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The Manse Lochaber Road Kinlochleven PH50 4QW



Inspected on: 16th April 2024

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Property Questionnaire

PROPERTY ADDRESS:	The Manse Lochaber Road Kinlochleven PH50 4QW
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SELLER(S):	Church of Scotland

COMPLETION DATE OF	07.04.24
PROPERTY	
QUESTIONNAIRE:	

PROPERTY QUESTIONNAIRE Information to be given to prospective buyer(s)

1.	Length of ownership		
	How long have you owned the property? Church owned house since	1930	
2.	Council Tax		
	Which Council Tax band is your property in?		
	A B C D <u>E√</u> F G H		
3.	Parking		
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	What are the arrangements for parking at your property?		
	(Please indicate all that apply)		
	Garage		
	Allocated parking space		
	 Driveway✓ 		
	Shared parking		
	 On street✓ 		
	Resident permit		
	Metered parking		
	Other (please specify):		
4.	Conservation Area		
	Is your property in a designated Conservation Area (i.e. an area of special architectural or historic interest, the character or appearance of which it is desirable to preserve or enhance)?	Νο	
5.	Listed Buildings		
	Is your property a Listed Building, or contained within one (i.e. a building recognised and approved as being of special architectural or historical interest)?	Νο	
6.	Alterations / additions / extensions		
а.	 During your time in the property, have you carried out any structural alterations, additions or extensions 	No	
	(for example, provision of an extra bath/shower room, toilet, or bedroom)?		
	If you have answered yes, please describe the changes which you		
	have made: The manse was extended at the back in 1985 with a flat roof to the extension.		
	(ii) Did you obtain planning permission, building warrant,	N/A	
	completion certificate and other consents for this work?		

	If you have answered yes, the relevant documents will be needed by the purchaser and you should give them to your solicitor as soon as possible for checking.	
	If you do not have the documents yourself, please note below who has these documents and your solicitor or estate agent can arrange to obtain them.	
b.	Have you had replacement windows, doors, patio doors or double glazing installed in your property? New double glazed windows were installed 1986 and 1990.	Not recently
	If you have answered yes, please answer the three questions below:	
	(i) Were the replacements the same shape and type as the ones you replaced?	Not known
	(ii) Did this work involve any changes to the window or door openings?	No
	(iii) Please describe the changes made to the windows, doors, or patio doors (with approximate dates when the work was completed):	
	Please give any guarantees which you received for this work to your solicitor or estate agent.	
7.	Central heating	
а.	Is there a central heating system in your property? (Note: a partial central heating system is one which does not heat all the main rooms of the property – the main living room, the bedroom(s), the hall and the bathroom).	Yes
	If you have answered yes/partial – what kind of central heating is there? Oil	
	(Examples: gas-fired, solid fuel, electric storage heating, gas warm air.)	
	If you have answered yes, please answer the 3 questions below:	
b.	When was your central heating system or partial central heating system installed? 2005	
C.	Do you have a maintenance contract for the central heating system?	No
	If you have answered yes, please give details of the company with which you have a maintenance agreement:	
d.	When was your maintenance agreement last renewed? (Please provide the month and year).	
8.	Energy Performance Certificate	
	Does your property have an Energy Performance Certificate which is less than 10 years old?	Yes
9.	Issues that may have affected your property	
а.	Has there been any storm, flood, fire or other structural damage to your property while you have owned it?	Νο

	If you have answered ye outstanding insurance cl		the subject of any	
b.	Are you aware of the existence of asbestos in your property?		No	
	If you have answered yes, please give details:			
10.	Services			
а.	details of the supplier:	r	I to your property and give	
	Services Gas / liquid petroleum gas	Connected	Supplier	
	Water mains / private water supply	✓	Highland Council	
	Electricity	✓	ονο	
	Mains drainage	✓	Council	
	Telephone	✓	We used BT	
	Cable TV / satellite			
	Broadband	✓	BT	
b.	Is there a septic tank sys		berty? the two questions below:	No
c.			the discharge from your	
d.	Do you have a maintenar	nce contract for	your septic tank?	
	If you have answered ye which you have a mainte		etails of the company with	
11.	Responsibilities for Shar	ed or Common A	Areas	
а.	Are you aware of any rea anything used jointly, su road, boundary, or garde If you have answered ye	ich as the repair en area?	of a shared drive, private	No
b.	Is there a responsibility the roof, common stairw		repair and maintenance of mon areas?	Νο
	<u>If you have answered ye</u>	<u>s,</u> please give de	etails:	

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C.	Has there been any major repair or replacement of any part of the roof during the time you have owned the property?	No
d.	Do you have the right to walk over any of your neighbours' property - for example to put out your rubbish bin or to maintain your boundaries?	No
	If you have answered yes, please give details:	
e.	As far as you are aware, do any of your neighbours have the right to walk over your property, for example to put out their rubbish bin or to maintain their boundaries?	No
	If you have answered yes, please give details:	
f.	As far as you are aware, is there a Public Right of Way across any part of your property? (A Public Right of Way is a way over which the public has a right to pass, whether or not the land is privately- owned.)	No
	If you have answered yes, please give details:	
12.	Charges associated with your property	
a.	Is there a factor or property manager for your property?	No
	If you have answered yes, please provide the name and address and give details of any deposit held and approximate charges:	
b.	Is there a common buildings insurance policy?	
	<u>If you have answered yes</u> , is the cost of the insurance included in your monthly/annual factor's charges?	
C.	Please give details of any other charges you have to pay on a regular basis for the upkeep of common areas or repair works, e.g. to a Residents' Association, or maintenance or stair fund.	
13.	Specialist Works	
a.	As far as you are aware, has treatment of dry rot, wet rot, damp or any other specialist work ever been carried out to your property?	No
	If you have answered yes, please say what the repairs were for, whether you carried out the repairs (and when) or if they were done before you bought the property	
b.	whether you carried out the repairs (and when) or if they were	Νο

c.	If you have answered yesto 13(a) or (b), do you have any guarantees relating to this work?If you have answered yes, these guarantees will be needed by the purchaser and should be given to your solicitor as soon as possible for checking. If you do not have them yourself <u>please</u> write below who has these documents and your solicitor or estate agent will arrange for them to be obtained. You will also need to						
	provide a description of the w in the original estimate.	ork ca	arried c	out. This m	ay be shown		
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	Guarantees are held by:						
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<mark>14.</mark> a.	Guarantees Are there any guarantees or v	varran	tios for	conv of the	following:		
a. (i)	Electrical work	No	Yes	Don't	With title de	shae	Lost
(')			103	Know			2031
(ii)	Roofing	No	Yes	Don't	With title de	eds	Lost
				Know			
(iii)	Central heating	No	Yes	Don't	With title de	eds	Lost
				know			
(iv)	NHBC	No	Yes	Don't know	With title de	eds	Lost
(v)	Damp course	No	Yes	Don't	With title de	eds	Lost
(-)				know			2000
(vi)	Any other work or	No	Yes	Don't	With title de	eds	Lost
	installations? (e.g: cavity			know			
	wall insulation, under-						
	pinning, indemnity policy)					-	
b.	If you have answered 'yes' or 'with title deeds', please give details of the work						
	or installations to which the g	juaran	tee(S) I	elate(s):			
C.	Are there any outstanding claims under any of the guarantees No listed above?		No				
	<u>If you have answered yes, ple</u>	ease ai	ve deta	ails:			
		5					
15.	Boundaries						
	So far as you are aware, has a	iny bo	undary	of your pro	operty been		No
	moved in the last 10 years?						
	<u>If you have answered yes,</u> ple	ease gi	ve deta	ails:			
16.	Notices that affect your prope	erty					
	In the past 3 years have you e		ceived	a notice:			
а.	advising that the owner of a r planning application?	eighb	ouring	property h	as made a		No
b.	that affects your property in s	some c	ther w	av?			No
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с.	that requires you to do any m improvements to your proper		ance, i	repairs or			Νο

<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 purchase of your property.

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) :

......Malcolm A Kinnear.....

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Date:07.04.24.....

survey report on:

Property address	The Manse Lochaber Road Kinlochleven PH50 4QW

Customer	The Church of Scotland

Customer address	121 George Stret Edinburgh EH2 4YN

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Date of Inspection	16 th April 2024

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 the need to move any obstructions and externally from ground level within the site and adjoining public areas. Any references to left or right are taken facing the front of the property.

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 were not inspected or reported on.

Description	A detached dwelling house.				
Accommodation	Ground floor: entrance porch, inner hall, living room, dining room, kitchen, bedroom and a shower room. First floor: landing, 3 bedrooms and a bathroom.				
Gross internal floor area (m ²)	142 sq m				
Neighbourhood and location	The property is set in the village of Kinlochleven in an area comprising of mixed residential and commercial properties. There are reasonable facilities nearby however all essential services, amenities				
	and transport links are available within the regional centre town of Fort William, which is 22 miles from the subjects				
Age	Built around 1930. Extended in 1985.				
Weather	Overcast with sunny intervals. The preceding weather was mixed.				
Chimney stacks	Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate There is a masonry constructed chimney stack with rendered surfaces, concrete cope and clay pots. The junction with the roof is weathered in lead.				
Roofing including roof space	Sloping roofs were visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate Flat roofs were visually inspected from vantage points within the property and where safe and reasonable to do so from a 3 m ladder externally Roof spaces were visually inspected and were entered where there was safe and reasonable access,				
	normally defined as being from a 3 m ladder within the property If this is not possible, then physical access to the roof space may be taken by other means if the Surveyor deems it safe and reasonable to do so The roof is pitched and covered in a natural slate. The ridge, hips and valleys are in a lead flashing. There is a flat roof over the extension to the rear which is covered in fibre glass.				
	The roof space to the main portion is accessed via a ceiling hatch to the mid bedroom. The roof is of traditional joiner made construction with a softwood sarking board. There is glass wool insulation between the ceiling joists.				
Rainwater fittings	Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate Upvc gutters and downpipes. There is a length of cast iron downpipe to the rear. Downpipes discharge to closed or grated gullies.				
Main walls	Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate Foundations and concealed parts were not exposed or inspected The external walls to the original portion appear to be in cavity brickwork construction (two walls with a narrow gap between). The outer wall is in a traditional wet dash render. There are smooth render/concrete features around the doors, windows and external corners. Internal surfaces are in a plaster on the hard or later plasterboard. The walls to the extension appear to be in cavity brickwork construction finished externally to match the main house. Internal surfaces are lined in plasterboard.				

Windows, external doors and	Internal and external doors were opened and closed where keys were available					
joinery	Random windows were opened and closed where possible. Doors and windows were not forced open There are Upvc double glazed windows that are around 34 and 38 years of age. The entrance doors are in Upvc. These appear newer. The fascia, soffits and barge boards are in timber.					
External decorations	Visually inspected The timber fascias, soffits and barge boards are painted. The rendered walls have a masonry paint finish.					
Conservatories/porches	Visually inspected The porch entrance is constructed as per the main house.					
Communal areas	Circulation areas visually inspected None					
Garages and permanent outbuildings	Visually inspected None					
Outside areas and boundaries	Visually inspected There is a relatively large garden around the house which is mainly flat and covered in grass. There are concrete and stone chipped footpaths and drive. There is a car port to the side of the property constructed in timber with corrugated plastic roof sheeting. Boundaries are in a mix of palisade and post and wire.					
Ceilings	Visually inspected from floor level					
	The ceilings are in a mix of lath and plaster and plasterboard.					
Internal walls	Visually inspected from floor level Using a moisture meter, walls were randomly tested for dampness where considered appropriate Plastered masonry or timber frame with plasterboard linings.					
Floors including sub floors	Surfaces of exposed floors were visually inspected. No carpets or floor coverings were lifted					
	Sub-floor areas were inspected only to the extent visible from a readily accessible and unfixed hatch by way of an inverted "head and shoulders" inspection at the access point					
	Physical access to the sub floor area may be taken if the Surveyor deems it is safe and reasonable to do so, and subject to a minimum clearance of 1 m between the underside of floor joists and the solum as determined from the access hatch					
	The ground floor appears to be in suspended timber throughout (boarded joists spanning masonry underbuilding). The first floor is in boarded joists. Floors were fully covered and carpeted at the time of inspection.					
	We were unable to view the sub floor space due to the lack of an obvious floor hatch. We did not lift any floor coverings.					
Internal joinery and kitchen	Built in cupboards were looked into but no stored items were moved					
fittings	<i>Kitchen units were visually inspected excluding appliances</i> Facings and skirtings are in timber. Internal doors are in a mix of original four panel and later flush panel. The stair is original in timber construction in one flight with winders. There is an original timber balustrade.					
	Kitchen fittings are modern and comprise of a proprietary range of plastic faced base and wall units with a shaker style door, proprietary worktop, inset sink and integral electric hob, oven housing and fridge freezer. There are spaces for a dish washer and washing machine.					
Chimney breasts and fireplaces	Visually inspected. No testing of the flues or fittings were carried out The chimney breasts are in plastered masonry. There are open fireplaces to the living room and the dining room. These are from different eras. The living room fireplace has a timber surround with a marble face and hearth. The chamber is in brickwork. The dining room fireplace is in sandstone with a timber mantle and marbled insets and hearth. The chambers are formed in brick.					
	The fires were not lit at the time of inspection.					
Internal decorations	Visually inspected Ceilings and walls are in an emulsion paint on a plain plasterboard or embossed paper backing. There is wallpaper in places. Internal joinery is painted or stained.					

Cellars	Visually inspected where there was a safe and purpose built access None			
Electricity	Accessible parts of the wiring were visually inspected without removing fittings. No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances. Visual inspection does not assess any services to make sure they work properly and efficiently and meet modern standards. If any services are turned off, the surveyor will state that in the report and will not turn them on Mains electricity supply. The meter and fuse boards are located at low level within the ground floor bedroom. Electrical fittings are a mix of age.			
Gas	Accessible parts of the system were visually inspected without removing fittings. No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances. Visual inspection does not assess any services to make sure they work properly and efficiently and meet modern standards. If any services are turned off, the surveyor will state that in the report and will not turn them on None			
Water, plumbing, bathroom fittings	Visual inspection of the accessible pipework, water tanks, cylinders and fittings without removing any insulation			
intings	No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances Mains water supply. We did not locate the incoming rising main. Plumbing supplies where viewed are in copper, wastes are in plastic and cast iron. There is a redundant cold water storage tank in the roof space.			
	Bathroom fittings comprise of ceramic wcs, ceramic wash hand basins, an acrylic bath and a proprietary shower tray with an electric shower over. Surfaces around the shower and within the bathroom are in a proprietary wet wall.			
Heating and hot water	Accessible parts of the system were visually inspected apart from communal systems, which were not inspected. No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances Central heating and hot water is provided by an external oil fired combi. The boiler heats steel radiators throughout the property. There is a programmer located within the kitchen. There is a plastic oil storage tank to the side of the property.			
Drainage	Drainage covers etc were not lifted. Neither drains nor drainage systems were tested Drainage connects to the mains system.			
Fire, smoke and burglar alarms	Visually inspected. No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances There are no fire or burglar alarms. There are various smoke, heat and carbon monoxide detectors.			
	Fire Safety Legislation effective from February 2022 requires 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 detection alarm must be installed in every kitchen area and all smoke and heat alarms must be ceiling mounted and interlinked. Where there is a carbon fuelled appliance e.g. central heating boiler, open fire, wood burning stove, etc, a carbon monoxide detector is also required. The purchaser(s) should appraise themselves of the requirements of this legislation and engage with appropriate accredited contractors to ensure compliance.			
Any additional limits to inspection	For flats/maisonettes. Only the subject flat and internal communal areas giving access to the flat were inspected If the roof space or underbuilding/basement is communal, reasonable and safe access is not always possible. If no inspection was possible, this will be stated. If no inspection was possible, the surveyor will assume that there are no defects that will have a material effect on the valuation			
	The building containing the flat, including any external communal areas, was visually inspected only to the extent that the surveyor is able to give an opinion on the general condition and standard of maintenance			
	We have not carried out an inspection for Japanese Knotweed or other invasive plant species and unless otherwise stated for the purpose of this report we have assumes that there is no Japenese Knotweed or other invasive plant species within the boundaries of the proeprty or in neighbouring properties. the identification of Japenese Knotweed or other invasive plant species should be made by a Specialst Contractor.			
	As mentioned above floors were fully covered and carpeted at the time of inspection. We were not able to inspect the sub floor space or the surfaces of the floor.			
	Our inspection of the roof space was limited due to lack of appropriate crawl boards.			

Sectional Diagram showing elements of a typical house 1) Chimney pots 2 Coping stone 3 Chimney head Flashing (4) **Ridge ventilation** (5) **Ridge board** (6) 7) Slates / tiles Valley guttering (8) ൭ **Dormer projection** (10) **Dormer flashing** (1) 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 Water tank (39 Hot water tank (40) 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 movemen	nt						
Repair category	1						
Notes	to suggest junction of	No evidence of any significant cracking, current settlement and no conditions present to suggest the foundations are defective or inadequate. There is a hairline crack at the junction of the original wall and the extension. This is common and is mostly likely due to historical settlement.					
Dampness, rot and i	infestation						
Repair category	3						
Notes	abutment f some dam	There are isolated areas of damp internally caused most likely by the failure of the abutment flashing over the flat roof with the main house and defective render. There some damp staining at the chimney breast. There is no evidence of any rot or infestation in any areas inspected. It would however					
		check the condition of the floor structu					
Chimney stacks							
Repair category	2	2					
Notes	internally a	red surface is beginning to wear. As measured with the chimney stack. The chimney stack within the roof space	ere is damp staining to the timbers				
Roofing including re	oof space						
Repair category	3						
Notes	flashband As mentior	idge and hip flashings are beginning to age. There is a small repair in (temporary repair). A couple of individual slates require attention. ned above there is damp within the house caused by the failure of the flashing over the flat roof. The fibreglass flat roof has been coated and we					
	suspect it i	s nearing the end of its anticipated life y designed.					
Rainwater fittings							
Repair category	2						
Notes	The gutters	The gutters on the right hand gable elevation require clearing.					
Main walls							
Repair category	3						
Notes	window. TI	n area of defective render on the rear on here is minor hairline cracking to the re enings and small isolated areas of bos	ender typically around door and				

Some service holes to the rear extension require covers or filling if redundant.

The condition of the wall linings in the cupboard to the right hand bedroom should be checked due to the extent of penetrating damp.

Windows, external d	oors and ioinerv
Repair category	2
Notes	The seals to a couple of double glazing panels have failed causing misting between the panes of glass. These will require to be replaced. The windows are ageing.
	The barge board on the left hand gable elevation to the original portion of the property appears to be wearing.
External decorations	3
Repair category	2
Notes	Some external redecorations are required soon. The paint finish to the window sub cills is peeling.
Conservatories/porc	hes
Repair category	1
Notes	No evidence of any significant disrepair.
Communal areas	
Repair category	Not applicable
Notes	
Garages and permar	nent outbuildings
Repair category	Not applicable
Notes	
Outside areas and be	oundaries
Repair category	2
Notes	Some minor repairs are required to the car port. The small slabbed patio to the side of the porch has settled and surfaces are uneven. There is a gap at the concrete ramp with the front door caused by settlement. The outside areas would benefit from some maintenance and upgrading.
	Some boundary fencing is worn.
Ceilings	
Repair category	2
Notes	Part of the ceiling within the dining room is damaged due to penetrating damp. We suspect a localised area will require repairing.
Internal walls	
Repair category	1
Notes	No evidence of any significant disrepair. There are a couple of isolated damp stains to a partition between bedrooms. This appears old.
Floors including sub	
Repair category	1
Notes	The overlay to the floor to the dining room is stained due to the roof leak above. As mentioned above it would be wise to check the condition of floors to a property of this age. There is an adequate amount of sub floor vents.
Internal joinery and I	kitchen fittings
Repair category	1
Notes	No evidence of any significant disrepair. The flush panel doors are considered dated.

Chimney breasts an	nd fireplaces			
Repair category	1			
Notes	No evidence of any significant disrepair. There is water damp staining to the brickword in the chamber to the dining room fire. At the time of inspection this was dry. It is good practice to sweep flues on a regular basis.			
Internal decorations				
Repair category	3			
Notes	Some localised redecorations are required where affected by damp. Decorations at some window openings are grubby. The internal décor requires modernising.			
Cellars				
Repair category	Not applicable			
Notes				
Electricity				
Repair category	1			
Notes	No obvious sign of any significant defects. The fuse board is of a modern type. The next routine inspection is due in September 2027.			
Gas				
Repair category	Not applicable			
Notes				
Water, plumbing an	d bathroom fittings			
Repair category	1			
Notes	No evidence of any significant disrepair.			
Heating and hot wat	ter			
Repair category	1			
Notes	The casing to the boiler has been repaired. The boiler is of an older type. It is good practice to service oil boilers on a regular basis.			
Drainage				
Repair category	1			
Notes	No evidence of any significant disrepair having regard to the limits of our inspection. A manhole cover to the rear requires securing. We were unable to lift the cover to the manhole at the side of the house.			

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

4. Valuation and conveyancer issues

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

Matters for a solicitor or licensed conveyancer

It is assumed that the subjects are held on an absolute ownership basis [formerly feudal]. This should be confirmed by your solicitor.

In addition to the standard searches and enquiries to be carried out by your solicitor we would recommend that the following matters are confirmed:

1. The service record for the oil fired boiler should be provided.

Estimated reinstatement cost for insurance purposes

It is recommended that the subjects be insured for a sum of not less than £450,000 [four hundred &fifty thousand pounds]

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

Valuation and market comments

£260,000 [two hundred & sixty thousand pounds]

There is a steady demand for properties of this size and type within the village of Kinlochleven, Our valuation does reflect the fact that some upgrading and modernisation of the property is required.

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Signed	Electronically prepared by Samuel & Partners
Date of report	18 April 2024

Terms and Conditions

PART 1 - GENERAL

1.1 THE SURVEYORS

The Seller has engaged the Surveyors to provide the Single Survey Report. The Seller has also engaged the Surveyors to provide an Energy Report in the format prescribed by the accredited Energy Company.

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, 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 to the Seller. It is the responsibility of the Seller to ensure that the amended Report is 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 Sellers Agent or relative to the property, they will be obliged to indicate this by ticking the adjacent box.

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

1.2 THE REPORT

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

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

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

To date, 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 the 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.

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.

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

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 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.

1.5 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.

1.6 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.

1.7 PRECEDENCE

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

1.8 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 "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.

2.2 THE INSPECTION

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

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

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

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

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

2.3 THE REPORT

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

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

- 1. <u>Category 3:</u> Urgent repairs or replacement are needed now. Failure to deal with them may cause problems to other parts of the property or cause a safety hazard. Estimates for repairs or replacement are needed now.
- 2. <u>Category 2:</u> Repairs or replacement requiring future attention, but estimates are still advised.
- 3. <u>Category 1:</u> 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" 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. 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

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Property:	The Manse Lochaber Roa		Cı	ustomer: wner:				
	Kinlochleven PH50 4QW			troducer: enure:	Standard O	wnership (a	ssumed)	
Date of Inspection:	16.04.24 Reference:							
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1.0	LOCATION							
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2.0	DESCRIPTIO	N		2.1 Age:	1930			
A detached dw		ttended in 1985.						
3.0	CONSTRUCT	ION						
Cavity brickwo	rk or blockwork	walls; pitched and	d slated roof; fla	t roofed exte	ension; timber	floors		
4.0	ACCOMMODA	ATION						
		inner hall, living ns and a bathroor		om, kitchen,	bedroom and	a shower ro	pom.	
5.0	SERVICES (N	o tests have bee	n applied to any	of the servi	ces)	1		
Water:	Mains	Electricity:	Mains	Gas:	None	Drains:	Mains	
Central Heatin	ıg:	Full – oil combi	boiler to radiato	rs.				
6.0	OUTBUILDIN	GS						
Garage:	None							
Others:	None							
7.0 GENERAL CONDITION - A building survey has not been carried out, nor has any inspection been made of any woodwork, services or other parts of the property which were covered, unexposed or inaccessible. The report cannot therefore confirm that such parts of the property are free from defect. Failure to rectify defects, particularly involving water penetration may result in further and more serious defects arising. Where defects exist and where remedial work is necessary, prospective purchasers are advised to seek accurate estimates and costings from appropriate Contractors or Specialists before proceeding with the purchase. Generally, we will not test or report on boundary walls, fences, outbuildings, radon gas or site contamination.								
The property is	in a satisfactor	y condition for ler	nding purposes.					

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8.0	ESSENT	IAL REPAIR WORK (as a condition of a	any mo	rtgage or, to prese	erve the cond	dition o	of the prope	erty)
None required a	as a conditi	on of the mortgage							
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9.0	ROADS	& FOOTPATHS							
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10.0	BUILDIN	IGS INSURANCE	£450,000		GROSS EXT FLOOR ARE			160	Sq m
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11.0	GENERA						-		
12.0	VALUATION On the assumption of vacant possession and that the properly is unaffected by any adverse planning proposals, onerous burdens, title restrictions or servitude rights. It is assumed that all necessary Local Authority consents, which may have been required, have been sought and obtained. No investigation of any contamination on, under or within the property has been made as we consider such matters to be outwith the scope of this report. All property built prior to the year 2000 may contain asbestos in one or more of its components or fittings. It is impossible to identify without a test. It is beyond the scope of this inspection to test for asbestos and future occupants should be advised that if they have any concerns then they should ask for a specialist to undertake appropriate tests.								
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12.3		e security for mortgage s?	[X]YES []	NO					
Signature		Electronically signed	= John Stracha	n					
Surveyor:		John Strachan, MRICS			Date:	1	8 April 20	124	
Surveyor Company:		Samuel & Partners, First Surveyors Scotland							
Address:		First Floor, 20 High	First Floor, 20 High Street Fort Williar		PH33 6AT				
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Energy Performance Certificate (EPC)

Scotland

Dwellings

THE MANSE, LOCHABER ROAD, KINLOCHLEVEN, PH50 4QW

Dwelling type:	Detached house
Date of assessment:	08 September 2023
Date of certificate:	28 September 2023
Total floor area:	142 m ²
Primary Energy Indicator:	375 kWh/m²/year

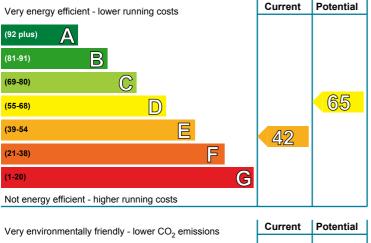
Reference number: Type of assessment: Approved Organisation: Main heating and fuel: 0110-2258-6110-2307-6481 RdSAP, existing dwelling Elmhurst Boiler and radiators, oil

You can use this document to:

- Compare current ratings of properties to see which are more energy efficient and environmentally friendly
- Find out how to save energy and money and also reduce CO₂ emissions by improving your home

Estimated energy costs for your home for 3 years*	£11,817	See your recommendations
Over 3 years you could save*	£3,006	report for more information

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



(81-91) (69-80) (55-68) (21-38) (1-20) Not environmentally friendly - higher CO₂ emissions

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 (42)**. 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 (CO_2) emissions. The higher the rating, the less impact it has on the environment.

Your current rating is **band F (36)**. 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 Cavity wall insulation	£500 - £1,500	£972.00
2 Floor insulation (suspended floor)	£800 - £1,200	£1152.00
3 Heating controls (room thermostat)	£350 - £450	£426.00

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

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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	Cavity wall, as built, no insulation (assumed) Cavity wall, as built, insulated (assumed)	★★☆☆☆ ★★★★☆	★★☆☆☆ ★★★★☆
Roof	Pitched, 150 mm loft insulation Flat, insulated (assumed)	★★★★☆ ★★★☆☆	★★★★☆ ★★★☆☆
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 80% 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 96 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 14 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 4.8 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	£10,521 over 3 years	£7,347 over 3 years	
Hot water	£627 over 3 years	£795 over 3 years	You could
Lighting	£669 over 3 years	£669 over 3 years	save £3,006
Totals	£11,817	£8,811	over 3 years

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

Recommendations for improvement

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

Recommended measures		Indicative cost	Typical saving	Rating after improvement	
		indicative cost	per year	Energy	Environment
1	Cavity wall insulation	£500 - £1,500	£324	E 47	E 40
2	Floor insulation (suspended floor)	£800 - £1,200	£384	E 53	E 45
3	Upgrade heating controls	£350 - £450	£142	D 55	E 47
4	Replace boiler with new condensing boiler	£2,200 - £3,000	£101	D 56	E 48
5	Solar water heating	£4,000 - £6,000	£51	D 58	E 49
6	Solar photovoltaic panels, 2.5 kWp	£3,500 - £5,500	£537	D 65	D 55

Alternative measures

There are alternative improvement measures which you could also consider for your home. It would be advisable to seek further advice and illustration of the benefits and costs of such measures.

• External insulation with cavity wall insulation

Choosing the right improvement package

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



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

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

1 Cavity wall insulation

Cavity wall insulation, to fill the gap between the inner and outer layers of external walls with an insulating material, reduces heat loss; this will improve levels of comfort, reduce energy use and lower fuel bills. The insulation material is pumped into the gap through small holes that are drilled into the outer walls, and the holes are made good afterwards. As specialist machinery is used to fill the cavity, a professional installation company should carry out this work, and they should carry out a thorough survey before commencing work to ensure that this type of insulation is suitable for this home and its exposure. They should also provide a guarantee for the work and handle any building standards issues. Further information about cavity wall insulation and details of local installers can be obtained from the National Insulation Association (www.nationalinsulationassociation.org.uk).

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 Condensing boiler

A condensing boiler is capable of much higher efficiencies than other types of boiler, meaning it will burn less fuel to heat this property. This improvement is most appropriate when the existing central heating boiler needs repair or replacement, however there may be exceptional circumstances making this impractical. Condensing boilers need a drain for the condensate which limits their location; remember this when considering remodelling the room containing the existing boiler even if the latter is to be retained for the time being (for example a kitchen makeover). Building regulations generally apply to this work and a building warrant may be required, so it is best to check with your local authority building standards department and seek advice from a qualified heating engineer.

5 Solar water heating

A solar water heating panel, usually fixed to the roof, uses the sun to pre-heat the hot water supply. This can significantly reduce the demand on the heating system to provide hot water and hence save fuel and money. Planning permission might be required, building regulations generally apply to this work and a building warrant may be required, so it is best to check these with your local authority. You could be eligible for Renewable Heat Incentive payments which could appreciably increase the savings beyond those shown on your EPC, provided that both the product and the installer are certified by the Microgeneration Certification Scheme (or equivalent). Details of local MCS installers are available at www.microgenerationcertification.org.

6 Solar photovoltaic (PV) panels

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

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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)	30,116	(352)	(2,883)	N/A
Water heating (kWh per year)	2,314			

Addendum

About this document

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

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

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Advice and support to improve this property

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

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



