Repair category	-
Notes	Not applicable.



Garages and permanent outbuildings

Repair category	-
Notes	Not applicable.



Outside areas and boundaries

Repair category	2
Notes	The gardens are unkempt requiring maintenance/landscaping. Repairs are also required to boundary stone walls.



Ceilings

Repair category	1
Notes	Plaster repairs maybe required prior to future redecoration.



Internal walls

Repair category	1
Notes	Any walls in contact with dampness/condensation may require plaster repairs.



Floors including sub-floors

Repair category	1
Notes	No visual defects identified by again any timbers in contact with dampness are vulnerable to a rot risk. Flooring within the rear utility cupboard/projection is wet (adjacent to the washing machine) albeit this is formed in solid concrete.



Internal joinery and kitchen fittings

Repair category	2
Notes	The kitchen units have a worn/used appearance. There is scope for the renewal of the internal joinery work throughout.



Chimney breasts and fireplaces

Repair category	1
Notes	It is good practice to ensure that blocked fireplace openings are suitable vented.



Internal decorations

Repair category	2
Notes	The property is in need of full internal redecoration.



Cellars

Repair category	-
Notes	Not applicable.



Electricity

Repair category	2
Notes	<p>The wiring appears to be of a mixed/older age. It is good practice to have the services checked by appropriate contractor upon entry.</p> <p>It is recommended that all electrical installations be checked every five years or on change of ownership to keep up to date with frequent changes in Safety Regulations. Further advice will be available from a qualified NICEIC/ SELECT registered Contractor. It should be appreciated that only recently constructed or rewired properties will have installations which fully comply with IET regulations.</p>



Gas

Repair category	1
Notes	Trade bodies governing gas installations currently advise that gas appliances should be tested prior to change in occupancy and thereafter at least once a year by a Gas Safe registered contractor. It is assumed that gas appliances comply with relevant regulations.



Water, plumbing and bathroom fittings

Repair category	2
Notes	The sanitary fittings in the shower room have a heavily worn used appearance. The kitchen sink unit is also in need of renewal.



Heating and hot water

Repair category	2
Notes	<p>The central heating radiators and associated pipework are of an older type. Again I would reaffirm that it is good practice to have the services checked upon entry.</p> <p>It is assumed that the heating and hot water systems have been properly serviced and maintained on a regular basis and installed in accordance with the relevant regulations.</p> <p>Boilers and central heating systems should be tested and serviced by a Gas Safe registered contractor on an annual basis to ensure their safe and efficient operation.</p>



Drainage

Repair category	1
Notes	There are no obvious blocked/choked drains onsite.

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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	3
Chimney stacks	1
Roofing including roof space	2
Rainwater fittings	2
Main walls	2
Windows, external doors and joinery	3
External decorations	2
Conservatories/porches	-
Communal areas	-
Garages and permanent outbuildings	-
Outside areas and boundaries	2
Ceilings	1
Internal walls	1
Floors including sub-floors	1
Internal joinery and kitchen fittings	2
Chimney breasts and fireplaces	1
Internal decorations	2
Cellars	-
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. Where a 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 Floor
2. Are there three steps or fewer to a main entrance door of the property?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
3. Is there a lift to the main entrance door of the property?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
4. Are all door openings greater than 750mm?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
5. Is there a toilet on the same level as the living room and kitchen?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
6. Is there a toilet on the same level as a bedroom?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
7. Are all rooms on the same level with no internal steps or stairs?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
8. Is there unrestricted parking within 25 metres of an entrance door to the building?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

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

Maintenance liability for communal repairs along with the exact garden ground boundaries/ownership maybe verified from the Title Deeds.

Estimated reinstatement cost for insurance purposes

The current cost of reinstating the property maybe fairly stated at £120,000.

It should be noted this sum is an estimate calculated by using a rate per sq m based on information provided by Building Cost Information Service (BCIS).

Valuation and market comments

Market Value: FORTY FIVE THOUSAND POUNDS (£45,000) STERLING

Following buoyant market conditions over a prolonged period through the Covid 19 pandemic, there are now indications of a return to a more balanced level of supply and demand.

Signed

Security Print Code [587789 = 6104]
Electronically signed

Report author

Steven Buist

Company name

DM Hall

Address

13 Wemyssfield, Kirkcaldy, Fife, KY1 1XN

Date of report

14th February 2024

Mortgage Valuation Report



Property Address

Address GROUND FLOOR FLAT, 43 BALFOUR STREET, KIRKCALDY, FIFE, KY2 5HA
Seller's Name NIGEL COOKE (EXECUTOR)
Date of Inspection 6th February 2024

Property Details

Property Type House Bungalow Chalet Purpose built maisonette
 Coach Studio Converted maisonette Purpose built flat
 Converted flat Tenement flat Flat over non-residential use Other (specify in General Remarks)

Property Style Detached Semi detached Mid terrace End terrace
 Back to back High rise block Low rise block Other (specify in General Remarks)

Does the surveyor believe that the property was built for the public sector, e.g. local authority, military, police? Yes No

Flats/Maisonettes only Floor(s) on which located No. of floors in block Lift provided? Yes No
No. of units in block

Approximate Year of Construction

Tenure

Absolute Ownership Leasehold Ground rent £ Unexpired years

Accommodation

Number of Rooms Living room(s) Bedroom(s) Kitchen(s)
 Bathroom(s) WC(s) Other (Specify in General remarks)

Gross Floor Area (excluding garages and outbuildings) m² (Internal) m² (External)

Residential Element (greater than 40%) Yes No

Garage / Parking / Outbuildings

Single garage Double garage Parking space No garage / garage space / parking space
Available on site? Yes No

Permanent outbuildings:

None

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Construction

Walls Brick Stone Concrete Timber frame
 Solid Cavity Steel frame Concrete block Other (specify in General Remarks)

Roof Tile Slate Asphalt Felt
 Lead Zinc Artificial slate Flat glass fibre Other (specify in General Remarks)

Special Risks

Has the property suffered structural movement? Yes No
If Yes, is this recent or progressive? Yes No
Is there evidence, history, or reason to anticipate subsidence, heave, landslip or flood in the immediate vicinity? Yes No
If Yes to any of the above, provide details in General Remarks.

Service Connection

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 Mains Private None
Electricity Mains Private None
Central Heating Yes Partial None

Water Mains Private None
Gas Mains Private None

Brief description of Central Heating:

Gas fired radiator system.

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
 Agricultural land included with property Ill-defined boundaries Other (specify in General Remarks)

Location

Residential suburb Residential within town / city Mixed residential / commercial Mainly commercial
 Commuter village Remote village Isolated rural property Other (specify in General Remarks)

Planning Issues

Has the property been extended / converted / altered? Yes No

If Yes provide details in General Remarks.

Roads

Made up road Unmade road Partly completed new road Pedestrian access only Adopted Unadopted

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General Remarks

The property forms part of an established residential area being convenient for local amenities.

In general terms, the building was found to be in need of general internal modernisation and upgrading throughout to include the renewal of the fixtures/fittings. Externally there are some maintenance/repairing considerations which have also been reflected in the valuation.

There is evidence of past settlement having occurred in the building but within the limitations of my inspection I found no evidence to suggest that this appears recent, serious or ongoing.

High reading were recorded in the wall surfaces within the rear projection. Further investigation would be advisable. There is also condensation staining at places.

Maintenance liability for communal repairs along with the exact garden ground boundaries/ownership maybe verified from the Title Deeds.

Essential Repairs

None apparent.

Estimated cost of essential repairs £ Retention recommended? Yes No Amount £

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Comment on Mortgageability

The property requires full internal refurbishment and some lenders will restrict mortgage funds on this basis. Otherwise the property forms suitable security for mortgage purposes subject to individual lender's criteria being met.

Valuations

Market value in present condition £

Market value on completion of essential repairs £

Insurance reinstatement value £
(to include the cost of total rebuilding, site clearance, professional fees, ancillary charges plus VAT)

Is a reinspection necessary? Yes No

Buy To Let Cases

What is the reasonable range of monthly rental income for the property assuming a letting on a 6 month Short Assured Tenancy basis? £

Is the property in an area where there is a steady demand for rented accommodation of this type? Yes No

Declaration

Signed Security Print Code [587789 = 6104]
Electronically signed by:-

Surveyor's name Steven Buist

Professional qualifications MRICS

Company name DM Hall

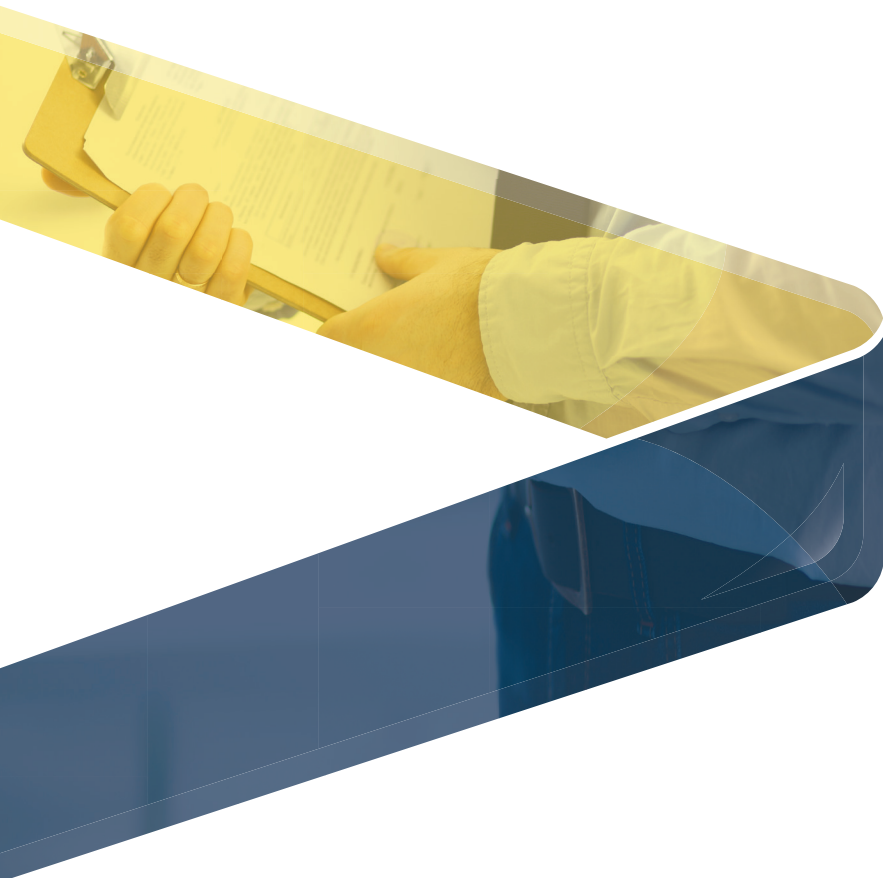
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Report date 14th February 2024

SINGLE SURVEY



DM HALL
CHARTERED SURVEYORS

Single Survey

survey report on:

Property address	GROUND FLOOR FLAT, 43 BALFOUR STREET, KIRKCALDY, FIFE, KY2 5HA
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Customer	NIGEL COOKE (EXECUTOR)
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Customer address	c/o MCKENZIES, SOLICITORS, 26 EAST FERGUS PLACE, KIRKCALDY, FIFE, KY1 1XT
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Prepared by	DM Hall
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Date of inspection	6th February 2024
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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 Property¹.

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 ticking 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.

¹ Which shall be in accordance with the current RICS Valuation Standards (The Red Book) and RICS Codes of Conduct.

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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.²

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

² Which shall be in accordance with the current RICS Valuation Standards (The Red Book) and RICS Rules of Conduct

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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.

1.1 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;

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- 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 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.
- 2 Category 2: 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*

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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	PURPOSE BUILT GROUND FLOOR FLAT contained within a two storey and attic converted block of similar flats.
Accommodation	Ground Floor: Entrance Hall, Living Room, Bedroom, Kitchen and Shower Room
Gross internal floor area (m²)	42 sq m or thereby.
Neighbourhood and location	The property forms part of an established residential area within central Kirkcaldy. The neighbouring properties are of a similar style with a range of local amenities being readily available nearby.
Age	1900 approx.
Weather	Dry and sunny.
Chimney stacks	Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate. There is a re-built brick built chimney stack on a gable end elevation.
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: The main roof is pitched and overlaid with natural slates incorporating substantial dormer projections at walls to the front and rear serving the flat above. The building design also involves a two storey projection at the rear which has a mono pitched roof overlaid with bituminous felt. There is a further small single storey projection at the rear which is pitched and overlaid with slates. Roof Space: The property is a lower flat with no access to the roof

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Roofing including roof space	space. This area has been developed by the flat above.
Rainwater fittings	<p>Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.</p> <p>The front elevation of the building supports a half round cast iron gutter connecting to a shared tubular downpipe. There are half round PVC gutters and similar downpipes at the rear.</p>
Main walls	<p>Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.</p> <p>Foundations and concealed parts were not exposed or inspected.</p> <p>The building is of solid sandstone wall construction being approx. 600mm thick with a pointed finish. The rear projection is of rendered single brick wall construction being approx. 150mm thick.</p>
Windows, external doors and joinery	<p>Internal and external doors were opened and closed where keys were available.</p> <p>Random windows were opened and closed where possible.</p> <p>Doors and windows were not forced open.</p> <p>Windows: Replacement UPVC framed double glazed window units have been installed which are of a fixed casement/pivot style.</p> <p>External Doors: The side access is via a UPVC panelled door.</p> <p>External Joinery: There are no further joinery items.</p>
External decorations	<p>Visually inspected.</p> <p>The cast iron rainwater fittings have been historically painted.</p>
Conservatories / porches	None.
Communal areas	<p>Circulation areas visually inspected.</p> <p>The extent of any communal areas maybe verified from the Title Deeds.</p>
Garages and permanent outbuildings	None.
Outside areas and boundaries	<p>Visually inspected.</p> <p>There is an area of garden at the rear which is bound by timber fences and the stone wall. There is also a shared drying green.</p> <p>The ownership of gardens maybe verified from the Title Deeds.</p>

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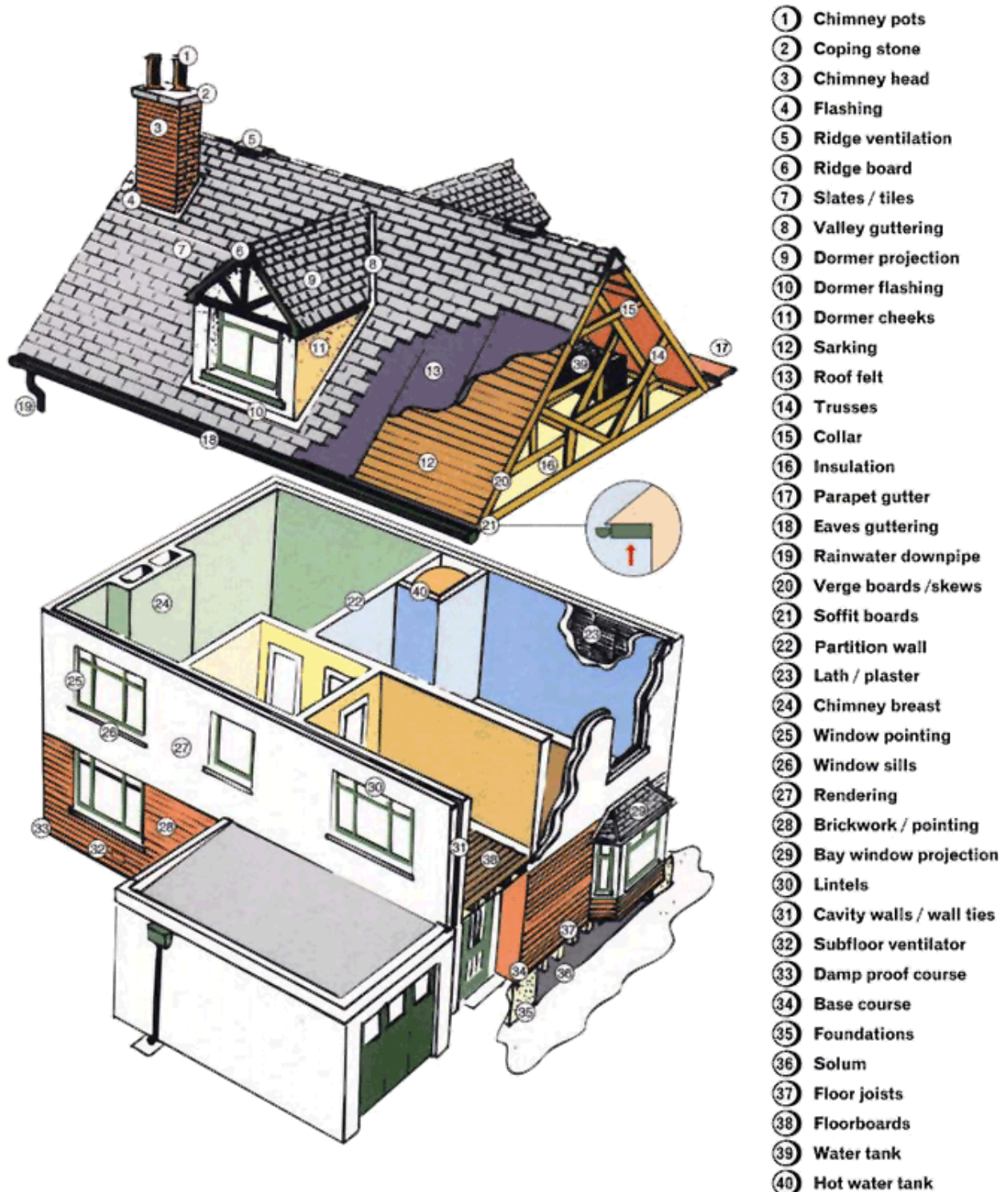
Ceilings	Visually inspected from floor level. The ceilings are of lath and plaster construction. The ceiling in the kitchen is lowered and lined with timber cladding.
Internal walls	Visually inspected from floor level. Using a moisture meter, walls were randomly tested for dampness where considered appropriate. The walls and partitions are formed in a mix of plaster on the hard, lath and plaster, and plasterboard finishes.
Floors including sub floors	Floors: The floors are formed with suspended timber joists overlaid with floorboards. Sub Floors: No sub-floor inspection was carried out.
Internal joinery and kitchen fittings	Built-in cupboards were looked into but no stored items were moved. Kitchen units were visually inspected excluding appliances. The internal doors are of a pine panel style. The kitchen has base and wall units with wood laminate doors and laminate worktops.
Chimney breasts and fireplaces	Visually inspected. No testing of the flues or fittings was carried out. The original fireplaces have been blocked over.
Internal decorations	Visually inspected. The property is decorated with papered and painted finishes.
Cellars	There are no cellars.
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. Mains supply installed. The electric meter and consumer unit are in a recess cupboard in the bedroom.

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Gas	<p>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.</p> <p>Mains supply installed. The gas meter is in an external box.</p>
Water, plumbing, bathroom fittings	<p>Visual inspection of the accessible pipework, water tanks, cylinders and fittings without removing any insulation.</p> <p>No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances.</p> <p>Mains supply installed. There is a white suite in the shower room along with a stainless steel sink unit and side drainer in the kitchen. Visible pipework is in copper or PVC.</p>
Heating and hot water	<p>Accessible parts of the system were visually inspected apart from communal systems, which were not inspected.</p> <p>No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances.</p> <p>A gas fired central heating system is installed being provided by a Worcester Greenstar 24i Junior boiler in a utility area at the rear of the kitchen. This serves a system of water filled radiators and also provides the domestic hot water.</p>
Drainage	<p>Drainage covers etc were not lifted.</p> <p>Neither drains nor drainage systems were tested.</p> <p>Drainage is via the main sewer.</p>
Fire, smoke and burglar alarms	<p>None.</p> <p>Legislation by the Scottish Government, which took effect from February 2022, requires all residential properties to have a system of inter-linked smoke alarms and heat detectors. Carbon monoxide detectors are also required where appropriate. Purchasers should appraise themselves of the requirements of this legislation, and engage with appropriately accredited contractors to ensure compliance.</p>
Any additional limits to inspection	<p>For flats / maisonettes</p> <p>Only the subject flat and internal communal areas giving access to the flat were inspected.</p> <p>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.</p>

<p>Any additional limits to inspection</p>	<p>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.</p> <p>The property was vacant and unfurnished although the floors were covered throughout and the inspection was consequently restricted. No sub-floor inspection was carried out as I did not identify a hatch. I did not gain access into the roof space. I would also reaffirm that the services in the property have not been checked/tested.</p> <p>Parts of the property, which are covered, unexposed or inaccessible, cannot be guaranteed to be free from defect.</p> <p>I have not carried out an inspection for Japanese Knotweed and unless otherwise stated, for the purposes of the valuation I have assumed that there is no Japanese Knotweed or other invasive plants within the boundaries of the property or in neighbouring properties.</p> <p>The report does not include an asbestos inspection. However asbestos was widely used in the building industry until around 2000, when it became a banned substance. If the possibility of asbestos based products has been reported within the limitations of the inspection and you have concerns you should engage a qualified asbestos surveyor. Any such materials should not be drilled or disturbed without prior advice from a licensed specialist.</p> <p>Random testing for dampness was undertaken internally with the use of a moisture meter where accessible and considered appropriate.</p> <p>Concealed areas beneath and around bath/shower trays were not visible. Water spillage in these areas can often be discovered unexpectedly with resultant damage to concealed parts of the fabric.</p> <p>The inspection is not a fire or life safety risk assessment and should not be relied on as a risk assessment inspection. Further advice should be sought if a specific risk assessment of the property and building that it forms part of is required.</p> <p>Where repairs are required at height compliance with Health and Safety legislation often requires the use of scaffolding which can significantly impact on the cost of repair. Pricing repairs is out with the remit of this report but it would be prudent to consider costs and budgeting before offering. The various trades can advise further.</p>
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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.


Single Survey


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
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.	Repairs or replacement requiring future attention, but estimates are still advised.	No immediate action or repair is needed.

 Structural movement	
Repair category	1
Notes	There is evidence of past settlement having occurred in the building but within the limitations of my inspection I found no evidence to suggest that this appears recent, serious or ongoing.

 Dampness, rot and infestation	
Repair category	3
Notes	High readings were recorded in the wall surfaces within the rear projection. Further investigation would be advisable. There is also condensation staining at places.

 Chimney stacks	
Repair category	1
Notes	No significant defects evident.

 Roofing including roof space	
Repair category	2
Notes	<p>Several slipped/dislodged slates on the small single storey rear projection where leakage may occur. Full replacement costs should be considered.</p> <p>The slates on the main roof are also original although repair and replacement costs should be budgeted for. Maintenance liabilities should be verified.</p> <p>Natural slates have an expected lifespan of up to 100 years or more depending on slate quality, source, thickness and cutting skill of the slater. Slates will deteriorate over time; nail fixings will corrode and loosen resulting in on-going maintenance requirements. Close quarter and disruptive inspections may reveal damage to roofing materials, especially where these are original. Regular maintenance should be anticipated particularly after adverse weather conditions.</p> <p>I am unable to comment on the condition of the felt roof covering at the rear within</p>



Roofing including roof space

Repair category	2
Notes	the limitations of a ground level appraisal. Felt roof coverings of this type do have a limited life expectancy and can fail without warning.



Rainwater fittings

Repair category	2
Notes	The cast iron conductors are subject to heavy rust/corrosion.



Main walls

Repair category	2
Notes	There is weathering to the stonework and mortar pointing notably on the side/gable end elevation. There is also cracking to the render at the rear. The rear projection is of single brick construction which is inferior by modern day building standards.



Windows, external doors and joinery

Repair category	3
Notes	The window units are old with joinery repair issues and the living room window is not secure.



External decorations

Repair category	2
Notes	The paintwork to the cast iron is in need of reapplication.



Conservatories/porches

Repair category	-
Notes	Not applicable.



Communal areas

Repair category	-
Notes	Not applicable.



Garages and permanent outbuildings

Repair category	-
Notes	Not applicable.



Outside areas and boundaries

Repair category	2
Notes	The gardens are unkempt requiring maintenance/landscaping. Repairs are also required to boundary stone walls.



Ceilings

Repair category	1
Notes	Plaster repairs maybe required prior to future redecoration.



Internal walls

Repair category	1
Notes	Any walls in contact with dampness/condensation may require plaster repairs.



Floors including sub-floors

Repair category	1
Notes	No visual defects identified by again any timbers in contact with dampness are vulnerable to a rot risk. Flooring within the rear utility cupboard/projection is wet (adjacent to the washing machine) albeit this is formed in solid concrete.



Internal joinery and kitchen fittings

Repair category	2
Notes	The kitchen units have a worn/used appearance. There is scope for the renewal of the internal joinery work throughout.



Chimney breasts and fireplaces

Repair category	1
Notes	It is good practice to ensure that blocked fireplace openings are suitable vented.



Internal decorations

Repair category	2
Notes	The property is in need of full internal redecoration.



Cellars

Repair category	-
Notes	Not applicable.



Electricity

Repair category	2
Notes	<p>The wiring appears to be of a mixed/older age. It is good practice to have the services checked by appropriate contractor upon entry.</p> <p>It is recommended that all electrical installations be checked every five years or on change of ownership to keep up to date with frequent changes in Safety Regulations. Further advice will be available from a qualified NICEIC/ SELECT registered Contractor. It should be appreciated that only recently constructed or rewired properties will have installations which fully comply with IET regulations.</p>



Gas

Repair category	1
Notes	Trade bodies governing gas installations currently advise that gas appliances should be tested prior to change in occupancy and thereafter at least once a year by a Gas Safe registered contractor. It is assumed that gas appliances comply with relevant regulations.



Water, plumbing and bathroom fittings

Repair category	2
Notes	The sanitary fittings in the shower room have a heavily worn used appearance. The kitchen sink unit is also in need of renewal.



Heating and hot water

Repair category	2
Notes	<p>The central heating radiators and associated pipework are of an older type. Again I would reaffirm that it is good practice to have the services checked upon entry.</p> <p>It is assumed that the heating and hot water systems have been properly serviced and maintained on a regular basis and installed in accordance with the relevant regulations.</p> <p>Boilers and central heating systems should be tested and serviced by a Gas Safe registered contractor on an annual basis to ensure their safe and efficient operation.</p>



Drainage

Repair category	1
Notes	There are no obvious blocked/choked drains onsite.

Single Survey

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	3
Chimney stacks	1
Roofing including roof space	2
Rainwater fittings	2
Main walls	2
Windows, external doors and joinery	3
External decorations	2
Conservatories/porches	-
Communal areas	-
Garages and permanent outbuildings	-
Outside areas and boundaries	2
Ceilings	1
Internal walls	1
Floors including sub-floors	1
Internal joinery and kitchen fittings	2
Chimney breasts and fireplaces	1
Internal decorations	2
Cellars	-
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. Where a 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 Floor
2. Are there three steps or fewer to a main entrance door of the property?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
3. Is there a lift to the main entrance door of the property?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
4. Are all door openings greater than 750mm?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
5. Is there a toilet on the same level as the living room and kitchen?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
6. Is there a toilet on the same level as a bedroom?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
7. Are all rooms on the same level with no internal steps or stairs?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
8. Is there unrestricted parking within 25 metres of an entrance door to the building?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

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

Maintenance liability for communal repairs along with the exact garden ground boundaries/ownership maybe verified from the Title Deeds.

Estimated reinstatement cost for insurance purposes

The current cost of reinstating the property maybe fairly stated at £120,000.

It should be noted this sum is an estimate calculated by using a rate per sq m based on information provided by Building Cost Information Service (BCIS).

Valuation and market comments

Market Value: FORTY FIVE THOUSAND POUNDS (£45,000) STERLING

Following buoyant market conditions over a prolonged period through the Covid 19 pandemic, there are now indications of a return to a more balanced level of supply and demand.

Signed

Security Print Code [587789 = 6104]
Electronically signed

Report author

Steven Buist

Company name

DM Hall

Address

13 Wemyssfield, Kirkcaldy, Fife, KY1 1XN

Date of report

14th February 2024

Mortgage Valuation Report



Property Address

Address GROUND FLOOR FLAT, 43 BALFOUR STREET, KIRKCALDY, FIFE, KY2 5HA
Seller's Name NIGEL COOKE (EXECUTOR)
Date of Inspection 6th February 2024

Property Details

Property Type House Bungalow Chalet Purpose built maisonette
 Coach Studio Converted maisonette Purpose built flat
 Converted flat Tenement flat Flat over non-residential use Other (specify in General Remarks)

Property Style Detached Semi detached Mid terrace End terrace
 Back to back High rise block Low rise block Other (specify in General Remarks)

Does the surveyor believe that the property was built for the public sector, e.g. local authority, military, police?

Yes No

Flats/Maisonettes only Floor(s) on which located No. of floors in block Lift provided? Yes No
No. of units in block

Approximate Year of Construction

Tenure

Absolute Ownership Leasehold Ground rent £ Unexpired years

Accommodation

Number of Rooms Living room(s) Bedroom(s) Kitchen(s)
 Bathroom(s) WC(s) Other (Specify in General remarks)

Gross Floor Area (excluding garages and outbuildings) m² (Internal) m² (External)

Residential Element (greater than 40%) Yes No

Garage / Parking / Outbuildings

Single garage Double garage Parking space No garage / garage space / parking space
Available on site? Yes No

Permanent outbuildings:

None

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Construction

Walls Brick Stone Concrete Timber frame
 Solid Cavity Steel frame Concrete block Other (specify in General Remarks)

Roof Tile Slate Asphalt Felt
 Lead Zinc Artificial slate Flat glass fibre Other (specify in General Remarks)

Special Risks

Has the property suffered structural movement? Yes No
If Yes, is this recent or progressive? Yes No
Is there evidence, history, or reason to anticipate subsidence, heave, landslip or flood in the immediate vicinity? Yes No
If Yes to any of the above, provide details in General Remarks.

Service Connection

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 Mains Private None
Electricity Mains Private None
Central Heating Yes Partial None

Water Mains Private None
Gas Mains Private None

Brief description of Central Heating:

Gas fired radiator system.

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
 Agricultural land included with property Ill-defined boundaries Other (specify in General Remarks)

Location

Residential suburb Residential within town / city Mixed residential / commercial Mainly commercial
 Commuter village Remote village Isolated rural property Other (specify in General Remarks)

Planning Issues

Has the property been extended / converted / altered? Yes No

If Yes provide details in General Remarks.

Roads

Made up road Unmade road Partly completed new road Pedestrian access only Adopted Unadopted

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General Remarks

The property forms part of an established residential area being convenient for local amenities.

In general terms, the building was found to be in need of general internal modernisation and upgrading throughout to include the renewal of the fixtures/fittings. Externally there are some maintenance/repairing considerations which have also been reflected in the valuation.

There is evidence of past settlement having occurred in the building but within the limitations of my inspection I found no evidence to suggest that this appears recent, serious or ongoing.

High reading were recorded in the wall surfaces within the rear projection. Further investigation would be advisable. There is also condensation staining at places.

Maintenance liability for communal repairs along with the exact garden ground boundaries/ownership maybe verified from the Title Deeds.

Essential Repairs

None apparent.

Estimated cost of essential repairs £ Retention recommended? Yes No Amount £

Mortgage Valuation Report

Comment on Mortgageability

The property requires full internal refurbishment and some lenders will restrict mortgage funds on this basis. Otherwise the property forms suitable security for mortgage purposes subject to individual lender's criteria being met.

Valuations

Market value in present condition £

Market value on completion of essential repairs £

Insurance reinstatement value £
(to include the cost of total rebuilding, site clearance, professional fees, ancillary charges plus VAT)

Is a reinspection necessary? Yes No

Buy To Let Cases

What is the reasonable range of monthly rental income for the property assuming a letting on a 6 month Short Assured Tenancy basis? £

Is the property in an area where there is a steady demand for rented accommodation of this type? Yes No

Declaration

Signed Security Print Code [587789 = 6104]
Electronically signed by:-
Surveyor's name Steven Buist
Professional qualifications MRICS
Company name DM Hall
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Report date 14th February 2024

PROPERTY QUESTIONNAIRE



DM HALL
CHARTERED SURVEYORS

property questionnaire

Property address	43 C BALFOUR STREET KILKALDY KY2 5HA
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Seller(s)	EXECUTORS OF NEIL RITCHIE
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Completion date of property questionnaire	7 FEB 2024
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property questionnaire

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 24 YEARS (approx)
	How long have you owned the property?
2.	Council tax
	Which Council Tax band is your property in? (Please tick one)
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D <input type="checkbox"/> E <input type="checkbox"/> F <input type="checkbox"/> G <input type="checkbox"/> H
3.	Parking
	What are the arrangements for parking at your property? (Please tick all that apply)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Garage <input type="checkbox"/> • Allocated parking space <input type="checkbox"/> • Driveway <input type="checkbox"/> • Shared parking <input type="checkbox"/> • On street <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> • Resident permit <input type="checkbox"/> • Metered parking <input type="checkbox"/> • 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)?
	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Don't know

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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)?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
6.	Alterations/additions/extensions	
a.	<p>(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)?</p> <p><u>If you have answered yes</u>, please describe below the changes which you have made:</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No NOT KNOWN
	<p>(ii) Did you obtain planning permission, building warrant, completion certificate and other consents for this work?</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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:</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
b.	<p>Have you had replacement windows, doors, patio doors or double glazing installed in your property?</p> <p><u>If you have answered yes</u>, please answer the three questions below:</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No NOT KNOWN
	(i) Were the replacements the same shape and type as the ones you replaced?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
	(ii) Did this work involve any changes to the window or door openings?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
	<p>(iii) Please describe the changes made to the windows doors, or patio doors (with approximate dates when the work was completed):</p> <p>Please give any guarantees which you received for this work to your solicitor or estate agent.</p>	

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7.	Central heating	
a.	<p>Is there a central heating system in your property?</p> <p>(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).</p> <p><u>If you have answered yes or partial</u> – what kind of central heating is there?</p> <p>(Examples: gas-fired, solid fuel, electric storage heating, gas warm air).</p> <p><u>If you have answered yes</u>, please answer the three questions below:</p>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Partial
	(i) When was your central heating system or partial central heating system installed?	
	<p>(ii) Do you have a maintenance contract for the central heating system?</p> <p>If you have answered yes, please give details of the company with which you have a maintenance contract:</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
	(iii) When was your maintenance agreement last renewed? (Please provide the month and year).	
8.	Energy Performance Certificate	
	Does your property have an Energy Performance Certificate which is less than 10 years old?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
9.	Issues that may have affected your property	
a.	<p>Has there been any storm, flood, fire or other structural damage to your property while you have owned it?</p> <p><u>If you have answered yes</u>, is the damage the subject of any outstanding insurance claim?</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>NOT KNOWN</i></p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
b.	Are you aware of the existence of asbestos in your property?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes

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	<u>If you have answered yes, please give details:</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
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property questionnaire

10. Services

a. Please tick which services are connected to your property and give details of the supplier:

Services

Connected

Supplier

Gas or liquid petroleum gas

SCOTTISH POWER

Water mains or private water supply

Electricity

SCOTTISH POWER

Mains drainage

~~Telephone~~

~~Cable TV or satellite~~

~~Broadband~~

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b.	Is there a septic tank system at your property?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
	<u>If you have answered yes</u> , please answer the two questions below:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
	(iv) Do you have appropriate consents for the discharge from your septic tank?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Don't Know
	(v) Do you have a maintenance contract for your septic tank?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
	<u>If you have answered yes</u> , please give details of the company with which you have a maintenance contract:	<input type="checkbox"/> No

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11.	Responsibilities for shared or common areas	
a.	<p>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?</p> <p><u>If you have answered yes</u>, please give details:</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Don't Know
b.	<p>Is there a responsibility to contribute to repair and maintenance of the roof, common stairwell or other common areas?</p> <p><u>If you have answered yes</u>, please give details:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">NOT KNOWN</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not applicable
c.	<p>Has there been any major repair or replacement of any part of the roof during the time you have owned the property?</p> <p style="text-align: center;">NOT KNOWN</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
d.	<p>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?</p> <p><u>If you have answered yes</u>, please give details:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">NOT KNOWN</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
e.	<p>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?</p> <p><u>If you have answered yes</u>, please give details:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">NOT KNOWN</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
f.	<p>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.)</p> <p><u>If you have answered yes</u>, please give details:</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
12.	Charges associated with your property	
a.	<p>Is there a factor or property manager for your property?</p> <p><u>If you have answered yes</u>, please provide the name and address, and give details of any deposit held and approximate charges:</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

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<p>b.</p>	<p>Is there a common buildings insurance policy?</p> <p>If you have answered yes, is the cost of the insurance included in your monthly/annual factor's charges?</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Don't Know</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Don't Know</p>
<p>c.</p>	<p>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.</p>	
<p>13. Specialist works</p>		
<p>a.</p>	<p>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?</p> <p><u>If you have answered yes</u>, 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.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">NOT KNOWN</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> No</p>
<p>b.</p>	<p>As far as you are aware, has any preventative work for dry rot, wet rot, or damp ever been carried out to your property?</p> <p><u>If you have answered yes</u>, please give details:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">NOT KNOWN</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> No</p>
<p>c.</p>	<p><u>If you have answered yes</u> to 13(a) or (b), do you have any guarantees relating to this work?</p> <p><u>If you have answered yes</u>, 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 <u>please write below who has these documents</u> 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.</p> <p>Guarantees are held by:</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> No</p>

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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	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(ii)	Roofing	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(iii)	Central heating	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(iv)	National House Building Council (NHBC)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(v)	Damp course	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(vi)	Any other work or installations? (for example, cavity wall insulation, underpinning, indemnity policy)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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?				<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
	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 the last 10 years?				<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Don't know	
	If you have answered yes, please give details:					

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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? NOT KNOWN	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
b.	that affects your property in some other way? NOT KNOWN	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
c.	that requires you to do any maintenance, repairs or improvements to your property? NOT KNOWN	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<u>If you have answered yes to any of a-c above</u> , 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.		

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