HOME REPORT







ENERGY PERFORMANCE CERTIFICATE



Energy Performance Certificate (EPC)

Dwellings

Scotland

31 ABBOTSHALL ROAD, KIRKCALDY, KY2 5PH

Dwelling type: Semi-detached house

Date of assessment:22 April 2024Date of certificate:25 April 2024Total floor area:149 m²

Primary Energy Indicator: 376 kWh/m²/year

Reference number: 3514-8624-6100-0062-3226 **Type of assessment:** RdSAP, existing dwelling

Approved Organisation: Elmhurst

Main heating and fuel: Boiler and radiators, mains

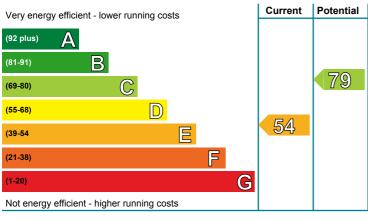
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You can use this document to:

- Compare current ratings of properties to see which are more energy efficient and environmentally friendly
- Find out how to save energy and money and also reduce CO₂ emissions by improving your home

Estimated energy costs for your home for 3 years*	£11,076	See your recommendations
Over 3 years you could save*	£4,281	report for more information

^{*} based upon the cost of energy for heating, hot water, lighting and ventilation, calculated using standard assumptions

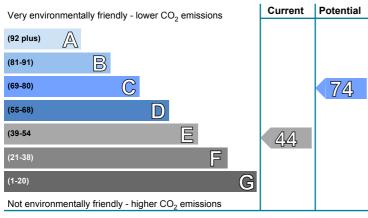


Energy Efficiency Rating

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

Your current rating is **band E (54)**. The average rating for EPCs in Scotland is **band D (61)**.

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



Environmental Impact (CO₂) Rating

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

Your current rating is **band E (44)**. The average rating for EPCs in Scotland is **band D (59)**.

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

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

Recommended measures	Indicative cost	Typical savings over 3 years
1 Internal or external wall insulation	£4,000 - £14,000	£2613.00
2 Floor insulation (suspended floor)	£800 - £1,200	£993.00
3 Solar water heating	£4,000 - £6,000	£264.00

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

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

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

Summary of the energy performance related features of this home

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

Element	Description	Energy Efficiency	Environmental
Walls	Sandstone or limestone, as built, no insulation (assumed)	***	***
Roof	Pitched, 300 mm loft insulation Pitched, 100 mm loft insulation	**** ***☆☆	**** ***
Floor	Suspended, no insulation (assumed) To unheated space, no insulation (assumed)	_ _	_ _
Windows	Fully double glazed	★★★☆☆	★★★☆☆
Main heating	Boiler and radiators, mains gas	★★★★☆	★★★ ☆
Main heating controls	Programmer, room thermostat and TRVs	****	★★★ ☆
Secondary heating	Room heaters, mains gas	_	_
Hot water	From main system	****	****
Lighting	Low energy lighting in 85% of fixed outlets	****	****

The energy efficiency rating of your home

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

As we all use our homes in different ways, the energy rating is calculated using standard occupancy assumptions which may be different from the way you use it. The rating also uses national weather information to allow comparison between buildings in different parts of Scotland. However, to make information more relevant to your home, local weather data is used to calculate your energy use, CO₂ emissions, running costs and the savings possible from making improvements.

The impact of your home on the environment

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

The calculated emissions for your home are 66 kg CO₂/m²/yr.

The average Scottish household produces about 6 tonnes of carbon dioxide every year. Based on this assessment, heating and lighting this home currently produces approximately 9.9 tonnes of carbon dioxide every year. Adopting recommendations in this report can reduce emissions and protect the environment. If you were to install all of these recommendations this could reduce emissions by 5.0 tonnes per year. You could reduce emissions even more by switching to renewable energy sources.

Estimated energy costs for this home

	Current energy costs	Potential energy costs	Potential future savings
Heating	£9,717 over 3 years	£5,742 over 3 years	
Hot water	£798 over 3 years	£492 over 3 years	You could
Lighting	£561 over 3 years	£561 over 3 years	save £4,281
Total	£11,076	£6,795	over 3 years

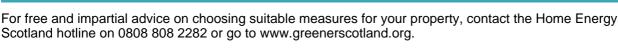
These figures show how much the average household would spend in this property for heating, lighting and hot water. This excludes energy use for running appliances such as TVs, computers and cookers, and the benefits of any electricity generated by this home (for example, from photovoltaic panels). The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

Recommendations for improvement

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

Recommended measures		Indicative cost	Typical saving	Rating after improvement	
		Indicative cost	per year	Energy	Environment
1	Internal or external wall insulation	£4,000 - £14,000	£871	D 65	D 57
2	Floor insulation (suspended floor)	£800 - £1,200	£331	C 69	D 63
3	Solar water heating	£4,000 - £6,000	£88	C 70	D 65
4	Replacement glazing units	£1,000 - £1,400	£139	C 72	D 67
5	Solar photovoltaic panels, 2.5 kWp	£3,500 - £5,500	£528	C 79	C 74

Choosing the right improvement package





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

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

1 Internal or external wall insulation

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

2 Floor insulation (suspended floor)

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

3 Solar water heating

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

4 Replacement glazing units

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

5 Solar photovoltaic (PV) panels

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

Low and zero carbon energy sources

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

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

Your home's heat demand

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

Heat demand	Existing dwelling	Impact of loft insulation	Impact of cavity wall insulation	Impact of solid wall insulation
Space heating (kWh per year)	26,948	(176)	N/A	(7,637)
Water heating (kWh per year)	2,991			

Addendum

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

About this document

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

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

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Assessor membership number: EES/012600

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Related party disclosure: No related party

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

Use of this energy performance information

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

Advice and support to improve this property

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

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

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SINGLE SURVEY



survey report on:

Property address	31 ABBOTSHALL ROAD, KIRKCALDY, FIFE, KY2 5PH
Customer	Mr C Webster
Customer address	
Prepared by	DM Hall LLP
Date of inspection	22nd April 2024



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.

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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.

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

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;

- 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

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	Semi detached house.
Accommodation	GROUND FLOOR: Entrance Vestibule, Hall, Lounge, Bedroom with ensuite Shower Room, Study, under stair Toilet and Kitchen with Rear Vestibule off.
	FIRST FLOOR: Landing, Drawing Room, Two Bedrooms and Shower Room.
Gross internal floor area (m²)	149 m² or thereby.
Neighbourhood and location	The property is located within an established residential district just out with the centre of Kirkcaldy opposite a bowling club and Beverage Park while there is a railway line embankment to the rear. Usual main facilities can be found locally.
Age	Thought to date from around 1900.
Weather	Dry and bright.
Chimney stacks	Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.
	There are two chimneys of stone construction. The rear chimney is shared with the adjoining house. There are clay pots at the gable chimney.
Roofing including roof space	Sloping roofs were visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.
	Roof spaces were visually inspected and were entered where there was safe and reasonable access, normally defined as being from a 3m ladder within the property.
	If this is not possible, then physical access to the roof space may be taken by other means if the Surveyor deems it safe

Pacing including roof cases	and managed to do as
Roofing including roof space	and reasonable to do so.
	Roof coverings are timber pitched and slated with zinc ridging and hips and incorporating metal valley gutters.
	There is a hatch to the main roof space above the shower room.
Rainwater fittings	Vigually inapported with the gid of himseulers where
Kamwater mungs	Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.
	Rainwater fittings are a mixture of cast iron and PVC.
Main walls	Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where
	appropriate.
	Foundations and concealed parts were not exposed or inspected.
	Mains walls are of traditional solid stone while the party wall is of brick.
Windows, external doors and joinery	Internal and external doors were opened and closed where
	keys were available.
	Random windows were opened and closed where possible.
	Doors and windows were not forced open.
	There is a timber panelled entrance door at the front with single glazed deadlight above and a flush panel door to the rear with beading features added externally.
	Windows are mainly of uPVC sash style with sealed unit double glazing while there is a roof light in the rear main roof face that provides daylight to a glazed ceiling panel over the stair.
External decorations	Visually inspected.
	There are painted/varnished external decorations and PVC finishes.
Conservatories / porches	None.
Communal areas	Nama
Communal areas	None.
Garages and permanent outbuildings	Visually inspected.
	There is an integral single garage housed beneath the rear kitchen outshoot with small roughcast brick projection under a slated roof where there is an electrically operated roller vehicular door. There are stone steps with metal railings around giving access to the rear kitchen door supported by rendered brick walling with timber door allowing for storage beneath.
	Other outbuildings include a timber and felt tiled studio within the rear garden with single glazed windows and doors and polycarbonate roofing panels. There is also a small timber and felt

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Garages and permanent outbuildings	summerhouse at the bottom of the garden.
Outside areas and boundaries	Visually inspected.
	The property is set back from Abbotshall Road with a small area of garden bounded by low stone walling and metal fencing and here there is a wrought iron gate. There is a sloping tarmacadam path shared with the neighbouring house that gives direct access to the rear garden and the garage. This garden area is mostly finished in gravel, paving and grass and part planted out. This is bounded mainly by stone walls and partly by timber fencing at the bottom where there are timber and metal gates onto the railway embankment.
Ceilings	Visually inspected from floor level.
Cennigs	Ceilings are mainly of lath and plaster with some original cornicing retained which is ornate in the front lounge and drawing room. There are also some plasterboard ceilings where alterations have been made and timber panelling in the under stair toilet and bathroom.
Internal walls	Visually inspected from floor level.
	Using a moisture meter, walls were randomly tested for dampness where considered appropriate.
	Internal walls are mainly a mixture of brick plastered on the hard, lath and plaster and partly of plasterboard where alterations have been made while walls around the shower apartment off the ground floor bedroom are lined in laminate boarding.
Floors including sub floors	Surfaces of exposed floors were visually inspected. No carpets or floor coverings were lifted.
	Sub-floor areas were inspected only to the extent visible from a readily accessible and unfixed hatch by way of an inverted "head and shoulders" inspection at the access point.
	Physical access to the sub floor area may be taken if the Surveyor deems it is safe and reasonable to do so, and subject to a minimum clearance of 1m between the underside of floor joists and the solum as determined from the access hatch.
	Floors are mainly of suspended timber while there is a concrete floor with tiled finish at the entrance vestibule. There are fitted floor coverings throughout including some laminate and tiled finishes.

Internal joinery and kitchen fittings

Built-in cupboards were looked into but no stored items were moved.

Kitchen units were visually inspected excluding appliances.

Internal doors are a mixture of timber panelled, flush panel, timber and glazed and moulded panel styles with mainly moulded skirtings and facings around. There is also timber panelling retained around window openings.

Internal joinery and kitchen fittings	There is a timber stair to first floor level with carved railings around.
	Kitchen fittings comprise floor and wall mounted units.
Chimney breasts and fireplaces	Visually inspected.
	No testing of the flues or fittings was carried out.
	There is a cast iron and tiled fireplace with a polished stone hearth in the ground floor lounge that is fitted with a living flame gas fire and in the first floor drawing room above there is a timber and tiled fireplace also with living flame gas fire fitted.
	While a recess has been retained as a feature in the first floor main bedroom, fireplaces elsewhere have been removed.
Internal decorations	Viewally in an exted
internal decorations	Visually inspected.
	There are a mixture of papered, painted and tiled internal decorations.
Cellars	Visually inspected where there was a safe and purpose-built
Contains	access.
	There is a timber and part glazed door at the rear that gives access to an under floor cellar area used for storage and as a workshop with a supply of power and light. This area while mainly unlined has flooring mostly finished in concrete or paving. The floor of this area slopes up towards the front restricting head height.
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 with meter located in a cupboard off the entrance vestibule.
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Gas	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.
	Mains supply with meter located in the garage.

Water, plumbing, bathroom fittings

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

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

Mains water supply with plumbing of copper and PVC where seen. The mains water stopcock is located under the entrance vestibule in the cellar area. There are mostly lagged galvanised steel cold water storage tanks in the attic. There is a stainless steel sink unit and plumbing for a dishwasher in the kitchen while there is plumbing for a washing machine in the under stair cupboard where there is also a white two piece toilet suite.

There is a white three piece shower suite at first floor level that includes a tiled shower cubicle with glazed screen/door around and an apartment off the ground floor bedroom houses a white two piece shower suite with shower cubicle lined in laminate boarding having a glazed screen/door.

Heating and hot water

Accessible parts of the system were visually inspected apart from communal systems, which were not inspected.

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

There is a gas fired central heating system with boiler located in the garage. This serves radiators throughout most of the main living accommodation. The boiler also provides hot water with insulated storage tank located in a cupboard off the kitchen.

Drainage

Drainage covers etc were not lifted.

Neither drains nor drainage systems were tested.

Drainage is to the mains sewer.

Fire, smoke and burglar alarms

Visually inspected.

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

There is a provision for smoke/heat detectors.

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.

The existence or otherwise of a burglar alarm has not been commented on for security reasons.

Any additional limits to inspection

Parts of the property, which are covered, unexposed or inaccessible, cannot be guaranteed to be free from defect. The property was fully furnished and all floors were covered. Floor coverings restricted my inspection of flooring and no access was available beneath sanitary or kitchen fittings. Cupboards were full of stored items.

In accordance with Health and Safety guidelines I have not disturbed insulation, furniture or personal effects (particularly in cupboards). Floor coverings have not been moved.

Random testing for dampness was undertaken internally with the use of a moisture meter where accessible and considered appropriate.

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.

My physical inspection of the roof void area was restricted due to insulation material and lack of suitable crawl boards. As a result the roof void area was only viewed from around the access hatch.

My inspection of the roof covering was restricted from ground level and some parts were not visible to the rear.

Windows could not all be fully opened or tested due to blinds/curtains or being locked.

The circuits and services, including the central heating system, were not tested or checked.

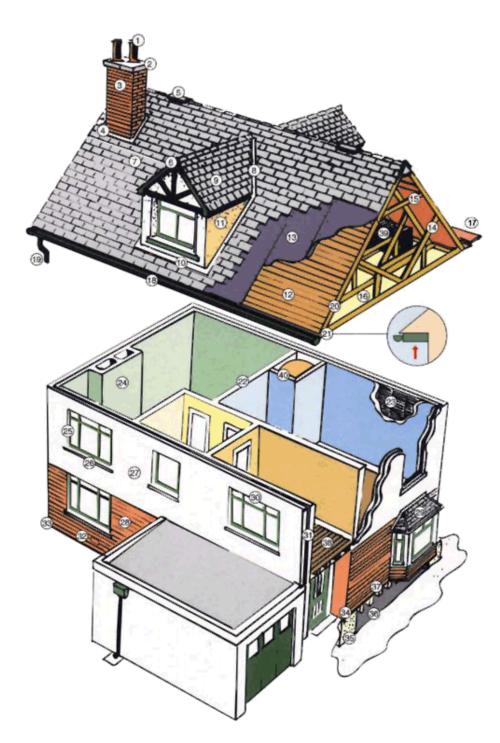
I have not carried out an inspection for Japanese Knotweed and unless otherwise stated, for the purposes of the valuation I have assumed that there is no Japanese Knotweed or other invasive plants within the boundaries of the property or in neighbouring properties.

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.

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.

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.

Sectional Diagram showing elements of a typical house



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

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

2. Condition

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

Category 3	Category 2	Category 1
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	No obvious evidence of significant movement noted within the limitations of my inspection.

Dampness, rot and infestation	
Repair category	2
Notes	Evidence of woodworm activity was noted affecting roof timbers.
	Staining was noted to the ceiling of the main first floor bedroom although this may be historic. Damp staining generally was noted to sarking timbers seen within the attic.
	Some damp timbers were noted where in contact with stonework around the front of the cellar area.
	Further investigation can be carried out by a firm of timber and damp specialists with a view to having all necessary remedial repairs implemented.

Chimney stacks	
Repair category	1
Notes	Stone work at chimneys does show some usual signs of weathering that has caused erosion in places. It is assumed that obsolete flues pertaining to this house have been suitably capped although this could not be confirmed from my visual inspection. Pots have been removed from the mutual rear chimney.

Roofing including roof space	
Repair category	2
Notes	While not all roof elevations could be viewed from ground level, it does appear that some maintenance has been carried out over the years with newer sections

Roofing including roof space	
Repair category	2
Notes	of metal work noted in places etc. However, a number of chipped, broken and loose slates were still apparent. There are signs of some damp staining to timbers within the main roof space although this may be historic.
	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.
	A reputable roofing contractor can be asked to inspect the roof structure to advise on all necessary repairs to ensure wind and water tightness. Inspection at close quarters may reveal further deterioration/damage to roofing materials, especially where these are original. Regular maintenance is anticipated until replacement.

Rainwater fittings	
Repair category	2
Notes	Damp staining to stone work was noted at the side wall of the rear outshoot below a downpipe The reason for this is not clear and should be investigated further.

Main walls	
Repair category	2
Notes	Weathering has caused erosion to stone work and mortar pointing resulting in open joints in places mainly around the rear and there is also some delamination of stone work, most noticeable at the lintel over the rear ground floor bedroom window. This can be investigated and repairs carried out as necessary by a competent local builder.

Windows, external doors and joinery		
Repair category	2	
Notes	The window units are of an older type. Windows were not all fully opened or tested and it should be appreciated that some defects are only evident during certain weather conditions. The seals to older double glazed units often fail resulting in condensation between the panes of glass. Such failings are not considered to be significant because the window remains functional albeit not as double glazing. This can occur without warning and may only be seen in certain weather conditions. Within the limitations of my inspection however, no significant defects were noted.	
	Windows units/ access doors have been replaced in the past. Random windows and doors are opened but not all and inspections can be restricted by window blinds, curtains, ornaments etc. Handles, locks and opening mechanisms can deteriorate through usage and repair or replacement can be anticipated on an ad hoc basis. No assurances can be provided that all window fitments are functional. A loose sash was noted at the ground floor bedroom window.	

External decorations	
Repair category	2
Notes	Decoration does show signs of weathering and is started to flake in places most noticeably around the entrance door.

Conservatories/porches	
Repair category	-
Notes	Not applicable.

Communal areas	
Repair category	-
Notes	Not applicable.

Garages and permanent outbuildings	
Repair category	1
Notes	Some gaps have developed as a result of differential settlement between the brick addition to the garage entrance and rear stone wall but this may have occurred early on in the life of this structure. While on the basis of my visual inspection, no guarantee can be given as the future, the likelihood of further significant movement is thought to be remote. Damaged guttering was noted over the garage doorway. Timbers around the base of the garden studio show signs of starting to decay in places.

Outside areas and boundaries	
Repair category	1
Notes	No significant defects evident.

Ceilings	
Repair category	2
Notes	Some areas of cracking was noted to older ceiling plaster, most noticeable around the entrance vestibule and rear of the hall although also in the kitchen. Some plaster repairs in the course of redecoration should be envisaged.

Ceilings	
Repair category	2
Notes	A run of cornice work around the original rear ground floor bedroom has been spoiled where the room has been divided.

Internal walls	
Repair category	1
Notes	No significant defects evident.

Floors including sub-floors	
Repair category	1
Notes	No significant defects evident, although it should be stressed that virtually no inspection of flooring was possible due to the extent of fitted floor coverings and furnishings.
	Some areas of creaking floorboard were noted.
	It is not unusual to discover areas of past water spillage when floor coverings are removed in kitchen and bathroom compartments, revealing the need for further repair and maintenance work.

Internal joinery and kitchen fittings	
Repair category	2
Notes	Glazed inserts to interior doors may not be of appropriate toughened glass or meet the recognised Building Standards.
	In addition to the disabled chair lift fitted at the rear steps to the back door, there is a chair lift at the stair within the house. It is assumed that this will be removed and original handrail at the wall around reinstated.

Chimney breasts and fireplaces	
Repair category	1
Notes	It is assumed that the gas fire has been installed in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations for fluing and ventilation and that this has been regularly checked and tested. All test documentation should be obtained and authenticated at the point of sale. In the absence of any such documentation, the appliance should be tested by a registered engineer prior to use.

Internal decorations	
Repair category	1
Notes	No significant defects evident.

Cellars	
Repair category	1
Notes	No significant defects evident.

Electricity	
Repair category	2
Notes	Aspects of the electrical installation are dated/suspect including an older style fuse box. The system should be checked by an NICEIC/SELECT registered electrician and upgraded if necessary. Further issues may be identified that are not readily visible.
	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.

Gas	
Repair category	1
Notes	No significant defects evident. 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	Cold water tanks in the attic are of galvanised steel. While a close inspection of these was not possible, there are signs of corrosion to the main cold water tank seen where insulation around is loose. This type of tank does have a limited life and should now be checked with a view to replacement. No tests have been undertaken of the system, however within the limitations of my inspection, no other significant defects were noted.

Heating and hot water	
Repair category	1
Notes	No tests have been undertaken of the heating or hot water systems, however within the limitations of my inspection, no significant defects were noted. 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.
	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.

Drainage	
Repair category	1
Notes No significant defects evident.	

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

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

Category 3

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

Category 2

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

Category 1

No immediate action or repair is needed.

Remember

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

Warning

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

3. Accessibility information

Guidance notes on accessibility information

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

In flatted developments the 'main entrance' would be the flat's own entrance door, not the external door to the communal stair. The 'three steps or fewer' are counted from external ground level to the flat's entrance door. 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 & first
2. Are there three steps or fewer to a main entrance door of the property?	Yes X No
3. Is there a lift to the main entrance door of the property?	Yes No X
4. Are all door openings greater than 750mm?	Yes No X
5. Is there a toilet on the same level as the living room and kitchen?	Yes X No
6. Is there a toilet on the same level as a bedroom?	Yes X No
7. Are all rooms on the same level with no internal steps or stairs?	Yes No X
8. Is there unrestricted parking within 25 metres of an entrance door to the building?	Yes X No

4. Valuation and conveyancer issues

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

Matters for a solicitor or licensed conveyancer

Some internal alterations have been carried out that include the installation of a toilet under the stair, the division of one of the rear rooms to create a bedroom, study and shower apartment and the shower room off the first floor landing is unlikely to have been an original feature. Dates of these works however are not known.

It is assumed all necessary Local Authority and other consents have been obtained for alterations and the appropriate documentation, including Building Warrants and Completion Certificates issued. If any works did not require consent then it is assumed they meet the standards required by the Building Regulations or are exempt.

There is a driveway shared with a neighbouring house giving direct vehicular access to the rear. There is also a gate at the bottom of the garden onto the railway embankment although it is not clear that there is any right of access to this area. The exact extent of the grounds pertaining to the property along with ownership of boundaries and rights and liabilities for the shared access way should be confirmed by reference to the Title Deeds.

Estimated reinstatement cost for insurance purposes

For Reinstatement Cost Assessment purposes, it is recommended that the subjects be insured for a sum of not less than £740,000 (SEVEN HUNDRED AND FORTY THOUSAND POUNDS).

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

Valuation and market comments

Having considered matters, taking account of my general observations on site, I am of the opinion that the Market Value of the subjects in their present condition and with the benefit of vacant possession may be fairly stated in the sum of £350,000 (THREE HUNDRED AND FIFTY THOUSAND POUNDS).

Against a backdrop of changing economic circumstances and increasing interest rates, it is not possible to predict how the market will perform in the coming months although market conditions continue to be stable at present

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Date of report	25th April 2024



Property Address	
Address Seller's Name Date of Inspection	31 ABBOTSHALL ROAD, KIRKCALDY, FIFE, KY2 5PH Mr C Webster 22nd April 2024
Property Details	
Property Type	X 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 X Semi detached ■ Mid terrace ■ End terrace □ Back to back □ High rise block □ Low rise block □ Other (specify in General Remarks)
Does the surveyor be e.g. local authority, m	elieve that the property was built for the public sector, Yes X No nilitary, police?
Flats/Maisonettes on	
Approximate Year of	No. of units in block Construction
Tenure	
X Absolute Ownership	Leasehold Ground rent £ Unexpired years
Accommodation	
Number of Rooms	2 Living room(s) 3 Bedroom(s) 1 Kitchen(s) 2 Bathroom(s) 1 WC(s) 0 Other (Specify in General remarks)
Gross Floor Area (ex	ccluding garages and outbuildings) 149 m² (Internal) m² (External)
Residential Element	(greater than 40%) X Yes No
Garage / Parking /	Outbuildings
X Single garage Available on site?	□ Double garage □ Parking space □ No garage / garage space / parking space X Yes □ No
Permanent outbuildir	ngs:
	tegral garage housed beneath the rear outshoot, a cellar area beneath the main house, an stone steps giving access up to the rear door as well as a timber and felt studio in the ummerhouse.

Construction							
Walls	Brick	X Stone	Concrete	Timber frame			
vvano	X Solid	Cavity	Steel fran		Othe	r (specify in Ger	neral Remarks)
Roof	Tile	X Slate	Asphalt	Felt		. (opcony in Oci	.o.a. romanoj
	Lead	Zinc	Artificial s		Othe	r (specify in Ger	neral Remarks)
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Special Risks							
Has the property	suffered structu	ıral movemer	nt?			Yes	X No
If Yes, is this rece	ent or progressi	ve?				Yes	No
Is there evidence, immediate vicinity	, history, or rea ⁄?	son to anticip	ate subsidence	e, heave, landslip o	or flood in the	e Yes	X No
If Yes to any of th	e above, provid	de details in (General Remar	ks.			
Sorving Comme	etion —						
Service Connec							
Based on visual ir of the supply in G			es appear to be	e non-mains, pleas	e comment o	on the type a	nd location
Drainage	X Mains	Private	None	Water	X Mains	Private	None
Electricity	X Mains	Private	None	Gas	X Mains	Private	None
Central Heating	X Yes	Partial	None				
Brief description of	of Central Heati	ng:					
Gas fired systen	n with boiler se	rving radiato	s throughout n	nost of the main liv	ing accomm	odation.	
Site							
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	Snared drive	-	Ill-defined boun	r amenities on separate		er (specify in Ge	
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Location							
Residential suburb	X Resi	dential within tov	vn / city Mix	ed residential / comme	rcial Mai	nly commercial	
Commuter village	Rem	ote village	Iso	ated rural property	Oth	er (specify in Ge	neral Remarks)
Dianning leave							
Planning Issues		,					
Has the property			altered? X	Yes No			
If Yes provide det	alls in General	Kemarks.					
Roads							
Made up road	Unmade road	Partly	completed new roa	d Pedestrian a	access only	X Adopted	Unadopted

General Remarks

The property is located within an established residential district just out with the centre of Kirkcaldy opposite a bowling club and Beverage Park while there is a railway line embankment to the rear. Usual main facilities can be found locally.

The property appears to have been adequately maintained and was generally found to be in a condition consistent with its age and character. No evidence of serious structural defect was noted in the main fabric of the building and while there are now several items requiring attention, these should mostly be capable of remedy in the course of maintenance, redecoration and further upgrading that may well be envisaged by a new owner.

It is noted that roof coverings appear to be original and the need for regular checks and above average maintenance should be anticipated. This can be investigated further by a competent roofing contractor.

Evidence of woodworm and dampness was noted in places. A full timber and damp specialist report should be obtained over the whole property prior to purchase and thereafter remedial works carried out as required.

There is a driveway shared with a neighbouring house giving direct vehicular access to the rear. The exact extent of the grounds pertaining to the property along with ownership of boundaries and rights and liabilities for the shared access way should be confirmed by reference to the Title Deeds.

Essential Repairs		
None.		
Estimated cost of essential repairs £	Retention recommended? Yes	X No Amount £

Comment on Mortgagea	bility	
The property forms suitab mortgage provider.	le security for mortgage purposes subject to the specific lending criteria o	f any
Valuations		
Market value in present cor Market value on completion Insurance reinstatement va (to include the cost of total Is a reinspection necessary	n of essential repairs lue rebuilding, site clearance, professional fees, ancillary charges plus VAT)	£ 350,000 £ 740,000
What is the reasonable rangementh Short Assured Tenar	ge of monthly rental income for the property assuming a letting on a 6 ncv basis?	£
	where there is a steady demand for rented accommodation of this type?	Yes No
Declaration		
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PROPERTY QUESTIONNAIRE





Property address	31 ABBOTSHALL ROAD, KIRKCALDY, KY2 5PH
Seller(s)	Craig D Webster
Completion date of property questionnaire	23/04/2024

Note for sellers

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

Information to be given to prospective buyer(s)

1.	Length of ownership
	How long have you owned the property? Approximately 50 years
2.	Council tax
	Which Council Tax band is your property in? (Please circle)
	A B C D E F G H
3.	Parking
	What are the arrangements for parking at your property?
	(Please tick all that apply)
	● Garage ✓
	Allocated parking space
	● Driveway ✓
	Shared parking
	On street
	Resident permit
	Metered parking
	Other (please specify): Shared vehicular access with neighbours, turning area
4.	Conservation area
	Is your property in a designated Conservation Area (i.e. an area of special architectural or historical interest, the character or appearance of which it is desirable to preserve or enhance)? Yes / No / Don't know desirable to preserve or enhance)?

5.	Listed buildings			
	Is your property a Listed Building, or contained within one (i.e. a building recognised and approved as being of special architectural or historical interest)?	Yes / No		
6.	Alterations/additions/extensions			
a.	(i) During your time in the property, have you carried out any structural alterations, additions or extensions (for example, provision of an extra bath/shower room, toilet, or bedroom)? If you have answered yes, please describe below the changes which you have made:	Yes / No Cannot answer*		
	(ii) Did you obtain planning permission, building warrant, completion certificate and other consents for this work? If you have answered yes, the relevant documents will be needed by the purchaser and you should give them to your solicitor as soon as possible for checking. If you do not have the documents yourself, please note below who has these documents and your solicitor or estate agent will arrange to obtain them:	Yes / Ne		
b.	Have you had replacement windows, doors, patio doors or double glazing installed in your property? If you have answered yes, please answer the three questions below:	Yes / No		
	(i) Were the replacements the same shape and type as the ones you replaced?	Yes / Ne		
	(ii) Did this work involve any changes to the window or door openings?	Yos / No		
	(iii) Please describe the changes made to the windows, doors or patio doors (v dates when the work was completed):	vith approximate		
	UPVC Double glazed each windows throughout the house. Don't know when it was done.			
	Please give any guarantees which you received for this work to your solicitor or e	estate agent.		

7.	Central heating	
a.	Is there a central heating system in your property? (Note: a partial central heating system is one which does not heat all the main rooms of the property - the main living room, the bedroom(s), the hall and the bathroom).	Yes / No / Partial
	If you have answered yes / partial - what kind of central heating is there? (Examples: gas-fired, solid fuel, electric storage heating, gas warm air).	
	Gas fired	
	If you have answered yes, please answer the three questions below:	
b.	When was your central heating system or partial central heating system installed?	Cannot answer*
C.	Do you have a maintenance contract for the central heating system?	Yes / No
	If you have answered yes, please give details of the company with which you have a maintenance contract:	
	My father had a boiler maintenance contract with Scottish power (i'm the executor)	
d.	When was your maintenance agreement last renewed? (Please provide the month and year).	Cannot answer*
8.	Energy Performance Certificate	
	Does your property have an Energy Performance Certificate which is less than 10 years old?	Yes / No Cannot answer*
9.	Issues that may have affected your property	
a.	Has there been any storm, flood, fire or other structural damage to your property while you have owned it?	Yes / No Cannot answer*
	If you have answered yes, is the damage the subject of any outstanding insurance claim?	Yes / No
b.	Are you aware of the existence of asbestos in your property?	Yes / No
	If you have answered yes, please give details:	

sup	se tick which services are plier:	connected to	your property and give details	of the
	Services	Connected	Supplier	
	Gas / liquid petroleum gas	✓	Scottish Power	
	Water mains / private water supply	✓	Fife Council	
	Electricity	✓	Scottish Power	
	Mains drainage	✓	Fife Council	
	Telephone	✓	Virgin Media	
	Cable TV / satellite	✓	Virgin Media	
	Broadband	✓	Virgin Media	
	ou have answered yes, please o you have appropriate cons		narge from your septic tank?	Yes / Ne Den't kne
	Do you have a maintenance cou have answered yes, please a maintenance contract:	_	septic tank? the company with which you	¥es / No
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11.	Responsibilities for Shared or Common Areas	
a.	Are you aware of any responsibility to contribute to the cost of anything used jointly, such as the repair of a shared drive, private road, boundary, or garden area?	Yes / No / Don't Know
	If you have answered yes, please give details:	
b.	Is there a responsibility to contribute to repair and maintenance of the roof, common stairwell or other common areas?	Yes / Ne / Not applicable
	If you have answered yes, please give details:	
c.	Has there been any major repair or replacement of any part of the roof during the time you have owned the property?	Yes / Ne
d.	Do you have the right to walk over any of your neighbours' property - for example to put out your rubbish bin or to maintain your boundaries?	Yes / No Cannot answer
	If you have answered yes, please give details:	
e.	As far as you are aware, do any of your neighbours have the right to walk over your property, for example to put out their rubbish bin or to maintain their boundaries?	Yes / No Cannot answer
	If you have answered yes, please give details:	
f.	As far as you are aware, is there a public right of way across any part of your property? (public right of way is a way over which the public has a right to pass, whether or not the land is privately-owned.)	Yes / No
	If you have answered yes, please give details:	
12.	Charges associated with your property	
a.	Is there a factor or property manager for your property?	Yes / No
	If you have answered yes, please provide the name and address, and give details of any deposit held and approximate charges:	

b.	Is there a common buildings insurance policy?	Yos / No /
	If you have answered yes, is the cost of the insurance included in your monthly/annual factor's charges?	Yes / No / Den't Knew
C.	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.	
13.	Specialist works	
a.	As far as you are aware, has treatment of dry rot, wet rot, damp or any other specialist work ever been carried out to your property?	Yes / No
	If you have answered yes, please say what the repairs were for, whether you carried out the repairs (and when) or if they were done before you bought the property:	
b.	As far as you are aware, has any preventative work for dry rot, wet rot, or damp ever been carried out to your property?	Yos / No
	If you have answered yes, please give details:	
C.	If you have answered yes to 13(a) or (b), do you have any guarantees relating to this work?	Yes / No
	If you have answered yes, these guarantees will be needed by the purchaser and should be given to your solicitor as soon as possible for checking. If you do not have them yourself please write below who has these documents and your solicitor or estate agent will arrange for them to be obtained. You will also need to provide a description of the work carried out. This may be shown in the original estimate.	
	Guarantees are held by:	

14.	Guarantees						
a.	Are there any guarantees or warranties for any of the following:						
(i)	Electrical work	No	Yos	Don't know	With title doods	Lost	Cannot Answor*
(ii)	Roofing	Ne	Yes	Don't know	With title doods	Lost	Cannot Answor*
(iii)	Central heating	No	¥os	Don't know	With title doods	Lost	Cannot Answor*
(iv)	NHBC	No	Yos	Don't know	With title doods	Lost	Cannot Answor*
(v)	Damp course	No	¥es	Don't know	With title doods	Lost	Cannot Answor*
(vi)	Any other work or installations? (for example, cavity wall insulation, underpinning, indemnity policy)	No	Yos	Don't know	With title doods	Lost	Cannot Answer*
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):						
	Replaced section of roof over the rear bedroom, guttering and downpipes in December 2023. 10 year warranty.						
C.	Are there any outstanding claims under any of the guarantees listed above?				Yes / 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?				Yes / No / Don't knew		
	If you have answered yes, please give details:						

16.	Notices that affect your property	
	In the past 3 years have you ever received a notice:	
a.	advising that the owner of a neighbouring property has made a planning application?	Yes / Ne / Don't know
b.	that affects your property in some other way?	Yes / Ne / Don't know
c.	that requires you to do any maintenance, repairs or improvements to your property?	Yes / Ne / Don't know
	If you have answered yes to any of a-c above, please give the notices to your so agent, including any notices which arrive at any time before the date of entry of t your property.	

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

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

Signature(s):			
Date:			

^{*} This report has been completed on behalf of an absentee vendor and therefore some information is not available.



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