

Single Survey

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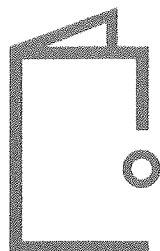
Property address	Mill Of Echt, Echt, Westhill, AB32 7AD
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Customer	Mr & Mrs A Emslie
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PART 1 - GENERAL

1.1 THE SURVEYORS

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

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

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

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

The individual Surveyor will be a member of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors who is competent to survey, value and report upon Residential Property¹.

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 ultimate holding company of Harvey Donaldson & Gibson is Countrywide plc. In Scotland, Countrywide plc also own Slater Hogg & Howison and Countrywide North. A full list of estate agents owned or under franchise to Countrywide plc is available on request. Harvey Donaldson & Gibson trades as an entirely separate company and has no financial interest whatsoever in the disposal of the property being inspected.

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

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

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Chartered Surveyors rules require disclosure of any potential conflict of interest when acting for the Seller and the Purchaser in the same transaction. The Single Survey may give rise to a conflict of interest and if this is of concern to any party they are advised to seek their own independent advice.

The Report and any expressions or assessments in it are not intended as advice to the Seller or Purchaser or any other person in relation to an asking price or any other sales or marketing decisions. The Report is based solely on the Property and is not to be relied upon in any manner whatsoever when considering the valuation or condition of any other property.

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

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

1.3 LIABILITY

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

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

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

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

1.4 GENERIC MORTGAGE VALUATION REPORT

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

1.5 TRANSCRIPT MORTGAGE VALUATION FOR LENDING PURPOSES

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

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contained in the Report and the generic Mortgage Valuation Report.²

1.6 INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

All intellectual property rights whatsoever (including copyright) in and to the Report, excluding the headings and rubrics, are the exclusive property of the Surveyors and shall remain their exclusive property unless they assign the same to any other party in writing.

1.7 PAYMENT

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

1.8 CANCELLATION

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

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

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

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

1.9 PRECEDENCE

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

1.1 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;

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

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- 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

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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

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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 converted former mill.
Accommodation	The accommodation comprises: Ground floor-Entrance vestibule, hallway, sitting room and dining room on open plan, living room, dining kitchen, utility room, bathroom with w.c. First floor-Landing, main bedroom with en suite shower room with w.c. three further bedrooms, bathroom with w.c.
Gross internal floor area (m²)	237
Neighbourhood and location	The subjects are set in a rural location just outwith the village of Echt, which lies some 12 miles west of Aberdeen. Surrounding properties are of a mixed residential and agricultural nature. An adequate range of facilities and amenities can be found within a reasonable distance.
Age	223 years, although converted in the early 1980's.
Weather	Dry and dull.
Chimney stacks	The former mill chimney to the rear roof pitch is clad with slates with a copper covered top section. The chimney is sealed to the roof with metal flashings.

<p>Roofing including roof space</p>	<p>The main roof sections are pitched and hipped covered with slates with metal ridges and hips together with cement skewes.</p> <p>Access to the main roof space is via a hatch on the landing ceiling.</p> <p>The roof is made up of timber rafters and timber sarking boards.</p> <p>There are mono pitched slate covered roofs over the utility room and ground floor bathroom.</p> <p>No access was gained to roof spaces over the utility room, bathroom or rear sitting room areas.</p>
<p>Rainwater fittings</p>	<p>The rainwater fittings are a mixture of PVC and cast iron.</p>
<p>Main walls</p>	<p>Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.</p> <p>Foundations and concealed parts were not exposed or inspected.</p> <p>The main walls are of pointed granite construction.</p> <p>The walls of the utility room and bathroom extensions appear of blockwork construction, rendered externally with the south wall of the utility room of pointed granite stonework.</p>
<p>Windows, external doors and joinery</p>	<p>Internal and external doors were opened and closed where keys were available.</p> <p>Random windows were opened and closed where possible.</p> <p>Doors and windows were not forced open.</p> <p>Windows are timber framed, sash and case design, mainly single glazed units, with some replacement double glazed units.</p> <p>The entrance doors are timber with single glazed timber French doors off the rear sitting room.</p>
<p>External decorations</p>	<p>Painted external woodwork and metalwork.</p>
<p>Conservatories / porches</p>	<p>None.</p>
<p>Communal areas</p>	<p>None.</p>
<p>Garages and permanent outbuildings</p>	<p>There is a detached double car garage of pointed stone construction with a pitched roof clad with slates.</p> <p>Vehicular access is by way of two metal up and over doors.</p> <p>Attached to the garage are the stone walls of a former outbuilding. There is no roof to this building.</p> <p>Within the rear garden area there is a timber and felt summer house.</p>

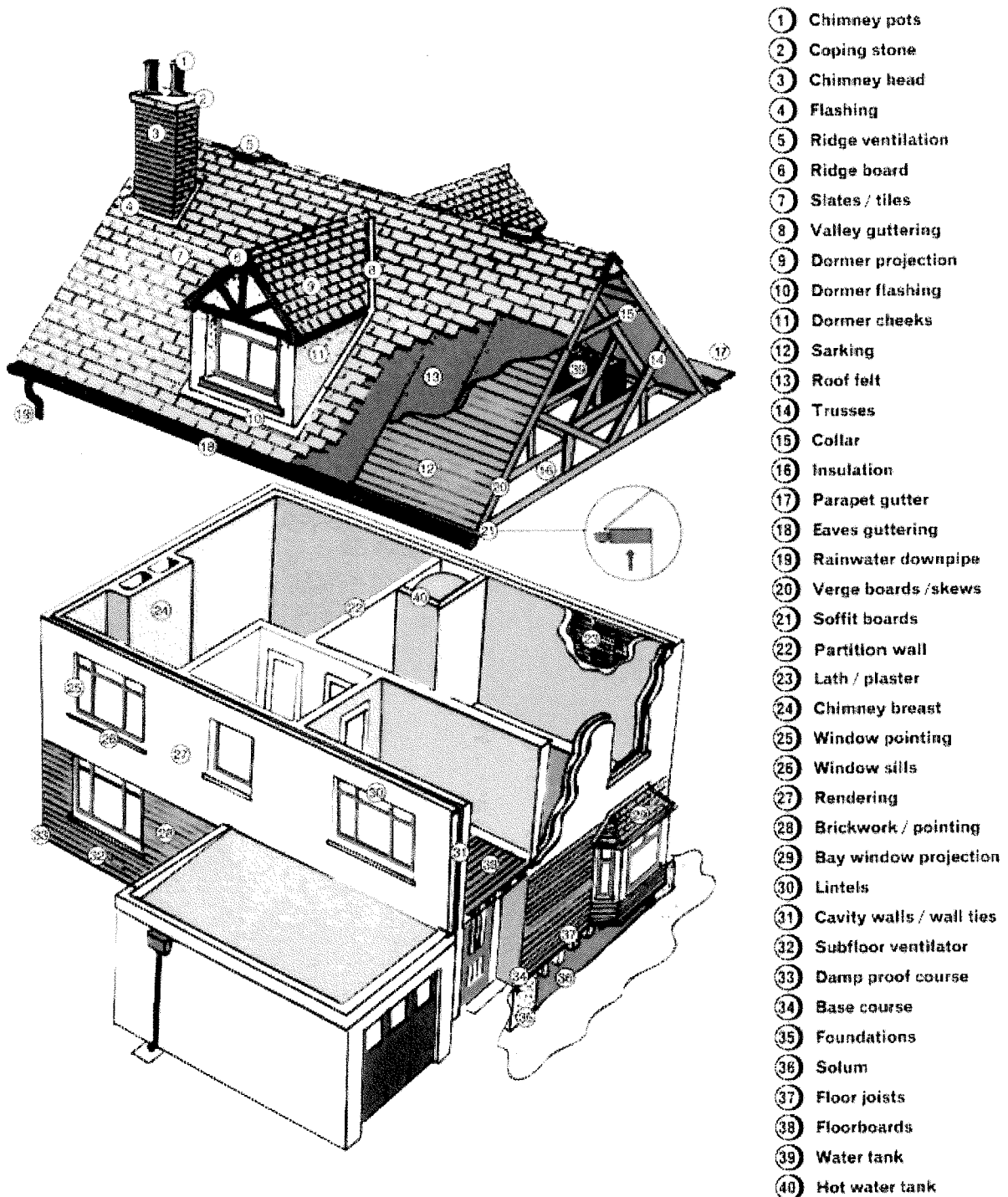
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Outside areas and boundaries	<p>There are garden grounds to the front, side and rear, with driveway parking, adequately bounded by timber fencing and stone walls.</p> <p>The front garden/driveway is surfaced with tarmac. The rear garden areas are mainly laid to grass with borders, shrubs and bushes.</p> <p>Access to the property is over a shared unmade road.</p>
Ceilings	<p>Visually inspected from floor level.</p> <p>The ceilings are plasterboard lined with an open beamed ceiling in the rear sitting room and timber panelled ceiling in the utility room.</p>
Internal walls	<p>Visually inspected from floor level.</p> <p>Using a moisture meter, walls were randomly tested for dampness where considered appropriate.</p> <p>The walls are lined in plasterboard with tiled areas in the bathrooms and shower room..</p>
Floors including sub floors	<p>Flooring is of solid construction at ground floor level and suspended timber, overlaid in chipboard sheeting at first floor.</p> <p>There are no sub floor areas.</p>
Internal joinery and kitchen fittings	<p>Timber skirtings, door facings and door surrounds and timber internal pass doors, some of which have glazed panels. The staircase is timber.</p> <p>Kitchen fittings comprise a range of wall and base units and work surfaces.</p>
Chimney breasts and fireplaces	<p>There is a multi fuel stove in the rear sitting room with the flue venting through the roof.</p>
Internal decorations	<p>Visually inspected.</p> <p>The ceilings and walls are painted. The joinery is painted or wood stained.</p>
Cellars	<p>None.</p>

<p>Electricity</p>	<p>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.</p> <p>Mains electricity is installed. The meter and consumer unit are located in the living room cupboard.</p> <p>The system appears to be of a 13 amp type and design. The switch and socket outlets are plastic and the wiring is sheathed with PVC, where visible.</p>
<p>Gas</p>	<p>No gas.</p>
<p>Water, plumbing, bathroom fittings</p>	<p>Visual inspection of the accessible pipework, water tanks, cylinders and fittings without removing any insulation.</p> <p>No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances.</p> <p>Water is supplied from the mains. The distribution pipes are a mixture of plastic and copper.</p> <p>The ground floor bathroom contains a bath with mixer shower overhead, wash hand basin and WC. The first floor bathroom contains a bath, wash hand basin, separate shower cubicle and w.c. The en suite shower room contains a shower, wash hand basin and w.c.</p>
<p>Heating and hot water</p>	<p>Accessible parts of the system were visually inspected apart from communal systems, which were not inspected.</p> <p>No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances.</p> <p>The property is heated by an oil fired boiler located in the utility room cupboard. Heating to the rooms is provided by water filled radiators.</p> <p>Hot water is stored in a lagged cylinder located in the roof space.</p>
<p>Drainage</p>	<p>Drainage covers etc were not lifted.</p> <p>Neither drains nor drainage systems were tested.</p> <p>Drainage is understood to be to a septic tank, located on site.</p> <p>Under Government legislation the provision of a septic tank within a property requires SEPA consent. This agency has powers to ensure that tanks comply with the latest criteria; therefore, it is important that you seek the necessary approval.</p>

Fire, smoke and burglar alarms	<p>The property has smoke detectors.</p> <p>Scottish government regulations came into effect on 1st February 2022 which requires each property to have linked smoke and heat detectors and if gas/carbon burning appliances are present then a carbon monoxide alarm fitted. Purchasers should satisfy themselves with regards to compliance.</p>
Any additional limits to inspection	<p>The property was fully furnished and had fitted floor coverings throughout.</p> <p>A limited inspection was possible of the roof void due to flooring, stored belongings and insulation material.</p> <p>No close inspection was possible to enclosed areas beneath and around washing appliances and sanitary fittings.</p> <p>Not all windows were tested as some are painted shut.</p> <p>Storage cupboards full of personal belongings were not disturbed.</p> <p>An external inspection was carried out from ground level within the boundaries of the property and from adjoining highways.</p> <p>Areas of the property that were covered, unexposed or inaccessible have not been inspected. It cannot be confirmed that such areas are free from infestation, decay or other defects.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>It should be appreciated that further defects can arise after the date of our inspection.</p>

Sectional Diagram showing elements of a typical house




- 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
- ㉖ 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


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.


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	There is evidence of some past structural movement to the building with hairline cracking noted to walls and distortion to stonework, however on the basis of a single inspection any movement appears historic and neither serious nor progressive.

 Dampness, rot and infestation	
Repair category	1
Notes	Woodworm flight holes were noted to roof timbers, requiring timber specialist inspection with a view to eradication and issuing of long term transferable guarantee unless already treated. Any relevant Timber Specialist documentation should transfer with the Title Deeds.

 Chimney stacks	
Repair category	1
Notes	No obvious significant defects were noted to the chimney, allowing for normal weathering.

 Roofing including roof space	
Repair category	2
Notes	Some loose and damaged slates were noted. Woodworm flight holes were noted to roof timbers.(see Dampness, rot and infestation). It should be appreciated that a property of this age and type the roof structure and covering will require regular, ongoing maintenance.



Rainwater fittings

Repair category	2
Notes	<p>Cast iron components show signs of corrosion.</p> <p>A damaged section of guttering was noted.</p> <p>Rainwater fittings should be further checked during heavy rainfall to confirm that all joints are watertight.</p>



Main walls

Repair category	1
Notes	Hairline cracking was noted in places.



Windows, external doors and joinery

Repair category	2
Notes	<p>Decay noted to window woodwork and frame of French doors.</p> <p>Some windows have been painted shut.</p>



External decorations

Repair category	1
Notes	Cast iron components show signs of corrosion.



Conservatories/porches

Repair category	-
Notes	Not applicable.



Communal areas

Repair category	-
Notes	Not applicable.



Garages and permanent outbuildings

Repair category	2
Notes	<p>Weathered pointing was noted to the gable wall.</p> <p>Some loose and damaged slates were noted.</p> <p>The adjacent outbuilding is in poor condition.</p>



Outside areas and boundaries

Repair category	1
Notes	Weathered pointing noted to boundary walling.



Ceilings

Repair category	1
Notes	No obvious significant defects were noted to ceiling surfaces.



Internal walls

Repair category	1
Notes	No obvious significant defects were noted to internal walls and partitions, within the limitations imposed on the inspection.



Floors including sub-floors

Repair category	1
Notes	<p>No obvious significant defects were noted to flooring, within the limitations imposed by fully fitted floor coverings.</p> <p>Spillage often occurs to enclosed areas around sanitary fittings and washing appliances with consequent risk of deterioration or decay. The need for repairs can be revealed when coverings and fittings are removed.</p>



Internal joinery and kitchen fittings

Repair category	1
Notes	<p>The internal joinery and kitchen units appear satisfactory allowing for age and wear.</p> <p>There are timber panel doors incorporating glazing panels and the presence of safety glass cannot be verified.</p>



Chimney breasts and fireplaces

Repair category	1
Notes	Flue linings and stove appliances require at least annual inspections by a reputable person that specialises in flues and chimneys. Inspection of the stoves/fireplaces and flues by a suitably qualified person is recommended prior to use.



Internal decorations

Repair category	1
Notes	The internal decorations appear generally satisfactory; however, they may require attention following the removal of the vendor's furnishings, hanging pictures etc.



Cellars

Repair category	-
Notes	Not applicable.



Electricity

Repair category	2
Notes	<p>It is likely that only the most recently re-wired properties will have electrical installations which fully comply with current regulations. The installation in this property appears relatively modern but there is no evidence of a recent test.</p> <p>It is recommended good practice that all electrical installations should be checked periodically, approximately every ten years or when a property changes hands. This should be regarded as a routine safety and maintenance check.</p>



Gas

Repair category	-
Notes	Not applicable.



Water, plumbing and bathroom fittings

Repair category	1
Notes	<p>The sanitary fittings appeared generally satisfactory commensurate with type and age.</p> <p>It is important to maintain a watertight finish around the various fittings and appliances to prevent water spillage causing damage to surrounding surfaces and concealed areas. It is not possible to comment on the condition of concealed areas.</p>



Heating and hot water

Repair category	1
Notes	<p>The advice of an OFTEC registered heating engineer will be required prior to use.</p> <p>It is recommended good practice that heating systems are serviced on an annual basis by an appropriately qualified person. The boiler's service history should be checked by referring to the service records. If there is no record of a recent service, the boiler should be checked by an appropriately qualified person.</p>



Drainage

Repair category	1
Notes	<p>No obvious significant defects were noted to the drainage system, within the limitations of the inspection.</p> <p>The septic tank has not been inspected or tested and covers have not been lifted. The septic tank is assumed to be in good working order and suitable for modern day requirements. A specialist drainage contractor would be able to provide further advice.</p>

Single Survey

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

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 tenure is understood to be Outright Ownership.

The outright ownership details have not been checked by the surveyor, It is assumed that there are no unusually onerous provisions in the title documents.

In line with our normal practice, it is specifically assumed that the property and its value are unaffected by any matters which would or should be revealed to a competent Completing Solicitor by a local search and replies to the usual enquiries, or by any statutory notice and planning proposal.

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

The property is a category B Listed building converted in the early 1980's.

The legal adviser should check and confirm whether there is any documentary evidence of previous timber treatment including whether any guarantees are available.

The Legal Advisor should seek confirmation that the septic tank is SEPA compliant.

Checks should be made regarding assumed right of access and maintenance liabilities over the shared private track leading to the property.

It is assumed that there are no statutory, town planning, road or environmental matters which may have an adverse effect on the marketability or value of the property.

Estimated reinstatement cost for insurance purposes

£1,325,000 (One million three hundred and twenty five thousand pounds).

Valuation and market comments

In its present condition our opinion of valuation for the Outright Ownership interest assuming full vacant possession on 19 September 2023 can be fairly stated in the sum of:

£520,000 (Five hundred and twenty thousand pounds sterling).

Signed

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