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# **Energy Performance Certificate (EPC)**

**Dwellings** 

# **Scotland**

# FAIRWAYS, NEWMACHAR, ABERDEEN, AB21 7PU

Dwelling type: Detached house
Date of assessment: 27 January 2025
Date of certificate: 04 February 2025

Total floor area: 277 m<sup>2</sup>

Primary Energy Indicator: 240 kWh/m²/year

**Reference number:** 3400-2036-0922-4225-1953 **Type of assessment:** RdSAP, existing dwelling

**Approved Organisation:** Elmhurst

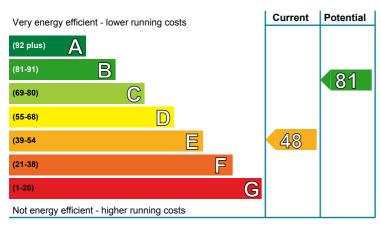
Main heating and fuel: Boiler and radiators, oil

#### You can use this document to:

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

| Estimated energy costs for your home for 3 years* | £11,841 | See your recommendations       |
|---|---------|--------------------------------|
| Over 3 years you could save*                      | £4,284  | report for more<br>information |

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

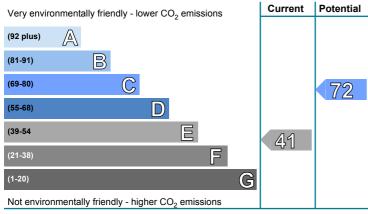


# **Energy Efficiency Rating**

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

Your current rating is **band E (48)**. The average rating for EPCs in Scotland is **band D (61)**.

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



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

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

Your current rating is **band E (41)**. 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 Increase loft insulation to 270 mm | £100 - £350     | £291.00                      |
| 2 Cavity wall insulation             | £500 - £1,500   | £1737.00                     |
| 3 Floor insulation (suspended floor) | £800 - £1,200   | £1158.00                     |

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                 | Cavity wall, as built, no insulation (assumed) | ***               | ***           |
| Roof                  | Pitched, 150 mm loft insulation                | <b>★★★★☆</b>      | <b>★★★★</b> ☆ |
| Floor                 | Suspended, no insulation (assumed)             | _                 | _             |
| Windows               | Fully double glazed                            | ***               | ***           |
| Main heating          | Boiler and radiators, oil                      | ***               | ***           |
| Main heating controls | Programmer, room thermostat and TRVs           | <b>★★★★☆</b>      | <b>★★★★</b> ☆ |
| Secondary heating     | Room heaters, dual fuel (mineral and wood)     | _                 | _             |
| Hot water             | From main system                               | ***               | ***           |
| Lighting              | Low energy lighting in 58% of fixed outlets    | <b>★★★★☆</b>      | <b>★★★★</b> ☆ |

# The energy efficiency rating of your home

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

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

# The impact of your home on the environment

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

The calculated emissions for your home are 62 kg CO<sub>2</sub>/m<sup>2</sup>/yr.

The average Scottish household produces about 6 tonnes of carbon dioxide every year. Based on this assessment, heating and lighting this home currently produces approximately 17 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 8.9 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   | £10,419 over 3 years | £6,669 over 3 years    |                          |
| Hot water | £672 over 3 years    | £357 over 3 years      | You could                |
| Lighting  | £750 over 3 years    | £531 over 3 years      | save £4,284              |
| Totals    | £11,841              | £7,557                 | 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.

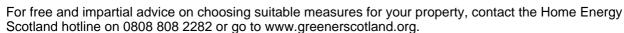
| Recommended measures |   | la disettus seet  | Typical saving | Rating after improvement |             |
|----------------------|---|-------------------|----------------|--------------------------|-------------|
| Re                   | commended measures                        | Indicative cost   | per year       | Energy                   | Environment |
| 1                    | Increase loft insulation to 270 mm        | £100 - £350       | £97            | E 50                     | E 42        |
| 2                    | Cavity wall insulation                    | £500 - £1,500     | £579           | D 57                     | E 49        |
| 3                    | Floor insulation (suspended floor)        | £800 - £1,200     | £386           | D 63                     | E 54        |
| 4                    | Low energy lighting for all fixed outlets | £25               | £61            | D 63                     | D 55        |
| 5                    | Replace boiler with new condensing boiler | £2,200 - £3,000   | £246           | D 67                     | D 59        |
| 6                    | Solar water heating                       | £4,000 - £6,000   | £60            | D 68                     | D 60        |
| 7                    | Solar photovoltaic panels, 2.5 kWp        | £3,500 - £5,500   | £393           | C 72                     | D 64        |
| 8                    | Wind turbine                              | £15,000 - £25,000 | £865           | B 81                     | C 72        |

#### **Alternative measures**

There are alternative improvement measures which you could also consider for your home. It would be advisable to seek further advice and illustration of the benefits and costs of such measures.

External insulation with cavity wall insulation

# 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 Loft insulation

Loft insulation laid in the loft space or between roof rafters to a depth of at least 270 mm will significantly reduce heat loss through the roof; this will improve levels of comfort, reduce energy use and lower fuel bills. Insulation should not be placed below any cold water storage tank, any such tank should also be insulated on its sides and top, and there should be boarding on battens over the insulation to provide safe access between the loft hatch and the cold water tank. The insulation can be installed by professional contractors but also by a capable DIY enthusiast. Loose granules may be used instead of insulation quilt; this form of loft insulation can be blown into place and can be useful where access is difficult. The loft space must have adequate ventilation to prevent dampness; seek advice about this if unsure. Further information about loft insulation and details of local contractors can be obtained from the National Insulation Association (www.nationalinsulationassociation.org.uk).

#### 2 Cavity wall insulation

Cavity wall insulation, to fill the gap between the inner and outer layers of external walls with an insulating material, reduces heat loss; this will improve levels of comfort, reduce energy use and lower fuel bills. The insulation material is pumped into the gap through small holes that are drilled into the outer walls, and the holes are made good afterwards. As specialist machinery is used to fill the cavity, a professional installation company should carry out this work, and they should carry out a thorough survey before commencing work to ensure that this type of insulation is suitable for this home and its exposure. They should also provide a guarantee for the work and handle any building standards issues. Further information about cavity wall insulation and details of local installers can be obtained from the National Insulation Association (www.nationalinsulationassociation.org.uk).

## 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 Condensing boiler

A condensing boiler is capable of much higher efficiencies than other types of boiler, meaning it will burn less fuel to heat this property. This improvement is most appropriate when the existing central heating boiler needs repair or replacement, however there may be exceptional circumstances making this impractical. Condensing boilers need a drain for the condensate which limits their location; remember this when considering remodelling the room containing the existing boiler even if the latter is to be retained for the time being (for example a kitchen makeover). 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 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.

#### 8 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: 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) | 42,872            | (1,217)                   | (7,259)                          | N/A                             |
| Water heating (kWh per year) | 2,912             |                           |                                  |                                 |

# **Addendum**

# **About this document**

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

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

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## Use of this energy performance information

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

# 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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|                    |                               |  |
| Date of Inspection | 27 <sup>th</sup> January 2025 |  |



# 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.

| Description                                 | The subjects comprise a detached house with a dog kennel/grooming business contained within the overall holding.  |
|---|---|
|   |   |
| Accommodation                               | Ground Floor: Vestibule, hallway, living room, dining room, sun room, kitchen, utility room, three bedrooms and a five-piece bath/shower/sauna room.  First Floor: Landing, living room, master bedroom with ensuite four-piece bath/shower room suite off and a separate two-piece WC suite. |
|   |   |
|   |   |
| Gross internal floor area (m <sub>2</sub> ) | 277m2 or thereby.   |
|   |   |
| Neighbourhood and location                  | The subjects are located within a semi-rural location on the outskirts of Newmachar, Aberdeenshire where  |
|   | surrounding properties vary with regards to age, type and character. All normal local amenities and facilities are available within nearby Newmachar.   |
|   |   |
| Age   | Fully 100 years old, and subsequently extended c1970's.   |
|   |   |
| Weather                                     | Wet / Overcast, following a period of mixed weather.  |
|   |   |
| Chimney Stacks                              | Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.  |
|   | From our restricted external ground floor inspection, the chimney stack appears to be of masonry roughcast construction. Restricted visual inspection carried out.  |
| <u> </u>                                    |   |

# Roofing including roof space Sloping roofs where visually inspected. Flat roofs were visually inspected from vantage points within the property and where safe and reasonable to do so from a 3m ladder externally. Roof spaces were visually inspected and were entered where there was safe and reasonable access, normally defined as being from a 3m ladder within the property. The main roof structure as from our restricted external ground floor inspection was noted to be pitched clad externally with tiles incorporating flat sections. We confirm that no access was gained onto the external roof structure and inadequate vantage available from ground floor level, therefore the external roof structure was not fully inspected. Our inspection of the two accessible roof void areas, one accessed from the first floor WC doorway and the other accessed via a hatch within the first floor en-suite ceiling were both restricted to visual inspections from the access door/hatch and areas directly adjacent. Insulation materials and household items restricted our visual inspection of the roof void area accessed off the WC and we confirm that no access was gained into the roof void area accessed via the first floor en-suite due to unsecure footing. No access gained to any other internal roof space.

| Rainwater fittings | Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate. |
|--------------------|--|
|                    | Rainwater fittings were noted to be of PVC construction.         |

| Main walls | Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.              |
|------------|---|
|            | Foundations and concealed parts were not exposed or inspected.                |
|            | Main walls appear to be of stone and brick construction roughcast externally. |

| 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.  |
|                                     | Windows were noted to be of UPVC and timber double glazed design, whilst the access doors were noted to be of UPVC double glazed design. |
|                                     |  |
| External decorations                | Visually inspected.  |
|                                     | UPVC fascia boarding and painted.  |
|                                     |  |
| Conservatories / porches            | Visually inspected.  |
|                                     | None.  |
|                                     |  |
| Communal areas                      | Circulation areas visually inspected.  |
|                                     | None.  |

## Garages and permanent outbuildings

## Visually inspected.

The subjects benefit from various outbuildings as follows:-

#### **Dog Kennel 1**

Detached dog kennel structure of brick roughcast construction under a felt covered roof measuring c36 m2 or thereby accommodating nine dog kennels internally.

#### Dog Kennel 2/Office

Detached dog kennel structure with an office room internally of composite panel construction under a metal profile sheeted roof measuring c110 m2 or thereby accommodating ten dog kennels and office room.

# **Dog Kennel 3**

Detached dog kennel structure of steel frame construction under a metal profile sheeted roof measuring c24 m2 or thereby accommodating three dog kennels.

#### **Dog Kennel 4**

Detached dog kennel of stone construction under a pitched and tiled roof measuring c15 m2 or thereby accommodating four dog kennels internally.

# **Detached Timber Garage**

Timber garage of timber construction under a pitched roof clad externally with felt coverings.

#### **Detached Double Garage**

Detached double garage of concrete panel construction under a metal profile sheeted roof measuring c32 m2 or thereby.

# **Detached Timber Garden Shed**

Timber shed of timber construction under a pitched roof clad externally with felt coverings.

# **Wood Store**

Attached wood store structure of stone construction under a pitched and tiled roof measuring c9 m2 or thereby.

The Vendor has indicated the detached dog grooming structure is to be removed before the conclusion of any sale. Solicitor to confirm.

# Outside areas and boundaries Visually inspected. The subjects benefit from sections of private garden ground to the front, side and rear along with a driveway. The Vendor has informed the overall holding measures c4 four acres (not measured). Solicitor to confirm. The Vendor has also indicated the subjects are accessed via a private unmade road which the neighbouring farm has Legal Title over and appropriate right of access is in place to access the subjects in the report. Solicitor to confirm right of access and liability for upkeep.

| Ceilings | Visually inspected from floor level.   |
|----------|--|
|          | Ceilings were noted to be of lath and plaster and plasterboard construction with papered and/or painted finishes. Artex finishes also noted. |

| Internal walls | Visually inspected from floor level.  Using a moisture meter, walls were randomly tested for dampness where considered appropriate. |
|----------------|---|
|                | Internal walls were noted to be of solid and stud construction with papered and/or painted finishes.                                |

| 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<br>the Surveyor deems it safe and reasonable to do so,<br>and subject to a minimum clearance of 1m between<br>the underside of floor joists and the solum as<br>determined from the access hatch.         |
| Flooring was noted to be of timber and solid construction with fitted floor coverings throughout. No access gained to any sub-floor area at the time of our inspection and our overall inspection of the flooring was restricted due to fitted floor coverings. |
|   |

# Internal joinery and kitchen fittings Built-in cupboards were looked into but no stored items were moved. Kitchen units were visually inspected excluding appliances. Internal doors are of timber design, some glazed. Facings and skirtings are of painted or stained moulded design, and the kitchen is equipped with a range of wall and base units. Chimney breasts and fireplaces Visually inspected. No testing of the flues or fittings was carried out. Multi-fuel stove noted within the ground floor living room and an open fireplace noted within the first floor living room. Internal decorations Visually inspected. Walls papered and/or painted, and woodwork either painted or stained. Bath/Shower room walls are partly tiled. Visually inspected. **Cellars** None. Accessible parts of the wiring were visually inspected **Electricity** 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 off. Mains supply with fuse box located within vestibule cupboard.

# 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 off. None.

# 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.

The Vendor has informed the subjects are served by a mains water supply. Solicitor to confirm.

Internal distribution pipes where seen appear to be of copper and PVC design.

Sanitary arrangements comprise a five-piece bath/shower/sauna room; four-piece bath/shower room suite; and a two-piece WC suite.

# 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.

Oil fired Trianco Eurostar 150 (REF BURN INST) boiler to radiators.

Hot water is assumed to be supplied on demand from the aforementioned oil fired boiler and from the hot water tank.

We confirm we have carried out no investigations to confirm the location of the external oil storage tank meets current regulations. Solicitor to carry out all required due diligence.

# Drainage covers etc. were not lifted. Neither drains nor drainage systems were tested. The Vendor has informed the subjects are connected to a private septic tank located within the overall holding. We confirm we have carried out no investigations to confirm the location of the said septic tank; adequacy for usage; and registration with SEPA. Solicitor to carry out all required due diligence.

# Visually inspected. No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances. Smoke alarms noted. Not tested. Scottish government regulations came into effect on 1st February 2022 which requires each property to have linked smoke and heat detectors and if gas/carbon burning appliances are present then a carbon monoxide alarm fitted. Upgrading may be required to comply with these regulations. Purchasers should satisfy themselves with regards to compliance. We confirm it falls out with our remit to confirm in the provision of smoke alarm(s) meets current requirements.

## Any additional limits to inspection

For flats / maisonettes. Only the subject flat and internal communal areas giving access to the flat were inspected. If the roof space or under-building / basement is communal, reasonable and safe access is not always possible, this will be stated. If no inspection was possible, the surveyor will assume that there are no defects that will have a material effect on the valuation. The building containing the flat, including any external communal areas, was visually inspected only to the extent that the surveyor is able to give an opinion on the general condition and standard of maintenance.

The property was inspected within the limits imposed. At the time of inspection, the property was fully furnished with floor coverings fitted throughout, which restricted our overall inspection. Items were not removed from cupboards. Services were not tested.

No access was gained to any sub-floor areas. Where walls are lined internally, for example with plasterboard, tiling or timber, the structure behind the lining could not be tested with an electronic moisture meter.

Our inspection of the external fabric in general restricted as inspected from external ground floor level.

We confirm that no access was gained onto the external roof structure and inadequate vantage available from ground floor level, therefore the external roof structure was not fully inspected.

Our inspection of the two accessible roof void areas, one accessed from the first floor WC doorway and the other accessed via a hatch within the first floor en-suite ceiling were both restricted to visual inspections from the access door/hatch and areas directly adjacent. Insulation materials and household items restricted our visual inspection of the roof void area accessed off the WC and we confirm that no access was gained into the roof void area accessed via the first floor en-suite due to unsecure footing. No access gained to any other internal roof space.

Although considerable care was taken during the course of our inspection to detect defects serious in nature, we were unable to inspect those parts of the property which were covered, concealed or inaccessible and cannot, therefore guarantee that any such parts of the property are entirely free from defect.

It will be appreciated that parts of the property, which are covered, unexposed or inaccessible, cannot be guaranteed to be free from defect.

This report does not constitute a full and detailed description of the property and a structural investigation was not carried out. No inspection was undertaken of woodwork or other parts of the structure which are covered, unexposed or otherwise inaccessible and as a result no guarantee can be given that such parts of the structure are free from rot, beetle or other defects.

No removal of internal linings has been carried out in order to ascertain the condition of hidden parts and no warranty can be given regarding the areas not specifically referred to in this report.

The external building fabric has been inspected from ground level only from the subject's grounds and where possible from adjoining public property. Exposure work has not been carried out.

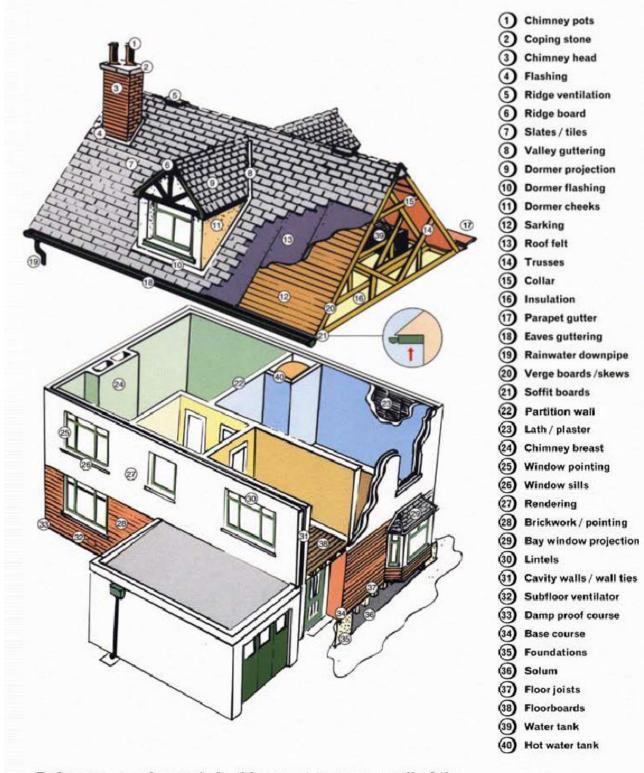
I have not carried out an inspection for Japanese Knotweed and unless otherwise stated for the purposes of this report I have assumed that there is no Japanese Knotweed within the boundaries of the property or in neighbouring properties.

The construction materials described in this report should not be considered as an exact specification. They are described for general guide only and based on a non-disruptive, visual inspection as defined in the main Terms & Conditions. Some descriptions may be partial and/or assumed. No detailed analysis, sampling or testing of materials has been undertaken.

It is sometimes difficult or impossible to conclusively determine the exact nature of the construction from a simple visual inspection because the decorative finish can conceal the construction. The description of the construction is the surveyor's opinion provided on the basis of a visual inspection.

It is out with the scope of this inspection to determine whether or not asbestos based products are present within the property. Asbestos was widely used in the building industry until around 1999, when it became a banned substance. If you have any concerns, you should engage the services of a qualified asbestos surveyor.

# 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.

| Category 3   | Category 2  | Category 1                               |
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| 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               | Category 1   |
| Notes                         | All buildings move daily and seasonally as a result of external factors such as gravity, temperature, moisture content and vibrations. Consequently, most buildings will have minor non-structural cracks related to these factors. Minor cracks can be filled during normal redecoration but often recur seasonally due to normal movement in a building. Non-structural cracks of this nature will not be recorded or reported.  There is evidence of a settlement in the building noted both internally and externally but this is not inconsistent with a property of this age and type and on the basis of a single inspection appears to be longstanding.  |
| Dampness, rot and infestation | on Control of the Con |
| Repair Category               | Category 2   |
| Notes                         | Random testing, where accessible, was carried out with an electronic moisture meter throughout the property.   |
|                               | Damp readings noted within internal wall/ceiling linings within the first floor en-suite bath/shower room suite. This should be investigated further by a suitable specialist contractor prior to entering into a legal commitment to purchase.  |
| Chimney Stacks                |  |
| Repair Category               | Category 2   |
| Notes                         | Render/masonry finishes were beginning to show signs of deterioration.   |
| Roofing including roof space  |  |
| Repair Category               | Category 2   |
| Notes                         | Roof   |
|                               | General maintenance overhaul and repair of the roof coverings is now necessary and it should be appreciated that this type of roof covering, due to its age, will require constant maintenance in the future.  |
|                               | Flat roof coverings are known to have a limited life requiring replacement, Experience shows that leaks can manifest themselves unpredictably and without warning.   |

|                             | Nestricted visual inspection from the access hatch, and the areas directly adjacent to the hatch only. The majority of the private roof void area was not visible or inspected at the time of our inspection and should not be considered free from defects. Damp staining noted to internal roof timbers, along with sections of woodworm. |
|-----------------------------|---|
| Rainwater Fittings          |   |
| Repair Category             | Category 1  |
| Notes                       | At the time of our inspection there was no evidence of damp staining/water staining on wall surface which would indicate leakage. It should be noted that it was not raining at the time of our inspection.   |
| Main Walls                  |   |
| Repair Category             | Category 2  |
| Notes                       | The external render is defective in places with cracked and boss sections being evident.  |
| Windows, external doors and | l joinery   |
| Repair Category             | Category 2  |
| Notes                       | A precautionary check of all windows and doors is advised.  Window seals should be regularly monitored and upgraded to ensure water tightness.  Seals to some of the double glazed windows have failed causing condensation between the panes.  Overhaul required of timber windows.  |
| External decorations        |   |
| Repair Category             | Category 1  |
| Notes                       | The external decorations are generally in fair order. Regular repainting will be required if these areas are to be maintained in satisfactory condition.  |
| Conservatories/porches      |   |
| Repair Category             | -   |
| Notes                       | Not applicable.   |

| Communal areas                     |  |
|------------------------------------|--|
| Repair Category                    | -  |
| Notes                              | Not applicable.  |
|                                    |  |
| Garages and permanent outbuildings |  |
| Repair Category                    | Category 2   |
| Notes                              | The older outbuilding structures will require ongoing maintenance and repairs including the roofs.   |
| Outside areas and boundarie        | es   |
| Repair Category                    | Category 2   |
| Notes                              | The boundaries appear reasonably well defined and fences etc., are in adequate condition. Regular maintenance will be required.  |
|                                    | You should verify with your conveyancer the extent of the boundaries attaching to the property.  |
|                                    | Boundaries/retaining walls will require repairs and maintenance.   |
|                                    |  |
| Ceilings                           |  |
| Repair Category                    | Category 2   |
| Notes                              | Within the limits of our inspection these generally appeared in fair   |
|                                    | condition consistent with age. During redecoration some plaster filling/repair may be required.  |
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| Internal Walls                     | condition consistent with age. During redecoration some plaster filling/repair may be required.  Some decorative surfaces are finished with an Artex type product. Early forms of Artex may incorporate small amounts of asbestos based bonding materials and therefore specialist advice should be obtained prior to working on these areas to minimise the risk of releasing hazardous fibres.  We make reference to the dampness, rot and infestation section of this   |
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| Internal Walls Repair Category     | condition consistent with age. During redecoration some plaster filling/repair may be required.  Some decorative surfaces are finished with an Artex type product. Early forms of Artex may incorporate small amounts of asbestos based bonding materials and therefore specialist advice should be obtained prior to working on these areas to minimise the risk of releasing hazardous fibres.  We make reference to the dampness, rot and infestation section of this report and the commentary therein.  Category 2  The internal walls are largely covered with decorative finishes. During |

| Floors including sub-floors  |   |
|------------------------------|---|
| Repair Category              | Category 1  |
| Notes                        | No access to the sub-floor chamber was possible at the time of our visit to the property. Within the limitations of our surface inspection there was no indication to suggest significant defects in this area. It will, however be appreciated that the area was not inspected and therefore no guarantees can be provided in this regard. |
| Internal joinery and kitchen | fittings  |
| Repair Category              | Category 1  |
| Notes                        | The internal joinery is generally in keeping with the age and type of property and appeared in fair condition consistent with age.  |
|                              | The kitchen units are of a modern type and appeared in adequate condition for their age and purpose.  |
|                              | Internal glazed sections noted, we assume suitable safety glass has been installed.   |
| Chimney breasts and firepla  | ces   |
| Repair Category              | Category 1  |
| Notes                        | There is a multi-fuel stove and open fireplace installed within the property. It should be emphasised that the flues were not checked or appliances tested.   |
| Internal decorations         |   |
| Repair Category              | Category 1  |
| Notes                        | Internal decorations are in acceptable condition. Internal decorations are a matter of personal taste and you may wish to redecorate regardless.  |
| Cellars                      |   |
| Repair Category              | -   |
| Notes                        | Not applicable.   |
|                              |   |

| Electricity                 |  |
|-----------------------------|--|
| Repair Category             | Category 1   |
| Notes                       | It is recommended good practice that all electrical installations should be checked periodically, approximately every ten years or when a property changes hands. This should be regarded as a routine safety and maintenance check.   |
|                             | The electrical system within the property appeared of modern design, there being a circuit breaker type distribution board adjacent to the electricity meter. In addition visible cabling is of pvc type. It should be emphasised that the system was not tested at the time of our inspection.  |
| Gas                         |  |
| Repair Category             | -  |
| Notes                       | Not applicable.  |
|                             |  |
| Water, plumbing and bathroo | om fittings  |
| Repair Category             | Category 1   |
| Notes                       | The Vendor has informed the subjects are connected to a mains water connection. Solicitor to confirm.  |
|                             | The plumbing and fittings appear of copper/pvc piping where seen and appeared in serviceable condition but was not tested.   |
|                             | The sanitary fittings appeared in fair order consistent with age.  |
|                             | Flooring beneath the shower tray/bath was not inspected, however it should be appreciated that over time the build-up of condensation together with small amounts of leakage from joints between tiling or mastic and bath/shower fittings can lead to deterioration of flooring or wall linings and repairs in this regard should be anticipated and budgeted for as part of a normal and ongoing maintenance regime. |
| Heating and hat water       |  |
| Heating and hot water       |  |
| Repair Category             | Category 1   |
| Notes                       | An oil fired central heating system has been installed. This appears in functional condition. This will require ongoing and regular servicing.   |
|                             | It is not uncommon for incoming purchasers to test / service the central heating boiler when taking occupancy. Regular servicing of the boilers will help maintain them in a workable and efficient condition.   |
|                             |  |

| Drainage        |   |
|-----------------|---|
| Repair Category | Category 1  |
| Notes           | We have been informed the subjects are connected to a private septic tank. No inspection carried out of tank or indeed its location.                |
|                 | A test of the septic tank should be undertaken prior to entering into a legal commitment to purchase and all recommendations should be implemented. |

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

| Structural Movement                   | 1 |
|---------------------------------------|---|
| Dampness, rot and infestation         | 2 |
| Chimney stacks                        | 2 |
| Roofing including roof space          | 2 |
| Rainwater fittings                    | 1 |
| Main walls                            | 2 |
| Windows, external doors and joinery   | 2 |
| External decorations                  | 1 |
| Conservatories / porches              | - |
| Communal areas                        | - |
| Garages and permanent outbuildings    | 2 |
| Outside areas and boundaries          | 2 |
| Ceilings                              | 2 |
| Internal walls                        | 2 |
| 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 |
|                                       |   |

# 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 for accessibility information

Three steps or fewer to a main entrance door of the property: In flatted developments the 'main entrance' would be the flat's own entrance door, not the external door to the communal stair. The 'three steps or fewer' are counted from external ground level to the flat's entrance door. Where a lift is present, the count is based on the number of steps climbed when using the lift. *Unrestricted parking within 25 metres:* For this purpose, 'Unrestricted parking' includes parking available by means of a parking permit. Restricted parking includes parking that is subject to parking restrictions, as indicated by the presence of solid yellow, red or white lines at the edge of the road or by a parking control sign, parking meters or other coin-operated machines.

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

# Matters for a solicitor or licensed conveyancer

Absolute Ownership assumed.

We are unaware of any easements, servitudes or rights of way which may adversely affect the property. This point should be confirmed by reference to the Title Deeds.

We assume that the carriageways etc., ex adverso the subjects are the responsibility of the local authority.

If the legal advisers find that there are significant variations from the standard assumptions, then this should be referred back to the surveyor. In line with our normal practice, it is specifically assumed that the property and its value are unaffected by any matters which would or should be revealed to a competent Completing Solicitor by a local search and replies to the usual enquiries, or by any statutory notice and planning proposal.

The property benefits from private garden grounds. There are a number of boundary fence structures. It is always sensible when purchasing any property to find out who owns all outside areas/boundaries and who is responsible for their maintenance. Your legal advisors will obtain this information.

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

It is necessary for applicants to satisfy themselves that suitable lending for mortgage is available for the subject property prior to purchase, as no checks have been made by us in this regard.

It is recommended that where repairs, defects or maintenance items have been identified, particularly categorised as a 2 or 3, interested parties make appropriate enquiries in order to satisfy themselves of potential costs and the extent of the works required prior to submitting a legal offer to purchase.

The valuation is made on the assumption that any alterations that may have been carried out to the property satisfy all relevant legislation and have full certification where appropriate.

The subjects are located in an area in which underground mineral workings have taken place and ceased at an earlier time. It is assumed that a written report from the Coal Authority on previous mine workings within the area does not reveal the property to be at risk of movement from past underground workings.

The Vendor has also indicated the subjects are accessed via a private unmade road which the neighbouring farm has Legal Title over and appropriate right of access is in place to access the subjects in the report. Solicitor to confirm right of access and liability for upkeep.

The Vendor has informed the subjects are connected to a private septic tank located within the overall holding. We confirm we have carried out no investigations to confirm the location of the said septic tank; adequacy for usage; and registration with SEPA. Solicitor to carry out all required due diligence.

A test of the septic tank should be undertaken prior to entering into a legal commitment to purchase and all recommendations should be implemented.



# Estimated reinstatement cost for insurance purposes

We are of the opinion that the subjects should be insured for buildings reinstatement purposes for a sum of not less than £950,000 (NINE HUNDRED AND FIFTY THOUSAND POUNDS STERLING).

This figure is an opinion of an appropriate sum for which the property and substantial outbuildings should be insured against total destruction, on a reinstatement basis, assuming reconstruction of the property in its existing design and materials. Finishing's and fittings have not been included. No allowance has been included for inflation during the insurance period or during reconstruction and no allowance has been made for VAT, other than on professional fees. Further discussions with your insurers is advised. The figure should be reviewed annually and in light of any future alterations or additions.

Building costs are currently increasing significantly above inflation due to material and labour shortages, 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

This is a Replacement Home Report.

We are of the opinion that the market value of the subjects all as previously described and on a vacant possession basis as at the 27<sup>th</sup> January 2025 would be fairly stated in the region of £495,000 (FOUR HUNDRED AND NINETY FIVE THOUSAND POUNDS STERLING).

The subjects under report comprise a residential dwelling house and dog kennel/grooming business. We confirm that the basis of our report and valuation is on the residential dwelling house, land, and vacant outbuildings only, and we have apportioned no valuation to the business element. Any potential purchaser should carry out their own required due diligence before the conclusion of any sale.

We have endeavoured to reflect the general condition of the property, location and current market conditions when arriving at our opinion of valuation. We would assume that current trends will prevail at the ultimate date of disposal with no adverse or onerous matters being introduced into the market during the intervening period which would have a detrimental effect on price.

This report is not the product of a building survey and all defects and other matters should be fully considered and, where appropriate, be the subject of specialist and tradesmen's reports prior to the conclusion of Missives.

| Signed         | Aur.   |
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|                |  |
| Report author  | Mr Andrew J MacKenzie Bsc(Hons) MRICS For and on behalf of Home Report Company |
|                |  |
| Address        | 12A Carden Place, ABERDEEN, AB10 1UR   |
|                |  |
| Date of report | 27 <sup>th</sup> January 2025  |

# **Terms and Conditions**

# PART 1 – GENERAL

# 1.1 THE SURVEYORS

The Seller has engaged the Surveyors to provide the Single Survey Report and Energy Performance Certificate in t format prescribed by the accredited Energy Company.

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.

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.

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 the 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 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 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 part other than the Seller, prospective purchasers and the Purchaser and their respective professional advisers without the prior written consent of the Surveyors.

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

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#### 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 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 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.

# 1.5 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.

# 1.6 CANCELLATION

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

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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.

# 1.7 PRECEDENCE

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

#### 1.8 **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 "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 arms-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.

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### PART 2 – DESCRIPTION OF THE REPORT

### 1.9 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.

### 1.10 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 or 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.

### 2.1 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 minor defects.

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

- 1. <u>Category 3:</u> Urgent repairs or replacement are needed now. Failure to deal with them may cause problems to other parts of the property or cause a safety hazard. Estimates for repairs or replacement are neede now.
- 2. <u>Category 2:</u> Repairs or replacement requiring future attention, but estimates are still advised.

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### 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 exposed area and which could have a material effect upon the value, he may recommend further investigation by specialist contractors.

### 2.2 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 a cause to suspect significant defects or shortcomings with the installations. No tests are made of any services or appliances

### 2.3 ACCESSIBILITY

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

### 2.4 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.

### 2.5 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" 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 arms-length transaction after proper marketing wherein the parties had each acted knowledgeably, prudently and without compulsion. In arriving at the opinion of 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 amongst the co-proprietors on an equitable basis.

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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.





SCOTLAND'S LEADING INDEPENDENT HOME REPORT PROVIDER

| Property address | Fairways<br>Newmachar<br>Aberdeen<br>AB21 7PU |
|------------------|---|
| Seller(s)        | Mr & Mrs K Bryson                             |
|                  |   |

### 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?  | 11 years 5 months |  |
| 2. | Council tax  |                   |  |
|    | Which Council Tax band is your property in?  | Band G            |  |
| 3. | Parking  |                   |  |
|    | What are the arrangements for parking at your property?  |                   |  |
|    | Garage, Driveway   |                   |  |
|    | Any other parking information: N/A   |                   |  |
| 4. | Conservation area  |                   |  |
|    | Is your property in a designated Conservation Area (that is an area of special architectural or historical interest, the character or appearance of which it is desirable to preserve or enhance)? | No                |  |

| 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)?                   | 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)?  |  | No         |  |
|   | 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?  | N/A        |  |
| The relevant documents will be needed by the purchaser and you should give them solicitor as soon as possible for checking.  If you do not have the documents yourself, please note below who has these documents your solicitor or estate agent will arrange to obtain them: |  | m to your  |  |
|   |  | uments and |  |
|   | N/A  |            |  |
| b.  | Have you had replacement windows, doors, patio doors or double glazing installed in your property?   | Yes        |  |
|   | (i) Were the replacements the same shape and type as the ones you replaced?  | Yes        |  |
|   | (ii) Did this work involve any changes to the window or door openings?   | No         |  |
|   | (iii) Please describe the changes made to the windows doors, or patio doors (with approximate dates when the work was completed):  |            |  |
|   | windows replaced in upstairs living room, dining room, kitchen approx. 2012\r\nwindows replaced in bedrooms approx. 2014\r\nPatio doors and window replaced in sun room approx. 2018 |            |  |
|   | Please give any guarantees which you received for this work to your solicitor or estate agent.   |            |  |

| 7.  | Central heating  |     |  |
|---|--|-----|--|
| a. Is there a central heating system in your property?  (Note: a partial central heating system is one which does not heat all the main of the property — the main living room, the bedroom(s), the hall and the bathro |  | Yes |  |
|   | What kind of central heating is there?   | Oil |  |
|   | i) When was your central heating system or partial central heating system installed?                       | N/A |  |
|   | (ii) Do you have a maintenance contract for the central heating system?                                    | No  |  |
| Please give details of the company with which you have a maintenance contract:  |  |     |  |
|   | N/A  |     |  |
|   | (iii) When was your maintenance agreement last renewed?  | N/A |  |
| 8.  | Energy Performance Certificate   |     |  |
|   | Does your property have an Energy Performance Certificate which is less than 10 years old?                 | Yes |  |
| 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? | No  |  |
|   | Is the damage the subject of any outstanding insurance claim?  | N/A |  |
| b.  | Are you aware of the existence of asbestos in your property?   | No  |  |
|   | Please give details:   | •   |  |
|   | N/A  |     |  |

| 10. | Services  |                                     |               |       |  |
|-----|---|-------------------------------------|---------------|-------|--|
| a.  | Please list which services are connected to your property and give details of the supplier: |                                     |               |       |  |
|     | Service Connected Supplier  |                                     |               | olier |  |
|     |   | Gas or liquid petroleum gas         | Not Connected | N/A   |  |
|     |   | Water mains or private water supply | Connected     | N/A   |  |
|     | Electricity Connected Opus energy   |                                     | s energy      |       |  |
|     | Mains drainage Not Connected N/A  |                                     |               |       |  |
|     |   | Telephone                           | Connected     | Sky   |  |
|     |   | Cable TV or satellite               | Connected     | Sky   |  |
|     |   | Broadband                           | Connected     | Sky   |  |
|     |   |                                     |               |       |  |
| b.  | Is there a septic tank system at your property?  Yes  |                                     |               | Yes   |  |
|     | i) Do you have appropriate consents for the discharge from your septic tank? Don\'t Know    |                                     |               |       |  |
|     | (ii) Do you have a maintenance contract for your septic tank?                               |                                     |               | No    |  |
|     | Please give details of the company with which you have a maintenance contract:              |                                     |               |       |  |
|     | N/A   |                                     |               |       |  |
|     | (iii) When was your maintenance agreement last renewed?                                     |                                     |               |       |  |

| 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?   |       |  |
|     | Please give details:  |       |  |
| b.  | Is there a responsibility to contribute to repair and maintenance of the roof, common stairwell or other common areas?  | No    |  |
|     | Please give details:  | 1     |  |
| C.  | Has there been any major repair or replacement of any part of the roof during the time you have owned the property?   | Yes   |  |
|     | Please give details: flat roof areas replaced with Silka Sarn Fil roofing   |       |  |
| 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?   | No    |  |
|     | 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?   | No    |  |
|     | 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.) | No    |  |
|     | Please give details:  | 1     |  |
| 12. | Charges associated with your property   |       |  |
| a.  | Is there a factor or property manager for your property?  | No    |  |
|     | Please provide the name and address, and give details of any deposit held and any cha N/A   | rges: |  |

| b.  | Is there a common buildings insurance policy?  | No             |  |  |
|-----|--|----------------|--|--|
|     | Is the cost of the insurance included in your monthly/annual factor's charges?   | N/A            |  |  |
| 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.   |                |  |  |
|     | N/A  |                |  |  |
| 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?  | No             |  |  |
|     | 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:  |                |  |  |
| N/A |  |                |  |  |
| 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?   | No             |  |  |
|     | Please give details:   |                |  |  |
|     | N/A  |                |  |  |
| C.  | Do you have any guarantees relating to this work?  | Not Applicable |  |  |
|     | 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:  |                |  |  |
|     | N/A  |                |  |  |

| 14.            | Guarantees   |    |
|----------------|--|----|
| a.             | Are there any guarantees or warranties for any of the following:   |    |
| (i)            | Electrical work  | No |
| (ii)           | Roofing  | No |
| (iii)          | Central heating  | No |
| (iv)           | National House Building Council (NHBC)   | No |
| (v)            | Damp course  | No |
| (vi)           | Any other work or installations? (for example, cavity wall insulation, underpinning, indemnity policy)                                       | No |
| 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):  N/A |    |
| C.             | Are there any outstanding claims under any of the guarantees listed above?   | No |
|                | Please give details:   |    |
|                | N/A  |    |
| 14. Boundaries |  |    |
|                | So far as you are aware, has any boundary of your property been moved in the last 10 years?  | No |
|                | Please give details:   |    |
|                | N/A  |    |

| 16. | Notices that affect your property   |    |  |
|-----|---|----|--|
|     | In the past three years have you ever received a notice:  |    |  |
| a.  | advising that the owner of a neighbouring property has made a planning application?   | No |  |
| b.  | that affects your property in some other way?   | No |  |
| C.  | that requires you to do any maintenance, repairs or improvements to your property?  | No |  |
|     | If you have answered yes to any of a–c above, please give the notices to your solicitor or estate agent, including any notices which arrive at any time before the date of entry of the purchaser of your property. |    |  |

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

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

| Signature(s): | Kenneth Matthew Bryson |  |
|---------------|------------------------|--|
| Date:         | 08/02/2023             |  |



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