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### survey report on:

Property address	26 INCHMICKERY ROAD, DALGETY BAY, DUNFERMLINE, KY11 9NL
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Customer	Aileen Baxter

Customer address	

Prepared by	DM Hall LLP

Date of inspection	26th September 2023
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### PART 1 - GENERAL

### 1.1 THE SURVEYORS

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

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

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

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

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

If the Surveyors have had a previous business relationship within the past two years with the Seller or Seller's Agent or relative to the property, they will be obliged to indicate this by ticking the adjacent box.

The Surveyors have a written complaints handling procedure. This is available from the offices of the Surveyors at the address stated.

### 1.2 THE REPORT

The Surveyors will not provide an amended Report on the Property, except to correct factual inaccuracies.

The Report will identify the nature and source of information relied upon in its preparation.

The Surveyor shall provide a Market Value of the Property, unless the condition of the Property is such that it would be inappropriate to do so. A final decision on whether a loan will be granted rests with the Lender who may impose retentions in line with their lending criteria. The date of condition and value of the property will be the date of inspection.

Prior to 1 December 2008, Purchasers have normally obtained their own report from their chosen Surveyor. By contrast, a Single Survey is instructed by the Seller and made available to all potential Purchasers in expectation that the successful Purchaser will have relied upon it. The Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors rules require disclosure of any potential conflict of interest when acting for the Seller and the Purchaser in the same transaction. The Single Survey may give rise to a conflict of interest and if this is of concern to any party they are advised to seek their own independent advice.

The Report and any expressions or assessments in it are not intended as advice to the Seller or Purchaser or any other person in relation to an asking price or any other sales or marketing decisions.

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



The Report is based solely on the Property and is not to be relied upon in any manner whatsoever when considering the valuation or condition of any other property.

If certain minor matters are mentioned in the Report it should not be assumed that the Property is free of other minor defects.

Neither the whole nor any part of the Report may be published in any way, reproduced or distributed by any party other than the Seller, prospective purchasers and the Purchaser and their respective professional advisers without the prior written consent of the Surveyors.

### 1.3 LIABILITY

The Report is prepared with the skill and care reasonably to be expected of a competent residential surveyor who is a member of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors.

The Report is addressed to the Seller and was prepared in the expectation that it (or a complete copy) along with these Terms and Conditions (or a complete copy) would (or, as the case might be, would have been) be disclosed and delivered to:

- the Seller;
- any person(s) noting an interest in purchasing the Property from the Seller;
- any person(s) who make(s) (or on whose behalf is made) an offer to purchase the Property, whether or not that offer is accepted by the Seller;
- the Purchaser; and
- the professional advisers of any of these.

The Surveyors acknowledge that their duty of skill and care in relation to the Report is owed to the Seller and to the Purchaser. The Surveyors accept no responsibility or liability whatsoever in relation to the Report to persons other than the Seller and the Purchaser. The Seller and Purchaser should be aware that if a Lender seeks to rely on this Report they do so at their own risk. In particular, the Surveyors accept no responsibility or liability whatsoever to any Lender in relation to the Report. Any such Lender relies upon the Report entirely at their own risk.

### 1.4 GENERIC MORTGAGE VALUATION REPORT

The Surveyors undertake to the Seller that they will prepare a generic Mortgage Valuation Report, which will be issued along with the Single Survey. It is the responsibility of the Seller to ensure that the generic Mortgage Valuation Report is provided to every potential Purchaser.

### 1.5 TRANSCRIPT MORTGAGE VALUATION FOR LENDING PURPOSES

The Surveyors undertake that on being asked to do so by a prospective purchaser, or his/her professional advisor or Lender, they will prepare a Transcript Mortgage Valuation Report for Lending Purposes on terms and conditions to be agreed between the Surveyors and Lender and solely for the use of the Lender and upon which the Lender may rely. The decision as to whether finance will be provided is entirely a matter for the Lender. The Transcript Mortgage Valuation Report will be prepared from information contained in the Report and the generic Mortgage Valuation Report.<sup>2</sup>

### 1.6 INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

All intellectual property rights whatsoever (including copyright) in and to the Report, excluding the headings and rubrics, are the exclusive property of the Surveyors and shall remain their exclusive property unless

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

they assign the same to any other party in writing.

### 1.7 PAYMENT

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

### 1.8 CANCELLATION

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

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

In the case of cancellation or the inspection not proceeding, the Surveyor will refund any fees paid by the Seller for the inspection and Report, except for expenses reasonably incurred and any fee due in light of the final paragraph of this section.

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

### 1.9 PRECEDENCE

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

### 1.1 DEFINITIONS

- the "Lender" is the party who has provided or intends or proposes to provide financial assistance to the Purchaser towards the purchase of the Property and in whose favour a standard security will be granted over the Property;
- the "Transcript Mortgage Valuation Report for Lending Purposes" means a separate report, prepared by the Surveyor, prepared from information in the Report and the generic Mortgage Valuation Report, but in a style and format required by the Lender. The Transcript Mortgage Valuation Report for Lending Purposes will be prepared with the skill and care reasonably to be expected from a surveyor who is a member of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors and who is competent to survey, value and report on the Property;
- the "Generic Mortgage Valuation Report" means a separate report, prepared by the Surveyor from information in the Report but in the Surveyor's own format;
- the "Market Value" is the estimated amount for which a property should exchange on the date of valuation between a willing buyer and a willing seller in an arm's-length transaction after proper marketing wherein the parties had each acted knowledgeably, prudently and without compulsion;
- the "Property" is the property which forms the subject of the Report;

- the "Purchaser" is the person (or persons) who enters into a contract to buy the Property from the Seller;
- a "prospective Purchaser" is anyone considering buying the Property;
- the "Report" is the report, of the kind described in Part 2 of these Terms and Conditions and in the form set out in part 1 of Schedule 1 of the Housing (Scotland) Act 2006 (Prescribed Documents) Regulations 2008;
- the "Seller" is/are the proprietor(s) of the Property;
- the "Surveyor" is the author of the Report on the Property; and
- the "Surveyors" are the firm or company of which the Surveyor is an employee, director, member or partner (unless the Surveyor is not an employee, director, member or partner, when the "Surveyors" means the Surveyor) whose details are set out at the head of the Report.
- the "Energy Report" is the advice given by the accredited Energy Company, based on information collected by the Surveyor during the Inspection, and also includes an Energy Performance Certificate, in a Government approved format.

### **PART 2 - DESCRIPTION OF THE REPORT**

### 2.1 THE SERVICE

The Single Survey is a Report by an independent Surveyor, prepared in an objective way regarding the condition and value of the Property on the day of the inspection, and who is a member of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors. It includes an Energy Report as required by Statute and this is in the format of the accredited Energy Company. In addition, the Surveyor has agreed to supply a generic Mortgage Valuation Report.

### 2.2 THE INSPECTION

The Inspection is a general surface examination of those parts of the Property which are accessible: in other words, visible and readily available for examination from ground and floor levels, without risk of causing damage to the Property or injury to the Surveyor.

All references to visual inspection refer to an inspection from within the property at floor level and from ground level within the site and adjoining public areas, without the need to move any obstructions. Any references to left or right are taken facing the front of the property.

The Inspection is carried out with the Seller's permission, without causing damage to the building or contents. Furniture, stored items and insulation are not moved.

Unless identified in the report the Surveyor will assume that no harmful or hazardous materials have been used in the construction. The presence or possible consequences of any site contamination will not be researched.

The Surveyor will not carry out an asbestos inspection, and will not be acting as an asbestos inspector in completing a Single Survey of properties that may fall within the Control of Asbestos in the Workplace Regulations. In the case of flats it will be assumed that there is a duty holder, as defined in the Regulations and that a Register of Asbestos and effective Management Plan is in place, which does not require any expenditure, or pose a significant risk to health. No enquiry of the duty holder will be made.

### 2.3 THE REPORT

The Report will be prepared by the Surveyor who carried out the property inspection and will describe various aspects of the property as defined by the headings of the Single Survey report with the comments being general and unbiased. The report on the location, style and condition of the property, will be concise and will be restricted to matters that could have a material effect upon value and will omit items that, in the Surveyor's opinion, are not significant. If certain minor matters are mentioned, it should not be interpreted that the property is free of any other minor defects.

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

- 1 <u>Category 3:</u> Urgent repairs or replacement are needed now. Failure to deal with them may cause problems to other parts of the property or cause a safety hazard. Estimates for repairs or replacement are needed now.
- 2 <u>Category 2:</u> Repairs or replacement requiring future attention, but estimates are still advised.
- 3 Category 1: No immediate action or repair is needed.

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

Parts of the property, which cannot be seen or accessed, will not be reported upon and this will be stated. If the Surveyor suspects that a defect may exist within an unexposed area and which could have a material effect upon the value, he may recommend further investigation by specialist contractors.

### 2.4 SERVICES

Surveyors are not equipped or qualified to test the services and therefore no comment can be interpreted as implying that the design, installation and function of the services are in accordance/compliance with regulations, safety and efficiency expectations. However, comment is made where there is cause to suspect significant defects or shortcomings with the installations. No tests are made of any services or appliances.

### 2.5 ACCESSIBILITY

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

### 2.6 ENERGY REPORT

A section is included that makes provision for an Energy Report, relative to the property. The Surveyor will collect physical data from the property and provide such data in a format required by an accredited Energy Company. The Surveyor cannot of course accept liability for any advice given by the Energy Company.

### 2.7 VALUATION AND CONVEYANCER ISSUES

The last section of the Report contains matters considered relevant to the Conveyancer (Solicitor). It also contains the Surveyor's opinion both of the market value of the property and of the re-instatement cost, as defined below.

"Market Value" The estimated amount for which a property should exchange on the date of valuation between a willing buyer and a willing seller in an arm's-length transaction after proper marketing wherein

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the parties had each acted knowledgeably, prudently and without compulsion. In arriving at the opinion of the Market Value the Surveyor also makes various standard assumptions covering, for example, vacant possession; tenure and other legal considerations; contamination and hazardous materials; the condition of un-inspected parts; the right to use mains services; and the exclusion of curtains, carpets etc. from the valuation. In the case of flats, the following further assumptions are made that:

- There are rights of access and exit over all communal roadways, corridors, stairways etc. and to use communal grounds, parking areas, and other facilities;
- There are no particularly troublesome or unusual legal restrictions;
- There is no current dispute between the occupiers of the flats or any outstanding claims or losses; and the costs of repairs to the building are shared among the co-proprietors on an equitable basis.

Any additional assumption, or any found not to apply, is reported.

"Re-instatement cost" is an estimate for insurance purposes of the current cost of rebuilding the Property in its present form unless otherwise stated. This includes the cost of rebuilding the garage and permanent outbuildings, site clearance and professional fees, but excludes VAT (except on the fees).

Sellers or prospective Purchasers may consider it prudent to instruct a reinspection and revaluation after a period of 12 weeks (or sooner if appropriate) to reflect changing circumstances in the market and/or in the physical condition of the Property.

#### 1. Information and scope of inspection

This section tells you about the type, accommodation, neighbourhood, age and construction of the property. It also tells you about the extent of the inspection and highlights anything that the surveyor could not inspect.

All references to visual inspection refer to an inspection from within the property without moving any obstructions and externally from ground level within the site and adjoining public areas. Any references to left or right in a description of the exterior of the property refer to the view of someone standing facing that part of the property from the outside.

The inspection is carried out without causing damage to the building or its contents and without endangering the occupiers or the surveyor. Heavy furniture, stored items and insulation are not moved. Unless identified in the report the surveyor will assume that no harmful or hazardous materials or techniques have been used in the construction. The presence or possible consequences of any site contamination will not be researched.

Services such as TV/cable connection, internet connection, swimming pools and other leisure facilities etc. will not be inspected or reported on.

Description	Semi Detached Bungalow.
Accommodation	Ground floor: Entrance Hallway, Living Room, Internal Hallway/Sitting Room, Three Bedrooms, Kitchen, and Shower Room.
Gross internal floor area (m²)	67m2,
Neighbourhood and location	The subjects are situated within an established residential area of mixed style properties within the town of Dalgety Bay where local facilities and amenities can be obtained.
Age	Built around 1970.
Weather	Dry/fair. The content of this report should be read in accordance with the weather conditions at the time of inspection.
Chimney stacks	Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.
	There is a single shared stack located off the party wall in a brick pointed construction with metal flashings at the junction between this and the surrounding roof coverings.
Roofing including roof space	Sloping roofs were visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.
	Flat roofs were visually inspected from vantage points within the property and where safe and reasonable to do so from a 3m ladder externally.
	Roof 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

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Roofing including roof space	and reasonable to do so.
	The roof is of a traditional pitched design overlaid in tiling with tiled ridge sections. The later extension to the rear and over the garage is of a flat design and has recently been relaid in a rubberoid material.
	Access to the roof space is via a hatch and pull down ladder to the internal hall ceiling. The roof is of a metal framed construction overlaid with timber sarking board. The loft space has been partially floored. Insulation has been laid between the ceiling joists where seen.

Rainwater fittings	Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.
	Rainwater goods are of a PVC design to eaves and downpipes.

Main walls	Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.
	Foundations and concealed parts were not exposed or inspected.
	Main walls are of a non traditional metal framed construction with a brick outer leaf. Sections have been roughcast. Cavity wall insulation has been installed. The later extension appears to be of a cavity brick construction, again roughcast externally. A former door opening from the kitchen has been boarded over.

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.
	Entry to the property is via a composite panel and double glazed door to the entrance with there being a further double glazed patio door to the rear hallway. The windows are a mixture of modern UPVC framed and older style UPVC aluminium framed double glazed units.
	PVC boarding has been fitted to the fascias and soffits.

External decorations	Visually inspected.
	External timbers have been painted.
Conservatories / porches	Not applicable.

Communal areas	Not applicable.
Garages and permanent outbuildings	Visually inspected.
	There is a single car garage of concrete panel construction under a recently laid ruberoid flat roof. Access is via a timber up and over door to the front. Internally flooring is of a concrete screed nature. Stored items have been laid throughout with no access internally.

Outside areas and boundaries	Visually inspected.
	There are private garden plots to the front and rear finished in a mixture of grass, paving and stone chips. Off street parking is available via a monoblock driveway to the side. The plot is part bounded by mixed style fencing and hedges.

Ceilings	Visually inspected from floor level.
	Ceilings have been finished in plaster. Some of textured finishes. Profile boarding has been fitted to the ceiling of the shower room.

Internal walls	Visually inspected from floor level.
	Using a moisture meter, walls were randomly tested for dampness where considered appropriate.
	Internal walls are a mixture of solid on hard plaster and plasterboard. Wet wall finishing has been added to the shower room.

Floors including sub floors	Flooring is of a suspended timber design overlaid with boarding.
	Floor coverings have been fitted throughout with no access
	obtained to the flooring beneath or sub floor sections.

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 a panel design. The kitchen houses fitted floor and wall units.

Chimney breasts and fireplaces	None.
Internal decorations	Visually inspected.
	Walls and ceilings have been finished in a mixture of wall paper and paint.

Cellars	Not applicable.
Electricity	Accessible parts of the wiring were visually inspected without removing fittings. No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances. Visual inspection does not assess any services to make sure they work properly and efficiently and meet modern standards. If any services are turned off, the surveyor will state that in the report and will not turn them on.Electricity is from the mains supply. There is a consumer board to the entrance hall cupboard and a further unit to the attic space. Due to items surrounding the consumer board, no access was obtained.Wiring where seen is of a PVC coated design connected to 13 amp sockets.

Gas	Accessible parts of the system were visually inspected without removing fittings. No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances. Visual inspection does not assess any services to make sure they work properly and efficiently and meet modern standards. If any services are turned off, the surveyor will state that in the report and will not turn them on.
	Gas is from the mains supply.

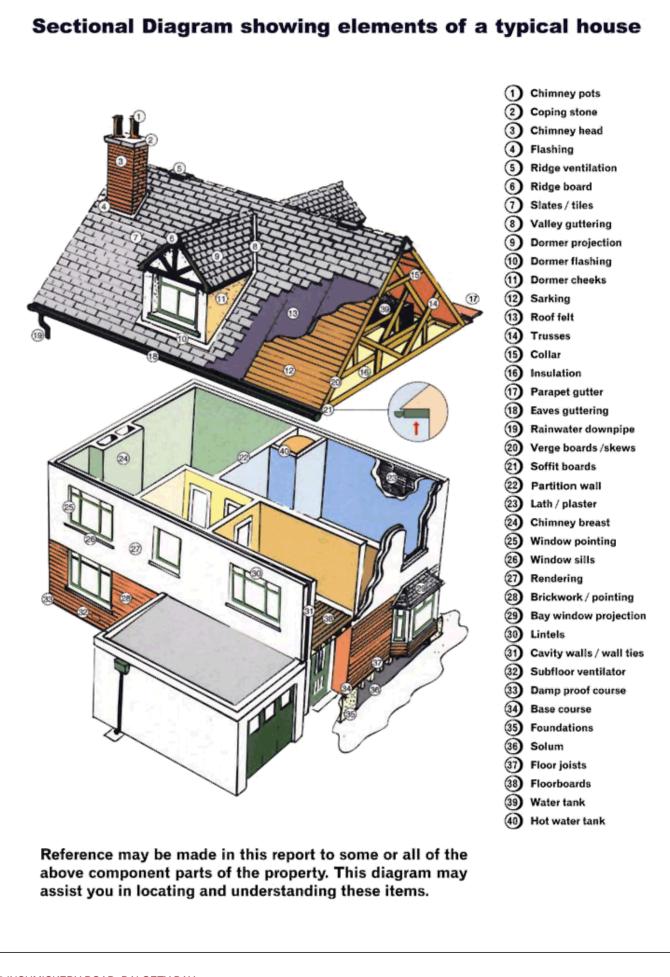
Water, plumbing, bathroom fittings	Visual inspection of the accessible pipework, water tanks, cylinders and fittings without removing any insulation. No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances.
	Water is from the mains supply. There is a shower unit, WC and wash hand basin to the shower room.
Heating and hot water	Accessible parts of the system were visually increated enart

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.
	Heating and hot water are available via a wall mounted gas fired boiler located to the entrance hall cupboard.
	Radiators have been connected to this.

Drainage	Drainage covers etc were not lifted.
	Neither drains nor drainage systems were tested.
	Drainage is assumed connected to the main public sewer.

Fire, smoke and burglar alarms	Visually inspected.
	No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances.
	Legislation by the Scottish Government, which took effect from February 2022, requires all residential properties to have a system of inter-linked smoke alarms and heat detectors. Carbon monoxide detectors are also required where appropriate. Purchasers should appraise themselves of the requirements of this legislation, and engage with appropriately accredited contractors to ensure compliance.

Any additional limits to inspection	Parts of the property, which are covered, unexposed or inaccessible, cannot be guaranteed to be free from defect.
	I have not carried out an inspection for Japanese Knotweed and unless otherwise stated, for the purposes of the valuation I have assumed that there is no Japanese Knotweed or other invasive plants within the boundaries of the property or in neighbouring properties.
	The report does not include an asbestos inspection. However asbestos was widely used in the building industry until around 2000, when it became a banned substance. If the possibility of asbestos based products has been reported within the limitations of the inspection and you have concerns you should engage a qualified asbestos surveyor.
	Random testing for dampness was undertaken internally with the use of a moisture meter where accessible and considered appropriate.
	The property was occupied, furnished and all floors were covered. Floor coverings restricted my inspection of flooring.
	In accordance with Health and Safety guidelines I have not disturbed insulation, furniture or personal effects (particularly in cupboards). Floor coverings have not been moved.
	Personal effects in cupboards and fitted wardrobes were not moved and restricted my inspection. I was not able to inspect the sub floor area.
	Concealed areas beneath and around the shower tray and kitchen units were not visible. Water spillage in these areas can often be discovered unexpectedly with resultant damage to concealed parts of the fabric.
	The inspection is not a fire or life safety risk assessment and should not be relied on as a risk assessment inspection. Further advice should be sought if a specific risk assessment of the property and building that it forms part of is required.
	Where repairs are required at height compliance with Health and Safety legislation often requires the use of scaffolding which can significantly impact on the cost of repair. Pricing repairs is out with the remit of this report but it would be prudent to consider costs and budgeting before offering. The various trades can advise further.



### 2. Condition

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

Category 3	Category 2	Category 1
Urgent repairs or replacement are needed now. Failure to deal with them may cause problems to other parts of the property or cause a safety hazard. Estimates for repairs or replacement are needed now.	Repairs or replacement requiring future attention, but estimates are still advised.	No immediate action or repair is needed.

Structural movement	
Repair category	1
Notes	No obvious evidence of significant movement noted within the limitations of my inspection.

Dampness, rot and infestation	
Repair category	2
Notes	There is evidence of spillage to sections of flooring surrounding the shower unit to the shower room and also the hallway. In addition to this there is evidence of condensation and mildew staining within the loft space.

Chimney stacks	
Repair category	1
Notes	Some general wear noted to sections.

Roofing including roof space	
Repair category	2
Notes	The roof coverings to the pitch tiles are of the original nature with signs of weathering noted to the tiles and pointing. There is also evidence of condensation staining to the loft space. Some nails were also showing signs of corrosion.
	Concrete tiles are typically guaranteed for 30 years but have a reasonable life expectation around 50/60 years according to the BRE. Life expectancy will often depend on weathering and damage from the prevailing weather. A reputable roofing contractor can advise on life expectancy and repair/replacement costs.
	The flat platform roofs have been relaid recently. Relevant paperwork/ guarantees should be obtained.

Rainwater fittings	
Repair category	1
Notes	At the time of inspection the weather was dry and I am unable to confirm the water tightness of the units.

Main walls	
Repair category	2
Notes	The property is of steel framed construction and there is evidence that the cavity has been retrospectively filled. This is not good building practice. Further information can be obtained from a competent contractor with a view to having this material fully removed and appropriate guarantees made available. Some isolated hairline cracking noted to sections.

Windows, external doors and joinery	
Repair category	2
Notes	The windows are part tested. Misting noted to sections of double glazing to the windows and patio doors. The seals to double glazed units sometimes fail resulting in condensation between the panes of glass. Failed sealed units can go undetected in certain weather/daylighting conditions and such failings are not considered to be significant because the window remains functional albeit not as double glazing. This can occur without warning and may only be seen in certain weather conditions. Some signs of decay noted to external timbers.

External decorations	
Repair category	2
Notes	General weathering noted to external decorations.

Conservatories/porches	
Repair category	-
Notes	Not applicable.

Communal areas	
Repair category	-
Notes	Not applicable.

Garages and permanent outbuildings	
Repair category	1
Notes	Restricted access.
	General maintenance is anticipated to the garage door.

Outside areas and boundaries	
Repair category	1
Notes	A number of semi mature conifer hedges close to the property. A tree surgeon will be able to advice further.

Ceilings	
Repair category	1
Notes	The textured finishes may contain asbestos based material. See information on Asbestos in the Limitations of Inspection section above.

Internal walls	
Repair category	1
Notes	No significant defects evident.

Floors including sub-floors	
Repair category	1
Notes	Some sections of flooring were found to be uneven and loose in places. It is not unusual to discover areas of past water spillage when floor coverings are removed in kitchen and bathroom compartments, revealing the need for further repair and maintenance work.

Internal joinery and kitchen fittings	
Repair category	1
Notes	No significant defects evident.

Chimney breasts and fireplaces	
Repair category	-
Notes	Not applicable.

Internal decorations	
Repair category	1
Notes	No significant defects evident.

Cellars	
Repair category	-
Notes	Not applicable.

Electricity	
Repair category	1
Notes	It is recommended that all electrical installations be checked every five years or on change of ownership to keep up to date with frequent changes in Safety Regulations. Further advice will be available from a qualified NICEIC/ SELECT registered Contractor. It should be appreciated that only recently constructed or rewired properties will have installations which fully comply with IET regulations.

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

F- Water, plumbing and bathroom fittings	
Repair category	2
Notes	There appears to be a leak from the shower unit with staining / dampness to the surrounding walls and flooring areas. A plumber will be able to advise further.

Heating and hot water				
Repair category	1			
Notes	It is assumed that the heating and hot water systems have been properly serviced and maintained on a regular basis and installed in accordance with the relevant regulations.			
	Boilers and central heating systems should be tested and serviced by a Gas Safe registered contractor on an annual basis to ensure their safe and efficient operation.			

Drainage	
Repair category	1
Notes	No significant defects evident.

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

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

#### **Category 3**

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

#### Category 2

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

#### Category 1

No immediate action or repair is needed.

#### Remember

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

#### Warning

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

### 3. Accessibility information

#### Guidance notes on accessibility information

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

In flatted developments the 'main entrance' would be the flat's own entrance door, not the external door to the communal stair. The 'three steps or fewer' are counted from external ground level to the flat's entrance door. Where a lift is present, the count is based on the number of steps climbed when using the lift.

#### Unrestricted parking within 25 metres:

For this purpose, 'Unrestricted parking' includes parking available by means of a parking permit. Restricted parking includes parking that is subject to parking restrictions, as indicated by the presence of solid yellow, red or white lines at the edge of the road or by a parking control sign, parking meters or other coin-operated machines.

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

#### 4. Valuation and conveyancer issues

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

#### Matters for a solicitor or licensed conveyancer

The property has been altered and extended to provide the present internal layout and also to create the rear extension. This appears to be of a historic nature exceeding 20 years.

#### Estimated reinstatement cost for insurance purposes

£160,000 (One Hundred and Sixty Thousand Pounds) It should be noted this sum is an estimate calculated by using a rate per square metre based on information provided by Building Cost Information Service (BCIS).

#### Valuation and market comments

£215,000 (TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTEEN THOUSAND POUNDS). Against a backdrop of changing economic circumstances and increasing interest rates, it is not possible to predict how the market will perform in the coming months although market conditions continue to be stable at present.

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Date of report	28th September 2023



Property Address						
Address26 INCHMICKERY ROAD, DALGETY BAY, DUNFERMLINE, KY11 9NLSeller's NameAileen BaxterDate of Inspection26th September 2023						
Property Details						
Property Type	House   X Bungalow   Purpose built maisonette   Converted maisonette     Purpose built flat   Converted flat   Tenement flat   Flat over non-residential use     Other (specify in General Remarks)					
Property Style	Detached   X   Semi detached   Mid terrace   End terrace     Back to back   High rise block   Low rise block   Other (specify in General Remarks)					
Does the surveyor be e.g. local authority, m	lieve that the property was built for the public sector,					
Flats/Maisonettes only	y Floor(s) on which located No. of floors in block Lift provided? Yes No					
Approximate Year of	No. of units in block					
Tenure						
X Absolute Ownership	Leasehold Ground rent £ Unexpired years					
Accommodation						
Number of Rooms	1   Living room(s)   3   Bedroom(s)   1   Kitchen(s)     1   Bathroom(s)   0   WC(s)   0   Other (Specify in General remarks)					
	cluding garages and outbuildings) 67 m <sup>2</sup> (Internal) 74 m <sup>2</sup> (External) (greater than 40%) X Yes No					
Garage / Parking /	Outbuildings					
X Single garage Available on site?	Double garage   Parking space   No garage / garage space / parking space     X Yes   No					
Permanent outbuilding	gs:					
No other outbuilding	ιs.					

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Construction							
Walls	Brick	Stone	Concrete	Timber frame	e X Oth	er (specify in Ger	eral Remarks)
Roof	X Tile	Slate	Asphalt	Felt	Oth	er (specify in Ger	eral Remarks)
Special Risks							
Has the property s	uffered struc	tural movem	ent?			Yes	X No
If Yes, is this recer	nt or progres	sive?				Yes	No
Is there evidence, immediate vicinity?		eason to antic	cipate subsidenc	e, heave, landslip	o or flood in th	ie Yes	X No
If Yes to any of the	e above, prov	vide details in	General Rema	rks.			
Service Connect	tion						
Based on visual insoft the supply in Ge			ces appear to b	e non-mains, plea	ase comment	on the type a	nd location
Drainage	X Mains	Private	None	Water	X Mains	Private	None
Electricity	X Mains	Private	None	Gas	X Mains	Private	None
Central Heating	X Yes	Partial	None				
Brief description of	f Central Hea	ating:					
Gas fired boiler s	erving radia	tors.					
Site							
Apparent legal issu	ues to be ver	rified by the c	onveyancer. Ple	ase provide a bri	ef description	in General R	emarks.
Rights of way	Shared driv	ves / access	Garage or othe	er amenities on separa	ate site	ared service conr	ections
III-defined boundarie	es	Agricu	Itural land included	with property	Oth	ner (specify in Ge	neral Remarks)
Location							
X Residential suburb	Re	sidential within t	own / city 🗌 Mi	xed residential / comr	nercial 🗌 Ma	inly commercial	
Commuter village	Re	mote village		lated rural property	Oth	ner (specify in Ge	neral Remarks)
Planning Issues							
Has the property b	een extende	ed / converted	d / altered?	Yes No			
If Yes provide deta							
Roads							
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Made up road	Unmade roa		/ completed new roa		n access only	X Adopted	Unadopted

#### General Remarks

The property is found to be in a condition commensurate with age having been adequately maintained. Whilst there are some items requiring attention, they should be capable of remedy through routine maintenance work. Although not an exhaustive list, the following observations were noted:

1. The property is of steel framed construction and there is evidence that the cavity has been retrospectively filled. This is not good building practice. Further information can be obtained from a competent contractor with a view to having this material fully removed and appropriate guarantees made available.

2. There is evidence of spillage to sections of flooring surrounding the shower unit to the shower room and also the hallway. In addition to this there is evidence of condensation and mildew staining within the loft space.

3 . The roof coverings to the pitch tiles are of the original nature with signs of weathering noted to the tiles and pointing. There is also evidence of condensation staining to the loft space. Some nails were also showing signs of corrosion.

Concrete tiles are typically guaranteed for 30 years but have a reasonable life expectation around 50/60 years according to the BRE. Life expectancy will often depend on weathering and damage from the prevailing weather. A reputable roofing contractor can advise on life expectancy and repair/replacement costs.

4. The property has been altered and extended to provide the present internal layout and also to create the rear extension. This appears to be of a historic nature exceeding 20 years.

#### **Essential Repairs**

None evident that would affect the future mortgageability over the subjects						
Estimated cost of essential repairs £	Retention recommended? Yes	X No	Amount £			

#### **Comment on Mortgageability**

We can confirm, that the property will provide suitable security for mortgage lending purposes, subject to specific criteria from any individual lender.

The property is of a steel frame and brick construction. Blown insulation has been installed within the cavity. This is not a recommended practise and some lenders will restrict lending over the property as a result.

Valuations	
Market value in present condition	£ 215,000
Market value on completion of essential repairs	£ n/a
Insurance reinstatement value (to include the cost of total rebuilding, site clearance, professional fees, ancillary charges plus VAT)	£ 160,000
Is a reinspection necessary?	Yes X No
Buy To Let Cases	
What is the reasonable range of monthly rental income for the property assuming a letting on a 6 month Short Assured Tenancy basis?	£
Is the property in an area where there is a steady demand for rented accommodation of this type?	Yes No
Declaration	

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