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Scottish Single Survey



Single Survey

survey report on:

Property address	110 Main Street Alford AB33 8AD
Customer	Church of Scotland
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Prepared by	Shepherd Chartered Surveyors
Date of inspection	21/11/2024



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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 marking the adjacent box.

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

1.2 THE REPORT

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

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

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

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

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

¹ Which shall be in accordance with the current RICS Valuation Standards (The Red Book) and RICS Rules 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 Report².

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

² 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.

1.10 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

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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	The subjects comprise a substantial detached, two storey former Church manse.
Accommodation	GROUND FLOOR: Vestibule, Hall, Lounge, Dining Room, Living Room, Dining Kitchen, Utility Room, Rear Porch, Cloakroom (with W.C.). FIRST FLOOR: 5 Bedrooms and Bathroom (with W.C.)
Gross internal floor area (m²)	232 m ² , or thereby.
Neighbourhood and location	The property is located within the village of Alford, which lies around 25 miles west of Aberdeen. Locally, adequate facilities are available.
Age	Approximately 125 years.
Weather	Dry and bright, following heavy snowfall over the previous 48 hours.
Chimney stacks	Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate. There are pointed granite chimneys on either gable wall fitted with clay cans and sealed at their bases with cement flashings but not seen due to snow cover.

Roofing including roof space	<p>Sloping roofs were visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>If this is not possible, then physical access to the roof space may be taken by other means if the Surveyor deems it safe and reasonable to do so.</p> <p>The main roof sections are pitched and clad in traditional slates. The roof ridge is tiled and the junctions of the roof pitches appear finished in metal valleys. Gable verges are sealed with cement fillet and skews.</p> <p>The roof over the rear porch is of a lean-to style and clad with what appears to be Sarnafil albeit , snow covered at the time of inspection</p> <p>We were able to carry out a 'head and shoulders' inspection of the main roof space area through a hatch on the first floor landing ceiling. The roof is of constructed of timber rafters overlaid with timber sarking although, there was no evidence of roofing felt beneath the slating. Insulation has been laid between and above ceiling joists and the cold water storage tank is contained within this area.</p>
Rainwater fittings	<p>Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.</p> <p>Rainwater fittings are of metal gutters discharging into matching downpipes.</p>
Main walls	<p>Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.</p> <p>Foundations and concealed parts were not exposed or inspected.</p> <p>The original walls are constructed of pointed granite stonework while the rear porch section appears built of single skin concrete blockwork.</p>

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Windows, external doors and joinery	<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 of a traditionally styled, double glazed casement type. The entrance doors are of timber styles to match.</p>
External decorations	<p>Visually inspected.</p> <p>External joinery timbers are finished in woodstain and the metal rainwater fittings have been painted.</p>
Conservatories / porches	<p>Not applicable.</p>
Communal areas	<p>Not applicable.</p>
Garages and permanent outbuildings	<p>Visually inspected.</p> <p>Attached to the property is a single car garage, coal cellar and store of timber frame and clad construction beneath a corrugated metal roof covering. The garage has a double leaf entrance doors to the front and an electrically operated 'up and over' metal door to the rear.</p> <p>Within the rear corner of the site is a further store constructed of block walls beneath a corrugated asbestos cement roof covering.</p>
Outside areas and boundaries	<p>Visually inspected.</p> <p>The property occupies a large plot with boundaries defined by stone and concrete block walls and some areas of beech hedging.</p> <p>The garden areas were snow covered at the time of inspection but appeared to be primarily laid out in grass with a driveway at the front providing access to the garage.</p>
Ceilings	<p>Visually inspected from floor level.</p> <p>Internally, ceilings are lined out with traditional timber lath and plaster.</p>

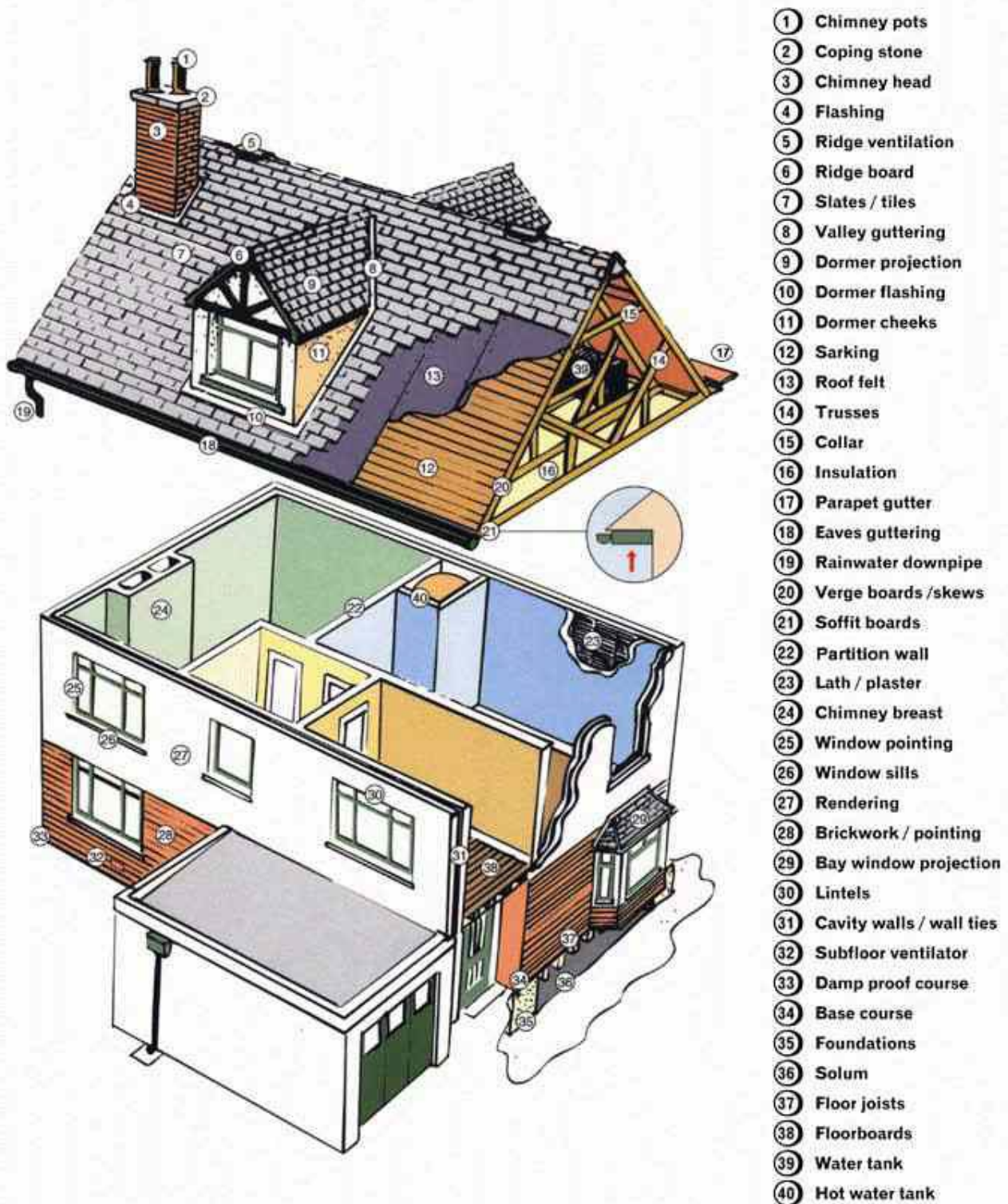
Internal walls	<p>Visually inspected from floor level.</p> <p>Using a moisture meter, walls were randomly tested for dampness where considered appropriate.</p> <p>Internally, the external walls and timber stud partitions and predominantly lined out with traditional timber lath and plaster although with some plasterboard linings in areas where alterations have been carried out.</p>
Floors including sub floors	<p>Surfaces of exposed floors were visually inspected. No carpets or floor coverings were lifted.</p> <p>Physical access to the sub floor area may be taken if the Surveyor deems it is safe and reasonable to do so, and subject to a minimum clearance of 1m between the underside of floor joists and the solum as determined from the access hatch.</p> <p>Sub-floor areas were inspected only to the extent visible from a readily accessible and unfixed hatch by way of an inverted "head and shoulders" inspection at the access point.</p> <p>Flooring within the main house is of suspended timber with solid concrete flooring within the rear vestibule. Our inspection of floor surfaces has been restricted by the presence of fitted floor coverings and no access was gained to any sub-floor areas.</p>
Internal joinery and kitchen fittings	<p>Built-in cupboards were looked into but no stored items were moved.</p> <p>Kitchen units were visually inspected excluding appliances.</p> <p>Door surrounds and facings are of a painted, moulded timber style with internal doors of a traditional timber panel type.</p> <p>The kitchen is fitted with an ample provision of wall and base units together with a sink unit, while there is a further provision of dated cabinets within the utility room.</p> <p>The internal staircase is of an enclosed timber style and this appears of adequate width and angle.</p>
Chimney breasts and fireplaces	<p>Visually inspected.</p> <p>No testing of the flues or fittings was carried out.</p> <p>The living room is fitted with a dated tiled fireplace but otherwise them remaining fireplaces have been removed and blocked over.</p>

<p>Internal decorations</p>	<p>Visually inspected.</p> <p>Walls have been papered and painted with ceilings and joinery finishes painted throughout.</p>
<p>Cellars</p>	<p>Not applicable.</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>Electricity is from mains supplies with the meter located externally within a plastic housing unit on the east gable wall while the circuit breakers are located at high level within the first floor landing. Wiring, where seen, is of PVC cables and there is an ample provision of power outlets around the accommodation.</p>
<p>Gas</p>	<p>There is no gas supply.</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 from mains supplies and stored within a tank in the roof space area. Plumbing, where seen, is of PVC waste pipes and copper supply pipes although the type of rising main entering the property has not been identified.</p> <p>The kitchen is plumbed for a dishwasher and the utility room for a washing machine.</p> <p>The cloakroom is fitted with a white W.C. and wash hand basin while there is a white four-piece suite in the family bathroom.</p>

Heating and hot water	<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>Heating and hot water is provided the Grant Vortex system boiler located within the attached store. This provides domestic hot water and thermostatically controlled radiators throughout.</p> <p>Domestic hot water is stored within a foam insulated copper cylinder located within one of the first floor landing cupboards.</p> <p>There is a plastic oil supply tank within the rear garden</p>
Drainage	<p>Drainage covers etc. were not lifted.</p> <p>Neither drains nor drainage systems were tested.</p> <p>Drainage is connected to the public sewer.</p>
Fire, smoke and burglar alarms	<p>Visually inspected.</p> <p>No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances.</p> <p>All Scottish homes require a smoke alarm to be installed in the room most frequently used for living purposes and in every circulation space on each floor. A heat alarm also needs to be installed in each kitchen. The alarms need to be ceiling mounted and interlinked. Where there is a carbon-fuelled appliance such as a boiler, open fire or wood burner, a carbon monoxide detector is also required. We have not assessed or tested any existing equipment and it is the purchasers responsibility to confirm that the property will comply with these standards following a change of ownership.</p>

Any additional limits to inspection	<p>At the time of inspection, the property was found to be vacant and unoccupied but with all floors covered.</p> <p>No access was gained to any sub-floor areas and inspection of the roof void has been restricted to a 'head and shoulders' inspection from the access hatch due to large amounts of insulation cover.</p> <p>Not all windows have been tested.</p> <p>The inspection followed heavy snowfall and as a result the roof covering and site were fully snow covered. Areas not seen are therefore presumed free of defect or issue.</p> <p>An inspection for Japanese Knotweed was not carried out. This is a plant which is subject to control regulation, is considered to be invasive and one which can render a property unsuitable for some mortgage lenders. It is therefore assumed that there is no Japanese Knotweed within the boundaries of the property or its neighbouring property. Identification of Japanese Knotweed is best undertaken by a specialist contractor.</p>
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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.


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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 internal movement reflected by cracking to the cornicing within the south-western bedroom at the partition with the bathroom. There are sealed pointing cracks on the rear and western elevations. On the basis of a single inspection, any movement is however considered to be historic and neither serious nor progressive.

 Dampness, rot and infestation	
Repair category	2
Notes	<p>Within the house itself, we noted damp plasterboard adjacent to the rear entrance door together with areas of damp flooring to the rear of the hallway and rear corner of the living room with further damp flooring noted to the front and gable window recesses of the lounge at the front of the house. A spring was noted to the flooring within the window recess area of the dining room.</p> <p>There is a risk of deterioration to enclosed flooring timbers not seen by ourselves and accordingly a full investigation should be carried out by a timber specialist firm on the entire property prior to purchase. The valuation figure provided in the meantime presumes no significant liability exists for remedial treatments, but we would reserve the right to amend our valuation figure, once in receipt of the specialist reports.</p> <p>Previous repairs have been carried out to the flooring within the small middle bedroom at first floor level and any guarantee documentation relating to any previous works should be obtained and transferred at the point of sale.</p> <p>A damp stain was noted to the ceiling within the south-western bedroom but this appears dry in the meantime.</p> <p>Inspection of the roof space was restricted due to large amounts of insulation cover.</p>

 Chimney stacks	
Repair category	1
Notes	<p>Chimney stacks appear to be in a reasonable state of repair within the limitations of our inspection but can be vulnerable to defect and should be regularly maintained.</p>



Roofing including roof space

Repair category	2
Notes	<p>The roof pitches were subject to a heavy covering of snow and accordingly our inspection, particularly to the front roof pitch has been restricted. Where seen, where this is clear of snow at the rear there is evidence of broken slates and the cement skews are showing signs of deterioration. The roof itself, is original and will require increasing maintenance liabilities as this grows closer to the end of its lifespan and there will be a future liability for stripping and reslating.</p> <p>The lean-to roof over the rear porch appears to have been re-covered in Sarnafil within more recent years and any guarantee documentation relating to this should be obtained and transferred at point of sale.</p> <p>Inspection of the roof space was restricted to a 'head and shoulders' inspection from the access hatch only.</p>



Rainwater fittings

Repair category	1
Notes	<p>Within the limitations of our inspection rainwater goods were seen to be free from significant defect.</p> <p>We would highlight that it was not raining at the time of our inspection and we would recommend that all rainwater fittings be inspected during heavy rainfall in order to ensure they are free from defect.</p>



Main walls

Repair category	2
Notes	<p>There are sealed pointing cracks on the west and rear elevations.</p> <p>The pointing in general is becoming weathered and there is defective pointing at wallhead level to the west and east gable walls which will require future attention.</p>

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Windows, external doors and joinery

Repair category	1
Notes	<p>Windows were not all fully opened or tested, and it should be appreciated that some defects are only evident during certain weather conditions. Within the limitations of our inspection, no significant defects were noted.</p> <p>Due to their style ongoing maintenance will be required in order to maintain their appearance and performance.</p>



External decorations

Repair category	1
Notes	The property is in good external decorative order.



Conservatories/porches

Repair category	N/A
Notes	



Communal areas

Repair category	N/A
Notes	



Garages and permanent outbuildings

Repair category	2
Notes	<p>The attached garage, coal cellar and store are of reasonable age and of lightweight construction and there is infestation by wood boring insects internally. The roof covering is of a painted corrugated iron type and will have a limited lifespan remaining. Externally, there is deterioration to the joinery timbers requiring overhaul.</p> <p>The rear store has a corrugated asbestos cement roof covering. This will likely be approaching the end of its lifespan and upon future repair or replacement, further specialist advice should be obtained as the materials may require to be disposed of as a hazardous waste.</p>

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Outside areas and boundaries

Repair category	1
Notes	<p>Boundary walls should be regularly checked and maintained as necessary.</p> <p>The garden areas were fully snow covered at the time of inspection.</p>



Ceilings

Repair category	1
Notes	<p>Plaster cracking was noted to the cornicing within the rear south-west bedroom where a damp stain was also noted to the ceiling however this appears dry. In general, there are some areas of cracked plasterwork to ceilings, but this is fairly consistent with the type and age of the house and any affected areas can easily be rectified during the next program of redecoration.</p>



Internal walls

Repair category	1
Notes	<p>Within the limitations of our inspection no significant defects were noted.</p> <p>Future damage may be caused during redecoration, if wall coverings are to be removed from the original lath and plaster linings.</p> <p>The partition which formerly separated the bathroom has been previously partially removed but a long number of years ago.</p>



Floors including sub-floors

Repair category	2
Notes	<p>Elevated damp meter readings were noted to a number of areas of flooring at ground floor level together with movement to the dining room floor in the window recess (See Dampness, Rot and Infestation).</p> <p>A full investigation should be carried out by a timber and damp specialist firm prior to purchase.</p>

Single Survey



Internal joinery and kitchen fittings

Repair category	1
Notes	<p>Kitchen fittings were found to be serviceable although utility room fittings are dated by current standards.</p> <p>Within the limitations of our inspection no significant defects were noted.</p>



Chimney breasts and fireplaces

Repair category	1
Notes	<p>All flue linings should be checked, repaired if necessary and swept prior to fires/appliances being reused.</p> <p>It should be confirmed that all disused flues are properly capped.</p>



Internal decorations

Repair category	1
Notes	It is likely that redecoration to suite personal taste will be required.



Cellars

Repair category	N/A
Notes	



Electricity

Repair category	1
Notes	<p>The Institution of Engineering Technology recommends that inspections and testings are undertaken at least every five years and on a change of occupancy. It should be appreciated that only the most recently constructed or re-wired properties will have installations which fully comply with IET regulations.</p>



Gas

Repair category	N/A
Notes	

Single Survey



Water, plumbing and bathroom fittings

Repair category	1
Notes	<p>No tests have been undertaken of the system, however within the limitations of our inspection, no significant defects were noted. No inspection has been possible to enclosed timbers beneath wet appliances and no comment has been made on the condition of unseen areas. Watertight seals will require to be regularly checked and replaced, to prevent water damage to adjoining areas.</p> <p>The cold water rising main was not fully inspectable.</p> <p>Sanitary fittings appear serviceable however surround seals, tiling and finishes should be checked and maintained watertight. We were unable to view concealed areas below sanitary fittings and cannot confirm they are free from damp or other defects.</p>



Heating and hot water

Repair category	1
Notes	<p>It is assumed that the central heating system has been properly installed, updated and maintained to meet with all current regulations and standards with particular regard to fluing and ventilation requirements. Service records should be obtained and checked. In the absence of service documentation further advice should be obtained from a qualified heating engineer to ascertain the condition, efficiency, and life expectancy of the system.</p> <p>We understand the system has been serviced on an annual basis and we would advise that all service documentation be obtained and authenticated at the point of sale.</p> <p>The base of the oil supply tank has not been inspected and it should be confirmed that this meets with all guidelines.</p>



Drainage

Repair category	1
Notes	<p>All foul and surface water drainage is assumed to be to the main public sewer. The system was not tested.</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	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	N/A
Communal areas	N/A
Garages and permanent outbuildings	2
Outside areas and boundaries	1
Ceilings	1
Internal walls	1
Floors including sub-floors	2
Internal joinery and kitchen fittings	1
Chimney breasts and fireplaces	1
Internal decorations	1
Cellars	N/A
Electricity	1
Gas	N/A
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 and First.			
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

Tests by the national Radiological Protection Board identified some properties in this area as having natural levels of Radon Gas in excess of those normally considered acceptable. Further advice on this should be obtained from the UK Health Security Agency.

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

There does not appear to have been any significant alterations carried out within the last 20 years that would have required Local Authority consent. There are however proposals to reconstruct the commercial units at the opposite side of the street and further investigations should be made into this proposed scheme prior to purchase. We are otherwise, unaware of any statutory, town planning or road proposals that are likely to have an adverse affect on the subjects.

Estimated reinstatement cost for insurance purposes

For Reinstatement Cost Assessment purposes, it is recommended that the subjects be insured for a sum of not less than £1,250,000 (ONE MILLION, TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY THOUSAND POUNDS).

This figure is the estimate of the cost of rebuilding the premises and bears no direct relationship to current market value.

Valuation and market comments

Having considered matters, taking account of our general observations on site, we are of the opinion that the Market Value of the subjects in their present condition and with the benefit of vacant possession may be fairly stated in the sum of £380,000 (THREE HUNDRED AND EIGHTY THOUSAND POUNDS) assuming no significant liability for timber remedial treatments.

Signed	<i>Jason Begg</i> Electronically signed :- 03/12/2024 10:05
Report author	Jason Begg
Company name	J & E Shepherd Chartered Surveyors

Single Survey

Address	35 Queen's Road Aberdeen AB15 4ZN
Date of report	21/11/2024

Mortgage Valuation Report



Property Address

Address 110 Main Street, Alford, AB33 8AD
Seller's Name Church of Scotland
Date of Inspection 21/11/2024

Property Details

Property Type House Bungalow Purpose built maisonette Converted maisonette
 Purpose built flat Converted flat Tenement flat Flat over non-residential use
 Other (specify in General Remarks)

Property Style Detached Semi detached Mid terrace End terrace
 Back to back High rise block Low rise block Other (specify in General Remarks)

Does the surveyor believe that the property was built for the public sector, e. g. local authority, military, police? Yes No

Flats/Maisonettes only Floor(s) on which located No. of floors in block Lift provided? Yes No
No. of units in block

Approximate Year of Construction

Tenure

Absolute Ownership Other

Accommodation

Number of Rooms Living room(s) Bedroom(s) Kitchen(s)
 Bathroom(s) WC(s) Other (Specify in General remarks)

Gross Floor Area (excluding garages and outbuildings) m² (Internal) m² (External)

Residential Element (greater than 40%) Yes No

Garage / Parking / Outbuildings

Single garage Double garage Parking space No garage / garage space / parking space

Available on site? Yes No

Permanent outbuildings:

Two stores and coal cellar.

Mortgage Valuation Report

Construction

Walls Brick Stone Concrete Timber frame Other (specify in General Remarks)
Roof Tile Slate Asphalt Felt Other (specify in General Remarks)

Special Risks

Has the property suffered structural movement? Yes No

If Yes, is this recent or progressive? Yes No

Is there evidence, history, or reason to anticipate subsidence, heave, landslip or flood in the immediate vicinity? Yes No

If Yes to any of the above, provide details in General Remarks.

Service Connections

Based on visual inspection only. If any services appear to be non-mains, please comment on the type and location of the supply in General Remarks

Drainage Mains Private None
Electricity Mains Private None
Central Heating Yes Partial None
Water Mains Private None
Gas Mains Private None

Brief description of Central Heating and any non mains services:

Full oil fired.

Site

Apparent legal issues to be verified by the conveyancer. Please provide a brief description in General Remarks.

Rights of way Shared drives / access Garage or other amenities on separate site Shared service connections
 Ill-defined boundaries Agricultural land included with property Other (specify in General Remarks)

Location

Residential suburb Residential within town / city Mixed residential / commercial Shared service connections
 Commuter village Remote village Isolated rural property Other (specify in General Remarks)

Planning Issues

Has the property been extended / converted / altered? Yes No

If Yes provide details in General Remarks.

Roads

Made up road Unmade road Partly completed new road Pedestrian access only Adopted Unadopted

Mortgage Valuation Report

General Remarks

The subjects comprise a substantial detached, two storey house constructed around 1900 and located within the village of Alford, which lies approximately 25 miles west of Aberdeen. Locally, adequate facilities are available.

At the time of inspection, the property was found to be in a maintained condition within the limitations of our inspection although the following points were noted:

1. The inspection was carried out following a period of heavy snowfall and our inspection of the roof covering and garden areas has been very limited. The roof itself, is original and where seen, there are broken slates and evidence of weathered skews and increased maintenance liabilities can be anticipated as this grows closer to the end of its lifespan and the future liability for relating should be considered.
2. Elevated damp meter readings were recorded to the flooring at ground floor level in several locations together with movement to the flooring in the dining room window recess. We would therefore advise that the entire subjects be inspected prior to purchase by a reputable firm of timber and damp specialists who should advise on all necessary remedial works which should thereafter be carried out to a guaranteed standard.
3. Some repairs and overhaul works are required to the outbuildings.
4. Internally, longer term upgrading of the kitchen and sanitary fittings prior to general works of redecoration would enhance.

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Essential Repairs

A full investigation by a timber and damp specialist firm.

Estimated cost of essential repairs

Retention recommended? Yes No

Retention amount

Comment on Mortgageability

The property forms suitable security for mortgage purposes subject to the specific lending criteria of any mortgage provider.

Mortgage Valuation Report

Valuation

Market value in present condition	£	<input type="text" value="380,000"/>
Market value on completion of essential repairs	£	<input type="text" value="380,000"/>
Insurance reinstatement value	£	<input type="text" value="1,250,000"/>

(to include the cost of total rebuilding, site clearance, professional fees, ancillary charges plus VAT)

Is a reinspection necessary? Yes No

Declaration

Signed	<i>Jason Begg</i> Electronically signed :- 03/12/2024 10:05
Surveyor's name	Jason Begg
Professional qualifications	MRICS
Company name	J & E Shepherd Chartered Surveyors
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Telephone	01224 202800
Email Address	aberdeen@shepherd.co.uk
Date of Inspection	21/11/2024



**Energy
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Energy Performance Certificate (EPC)

Scotland

Dwellings

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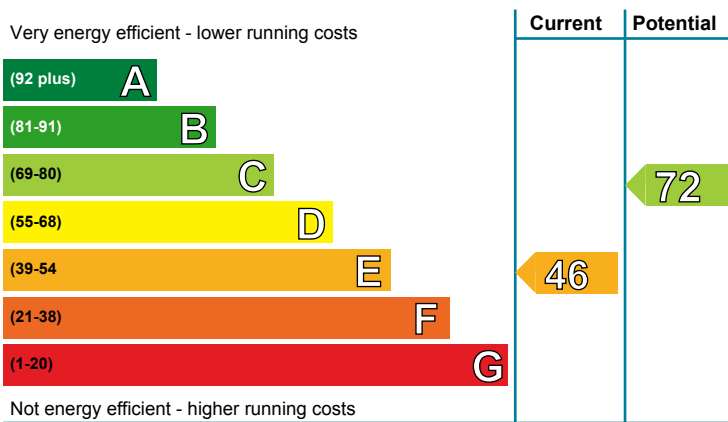
Dwelling type:	Detached house	Reference number:	2099-1908-2209-0724-8204
Date of assessment:	21 November 2024	Type of assessment:	RdSAP, existing dwelling
Date of certificate:	21 November 2024	Approved Organisation:	Elmhurst
Total floor area:	232 m ²	Main heating and fuel:	Boiler and radiators, oil
Primary Energy Indicator:	283 kWh/m ² /year		

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 CO₂ emissions by improving your home

Estimated energy costs for your home for 3 years*	£12,873	See your recommendations report for more information
Over 3 years you could save*	£4,872	

* based upon the cost of energy for heating, hot water, lighting and ventilation, calculated using standard assumptions

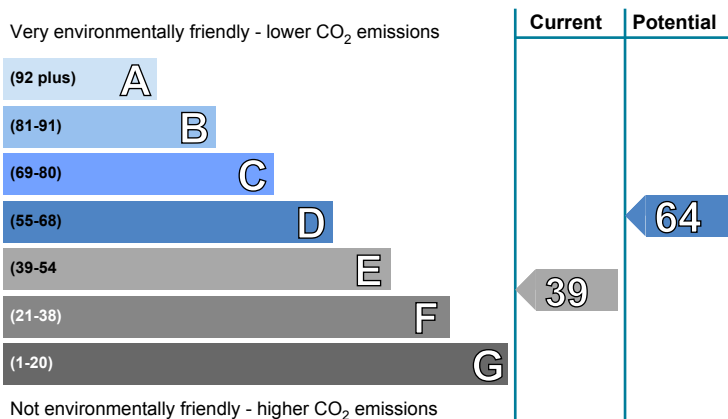


Energy Efficiency Rating

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

Your current rating is **band E (46)**. 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 (CO₂) Rating

This graph shows the effect of your home on the environment in terms of carbon dioxide (CO₂) emissions. The higher the rating, the less impact it has on the environment.

Your current rating is **band E (39)**. 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 Internal or external wall insulation	£4,000 - £14,000	£3261.00
2 Floor insulation (suspended floor)	£800 - £1,200	£1038.00
3 Heating controls (room thermostat)	£350 - £450	£372.00

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

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

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

Summary of the energy performance related features of this home

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

Element	Description	Energy Efficiency	Environmental
Walls	Granite or whinstone, as built, no insulation (assumed)	★★☆☆☆	★★☆☆☆
Roof	Pitched, 270 mm loft insulation	★★★★☆	★★★★☆
Floor	Suspended, no insulation (assumed)	—	—
Windows	Fully double glazed	★★★★☆☆	★★★★☆☆
Main heating	Boiler and radiators, oil	★★★★☆☆	★★★★☆☆
Main heating controls	Programmer, TRVs and bypass	★★★★☆☆	★★★★☆☆
Secondary heating	Room heaters, dual fuel (mineral and wood)	—	—
Hot water	From main system	★★★★☆☆	★★★★☆☆
Lighting	Low energy lighting in 95% of fixed outlets	★★★★★★	★★★★★★

The energy efficiency rating of your home

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

As we all use our homes in different ways, the energy rating is calculated using standard occupancy assumptions which may be different from the way you use it. The rating also uses national weather information to allow comparison between buildings in different parts of Scotland. However, to make information more relevant to your home, local weather data is used to calculate your energy use, CO₂ 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 73 kg CO₂/m²/yr.

The average Scottish household produces about 6 tonnes of carbon dioxide every year. Based on this assessment, heating and lighting this home currently produces approximately 17 tonnes of carbon dioxide every year. Adopting recommendations in this report can reduce emissions and protect the environment. If you were to install all of these recommendations this could reduce emissions by 7.6 tonnes per year. You could reduce emissions even more by switching to renewable energy sources.


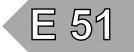








Estimated energy costs for this home

	Current energy costs	Potential energy costs	Potential future savings
Heating	£11,652 over 3 years	£7,044 over 3 years	
Hot water	£696 over 3 years	£432 over 3 years	
Lighting	£525 over 3 years	£525 over 3 years	
Totals	£12,873	£8,001	

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

Recommendations for improvement

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

Recommended measures	Indicative cost	Typical saving per year	Rating after improvement	
			Energy	Environment
1 Internal or external wall insulation	£4,000 - £14,000	£1087		
2 Floor insulation (suspended floor)	£800 - £1,200	£346		
3 Upgrade heating controls	£350 - £450	£124		
4 Solar water heating	£4,000 - £6,000	£68		
5 Solar photovoltaic panels, 2.5 kWp	£3,500 - £5,500	£386		

Choosing the right improvement package

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



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

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

1 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.

2 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.

3 Heating controls (room thermostat)

The heating system should have a room thermostat to enable the boiler to switch off when no heat is required. A competent heating engineer should be asked to do this work. Insist that the thermostat switches off the boiler as well as the pump and that the thermostatic radiator valve is removed from any radiator in the same room as the thermostat. Building regulations generally apply to this work and a building warrant may be required, so it is best to check with your local authority building standards department and seek advice from a qualified heating engineer.

4 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.

5 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)	40,216	N/A	N/A	(11,467)
Water heating (kWh per year)	2,889			

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.

Assessor's name:	Mr. Jason Begg
Assessor membership number:	EES/022311
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Related party disclosure:	No related party

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 [greener-scotland.org](https://www.greener-scotland.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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Property Questionnaire



property questionnaire

Property Address	110 Main Street, Alford, Aberdeenshire, AB33 8AD
Seller(s)	The Church of Scotland General Trustees
Completion date of Property Questionnaire	25/11/2024

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
	<p>How long have you owned the property?</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;">Owned by the Church of Scotland, probably built at the same time as the Church circa 1900</div>
2.	Council Tax
	<p>Which Council Tax band is your property in?</p> <p> <input type="checkbox"/> A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/> C <input type="checkbox"/> D <input type="checkbox"/> E <input type="checkbox"/> F <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> G <input type="checkbox"/> H </p>
3.	Parking
	<p>What are the arrangements for parking at your property?</p> <p>(Please tick all that apply)</p> <p>Garage <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Allocated parking space <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Driveway <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>On street <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Resident Permit <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Metered parking <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Shared parking <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Other (please specify) <input style="width: 300px; height: 20px;" type="text"/></p>

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4.	Conservation area	
	Is your property in a designated Conservation Area (that is an area of special architectural or historical interest, the character or appearance of which it is desirable to preserve or enhance)?	No
5.	Listed buildings	
	Is your property a Listed Building, or contained within one (that is a building recognised and approved as being of special architectural or historical interest)?	No
6.	Alterations/Additions/Extensions	
a.	<p>(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)? <u>If you have answered yes</u>, please describe below the changes which you have made:</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 60px; width: 100%;"></div> <p>(ii) Did you obtain planning permission, building warrant, completion certificate and other consents for this work?</p> <p><u>If you have answered yes</u>, 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.</p>	<p>No</p> <p>N/A</p>
b.	<p>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:</p> <p>(i) Were the replacements the same shape and type as the ones you replaced?</p> <p>(ii) Did this work involve any changes to the window or door openings?</p>	<p>Yes</p> <p>No</p> <p>No</p>

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	<p>(iii) Please describe the changes made to the windows doors, or patio doors (with approximate dates when the work was completed):</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 10px;"> <p>Single glazed windows through out the manse were replaced some years back. The replacement windows are made of wood incorporating double glazed units. The windows look as if they have retained the same style as the original windows.</p> </div>	
7.	Central heating	
	<p>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).</p> <p><u>If you have answered yes or partial</u> – what kind of central heating is there?</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 10px;"> <p>Central heating using an Oil fired boiler and an open fire is located in the sitting room. Other rooms have fire places but these have been boarded up</p> </div> <p><small>(examples: gas-fired, solid fuel, electric storage heating, gas-warm air).</small></p> <p>If you have answered yes, please answer the three questions below:</p>	Yes
	<p>(i) When was your central heating system or partial central heating system installed?</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 10px;"> <p>The Oil fired boiler was instaled and commissioned in 04/09/2009</p> </div> <p>(ii) Do you have a maintenance contract for the central heating system?</p> <p>If you have answered yes, please give details of the company with which you have a maintenance contract:</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 10px;"> <p>W and M Stuart, Alford, service the boiler</p> </div> <p>(iii) When was your maintenance agreement last renewed? (Please provide the month and year).</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 10px;"> <p>The boiler was last serviced 17/01/2024</p> </div>	Yes
8.	Energy Performance Certificate	
	<p>Does your property have an Energy Performance Certificate, which is less than 10 years old?</p>	No
9.	Issues that may have affected your property	

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<p>a.</p>	<p>Has there been any storm, flood, fire or other structural damage to your property while you have owned it?</p> <p><u>If you have answered yes</u>, is the damage the subject of any outstanding insurance claim?</p>	<p>No</p> <p>N/A</p>																								
<p>b.</p>	<p>Are you aware of the existence of asbestos in your property?</p> <p><u>If you have answered yes</u>, please give details:</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 30px; width: 100%;"></div>	<p>No</p>																								
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<p>a.</p>	<p>Please tick which services are connected to your property and give details of the supplier:</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="text-align: left;">Services</th> <th style="text-align: center;">Connected</th> <th style="text-align: left;">Supplier</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Gas or liquid petroleum gas</td> <td style="text-align: center;"><input type="checkbox"/></td> <td><div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 20px; width: 100%;"></div></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Water mains or private water supply</td> <td style="text-align: center;"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> <td><div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Mains Water</div></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Electricity</td> <td style="text-align: center;"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> <td><div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Octopus</div></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Mains drainage</td> <td style="text-align: center;"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> <td><div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Yes</div></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Telephone</td> <td style="text-align: center;"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> <td><div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Telephone line in place but not connected</div></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Cable TV or satellite</td> <td style="text-align: center;"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> <td><div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Satellite dish in place</div></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Broadband</td> <td style="text-align: center;"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/></td> <td><div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Not connected</div></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Services	Connected	Supplier	Gas or liquid petroleum gas	<input type="checkbox"/>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 20px; width: 100%;"></div>	Water mains or private water supply	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Mains Water</div>	Electricity	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Octopus</div>	Mains drainage	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Yes</div>	Telephone	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Telephone line in place but not connected</div>	Cable TV or satellite	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Satellite dish in place</div>	Broadband	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">Not connected</div>	
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b.	<p>Is there a septic tank system at your property?</p> <p><u>If you have answered yes</u>, please answer the two questions below:</p> <p>(i) Do you have appropriate consents for the discharge from your septic tank?</p> <p>(ii) Do you have a maintenance contract for your septic tank?</p> <p><u>If you have answered yes</u>, please give details of the company with which you have a maintenance contract:</p> <div data-bbox="156 600 1152 680" style="border: 1px solid black; height: 36px; width: 624px;"></div>	<p>No</p> <p>N/A</p> <p>N/A</p>
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11.	Responsibilities for shared or common areas	
a.	<p>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?</p> <p><u>If you have answered yes</u>, please give details:</p> <div data-bbox="156 465 1150 638" style="border: 1px solid black; height: 77px; width: 623px;"></div>	No
b.	<p>Is there a responsibility to contribute to repair and maintenance of the roof, common stairwell or other common areas?</p> <p><u>If you have answered yes</u>, please give details:</p> <div data-bbox="156 869 1150 1041" style="border: 1px solid black; height: 77px; width: 623px;"></div>	No
c.	<p>Has there been any major repair or replacement of any part of the roof during the time you have owned the property?</p>	No
d.	<p>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?</p> <p><u>If you have answered yes</u>, please give details:</p> <div data-bbox="156 1406 1150 1579" style="border: 1px solid black; height: 77px; width: 623px;"></div>	No
e.	<p>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?</p> <p><u>If you have answered yes</u>, please give details:</p> <div data-bbox="156 1843 1150 2016" style="border: 1px solid black; height: 77px; width: 623px;"></div>	No

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<p>f.</p>	<p>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)?</p> <p><u>If you have answered yes</u>, please give details:</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 70px; width: 100%;"></div>	<p>No</p>
<p>12. Charges associated with your property</p>		
<p>a.</p>	<p>Is there a factor or property manager for your property?</p> <p><u>If you have answered yes</u>, please provide the name and address, and give details of any deposit held and approximate charges:</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 70px; width: 100%;"></div>	<p>No</p>
<p>b.</p>	<p>Is there a common buildings insurance policy?</p> <p><u>If you have answered yes</u>, is the cost of the insurance included in your monthly/annual factor's charges?</p>	<p>No</p> <p>Please select</p>
<p>c.</p>	<p>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.</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; height: 70px; width: 100%;"></div>	

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13.	Specialist works	
a.	<p>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:</p> <div data-bbox="156 474 1150 645" style="border: 1px solid black; height: 76px; width: 623px;"></div>	No
b.	<p>As far as you were aware, has any preventative work for dry rot, wet rot, or damp, ever been carried out to your property? <u>If you have answered yes</u>, please give details:</p> <div data-bbox="156 887 1150 1057" style="border: 1px solid black; height: 76px; width: 623px;"></div>	No
c.	<p><u>If you have answered yes</u> to 13(a) or (b), do you have any guarantees relating to this work? <u>If you have answered yes</u> 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 <u>please write below who has these documents</u> 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:</p> <div data-bbox="156 1460 1150 1559" style="border: 1px solid black; height: 44px; width: 623px;"></div>	N/A

14.	Guarantees	
a.	<p>Are there any guarantees or warranties for any of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Electrical work (ii) Roofing (iii) Central heating (iv) National House Building Council (NHBC) (v) Damp course (vi) Any other work or installations (for example, cavity wall insulation, underpinning, indemnity policy) 	<p>No</p> <p>No</p> <p>No</p> <p>No</p> <p>No</p> <p>No</p>
b.	<p>If you have answered yes or 'with title deeds', please give details of the work or installations to which the guarantee(s) relate(s):</p> <div data-bbox="156 920 1150 1093" style="border: 1px solid black; height: 77px; width: 623px;"></div>	
c.	<p>Are there any outstanding claims under any of the guarantees listed above?</p> <p><u>If you have answered yes</u>, please give details:</p> <div data-bbox="156 1344 1150 1516" style="border: 1px solid black; height: 77px; width: 623px;"></div>	<p>No</p>
15.	Boundaries	
	<p>So far as you are aware, has any boundary of your property been moved in the last 10 years?</p> <p><u>If you have answered yes</u>, please give details:</p> <div data-bbox="156 1814 1150 1986" style="border: 1px solid black; height: 77px; width: 623px;"></div>	<p>No</p>

16.	Notices that affect your property	
<p>a.</p> <p>b.</p> <p>c.</p>	<p>In the past three years have you ever received a notice:</p> <p>advising that the owner of a neighbouring property has made a planning application?</p> <p>that affects your property in some other way?</p> <p>that requires you to do any maintenance, repairs or improvements to your property?</p> <p><u>If you have answered yes to any of a–c above</u>, 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.</p>	<p>Yes</p> <p>No</p> <p>No</p>

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

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

Signature(s): _____

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