YOUR ONESURVEY HOME REPORT

ADDRESS

Lochend Cottage Gartocharn, Alexandria G83 8RR

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SINGLE Survey

A report on the condition of the property, with categories being rated from 1 to 3.



Single Survey

Survey report on:

Surveyor Reference	HH/4175
Customer	Mrs. Amanda Wilson
Selling address	Lochend Cottage Gartocharn, Alexandria G83 8RR

Date of Inspection	16/05/2025
Prepared by	Russell Smith

Helensburgh - Allied Surveyors Scotland Ltd

PART 1 - GENERAL

1.1 THE SURVEYORS

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

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

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

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

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

If the Surveyors have had a previous business relationship within the past two years with the Seller or Sellers 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.

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

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.

To date, 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.

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 they assign the same to any other party in writing.

1.7 PAYMENT

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

1.8 CANCELLATION

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

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

In the case of cancellation or the inspection not proceeding, the Surveyor will refund any fees paid by the Seller for the inspection and Report, except for

expenses reasonably incurred and any fee due in light of the final paragraph of this section.

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

1.9 PRECEDENCE

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

1.10 **DEFINITIONS**

- the "Lender" is the party who has provided or intends or proposes to provide financial assistance to the Purchaser towards the purchase of the Property and in whose favour a standard security will be granted over the Property;
- the "Transcript Mortgage Valuation Report for Lending Purposes" means a separate report, prepared by the Surveyor, prepared from information in the Report and the generic Mortgage Valuation Report, but in a style and format required by the Lender. The Transcript Mortgage Valuation Report for Lending Purposes will be prepared with the skill and care reasonably to be expected from a surveyor who is a member of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors and who is competent to survey, value and report on the Property;
- the "Generic Mortgage Valuation Report" means a separate report, prepared by the Surveyor from information in the Report but in the Surveyor's own format.
- the "Market Value" is The estimated amount for which a property should exchange on the date of valuation between a willing buyer and a willing seller in an arm's-length transaction after proper marketing wherein the parties had each acted knowledgeably, prudently and without compulsion
- the "Property" is the property which forms the subject of the Report;
- the "Purchaser" is the person (or persons) who enters into a contract to buy the Property from the Seller;
- a "prospective Purchaser" is anyone considering buying the Property.
- the "Report" is the report, of the kind described in Part 2 of these Terms and Conditions and in the form set out in part 1 of Schedule 1 of the Housing (Scotland) Act 2006 (Prescribed Documents) Regulations 2008;
- the "Seller" is/are the proprietor(s) of the Property;
- the "Surveyor" is the author of the Report on the Property; and

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

- 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.

- 2.3.1 <u>Category 3</u>: Urgent repairs or replacement are needed now. Failure to deal with them may cause problems to other parts of the property or cause a safety hazard. Estimates for repairs or replacement are needed now.
- 2.3.2 <u>Category 2</u>: Repairs or replacement requiring future attention, but estimates are still advised.
- 2.3.3 <u>Category 1</u>: 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 will not be inspected or reported on.

Description	The subjects comprise a traditional cottage, which has been greatly altered and extended.
Accommodation	Ground floor: Entrance porch, hallway, living room, master bedroom with en-suite shower room, bedroom two/study, bathroom, utility room, open plan family room/kitchen, sunroom.
	First floor: Landing, two bedrooms.
Gross internal floor area (m2)	Approx. 205 sq m (including sunroom, but excluding entrance porch).
Neighbourhood and location	The property is located in a rural position around 2 miles outside the small village of Gartocharn. The property enjoys excellent open outlooks to farmland beyond, with Ben Lomond in the distance. Local amenities and facilities are available nearby within the village of Balloch, which is a few minutes away by car. The property forms part of the Loch Lomond National Park area.
Age	The original part of the house is understood to have been built in the mid 1800s, and the rear extension containing the main bedroom was added in the early 20th century. The two storey extension was added in the 1970s.
Weather	Dry and bright, following a prolonged period of warm, dry weather.
Chimney stacks	The chimneys have modern painted render finishes and are understood to be formed in stone. The flashings are formed in lead.
	Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where required.

Roofing including roof space	The roof is of complex design, with several pitched and slated sections. There are valley gutters which are understood to be lined in bitumen. Our inspection of the roof coverings was somewhat restricted from ground level. There are also solar photovoltaic panels on two sections of the roof.
	The sunroom was originally built as a conservatory. This has however been upgraded with a 'Livinroof' which is predominantly clad with metal, but has several glazed panels.
	The entrance porch on the opposite side of the building has a shallow monopitched roof which is clad with bitumen felt.
	The attic accommodation occupies the majority of the roof space above the 1970s extension. Part of the roof space is visible from the cupboard adjacent to bedroom four, and it is understood that the roof spaces over the original parts of the building can also be accessed through this area. Our inspection was however restricted the area around the cupboard, due to the presence of stored items and insulation materials etc. The roof is of conventional timber frame construction with timber sarking.
	We were also able to gain very limited sight of the roof space above the en-suite shower room via a hatch in the ceiling. This part of the roof is also of conventional timber frame construction with timber sarking.
	Sloping roofs were visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where required.
	Roof spaces were visually inspected and were entered where there was safe and reasonable access, normally defined as being from a 3m ladder within the property. If this is not possible, then physical access to the roof space may be taken by other means if the Surveyor deems it safe and reasonable to do so.
	Roofs are prone to water penetration during adverse weather but it is not always possible for surveyors to identify this likelihood in good or dry weather. All roofs should be inspected and repaired by reputable tradesmen on an annual basis and especially after storms.
Rainwater fittings	Gutters and downpipes are formed in cast iron and PVC.
	Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where required.
Main walls	The original parts of the property are of traditional solid stone construction, with painted finishes which are partially rendered. The more modern extension has painted render finishes externally and appears to be of cavity construction.
	The lower parts of the sunroom have a similar painted render finish and are also understood to be of cavity construction. The upper parts are PVC framed and double glazed.
	Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where required. Foundations and concealed parts were not exposed or inspected.

Windows, external doors	Windows throughout the house are of various different ages and styles.
and joinery	There are timber framed, sash and casement style windows to the original parts of the building, and these are fitted with narrow sealed double glazed panels.
	The windows to the extension are timber framed casement units which are also double glazed. There are also several Velux windows to the sloping ceilings, which are timber framed and double glazed.
	Between the kitchen and sunroom, there is a window and double patio doors, which are timber framed and single glazed.
	The main external door to the side porch is timber framed with double glazed panels. The windows to the porch are however timber framed and single glazed. The external door to the utility room is of composite construction with a double glazed panel. There is a further external door to the living room of the original cottage, and this is formed in timber with a single glazed panel.
	The windows to the sunroom are PVC framed and double glazed. There are also double patio doors leading in to the garden.
	Fascia boards and soffits are formed in timber.
	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.
External decorations	There are painted finishes to external walls, timbers, and cast iron rainwater goods etc.
	Visually inspected.
Conservatories / porches	As noted above, the property has a modern sunroom adjacent to the family room and kitchen. This was originally constructed as a conservatory around 2003, but has been upgraded with an Ultraframe Livinroof. The sunroom is also connected to the main central heating system of the house.
Communal areas	Not applicable.
Garages and permanent outbuildings	There are no garages. There is a large timber shed with a corrugated roof in the garden, and this benefits from light and power. Our internal inspection was somewhat restricted by stored items.
	At the rear of the shed there is a lean-to timber store.
	There is a further timber shed within the kitchen garden.
	Visually inspected.

Outside areas and boundaries	The house is accessed from the road via a large timber gate, and there is a gravelled parking area to the front. The boundary to the road is formed by a hedge. There is a large back garden which slopes gently downwards towards the rear, with views to the farmland beyond. There are lawned areas, various flower beds and a small pond. The boundaries are formed by metal and wire fencing, and hedges. There is also a separate enclosed kitchen garden with various vegetable patches and a greenhouse. <i>Visually inspected.</i>
Ceilings	The ceilings are assumed to be a combination of lath and plaster, and plasterboard. <i>Visually inspected from floor level.</i>
Internal walls	Internal walls are formed in lath and plaster, plaster on hard, and plasterboard. There are also painted stone walls within the main living room. Visually inspected from floor level.
	Using a moisture meter, walls were randomly tested for dampness where considered appropriate.
Floors including sub floors	The majority of flooring appears to be of suspended timber joist construction with timber floorboards. There is a solid floor within the utility room. Due to fitted floor coverings in a number of rooms, our inspection of the flooring was somewhat restricted.
	We were able to gain very limited sight of the sub-floor area via a hatch in the floor of the main bathroom. Only an 'inverted head and shoulders' inspection was possible.
	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.
Internal joinery and kitchen fittings	Door frames and skirting boards etc. are formed in timber with painted finishes. There is a glazed door and partition between the main hallway and family room.
	Kitchen fittings comprise a modern range of units with a large gas hob.
	Built-in cupboards were looked into but no stored items were moved.
	Kitchen units were visually inspected excluding appliances.

Chimney breasts and fireplaces	Within the main living room in the original part of the house, there is a large wood burning stove.
	There is another traditionally styled wood burning stove to the front of the family room.
	It is assumed that any other former fireplaces have been blocked up in the past.
	Visually inspected. No testing of the flues or fittings was carried out.
Internal decorations	There are painted and papered finishes to internal walls.
	Visually inspected.
Cellars	Not applicable.
Electricity	Mains supply, with circuit breakers and meter located in a cupboard within the main hallway.
	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.
Gas	There is no mains gas supply to the property. It is understood that there are two LPG cylinders serving the gas hob in the kitchen.
	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.
Water, plumbing and	Mains water supply. Visible plumbing is formed in copper and PVC.
bathroom fittings	Within the main bathroom, there is a traditionally styled white three piece suite including a stand-alone bath. There is also an electric shower unit.
	The en-suite off the master bedroom has been refitted with a modern white two piece suite, and a walk-in shower cubicle (mixer).
	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.
	Concealed areas around baths and shower trays cannot be inspected however water spillage over a period of time can result in unexpected defects to hidden parts of the building fabric.

Heating and hot water	There is an oil fired Grant Vortex boiler at the rear adjacent to the utility room door. This boiler serves a variety of radiators throughout the house, and is assumed to provide hot water to a copper circulating tank, located behind a panel in the utility room.
	There appears to be a system of electric underfloor heating within the en- suite.
	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.
Drainage	Drainage is led to a septic tank within the curtilage.
	Drainage covers etc were not lifted.
	Neither drains nor drainage systems were tested.
Fire, smoke and burglar alarms	Smoke alarms were noted to ceilings in the lower hallway, original living room and upper landing. There is also a wall mounted smoke alarm within the family room, and a heat detector in the kitchen.
	Visually inspected.
	No test whatsoever were carried out to any systems or appliances.
	There is now a requirement in place for compliant interlinked fire, smoke and heat detectors in residential properties. The new fire smoke and alarm standard came into force in Scotland in February 2022, requiring a smoke alarm to be installed in the room most frequently used for living purposes and in every circulation space on each floor. A heat alarm also requires to be installed in each kitchen. The alarms need to be ceiling mounted and interlinked. Where there is a carbon fuelled appliance such as a boiler, open fire or wood burner etc. a carbon monoxide detector is also required. The surveyor will only comment on the presence of a smoke detector etc. but will not test them, ascertain if they are in working order, interlinked and / or fully compliant with the fire and smoke alarm standard that was introduced in 2022. We have for the purposes of the report, assumed the system is fully
	compliant, if not then the appropriate compliant system will required to be installed prior to sale. This of course should be confirmed by your legal advisor.

Any additional limits to inspection	The property was occupied and fully furnished at the time of our inspection.
	An inspection for Japanese Knotweed was not carried out. This is a plant which is subject to control regulation, is considered to be invasive and one which can render a property unsuitable for some mortgage lenders. It is therefore assumed that there is no Japanese Knotweed within the boundaries of the property or its neighbouring property. Identification of Japanese Knotweed is best undertaken by a specialist contractor. If it exists removal must be undertaken in a controlled manner by specialist contractors. This can prove to be expensive.
	Normal maintenance is not treated as a repair for the purposes of the Single Survey. When a category 1 rating is provided this means the property must continue to be maintained in the normal way.

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.



- (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 above 3 categories:

Category 3	Category 2	Category 1
	Repairs or replacement requiring future attention, but estimates are still advised.	No immediate action or repair is needed.

Structural movemen	t
Repair category:	
Notes:	There is no evidence of significant structural movement to the building.

Dampness, rot and infestation	
Repair category:	2
Notes:	Internal walls were tested with an electronic moisture meter and slightly elevated damp meter readings were noted to the stone walls within the living room, particularly around the fireplace.
	There is also evidence of rodent activity within accessible parts of the roof space, although this is fairly typical for a rural location of this type.
	Evidence of pest control measures was noted within the accessible part of the sub-floor.

Chimney stacks	
Repair category:	
Notes:	Chimneys are generally well presented, although some minor hairline cracking was noted to rendered finishes.

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.

Roofing including ro	Roofing including roof space	
Repair category:	2	
Notes:	The roof coverings are in a fairly typical condition for a property of this age and type with some chipped and slipped slates, noted along with areas of staining. As with any slated roof, regular and ongoing maintenance will be necessary to keep the building in a wind and watertight condition.	
	No sight was possible of the valley gutters, although again, a degree of ongoing maintenance can be anticipated. It is understood that the valleys have been treated and maintained by the vendors.	
	The bitumen roof over the entrance porch will require ongoing attention.	
	Our inspection of the roof spaces was very limited, however no significant defects were noted. There are signs of typical old damp staining and salt staining to visible timbers. There is also evidence of rodent activity.	

Rainwater fittings	
Repair category:	
Notes:	Due to the weather conditions at the time of our inspection, we are unable to comment on the adequacy or otherwise of the rainwater conductors. On the basis of our visual inspection, no significant defects were noted. It does appear that some patch repairs have been undertaken to downpipes in the past.

Main walls	
Repair category:	
Notes:	No obvious significant defects were noted to the external walls.
	Parts of the render appear slightly cracked and boss, around the back door at the utility room.

Category 3	Category 2	Category 1
to other parts of the property or cause a safety	Repairs or replacement requiring future attention, but estimates are still advised.	No immediate action or repair is needed.

Windows, external doors and joinery	
Repair category:	
Notes:	Windows appear to have benefited from redecoration throughout, and no obvious significant defects were noted.
	Velux windows to the upper level are however affected by typical condensation staining.
	Double glazing, and particularly UPVC double glazing, can be problematic, and over time the operation of the windows can be affected and opening mechanisms damaged. It is therefore likely that maintenance repairs will be required as part of an ongoing maintenance programme. Our valuation does assume that the installation of the windows does comply with the necessary regulations at the time of installation.

External decorations	
Repair category:	
Notes:	Generally well presented.

Conservatories / porches	
Repair category:	
Notes:	The sunroom has benefitted from substantial upgrading and is well presented.

Communal areas	
Repair category:	
Notes:	Not applicable.

Garages and permanent outbuildings	
Repair category:	
Notes:	The various sheds appear to be in adequate condition for general storage purposes.

Category 3	Category 2	Category 1
to other parts of the property or cause a safety	Repairs or replacement requiring future attention, but estimates are still advised.	No immediate action or repair is needed.

Outside areas and boundaries	
Repair category:	
Notes:	The garden grounds are well maintained and are an attractive feature. The precise boundaries should be confirmed from the title deeds.
	There is a water feature within the back garden which may pose a safety hazard to small children.
	There are mature trees within close proximity of the house which may require to be cut back periodically.

Ceilings		
Repair category:		
Notes:	Generally satisfactory, although some typical minor cracks and blemishes were noted.	

Internal walls	
Repair category:	
Notes:	Within the limits of our inspection, no significant defects were noted.
	There are however some areas of dampness to the exposed stone walls within the original part of the house.

Floors including sub-floors		
Repair category:		
Notes:	Within the limits of our inspection, no obvious significant defects were noted.	
	Typical wear and tear was noted to the timber flooring within the original part of the house. It should be appreciated that decay can occur in timbers which are in contact with damp walls.	

Category 3	Category 2	Category 1
	Repairs or replacement requiring future attention, but estimates are still advised.	No immediate action or repair is needed.

Internal joinery and kitchen fittings	
Repair category:	
Notes:	Joinery and kitchen fittings are generally well presented. It should be confirmed that any glazed panels to internal doors are formed in safety glass.

Chimney breasts and fireplaces		
Repair category:		
Notes:	No obvious defects were noted to the wood burning stoves. Any blocked fireplaces should be permanently ventilated in order to prevent dampness and subsequent timber decay. It should be ensured that all flues, whether in use or not, are regularly checked and serviced.	

Internal decorations	
Repair category:	
Notes:	The property is generally well presented.

Cellars	
Repair category:	
Notes:	Not applicable.

Electricity		
Repair category:	1	
Notes:	The electrical system has been partially upgraded in the past and no significant deficiencies were noted. Some aspects of the system do however appear older and may not comply fully with current NICEIC regulations. It is recommended that electrical systems are tested every 5 to 10 years and as such, a recent satisfactory test certificate should be exhibited.	

Category 3	Category 2	Category 1
	Repairs or replacement requiring future attention, but estimates are still advised.	No immediate action or repair is needed.

Gas	
Repair category:	
Notes:	Not applicable.

Water, plumbing and bathroom fittings			
Repair category:			
Notes:	No obvious defects were noted to visible sections of plumbing.		
	Bathroom fittings appear to be in satisfactory condition with regards to age and type.		

Heating and hot wat	Heating and hot water				
Repair category:					
Notes:	It should be confirmed whether the system has been annually serviced or is covered by a maintenance contract. In the absence of written confirmation of this, we would recommend that the system is serviced by a Gas Safe registered engineer.				

Drainage	
Repair category:	
Notes:	It should be confirmed that all necessary SEPA regulations are adhered to with regards to the septic tank.
	There are no obvious signs of any issues with regards to drainage.

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

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

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 coinoperated machines.

1. Which floor(s) is the living accommodation on?	Ground and first floors
2. Are there three steps or fewer to a main entrance door of the property?	[x]YES []NO
3. Is there a lift to the main entrance door of the property?	[]YES [x]NO
4. Are all door openings greater than 750mm?	[]YES [x]NO
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?	[x]YES []NO
7. Are all rooms on the same level with no internal steps or stairs?	[]YES [x]NO
8. Is there unrestricted parking within 25 metres of an entrance door to the building?	[x]YES []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 re-instatement cost for insurance purposes.

Matters for a solicitor or licensed conveyancer

The house has been substantially altered and extended, although it is understood that the majority of alterations were undertaken in excess of 50 years ago. A conservatory was added around 2003, and it should be confirmed whether any consents were required for the subsequent alterations to the upper parts.

It is understood that treatments have been undertaken in the past for dampness and woodworm, and any meaningful guarantees should be exhibited.

Where items of maintenance or repair have been identified, the purchaser should satisfy themselves as to the costs and implications of these issues prior to making an offer to purchase.

Estimated re-instatement cost (£) for insurance purposes

£650,000 (SIX HUNDRED AND FIFTY THOUSAND POUNDS)

Building costs are currently increasing significantly above inflation due to material and labour shortages as well as Brexit and the Pandemic. It is recommended that you update this figure regularly to ensure that you have adequate cover or alternatively seek specialist advice from your Insurer.

Valuation (£) and market comments

£500,000

In its present condition and with the current state of the property market our valuation of the property is in the region of £500,000 (FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND POUNDS)

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Signed:	Electronically Signed: 286010-81B555AA-91B8		
Date of report:	19/05/2025		

PART 2.

MORTGAGE VALUATION **REPORT**

Includes a market valuation of the property.





Mortgage Valuation Report

Property:	Lochend Cottage Gartocharn, Alexandria G83 8RR		manda Wilson lute ownership
Date of Inspection:	16/05/2025	Reference:	HH/4175/RJDS

This report has been prepared as part of the seller's instructions to carry out a Single Survey on the property referred to above. The purpose of this report is to summarise the Single Survey for the purpose of advising a potential lender on the suitability of the property for mortgage purposes. The decision as to whether mortgage finance will be provided is entirely a matter for the lender. You should not rely on this report in making your decision to purchase but consider all the documents provided in the Home Report. Your attention is drawn to the additional comments elsewhere within the report which set out the extent and limitations of the service provided. This report should be read in conjunction with the Single Survey Terms and Conditions (with MVR). In accordance with RICS Valuation – Global Standards 2017 this report is for the use of the party to whom it is addressed or their named client or their nominated lender. No responsibility is accepted to any third party for the whole or any part of the reports contents. Neither the whole or any part of this report may be included in any document, circular or statement without prior approval in writing from the surveyor.

1.0 LOCATION

The property is located in a rural position around 2 miles outside the small village of Gartocharn. The property enjoys excellent open outlooks to farmland beyond, with Ben Lomond in the distance. Local amenities and facilities are available nearby within the village of Balloch, which is a few minutes away by car. The property forms part of the Loch Lomond National Park area.

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2.0	DESCRIPTION		2.1 Age:	The original p house is unde have been bu 1800s, and th extension cor main bedroor in the early 20 The two store was added in	erstood to uilt in the mid ne rear ntaining the n was added Oth century. ey extension		
The subjects	comprise a tra	ditional cottage	e, which has be	een greatly alte	red and extend	ded.	
3.0	CONSTRUCTION						
The outer wal	alls are a combination of solid stone and cavity brick whilst the roofs are pitched and slated.						
4.0	ACCOMMODATION						
two/study, bat		oom, open pla	-	er bedroom wit kitchen, sunroo		wer room, bedi	room
5.0	SERVICES (No tests have been applied to any of the services)						
Water:	Mains	Electricity:	Mains	Gas:	None	Drainage:	Septic tank
Central Heati	ing:	Oil fired					
6.0	OUTBUILDINGS						

Garage:		-				
Others:	Two timber sheds.					
7.0	GENERAL CONDITION - A building survey has not been carried out, nor has any inspection been made of any woodwork, services or other parts of the property which were covered, unexposed or inaccessible. The report cannot therefore confirm that such parts of the property are free from defect. Failure to rectify defects, particularly involving water penetration may result in further and more serious defects arising. Where defects exist and where remedial work is necessary, prospective purchasers are advised to seek accurate estimates and costings from appropriate Contractors or Specialists before proceeding with the purchase. Generally we will not test or report on boundary walls, fences, outbuildings, radon gas or site contamination.					
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9.0	ROADS & FO					
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	all necessary Local Authority consents, which may have been required, have been sought and obtained. No investigation of any contamination on, under or within the property has been made as we consider such matters to be outwith the scope of this report. All property built prior to the year 2000 may contain asbestos in one or more of its components or fittings. It is impossible to identify without a test. It is beyond the scope of this inspection to test for asbestos and future occupants should be advised that if they have any concerns then they should ask for a specialist to undertake appropriate tests.					
12.1	Market Value condition (£)	-	£500,000	FIVE HUNDRED THOUS	AND POUND	Ś
12.2	Market Value completion of works (£):	-	-	-		
12.3	Suitable sec normal mort purposes?	-	Yes			
12.4	Date of Valua	ation:	16/05/2025			
Signature:		Electronically Signed: 286010-81B555AA-91B8				

Surveyor:	Russell Smith			Date:	19/05/2025
Helensburgh	n - Allied Surveyors Scotlan	d Ltd			
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ENERGY **Report**

A report on the energy efficiency of the property.



energy report

energy report on:

Property address	Lochend Cottage
	Gartocharn, Alexandria
	G83 8RR

Customer	Mrs. Amanda Wilson
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Customer address	Lochend Cottage
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Energy Performance Certificate (EPC)

Scotland

Dwellings

(92 plus)

(81-91)

(69-80)

(55-68)

(39-54

(21-38)

(1-20)

B

Not environmentally friendly - higher CO₂ emissions

D

F

G

LOCHEND COTTAGE, FINNARY ROAD, GARTOCHARN, ALEXANDRIA, G83 8RR

Dwelling type:	Detached house
Date of assessment:	16 May 2025
Date of certificate:	20 May 2025
Total floor area:	205 m ²
Primary Energy Indicator:	238 kWh/m ² /year

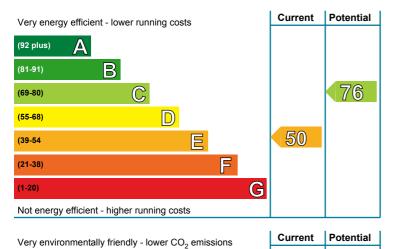
Reference number: Type of assessment: Approved Organisation: Main heating and fuel: 0150-2486-8150-2595-2621 RdSAP, existing dwelling Elmhurst Boiler and radiators, oil

You can use this document to:

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

Estimated energy costs for your home for 3 years*	£9,960	See your recommendations
Over 3 years you could save*	£2,520	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 (50)**. 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 (45)**. 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

70

45

Recommended measures	Indicative cost	Typical savings over 3 years
1 Room-in-roof insulation	£1,500 - £2,700	£609.00
2 Internal or external wall insulation	£4,000 - £14,000	£681.00
3 Floor insulation (suspended floor)	£800 - £1,200	£486.00

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

LOCHEND COTTAGE, FINNARY ROAD, GARTOCHARN, ALEXANDRIA, G83 8RR 20 May 2025 RRN: 0150-2486-8150-2595-2621

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)	*****	****
	Cavity wall, as built, partial insulation (assumed) Cavity wall, as built, insulated (assumed)	★★★☆☆ ★★★★☆	★★★☆☆ ★★★★☆
Roof	Pitched, no insulation (assumed) Pitched, insulated at rafters Roof room(s), limited insulation (assumed)	★☆☆☆☆ ★★★☆☆ ★★★☆☆	★☆☆☆☆ ★★★☆☆ ★★★☆☆
Floor	Suspended, no insulation (assumed) Solid, no insulation (assumed) Suspended, insulated (assumed)	 	
Windows	Fully double glazed	★★★☆☆	★★★☆☆
Main heating	Boiler and radiators, oil	★★★☆☆	★★★★ ☆
Main heating controls	Programmer, TRVs and bypass	★★★☆☆	★★★☆☆
Secondary heating	Room heaters, wood logs	_	_
Hot water	From main system	★★★☆☆	★★★☆☆
Lighting	Low energy lighting in 53% 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 guarter of the UK's carbon dioxide emissions. Different fuels produce different amounts of carbon dioxide for every kilowatt hour (kWh) of energy used. The Environmental Impact Rating of your home is calculated by applying these 'carbon factors' for the fuels you use to your overall energy use.

The calculated emissions for your home are 58 kg 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 12 tonnes of carbon dioxide every year. Adopting recommendations in this report can reduce emissions and protect the environment. If you were to install all of these recommendations this could reduce emissions by 5.4 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	£8,691 over 3 years	£6,621 over 3 years	
Hot water	£630 over 3 years	£387 over 3 years	You could
Lighting	£639 over 3 years	£432 over 3 years	save £2,520
Totals	£9,960	£7,440	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.

De		Indicative cost	Typical saving	Rating after improvement		
Re	commended measures	indicative cost	per year	Energy	Environment	
1	Room-in-roof insulation	£1,500 - £2,700	£203	E 54	E 48	
2	Internal or external wall insulation	£4,000 - £14,000	£227	D 58	E 52	
3	Floor insulation (suspended floor)	£800 - £1,200	£162	D 61	E 54	
4	Low energy lighting for all fixed outlets	£45	£58	D 61	D 55	
5	Upgrade heating controls	£350 - £450	£126	D 64	D 58	
6	Solar water heating	£4,000 - £6,000	£64	D 65	D 60	
7	Wind turbine	£15,000 - £25,000	£865	C 76	C 70	

Choosing the right improvement package

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



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

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

1 Room-in-roof insulation

Insulating roof rooms will significantly reduce heat loss; this will improve levels of comfort, reduce energy use and lower fuel bills. If it has a flat ceiling insulation can usually be added above the ceiling, and sloping ceilings and walls of roof rooms can be insulated using an internal lining board. Roof voids must have adequate ventilation to prevent dampness; seek advice about this if unsure. Further information about roof room insulation and details of local contractors can be obtained from the National Insulation Association (www.nationalinsulationassociation.org.uk). Building regulations generally apply to this work so it is best to check this with your local authority building standards department.

2 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 longlasting 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.

3 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.

4 Low energy lighting

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

5 Heating controls (room thermostat)

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

6 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.

7 Wind turbine

A wind turbine provides electricity from wind energy. This electricity is used throughout the home in the same way as the electricity purchased from an energy supplier. Wind turbines are not suitable for all properties. The system's effectiveness depends on local wind speeds and the presence of nearby obstructions, and a site survey should be undertaken by an accredited installer. Planning permission might be required and 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. 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 a wind turbine, 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:

- · Biomass secondary heating
- Solar photovoltaics

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)	36,269	(5,858)	(500)	(3,043)
Water heating (kWh per year)	2,875			

Addendum

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

About this document

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

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

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Use of this energy performance information

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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 greenerscotland.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.





PART 4.

PROPERTY QUESTIONNAIRE

The owner of the property is required to complete this document which asks for information on the property such as 'Which council tax band?' etc.



Property Questionnaire

Property Address

Lochend Cottage

Gartocharn, Alexandria

G83 8RR

Amanda Wilson & Graham Wilson

Completion date of property questionnaire

Note for sellers

Seller(s)

01/05/2025

1.	Length of ownership	
	How long have you owned the property?	
	13 years	
2.	Council tax	
	Which Council Tax band is your property i	n? (Please circle)
	[]A []B []C []D []E []F [x]G []H	
3.	Parking	
	What are the arrangements for parking at your property?	
	(Please tick all that apply)	
	Garage	[]
	Allocated parking space	[]
	Driveway	[X]
	Shared parking	[]
	On street	[]
	Resident permit	[]
	Metered parking	[]
	Other (please specify):	up to 6 vehicles

4.	Conservation area	
	Is your property in a designated Conservation Area (that is an area of	[]YES [x]NO
	special architectural or historical interest, the character or appearance of which it is desirable to preserve or enhance)?	[]Don't know
5.	Listed buildings	•
	Is your property a Listed Building, or contained within one (that is a building recognised and approved as being of special architectural or historical interest)?	[]YES [x]NO
6.	Alterations/additions/extensions	_
а	(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)?	[]YES [x]NO
	If you have answered yes, please describe below the changes which you have made:	
	(ii) Did you obtain planning permission, building warrant, completion certificate and other consents for this work?	[]YES []NO
	If you have answered yes, the relevant documents will be needed by the purchaser and you should give them to your solicitor as soon as possible for checking.	
	If you do not have the documents yourself, please note below who has these documents and your solicitor or estate agent will arrange to obtain them:	
b	Have you had replacement windows, doors, patio doors or double glazing installed in your property	[x]YES []NO
	If you have answered yes, please answer the three questions below:	
	(i) Were the replacements the same shape and type as the ones you replaced?	[x]YES []NO
	(ii) Did this work involve any changes to the window or door openings?	[]YES [x]NO
	(iii) Please describe the changes made to the windows doors, or patio doors (with approximate dates when the work was completed):	
	December 2025 - replacement conservatory roof and windows in to a more efficient living space. Building warrant only required and approved.	
	Please give any guarantees which you received for this work to your solicitor or estate agent.	
7.	Central heating	

а	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 hedroem(c) the hell and the	[x]YES []NO
	the property - the main living room, the bedroom(s), the hall and the bathroom).	[]Partial
	If you have answered yes or partial - what kind of central heating is there? (Examples: gas-fired, solid fuel, electric storage heating, gas warm air).	
	oil-fired	
	If you have answered yes, please answer the three questions below:	
	(i) When was your central heating system or partial central heating system installed?	
	Don't know, but boiler replaced 19.10.23	
	(ii) Do you have a maintenance contract for the central heating system?	[]YES [x]NO
	If you have answered yes, please give details of the company with which you have a maintenance contract	
	(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?	[x]YES []NO
9.	Issues that may have affected your property	
а	Has there been any storm, flood, fire or other structural damage to your property while you have owned it?	[]YES [x]NO
	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 [x]NO
		[]Don't know
	If you have answered yes, please give details:	
10.	Services	

	Services	Connected	SL	ıpplier
	Gas or liquid petroleum gas	N		
	Water mains or private water supply	Y	Sc	ottish Water
	Electricity	Y	SS	SE
	Mains drainage	Mains drainage N		
	Telephone	N		
	Cable TV or satellite	Y	Sk	xy freesat
	Broadband	Y	EE	E
)	Is there a septic tank system at your property	?		[x]YES []NO
	If you have answered yes, please answer the	two questions below		
	(i) Do you have appropriate consents for the (discharge from your s	eptic	[x]YES []NO
	tank?			[]Don't know
	(ii) Do you have a maintenance contract for y	our septic tank?		[x]YES []NO
	If you have answered yes, please give details which you have a maintenance contract:	s of the company with		
	Scottish Water - every 3 years, last emptied I	March 2025		
1.	Responsibilities for shared or common are	eas		
à	Are you aware of any responsibility to contrib used jointly, such as the repair of a shared dr boundary, or garden area?		hing	[]YES [x]NO []Don't know
	If you have answered yes, please give details	8:		
)	Is there a responsibility to contribute to repair roof, common stairwell or other common area		the	[]YES [x]NO
	If you have answered yes, please give details	5		[]N/A
;	Has there been any major repair or replacem during the time you have owned the property		roof	[]YES [x]NO
ł	Do you have the right to walk over any of you example to put out your rubbish bin or to main			[]YES [x]NO
	If you have answered yes, please give details	5:		

e	As far as you are aware, do any of your neighbours have the right to walk over your property, for example to put out their rubbish bin or to maintain their boundaries? If you have answered yes, please give details:	[]YES [x]NO
f	As far as you are aware, is there a public right of way across any part of your property? (public right of way is a way over which the public has a right to pass, whether or not the land is privatelyowned.)	[]YES [x]NO
	If you have answered yes, please give details:	
12.	Charges associated with your property	
а	Is there a factor or property manager for your property? If you have answered yes, please provide the name and address, and give details of any deposit held and approximate charges:	[]YES [x]NO
b	le there e common huildings insurance policy?	[]YES [x]NO
	Is there a common buildings insurance policy?	[]Don't know
	If you have answered yes, is the cost of the insurance included in your monthly/annual factors charges?	
с	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	
а	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?	[x]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.	
	They were done before we bought the property in 1982. DPC treatment of original walls. We installed a solum and DPC in front room in 2012 ourselves, with waterproof rendering to external gable end on west aspect.	
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?	[]YES [x]NO
	If you have answered yes, please give details:	
с	If you have answered yes to 13(a) or (b), do you have any guarantees relating to this work?	[]YES [x]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:	

property questionnaire

14.	Guarantees		
а	Are there any guarantees or warranties for any of the following:		
(i)	Electrical work	[x]NO []YES []Don't know []With title deeds []Lost	
(ii)	Roofing	[]NO [x]YES []Don't know []With title deeds []Lost	
(iii)	Central heating	[]NO [x]YES []Don't know []With title deeds []Lost	
(iv)	National House Building Council(NHBC)	[x]NO []YES []Don't know []With title deeds []Lost	
(v)	Damp course	[x]NO []YES []Don't know []With title deeds []Lost	
(vi)	Any other work or installations? (for example, cavity wall insulation, underpinning, indemnity policy)	[x]NO []YES []Don't know []With title deeds []Lost	
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): 1/ New boiler 2 year warranty - fitted Oct 2023. 2/ New conservatory roof, windows and door, fully insulated - fitted Dec 2025.		
С	Are there any outstanding claims under any of the guarantees listed above?	[]YES [x]NO	
	If you have answered yes, please give details:		

15.	Boundaries		
	So far as you are aware, has any boundary of your property been	[]YES [x]NO	
	moved in the last 10 years?	[]Don't know	
	If you have answered yes, please give details:		
16.	Notices that affect your property		
In th	In the past three years have you ever received a notice:		
а	advising that the owner of a neighbouring property has made a planning application?	[]YES [x]NO	
b	that affects your property in some other way?	[]YES [x]NO	
с	that requires you to do any maintenance, repairs or improvements to your property?	[]YES [x]NO	
	If you have answered yes to any of a-c above, please give the notices to your solicitor or estate agent, including any notices which arrive at any time before the date of entry of the purchaser of your property.		

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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): Graham & Amanda Wilson		
Capacity:	[]Owner	
Capacity.	[x]Legally Appointed Agent for Owner	
Date:	01/05/2025	