# **HOME REPORT**

## 9 MARGARET STREET AVOCH IV9 8PX



# ENERGY PERFORMANCE CERTIFICATE



# **Energy Performance Certificate (EPC)**

**Dwellings** 

# **Scotland**

#### 9 MARGARET STREET, AVOCH, IV9 8PX

Dwelling type:Semi-detached houseDate of assessment:15 August 2024Date of certificate:22 August 2024

Total floor area: 94 m<sup>2</sup>

Primary Energy Indicator: 769 kWh/m²/year

**Reference number:** 0140-2965-4280-2594-4305 **Type of assessment:** RdSAP, existing dwelling

**Approved Organisation:** Elmhurst

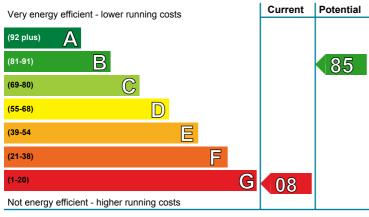
Main heating and fuel: Room heaters, electric

#### 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*	£20,019	See your recommendations
Over 3 years you could save*	£14,499	report for more information

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

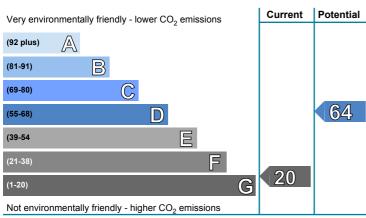


#### **Energy Efficiency Rating**

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 G (8)**. 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 (20)**. 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 Room-in-roof insulation	£1,500 - £2,700	£7005.00
2 Internal or external wall insulation	£4,000 - £14,000	£624.00
3 Floor insulation (suspended floor)	£800 - £1,200	£1122.00

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

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

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

#### Summary of the energy performance related features of this home

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

Element	Description	Energy Efficiency	Environmental
Walls	Sandstone or limestone, as built, no insulation (assumed)	***	***
	Timber frame, as built, insulated (assumed)	<b>★★★★</b> ☆	<b>★★★★</b> ☆
Roof	Roof room(s), no insulation (assumed) Roof room(s), insulated (assumed)	***** ****	*****
Floor	Suspended, no insulation (assumed) Suspended, insulated (assumed)	_ _	_ _
Windows	Fully double glazed	****	****
Main heating	Room heaters, electric	***	$\star\star$
Main heating controls	No thermostatic control of room temperature	***	$\star\star$
Secondary heating	Room heaters, dual fuel (mineral and wood)	_	_
Hot water	Electric immersion, standard tariff	***	***
Lighting	Low energy lighting in all 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 137 kg  $CO_2/m^2/yr$ .

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 13 tonnes of carbon dioxide every year. Adopting recommendations in this report can reduce emissions and protect the environment. If you were to install all of these recommendations this could reduce emissions by 8.0 tonnes per year. You could reduce emissions even more by switching to renewable energy sources.

#### Estimated energy costs for this home

	Current energy costs	Potential energy costs	Potential future savings
Heating	£16,671 over 3 years	£4,488 over 3 years	
Hot water	£3,012 over 3 years	£645 over 3 years	You could
Lighting	£336 over 3 years	£387 over 3 years	save £14,499
Tota	ls £20,019	£5,520	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.

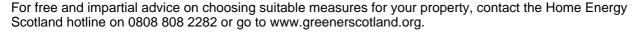
Bassaman dad massamas		Indicative cost	Typical saving	Rating after improvement	
Re	commended measures	Indicative cost	per year	Energy	Environment
1	Room-in-roof insulation	£1,500 - £2,700	£2335	F 33	E 39
2	Internal or external wall insulation	£4,000 - £14,000	£208	F 36	E 41
3	Floor insulation (suspended floor)	£800 - £1,200	£374	E 40	E 45
4	High heat retention storage heaters and dual immersion cylinder	£1,600 - £2,400	£1796	C 73	E 51
5	Solar water heating	£4,000 - £6,000	£118	C 75	D 56
6	Solar photovoltaic panels, 2.5 kWp	£3,500 - £5,500	£488	B 85	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.

- Biomass boiler (Exempted Appliance if in Smoke Control Area)
- Air or ground source heat pump

#### Choosing the right improvement package





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

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

#### 1 Room-in-roof insulation

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

#### 2 Internal or external wall insulation

Internal or external wall insulation involves adding a layer of insulation to either the inside or the outside surface of the external walls, which reduces heat loss and lowers fuel bills. As it is more expensive than cavity wall insulation it is only recommended for walls without a cavity, or where for technical reasons a cavity cannot be filled. Internal insulation, known as dry-lining, is where a layer of insulation is fixed to the inside surface of external walls; this type of insulation is best applied when rooms require redecorating. External solid wall insulation is the application of an insulant and a weather-protective finish to the outside of the wall. This may improve the look of the home, particularly where existing brickwork or rendering is poor, and will provide 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.

#### 3 Floor insulation (suspended floor)

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

#### 4 High heat retention storage heaters

Modern storage heaters are less expensive to run than the direct acting, on-peak heating system in the property. A dual-rate electricity supply is required to provide the off-peak electricity that these heaters use; this is easily obtained by contacting the energy supplier. Ask for a quotation for high heat retention heaters with automatic charge and output controls. A dual-immersion cylinder, which can be installed at the same time, will provide cheaper hot water than the system currently installed. Installations should be in accordance with the national wiring standards. 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 electrical heating engineer. Ask the engineer to explain the options, which might also include switching to other forms of electric heating.

#### 5 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.

#### 6 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)	19,474	N/A	N/A	(624)
Water heating (kWh per year)	3,502			

#### **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 greenerscotland.org or contact Home Energy Scotland on 0808 808 2282.

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

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# SINGLE SURVEY



# survey report on:

Property address	9 MARGARET STREET, AVOCH, IV9 8PX
Customer	S Smith
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Customer address	15 Hall Street, Newmills, High Peak, SK22 3BR
Prepared by	DM Hall LLP
Date of inspection	15th August 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.

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

#### 1.2 THE REPORT

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

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

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

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

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

<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	One and a half storey semi detached house.
Accommodation	Ground: Entrance Vestibule, Living Room, Dining Kitchen, WC and Study.
	First Floor: Two Bedrooms and Shower Room.
Gross internal floor area (m²)	94
Neighbourhood and location	The property forms part of an established residential area in the village of Avoch. The surrounding properties in the immediate vicinity are generally of a similar age and style. The property has sea views. A reasonable range of amenities can be found in the village, with a full range available in Inverness City Centre which lies within commuting distance.
	The property is located within the Local Conservation Area.
Age	124 years.
Weather	Dry and bright.
Chimney stacks	The chimney stack is of brick construction, having a pointed finish. There are metal flashings at the base of the chimney.
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

Roofing including roof space	may be taken by other means if the Surveyor deems it safe and reasonable to do so.
	The roof is of pitched design clad with slates having metal ridging.
Rainwater fittings	There are half round UPVC and cast iron gutters in place, which connect to round UPVC and cast iron downpipes.
Main walls	Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.
	Foundations and concealed parts were not exposed or inspected.
	The property is of traditional stone construction externally pointed. The extension is of cavity timber frame construction with an outer leaf of rendered concrete blockwork. There is timber clad detailing.
Windows, external doors and joinery	Internal and external doors were opened and closed where keys were available.
	Random windows were opened and closed where possible.
	Doors and windows were not forced open.
	Windows are of double glazed timber casement design.
	The front access door is of timber panel design. There are double glazed timber casement french windows.
	The soffits and fascias are formed in timber.
External decorations	The external timbers are painted.
Conservatories / porches	There are no conservatories / porches.
Communal areas	There are no communal areas.
Garages and permanent outbuildings	There are no Garages or Permanent Outbuildings.
Outside areas and boundaries	There are no garden areas.
Ceilings	Visually inspected from floor level.
	The ceilings are of plasterboard.

Internal walls	Visually inspected from floor level.
	Using a moisture meter, walls were randomly tested for dampness where considered appropriate.
	The internal walls and partitions are of plasterboard construction.
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Floors including sub floors	The floors are formed with suspended timber joists being overlaid with chipboard flooring.
	An area is formed in solid concrete.
Internal joinery and kitchen fittings	Interior doors are of timber panel design. One internal door has glazed inserts.
	The staircase is of timber design.
	The kitchen has a range of floor and wall mounted units.
Chimney breasts and fireplaces	The living room has an open fireplace.
Internal decorations	Visually inspected.
	The internal walls and ceilings mostly have a painted finish.
Cellars	There are no cellars.
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.
	Main supply installed. The electricity meter is located on the landing.
	The electricity consumer units are located in understair cupboard.
Gas	No gas present.
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 connected to the mains.
	All visible pipework is made with copper and PVC materials.
	There is a three piece suite comprising shower cubicle, WC and wash hand basin. There is a WC and wash hand basin.

# Heating and hot water Accessible parts of the from communal system

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 is heated by electric heaters.

Hot water is provided by a hot water cylinder, fitted with an electric immersion heater is to be located in the roof space.

#### **Drainage**

Drainage covers etc were not lifted.

Neither drains nor drainage systems were tested.

Drainage is connected to the mains sewer.

#### Fire, smoke and burglar alarms

Legislation by the Scottish Government, which took effect from February 2022, requires 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 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 moved 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.

There is no hatch available to inspect roof timbers.

I was not able to inspect the sub floor area as an access hatch was not found.

Concealed areas beneath and around the shower tray area were not visible. Water spillage in these areas can often be discovered

#### Any additional limits to inspection

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 significantlyimpact 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.

My inspection was consequently restricted and I would underline it is outside the scope of my inspection to test the services within the property.

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



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

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

#### 2. Condition

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

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

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

Dampness, rot and infestation	
Repair category	2
Notes	There is evidence of localised damp patches to the gable wall to the stairwell and further investigation, including examination of concealed areas, should be carried out by an appropriate Timber and Damp Specialist contractor, and repairs implemented to guaranteed standards.

Chimney stacks	
Repair category	1
Notes	Vegetation growth is evident to the stack.

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.  A slate has slipped.

Rainwater fittings	
Repair category	1
Notes	No significant defects evident.

Main walls	
Repair category	2
Notes	Erosion is evident to sandstone.  Cement repointing has been carried out at parts, which is not advised building practise.

Windows, external doors and joinery	
Repair category	1
Notes	No significant defects evident.

External decorations	
Repair category	1
Notes	Some weathering is evident.

Conservatories/porches	
Repair category	-
Notes	Not Applicable.

Communal areas	
Repair category	-
Notes	Not Applicable.

Garages and permanent outbuildings	
Repair category	-
Notes	Not Applicable.

Outside areas and boundaries	
Repair category	-
Notes	Not Applicable.

Ceilings	
Repair category	1
Notes	No significant defects evident.

Internal walls	
Repair category	2
Notes	There is evidence of localised damp patches to the gable wall to the stairwell. See Dampness, rot & infestation section for further information.

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	Glazed inserts to an interior door 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	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 IEE regulations.

<b>d</b> Gas	
Repair category	-
Notes	Not applicable.

F Water, plumbing and bathroom fittings	
Repair category	1
Notes No significant defects evident.	

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.	

Drainage	
Repair category	1
Notes No significant defects evident.	

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

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

#### Category 3

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

#### Category 2

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

#### Category 1

No immediate action or repair is needed.

#### Remember

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

#### Warning

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

#### 3. Accessibility information

#### Guidance notes 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 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

The key holder has advised that the property was extended and fully renovated circa 2004. It is assumed that all necessary Local Authority and other consents have been obtained for alterations and that the appropriate documentation, including Building Warrants and Completion Certificates issued. If any works did not require consent then it has been assumed they meet the standards required by the Building Regulations or are exempt.

The property is located in a conservation area and as such the cost of repair or reinstatement works are likely to be higher than normal. Any works considered necessary will require to be carried out in consultation with the Local Authority Planning Department and Historic Scotland.

Pedestrian access to the rear appears to be shared. Full details should be confirmed by your conveyancer.

#### Estimated reinstatement cost for insurance purposes

£340,000 (Three hundred and forty thousand pounds).

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

For Listed buildings and historic properties within Conservation Areas you should seek further specialist insurance advice.

#### Valuation and market comments

£205,000 (Two hundred and five thousand pounds).

Following bouyant market conditions over a prolonged period through the Covid 19 pandemic, there are now indications of a return to a more balanced level of supply and demand.

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Address	Hope House, Castlehill Drive, Cradlehall Business Park, Inverness, IV2 5GH

Date of report	23rd August 2024



<b>Property Address</b>	
Address Seller's Name Date of Inspection	9 MARGARET STREET, AVOCH, IV9 8PX S Smith 15th August 2024
Property Details	
Property Type	X House       Bungalow       Chalet       Purpose built maisonette         Coach       Studio       Converted maisonette       Purpose built flat         Converted flat       Tenement flat       Flat over non-residential use       Other (specify in General Remarks)
Property Style	□ Detached       X Semi detached       ■ Mid terrace       ■ End terrace         □ Back to back       ■ High rise block       ■ Low rise block       ■ Other (specify in General Remarks)
Does the surveyor be e.g. local authority, m	elieve that the property was built for the public sector, Yes X No nilitary, police?
Flats/Maisonettes onl	ly Floor(s) on which located No. of floors in block Lift provided? Yes No. of units in block
Approximate Year of	Construction 1900
Tenure	
X Absolute Ownership	Leasehold Ground rent £ Unexpired years
Accommodation	
Number of Rooms	1 Living room(s) 2 Bedroom(s) 1 Kitchen(s) 1 Bathroom(s) 1 WC(s) 1 Other (Specify in General remarks)
Gross Floor Area (ex	cluding garages and outbuildings) 94 m² (Internal) m² (External)
Residential Element (	(greater than 40%) X Yes No
Garage / Parking /	Outbuildings
Single garage Available on site?	□ Double garage       □ Parking space         □ Yes       □ No             X No garage / garage space / parking space
Permanent outbuildin	igs:
No permanent outb	uildings.

Construction								
Walls	Brick	X Stone	Concre	te Tim	ber frame			
	X Solid	Cavity	Steel fr		crete block	Othe	er (specify in Ger	neral Remarks)
Roof	Tile	X Slate	Asphal				()	,
	Lead	Zinc	Artificia		glass fibre	Othe	er (specify in Ger	neral Remarks)
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Special Risks								
Has the property	suffered struct	ural moveme	nt?				Yes	X No
If Yes, is this rece	ent or progress	ive?					Yes	☐ No
Is there evidence, immediate vicinity	, history, or rea ?	ason to antici	pate subsider	nce, heave,	landslip c	or flood in th	e Yes	X No
If Yes to any of th	e above, prov	ide details in	General Rem	arks.				
Service Connec	ction							
		If one care to		ha na:- :'			on the time = =	nd loosting
Based on visual in of the supply in G			es appear to	be non-mai	ns, pieas	e comment	on the type a	nd location
Drainage	X Mains	Private	None		Water	X Mains	Private	None
Electricity	X Mains	Private	None		Gas	Mains	Private	X None
Central Heating	X Yes	Partial	None					
Brief description of	of Central Hea	ting:						
Heating fuel: Ele	ectric							
Heating type: Ra	adiators							
Site								
Apparent legal iss	sues to be veri	fied by the co	nveyancer. P	lease provi	de a brief	description	in General R	emarks.
X Rights of way	Shared driv		_	her amenities	on separate		ared service con	
Agricultural land in	icluded with prope	erty	Ill-defined bo	undaries		X Oth	ner (specify in Ge	eneral Remarks)
Location								
Residential suburb	Res	idential within to	wn / citv	Mixed residenti	al / comme	rcial Mai	inly commercial	
X Commuter village		note village		solated rural p			ner (specify in Ge	eneral Remarks)
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Planning Issues	s							
Has the property	been extended	d / converted	/ altered?	X Yes N	lo			
If Yes provide det	ails in Genera	l Remarks.						
Roads								
X Made up road	Unmade road	d Partly	completed new r	oad F	edestrian a	ccess only	X Adopted	Unadopted

#### **General Remarks**

The property forms part of an established residential area in the village of Avoch. The surrounding properties in the immediate vicinity are generally of a similar age and style. The property has sea views. A reasonable range of amenities can be found in the village, with a full range available in Inverness City Centre which lies within commuting distance.

The property is located within the Local Conservation Area.

The property was renovated approximately twenty years ago, and was to be in acceptable condition.

The key holder has advised that the property was extended and fully renovated circa 2004. It is assumed that all necessary Local Authority and other consents have been obtained for alterations and that the appropriate documentation, including Building Warrants and Completion Certificates issued. If any works did not require consent then it has been assumed they meet the standards required by the Building Regulations or are exempt.

The property is located in a conservation area and as such the cost of repair or reinstatement works are likely to be higher than normal. Any works considered necessary will require to be carried out in consultation with the Local Authority Planning Department and Historic Scotland.

Pedestrian access to the rear appears to be shared. Full details should be confirmed by your conveyancer.

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

Comment on Mortgageability			
Subject to individual lendi mortgage loan purposes.	ng requirements, we would confirm that the property forms suitable secur	ity for normal	
Valuations			
Market value in present condition  Market value on completion of essential repairs  Insurance reinstatement value (to include the cost of total rebuilding, site clearance, professional fees, ancillary charges plus VAT) Is a reinspection necessary?  Buy To Let Cases			
What is the reasonable rangementh Short Assured Tenar	ge of monthly rental income for the property assuming a letting on a 6 ncy basis?	£	
	here there is a steady demand for rented accommodation of this type?	Yes No	
Declaration			
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# PROPERTY QUESTIONNAIRE





Property Address	9 Margaret st Avoch IV9 8PX
Seller(s)	ADMINISTARTORS OF ESTATE OF Margaret Rae
Completion date of Property Questionnaire	12/8/2024

#### Note for sellers

- Please complete this form carefully. It is important 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 you solicitor or estate agent immediately.

Information to be given to prospective buyer(s)

1.	Length of Ownership		
	How long have you owned the my sisters Catherine Ra	ne property? ae, Rosemary Rae and I ,as the beneficiaries are awaiting Probate	
2.	Council Tax		
	Which Council Tax band is your property in?		
	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		
	On street		
	Resident Permit		
	Metered parking		
	Shared parking		
	Other (please specify)		

4.	Conservation area	
	Is your property in a designated Conservation Area (that is an area of special architectural or historical interest, the character or appearance of which it is desirable to preserve or enhance)?	Yes
5.	Listed buildings	
	Is your property a Listed Building, or contained within one (that is a building recognised and approved as being of special architectural or historical interest)?	No
6.	Alterations/Additions/Extensions	
a.	(i) During your time in the property, have you carried out any structural alterations, additions or extensions (for example provision of an extra bath/shower room, toilet or bedroom)?  If you have answered yes, please describe below the changes which you have made:  There has been an extension to the house providing a downstairs toilet and larger kitchen	Yes
	(ii) Did you obtain planning permission, building warrant, completion certificate and other consents for this work?  If you have answered yes, the relevant documents will be needed by the purchaser and you should give them to your solicitor as soon as possible for checking If you do not have the documents yourself, please note below who has these documents and your solicitor or estate agent will arrange to obtain them.	Yes
b.	Have you had replacement windows, doors, patio doors or double-glazing installed in your property? If you have answered yes, please answer the three questions below:	Yes
	(i) Were the replacements the same shape and type as the ones you replaced?	Yes
	(ii) Did this work involve any changes to the window or door openings?	No
	(iii) Please describe the changes made to the windows doors, or patio doors (with approximate dates when the work was completed):	
	new front door 3 years ago approximately and kitchen extension mentioned above about 10 years ago	
7.	Central heating	

10.	Services	
	If you have answered yes, please give details:	
b.	Are you aware of the existence of asbestos in your property?	No
	If you have answered yes, is the damage the subject of any outstanding insurance claim?	Please select
<b>a</b> .	Has there been any storm, flood, fire or other structural damage to your property while you have owned it?	No
9.	Issues that may have affected your property	NI.
	Does your property have an Energy Performance Certificate, which is less than 10 years old?	No
B.	Energy Performance Certificate	
	(iii) When was your maintenance agreement last renewed? (Please provide the month and year).	
	If you have answered yes, please give details of the company with which you have a maintenance contract:	
	(ii) Do you have a maintenance contract for the central heating system?	No
	5 years ago	
	(i) When was your central heating system or partial central heating system installed?	
	If you have answered yes, please answer the three questions below:	
	(examples: gas-fired, solid fuel, electric storage heating, gas-warm air).	
	electric heaters to each room	
	If you have answered yes or partial – what kind of central heating is there?	
	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).	No

a.	Please tick which services are connected supplier:	l to your prope	rty and give details of the	
	Services	Connected	Supplier	
	Gas or liquid petroleum gas			
	Water mains or private water supply			
	SCOTTISH WATER			
	Electricity	$\boxtimes$		
	Good energy			
	Mains drainage	$\boxtimes$		
	Telephone	$\boxtimes$		
	Cable TV or satellite			
	Broadband			
b.	Is there a septic tank system at your p			Please select
	If you have answered yes, please and please yes, pleas			Please select
	(i) Do you have appropriate consents for	the discharge	nom your septic tank:	r lease select
	(ii) Do you have a maintenance contract			Please select
	If you have answered yes, please give dhave a maintenance contract:	etails of the co	mpany 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?  If you have answered yes, please give details:	No
b.	Is there a responsibility to contribute to repair and maintenance of the roof, common stairwell or other common areas?  If you have answered yes, please give details:	No
c.	Has there been any major repair or replacement of any part of the roof during the time you have owned the property?	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?  If you have answered yes, please give details:	No
e.	As far as you are aware, do any of your neighbours have the right to walk over your property, for example to put out their rubbish bin or to maintain their boundaries?  If you have answered yes, please give details:	No

f.	As far as you are aware, is there a public right of way across any part of your property (public right of way is a way over privately-owned)?  If you have answered yes, please give details:	No
12.	Charges associated with your property	
a.	Is there a factor or property manager for your property?  If you have answered yes, please provide the name and address, and give details of any deposit held and approximate charges:	No
b.	Is there a common buildings insurance policy?  If you have answered yes, is the cost of the insurance included in your monthly/annual factor's charges?	No Please select
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?  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:	No
b.	As far as you were aware, has any preventative work for dry rot, wet rot, or damp, ever been carried out to your property?  If you have answered yes, please give details:	No
c.	If you have answered yes to 13(a) or (b), do you have any guarantees relating to this work?  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:	Please select

14.	Guarante	ees			
a.		Are there any guarantees or warranties for any of the following:			
	(i)	Electrical work	Don't Know		
	(ii)	Roofing	Don't Know		
	(iii)	Central heating	Don't Know		
	(iv)	National House Building Council (NHBC)	Don't Know		
	(v)	Damp course	Don't Know		
	(vi)	Any other work or installations (for example, cavity wall insulation, underpinning, indemnity policy)	Don't Know		
b.		ve answered yes or 'with title deeds', please give details of the work or one to which the guarantee(s) relate(s):			
C.		e any outstanding claims under any of the guarantees listed above?  ve answered yes, please give details:	No		
15.	Boundar	ries			
	So far as last 10 ye	you are aware, has any boundary of your property been moved in the	No		

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

Declaration by the seller(s)/or other authorised body or persor
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I/We confirm that the information in this form is true and correct to the best of my/our knowledge and belief	
Signature(s):	
Date:	



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