# **HOME REPORT**

#### **GREENACRES**

NAVIDALE HELMSDALE KW8 6JS





# ENERGY PERFORMANCE CERTIFICATE



# **Energy Performance Certificate (EPC)**

**Dwellings** 

# **Scotland**

#### GREENACRES, NAVIDALE, HELMSDALE, KW8 6JS

Dwelling type:Detached houseDate of assessment:29 May 2024Date of certificate:31 May 2024Total floor area:153 m²

Primary Energy Indicator: 522 kWh/m²/year

Reference number: 7814-0925-4000-0111-8226
Type of assessment: RdSAP, existing dwelling

**Approved Organisation:** Elmhurst

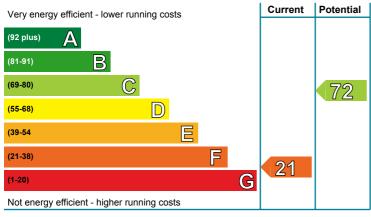
Main heating and fuel: Boiler and radiators, oil

#### 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*	£16,062	See your recommendations
Over 3 years you could save*	£8,871	report for more information

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

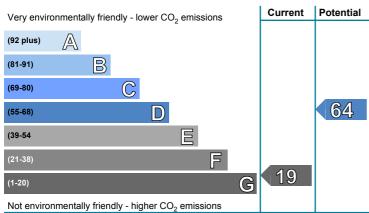


#### **Energy Efficiency Rating**

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 F (21)**. 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 G (19)**. 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 Flat roof or sloping ceiling insulation	£850 - £1,500	£1182.00
2 Room-in-roof insulation	£1,500 - £2,700	£2487.00
3 Cavity wall insulation	£500 - £1,500	£714.00

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	Granite or whinstone, as built, no insulation (assumed)	***	***
	Cavity wall, as built, no insulation (assumed)	***	$\star\star$
	Timber frame, as built, partial insulation (assumed)	***	***
Roof	Flat, limited insulation (assumed)	****	****
	Roof room(s), ceiling insulated	****	****
Floor	Suspended, no insulation (assumed)	_	_
Windows	Mostly double glazing	****	<b>★★★★☆</b>
Main heating	Boiler and radiators, oil	***	<b>★★★☆☆</b>
Main heating controls	Programmer, room thermostat and TRVs	****	<b>★★★★☆</b>
Secondary heating	Room heaters, dual fuel (mineral and wood)	_	_
Hot water	From main system, no cylinder thermostat	***	****
Lighting	Low energy lighting in 93% of fixed outlets	****	****

#### The energy efficiency rating of your home

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

As we all use our homes in different ways, the energy rating is calculated using standard occupancy assumptions which may be different from the way you use it. The rating also uses national weather information to allow comparison between buildings in different parts of Scotland. However, to make information more relevant to your home, local weather data is used to calculate your energy use, 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 136 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 21 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 13.2 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	£14,181 over 3 years	£6,276 over 3 years	
Hot water	£1,356 over 3 years	£390 over 3 years	You could
Lighting	£525 over 3 years	£525 over 3 years	save £8,871
Total	£16,062	£7,191	over 3 years

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

#### Recommendations for improvement

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

Recommended measures		Indicative cost Typical savin		Rating after improvement		
Re	commended measures	indicative cost	per year	Energy	Environment	
1	Flat roof or sloping ceiling insulation	£850 - £1,500	£394	F 25	F 22	
2	Room-in-roof insulation	£1,500 - £2,700	£829	F 36	F 31	
3	Cavity wall insulation	£500 - £1,500	£238	E 39	F 33	
4	Internal or external wall insulation	£4,000 - £14,000	£210	E 42	F 36	
5	Floor insulation (suspended floor)	£800 - £1,200	£515	E 50	E 42	
6	Increase hot water cylinder insulation	£15 - £30	£44	E 52	E 43	
7	Hot water cylinder thermostat	£200 - £400	£183	D 55	E 46	
8	Replace boiler with new condensing boiler	£2,200 - £3,000	£482	D 64	D 56	
9	Solar water heating	£4,000 - £6,000	£62	D 66	D 58	
10	Solar photovoltaic panels, 2.5 kWp	£3,500 - £5,500	£502	C 72	D 64	

#### 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

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



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

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

#### 1 Flat roof or sloping ceiling insulation

Insulating a flat roof or sloping ceiling will significantly reduce heat loss through the roof; this will improve levels of comfort, reduce energy use and lower fuel bills. Insulation can be placed on top of the roof under the waterproof membrane and should particularly be considered when the waterproofing needs to be replaced. Further information about roof insulation and details of local contractors can be obtained from the National Insulation Association (www.nationalinsulationassociation.org.uk). Building regulations generally apply to this work so it is best to check with your local authority building standards department.

#### 2 Room-in-roof insulation

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

#### 3 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).

#### 4 Internal or external wall insulation

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

#### 5 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.

#### 6 Hot water cylinder insulation

Increasing the thickness of existing insulation around the hot water cylinder will help to maintain the water at the required temperature; this will reduce the amount of energy used and lower fuel bills. An additional cylinder jacket or other suitable insulation layer can be used. The insulation should be fitted over any thermostat clamped to the cylinder. Hot water pipes from the hot water cylinder should also be insulated, using pre-formed pipe insulation of up to 50 mm thickness, or to suit the space available, for as far as they can be accessed to reduce losses in summer. All these materials can be purchased from DIY stores and installed by a competent DIY enthusiast.

#### 7 Cylinder thermostat

A hot water cylinder thermostat enables the boiler to switch off when the water in the cylinder reaches the required temperature; this minimises the amount of energy that is used and lowers fuel bills. The thermostat is a temperature sensor that sends a signal to the boiler when the required temperature is reached. To be fully effective it needs to be sited in the correct position and hard wired in place, so it should be installed by a competent plumber or heating engineer. Building regulations apply to this work, so it is best to check with your local authority building standards department whether a building warrant will be required.

#### 8 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.

#### 9 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.

#### 10 Solar photovoltaic (PV) panels

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

#### Low and zero carbon energy sources

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

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

#### Your home's heat demand

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

Heat demand	Existing dwelling	Impact of loft insulation	Impact of cavity wall insulation	Impact of solid wall insulation
Space heating (kWh per year)	38,398	(363)	(1,825)	(1,584)
Water heating (kWh per year)	4,177			

#### **Addendum**

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

#### **About this document**

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

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

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

#### Use of this energy performance information

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

#### Advice and support to improve this property

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

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

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# SINGLE SURVEY



## survey report on:

GREENACRES, NAVIDALE, HELMSDALE, KW8 6JS
Mr Ben Adamson
Catburn Cottage, Borgue, Helmsdale, KW7 6HA
DM Hall LLP
29th May 2024



#### **PART 1 - GENERAL**

#### 1.1 THE SURVEYORS

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

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

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

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

The individual Surveyor will be a member of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors who is competent to survey, value and report upon Residential 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>&</sup>lt;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>&</sup>lt;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 Category 3: Urgent repairs or replacement are needed now. Failure to deal with them may cause problems to other parts of the property or cause a safety hazard. Estimates for repairs or replacement are needed now.
- 2 Category 2: Repairs or replacement requiring future attention, but estimates are still advised.
- 3 Category 1: No immediate action or repair is needed.

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

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

#### 2.4 SERVICES

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

#### 2.5 ACCESSIBILITY

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

#### 2.6 ENERGY REPORT

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

#### 2.7 VALUATION AND CONVEYANCER ISSUES

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

#### 1. Information and scope of inspection

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

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

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

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

Description	A detached traditional style house.
Accommodation	GROUND FLOOR:- Entrance Porch, Living Room, Bedroom, Kitchen, Vestibule and Shower Room with WC.
	FIRST FLOOR:- Two Bedrooms and Bathroom with WC.
Gross internal floor area (m²)	153 m2
Neighbourhood and location	The property occupies an elevated position on the northern outskirts of the coastal village of Helmsdale with panoramic sea views to the front. Surrounding properties are of a similar residential style.
Age	150+ years.
Weather	Overcast and dry.
Chimney stacks	Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.
	The chimney heads are of stone construction and incorporate cement flashings.
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

Roofing including roof space	and reasonable to do so.
	The main roof is pitched and clad in slates and incorporates a tiled ridge.
	Access to the roof space is via a ceiling hatch within the left-hand gable bedroom cupboard. The roof comprises timber rafters with timber tongued and grooved sarking. Insulation material has been laid between the ceiling joists.
	The roofs over the bedroom single storey projections is clad in profile metal work. These appear to have been overlaid upon the original felt roof.
	The roof over the kitchen projection is flat and clad in bituminous felt. I am advised that this has been recently checked by a roofing contractor and found to be in good order.
Rainwater fittings	Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.
	The gutters and downpipes are of mixed PVC and cast iron half round and round designs.
Main walls	Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.
	Foundations and concealed parts were not exposed or inspected.
	The original dwelling is of traditional solid stonework construction externally roughcast. Subsequent extensions are of cavity blockwork construction externally roughcast.
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.  The windows are of a uPVC casement design equipped with
	double glazed sealed units. There are timber with glazed panel access doors. Fascias are formed in timber.
External decorations	Visually inspected.
	There are paint or wood stain finishes to external timbers.
Conservatories / porches	Visually inspected.
	There is a small entrance porch at the front. This is of timber construction with a pitched and slate clad roof. The windows are of a timber casement single glazed design and there is a timber with glazed panel style access door.

Communal areas	Not applicable.
Garages and permanent outbuildings	Visually inspected.
Carages and permanent outsundings	There is a detached two storey stone built store. This has a pitched roof clad in slates and incorporates a fuel store at lower ground floor level with general store at upper floor. In addition, there is a timber built with profile metal clad workshop, a lean-to brick and corrugated iron store at the gable of the two storey stone built outbuilding and a basic timber built garage/store. This has a profile metal clad roof and basic earth floor.
Outside areas and boundaries	Visually inspected.
	Immediate garden grounds are arranged to the front, side and rear of the property. Boundaries are formed in stone built walls and gardens incorporate lawned areas and borders.
	I am advised that there is a three and a half acre croft situated on the opposite side of the A9. Boundaries are formed in post and wire and the ground is generally uncultivated and overgrown.
Ceilings	Visually inspected from floor level.
	Plasterboard design with wallpapered finishes. There are coombed ceilings at first floor level.
Internal walls	Visually inspected from floor level.
	Using a moisture meter, walls were randomly tested for dampness where considered appropriate.
	Partitions are of timber stud construction lined in plasterboard.
Floors including sub floors	Surfaces of exposed floors were visually inspected. No carpets or floor coverings were lifted.
	Sub-floor areas were inspected only to the extent visible from a readily accessible and unfixed hatch by way of an inverted "head and shoulders" inspection at the access point.
	Physical access to the sub floor area may be taken if the Surveyor deems it is safe and reasonable to do so, and subject to a minimum clearance of 1m between the underside of floor joists and the solum as determined from the access hatch.
	Flooring is of suspended timber construction.

Internal joinery and kitchen fittings	Built-in cupboards were looked into but no stored items were moved.
	Kitchen units were visually inspected excluding appliances.
	The internal doors are of a timber or timber with glazed panel style. There is a timber staircase. The kitchen fittings comprise a range of floor and wall mounted units incorporating a stainless steel sink unit, electrical oven and hob.
Chimney breasts and fireplaces	Visually inspected.
	No testing of the flues or fittings was carried out.
	There is an open fireplace within the living room.
Internal decorations	Visually inspected.
	There are wallpaper and paintwork finishes throughout.
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.  Mains supply. Visible cabling is of a PVC coated style and there are 13 amp sockets. The meter and fuse box are located within the entrance porch.
Gas	No 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.
	Mains supply. Visible plumbers pipework is of PVC and copper materials. There is a stainless steel sink unit within the kitchen. Sanitary fittings comprise a white three piece suite within the main bathroom which incorporates an over bath shower. There is a white three piece suite within the cloakroom apartment.
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.
	The property benefits from a full oil fired central heating system. This is fired from a floor mounted Boulter boiler located within the rear lean-to boiler house. This serves steel panel radiators

#### Heating and hot water

throughout which are equipped with thermostatic control valves and provides hot water in addition to an electrical immersion heater. There is an insulated hot water cylinder located within the first floor left-hand gale bedroom. Externally, there is a PVC oil storage tank.

#### **Drainage**

Drainage covers etc were not lifted.

Neither drains nor drainage systems were tested.

I am advised that drainage is connected to a private septic tank which is located within the site boundaries to the front of the dwelling.

#### 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

The property was occupied, fully furnished and all floors were covered. Floor coverings restricted my inspection of flooring.

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.

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.

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

#### Any additional limits to inspection

My inspection of the roof covering was restricted from ground level and there was no access to the rear of the property which would allow me to view roof slopes. Some parts were not visible.

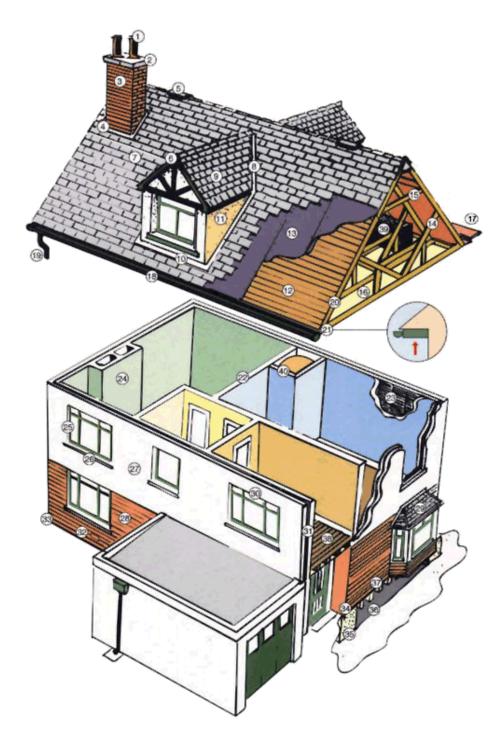
I was not able to inspect the sub floor area.

Concealed areas beneath and around bath/shower trays were not visible. Water spillage in these areas can often be discovered unexpectedly with resultant damage to concealed parts of the fabric.

The inspection is not a fire or life safety risk assessment and should not be relied on as a risk assessment inspection. Further advice should be sought if a specific risk assessment of the property and building that it forms part of is required.

Where repairs are required at height compliance with Health and Safety legislation often requires the use of scaffolding which can significantly impact on the cost of repair. Pricing repairs is out with the remit of this report but it would be prudent to consider costs and budgeting before offering. The various trades can advise further.

#### Sectional Diagram showing elements of a typical house



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

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

#### 2. Condition

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

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

Structural movement	
Repair category	1
Notes	The property has been affected by previous movement. There is roughcast cracking at the junction of the main building and subsequent single storey extensions. There are also slopes to doorheads internally at first floor level. Within the limitations of the inspection there was no evidence to suggest that this is ongoing.

Dampness, rot and infestation	
Repair category	2
Notes	There is evidence of wood boring insect infestation to timbers within the main attic space. This can be treated by a timber/specialist contractor.  There is evidence of penetrating dampness to ceilings at first floor level and concealed timbers may be defective. Further investigation can be carried out by a firm of timber/damp specialists with a view to having all necessary remedial repairs implemented.

Chimney stacks	
Repair category	1
Notes	No significant defects evident.

Roofing including roof space	
Repair category	2
Notes	Natural slates have an expected lifespan of up to 100 years or more depending on slate quality, source, thickness and cutting skill of the slate. Slates will deteriorate over time; nail fixings will corrode and loosen resulting in on-going maintenance requirements. Close quarter and disruptive inspections may reveal damage to roofing materials, especially where these are original. Regular maintenance should be anticipated particularly after adverse weather conditions.

Roofing including roof space	
Repair category	2
Notes	There is evidence of wood boring insect infestation. Please see comments under Dampness, Rot & Infestation.
	A cross member section of timber within the attic space immediately adjacent to the attic inspection hatch has been cut and removed. Further advice can be obtained from a reputable joinery contractor.
	Felt roof coverings have a limited life expectancy and can fail at any time.

Rainwater fittings	
Repair category	2
Notes	Gutters are blocked in places and should be cleared.  Metal rainwater fittings are corroded in places. These should be treated and redecorated. Metal rainwater fittings require regular maintenance.

Main walls	
Repair category	2
Notes	The rendering of outer walls is cracked, worn and damaged in places and can be repaired or replaced by a competent local builder.

Windows, external doors and joinery	
Repair category	2
Notes	External joinery to the entrance porch is affected by decay to varying degrees. A reputable joiner can advise on all necessary repairs.

External decorations	
Repair category	2
Notes	Outside paintwork has deteriorated and redecoration is now required. Regular repainting of external joinery will prolong its life span.

Conservatories/porches	
Repair category	2
Notes	There is decay to external timbers and weathering to paintwork finishes. A joinery contractor can advise further.

Communal areas	
Repair category	-
Notes	Not applicable.

Garages and permanent outbuildings	
Repair category	2
Notes	The outbuildings are in varying states of repair. Woodworm is evident to timbers. There are areas of cracked pointing to stonework finishes and a noticeable bulge to the front elevation of the two storey outbuilding. Stonework at this location has been repointed. Corrugated iron roof coverings are corroded and there is decay and weathering to external timbers.

Outside areas and boundaries	
Repair category	2
Notes	There is cracking, damage and open pointing to stonework at retaining walls. A builder can advise further.

Ceilings	
Repair category	2
Notes	Dampness is evident to ceilings at first floor level. Please see Dampness, Rot and Infestation section above.
	There is plaster cracking to ceilings.

Internal walls	
Repair category	1
Notes	No significant defects evident.

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

Internal joinery and kitchen fittings	
Repair category	2
Notes	The staircase will not meet current Building Standards. There is limited protection at the handrail and balustrades.
	Glazed inserts to interior doors may not be of appropriate toughened glass or meet the recognised Building Standards.

Chimney breasts and fireplaces	
Repair category	1
Notes	Flues should ideally be swept and tested on an annual basis.

Internal decorations	
Repair category	1
Notes	No significant defects evident.

Cellars	
Repair category	-
Notes	Not applicable.

Electricity	
Repair category	2
Notes	Electric circuits and systems are of mixed ages and styles. There is an older style fuse box and limited socket numbers within the bedrooms. Further advice will be available from a NICEIC/SELECT registered electrician.  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.

Ø Gas	
Repair category	-
Notes Not applicable.	

► Water, plumbing and bathroom fittings	
Repair category	2
Notes  Seals around the shower are deteriorated. Failure to seals can result in dampness/decay within hidden areas of the property.	

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 an OFTEC oil registered engineer on an annual basis to ensure their safe and efficient operation.

Drainage	
Repair category	1
Notes	The owner has not been able to provide any information about the septic tank maintenance and it is assumed that the tank is registered with SEPA. Regular inspection and maintenance should be anticipated.

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

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

#### 4. Valuation and conveyancer issues

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

#### Matters for a solicitor or licensed conveyancer

Drainage is to a septic tank. It is assumed that the tank is registered with SEPA. The position regarding age, location, condition and maintenance history should be clarified.

The property has been extended and altered within the past. I am advised these works are approximately 50 years of age but it is assumed that any necessary Local Authority consents and approvals were obtained.

#### Estimated reinstatement cost for insurance purposes

£575,000 (FIVE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY FIVE 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

£195,000 (ONE HUNDRED AND NINETY FIVE 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	20th June 2024



Property Address	
Address Seller's Name Date of Inspection	GREENACRES, NAVIDALE, HELMSDALE, KW8 6JS Mr Ben Adamson 29th May 2024
<b>Property Details</b>	
Property Type	X House       Bungalow       Chalet       Purpose built maisonette         Coach       Studio       Converted maisonette       Purpose built flat         Converted flat       Tenement flat       Flat over non-residential use       Other (specify in General Remarks)
Property Style	X       Detached       Semi detached       Mid terrace       End terrace         Back to back       High rise block       Low rise block       Other (specify in General Remarks)
Does the surveyor be e.g. local authority, m	elieve that the property was built for the public sector, Yes X No nilitary, police?
Flats/Maisonettes onl	No. of units in block
Approximate Year of	Construction 1875
Tenure	
X Absolute Ownership	Leasehold Ground rent £ Unexpired years
Accommodation	
Number of Rooms	1 Living room(s) 3 Bedroom(s) 1 Kitchen(s) 2 Bathroom(s) 0 WC(s) 0 Other (Specify in General remarks)
Gross Floor Area (ex	cluding garages and outbuildings) 153 m² (Internal) m² (External)
Residential Element (	(greater than 40%) X Yes No
Garage / Parking /	Outbuildings
Single garage Available on site?	□ Double garage       ▼       Parking space       □ No garage / garage space / parking space         □ Yes       □ No
Permanent outbuildin	ngs:
Two storey stone bu	uilt store.

Walls Brick X Stone Concrete Timber frame Solid Cavity Steel frame Concrete block Other (specify in General Remarks)  Roof Tile X State Asphalt Felt Lead Zinc Artificial slate Flat glass fibre Other (specify in General Remarks)  Special Risks  Has the property suffered structural movement? Yes, is this recent or progressive? Yes X No  Is there evidence, history, or reason to anticipate subsidence, heave, landslip or flood in the Yes X No  If Yes to any of the above, provide details in General Remarks.  Service Connection  Based on visual inspection only. If any services appear to be non-mains, please comment on the type and location of the supply in General Remarks.  Drainage Mains Private None Water Mains Private None  Electricity Mains Private None Gas Mains Private None  Brief description of Central Heating:  Oil fired wet system.
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If Yes, is this recent or progressive?
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Electricity
Central Heating X Yes Partial None  Brief description of Central Heating:
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Oil fired wet system.
Site
Apparent legal issues to be verified by the conveyancer. Please provide a brief description in General Remarks.
Rights of way  Shared drives / access  Garage or other amenities on separate site  Shared service connections
X Agricultural land included with property III-defined boundaries Other (specify in General Remarks)
Location
Residential suburb Mixed residential / commercial Mainly commercial
X Commuter village
Planning Issues
Has the property been extended / converted / altered? X Yes No
If Yes provide details in General Remarks.
Roads
X Made up road Unmade road Partly completed new road Pedestrian access only Adopted Unadopted

General Remarks
The property was found to be in an order consistent with age and type. Items requiring attention are capable of remedy during the course of normal routine maintenance.
Drainage is to a septic tank. It is assumed that the tank is registered with SEPA. The position regarding age, location, condition and maintenance history should be clarified.
The property has been extended and altered within the past. I am advised these works are approximately 50 years of age but it is assumed that any necessary Local Authority consents and approvals were obtained.
Roughcast cracking is evident. Within the limitations of my inspection, I found no evidence to suggest this was of recent origin.
Felt roof coverings have a limited life expectancy.
Essential Repairs
Essential Repairs  1. Timber and damp specialist to investigate dampness and woodworm infestation.
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Retention recommended? X Yes

Estimated cost of essential repairs £

Amount £

Comment on Mortgagea	bility	
	equate security for mortgage purposes. cludes the value of the croft, as the croft land is not mortgageable.	
Valuations		
Is a reinspection necessary  Buy To Let Cases	n of essential repairs lue rebuilding, site clearance, professional fees, ancillary charges plus VAT) r?	£ 185,000 £ 190,000 £ 575,000 X Yes No
What is the reasonable rangmonth Short Assured Tenai	ge of monthly rental income for the property assuming a letting on a 6 ncy basis?	£
Is the property in an area w	here there is a steady demand for rented accommodation of this type?	Yes No
Declaration		
Signed Surveyor's name Professional qualifications Company name Address Telephone	Security Print Code [517991 = 9445 ] Electronically signed by:- Graham Forbes MRICS DM Hall LLP Hope House, Castlehill Drive, Cradlehall Business Park, Inverness, IV2 01463 241077	5GH
Fax Report date	01463 233627 20th June 2024	

# PROPERTY QUESTIONNAIRE





Property address	GREENACRES, NAVIDALE, HELMSDALE, KW8 6JS
Seller(s)	Ben Adamson & Leeanna Marchant
Completion date of property questionnaire	21/05/24

#### **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? 8 years 1 month
2.	Council tax
	Which Council Tax band is your property in? (Please circle)
	A B C D E F G H
3.	Parking
	What are the arrangements for parking at your property?
	(Please tick all that apply)
	● Garage ✓
	Allocated parking space
	● Driveway ✓
	Shared parking
	On street
	Resident permit
	Metered parking
	Other (please specify):
4.	Conservation area
	Is your property in a designated Conservation Area (i.e. an area of special architectural or historical interest, the character or appearance of which it is desirable to preserve or enhance)?

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

7.	Central heating	
a.	Is there a central heating system in your property? (Note: a partial central heating system is one which does not heat all the main rooms of the property - the main living room, the bedroom(s), the hall and the bathroom).	Yes / <del>No</del> / <del>Partial</del>
	If you have answered yes / partial - what kind of central heating is there? (Examples: gas-fired, solid fuel, electric storage heating, gas warm air).	
	Oil	
	If you have answered yes, please answer the three questions below:	
b.	When was your central heating system or partial central heating system installed?	Unknown
C.	Do you have a maintenance contract for the central heating system?	<del>Yos</del> / No
	If you have answered yes, please give details of the company with which you have a maintenance contract:	
d.	When was your maintenance agreement last renewed? (Please provide the month and year).	
8.	Energy Performance Certificate	
	Does your property have an Energy Performance Certificate which is less than 10 years old?	Yes / <del>No</del>
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?	<del>Yes</del> / No
	If you have answered yes, is the damage the subject of any outstanding insurance claim?	Yes / No
b.	Are you aware of the existence of asbestos in your property?	<del>Yes</del> / No
	If you have answered yes, please give details:	

10.	Service	<b>2</b> S			
a.	Please supplie	tick which services are	connected to yo	ur property and give details	of the
		Services	Connected	Supplier	
		Gas / liquid petroleum gas			
		Water mains / private water supply	✓	Scottish water	
		Electricity	✓	ovo	
		Mains drainage			
		Telephone	✓	ВТ	
		Cable TV / satellite			
		Broadband	✓	ВТ	
b.		e a septic tank system at yo nave answered yes, please a		estions below:	Yes / <del>No</del>
C.	(i) Do y	ou have appropriate conse	nts for the discha	rge from your septic tank?	<del>Yes</del> / <del>No</del> / Don't know
d.	(ii) Do y	ou have a maintenance co	ntract for your sep	otic tank?	<del>Yes</del> / No
	If you I have a	nave answered yes, please maintenance contract:	e give details of th	ne company with which you	

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?	<del>Yes</del> / No / <del>Den't Knew</del>
	If you have answered yes, please give details:	
b.	Is there a responsibility to contribute to repair and maintenance of the roof, common stairwell or other common areas?	<del>Yes</del> / <del>No</del> / Not applicable
	If you have answered yes, please give details:	
C.	Has there been any major repair or replacement of any part of the roof during the time you have owned the property?	<del>Yes</del> / No
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?	<del>Yes</del> / No
	If you have answered yes, please give details:	
e.	As far as you are aware, do any of your neighbours have the right to walk over your property, for example to put out their rubbish bin or to maintain their boundaries?	<del>Yes</del> / No
	If you have answered yes, please give details:	
f.	As far as you are aware, is there a public right of way across any part of your property? (public right of way is a way over which the public has a right to pass, whether or not the land is privately-owned.)	<del>Yes</del> / No
	If you have answered yes, please give details:	
12.	Charges associated with your property	
a.	Is there a factor or property manager for your property?	<del>Yes</del> / No
	If you have answered yes, please provide the name and address, and give details of any deposit held and approximate charges:	

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

14.	Guarantees						
a.	Are there any guarantees or warranties for any of the following:						
(i)	Electrical work	No	Yos	Don't know	With title doods	Lost	Cannot Answer*
(ii)	Roofing	No	Yes	Don't know	With title doods	Lost	Cannot Answor*
(iii)	Central heating	No	Yes	<del>Don't</del> <del>know</del>	With title doods	Lost	Cannot Answor*
(iv)	NHBC	No	Yos	Don't know	With title doods	Lost	Cannot Answor*
(v)	Damp course	No	Yes	Don't know	With title doods	Lost	Cannot Answor*
(vi)	Any other work or installations? (for example, cavity wall insulation, underpinning, indemnity policy)	No	Yos	Don't know	With title doods	Lost	Cannot Answor*
b.	If you have answered 'yes' or 'with title deeds', please give details of the work or installations to which the guarantee(s) relate(s):						
c.	Are there any outstanding claims under any of the guarantees listed above?  If you have answered yes, please give details:					Yes / Ne	
15.	Boundaries						
	So far as you are aware, has any boundary of your property been moved in the last 10 years?  If you have answered yes, please give details:					<del>Yes</del> / No / <del>Don't know</del>	

16.	Notices that affect your property	
	In the past 3 years have you ever received a notice:	
a.	advising that the owner of a neighbouring property has made a planning application?	Yes / No / Den't know
b.	that affects your property in some other way?	<del>Yes</del> / No / <del>Don't know</del>
C.	that requires you to do any maintenance, repairs or improvements to your property?	<del>Yes</del> / No / <del>Den't knew</del>
	If you have answered yes to any of a-c above, please give the notices to your so agent, including any notices which arrive at any time before the date of entry of t your property.	olicitor or estate he purchaser of

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):			
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Date:			



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