8 Sutherland Avenue **Upper Achintore Fort William PH33 6JT**



Inspected on: 21st June 2023

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Property Questionnaire

PROPERTY ADDRESS:	8 Sutherland Avenue Fort William PH33 6JT
SELLER(S):	Abigail Wineberg
COMPLETION DATE OF PROPERTY QUESTIONNAIRE:	18.06.03

PROPERTY QUESTIONNAIRE

Information to be given to prospective buyer(s)

1.	Length of ownership					
	How long have you owned the property? 16 years					
2.	Council Tax					
	Which Council Tax band is your property in? A B C D E✓ F G H					
						
3.	Parking					
	What are the arrangements for parking at your property?					
	(Please 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)?					
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)?					
6.	Alterations / additions / extensions					
a.	(i) During your time in the property, have you carried out any structural alterations, additions or extensions (for example, provision of an extra bath/shower room, toilet, or bedroom)?					
	If you have answered yes, please describe the changes which you have made:					
	(ii) Did you obtain planning permission, building warrant, completion certificate and other consents for this work?					

	If you have answered yes, the relevant documents will be needed by the purchaser and you should give them to your solicitor as soon as possible for checking.	
	If you do not have the documents yourself, please note below who has these documents and your solicitor or estate agent can arrange to obtain them.	
b.	Have you had replacement windows, doors, patio doors or double glazing installed in your property?	Yes
	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?	Yes
	(ii) Did this work involve any changes to the window or door openings?	No
	(iii) Please describe the changes made to the windows,	
	doors, or patio doors (with approximate dates when the	
	work was completed): 2010 all house windows replaced Everest PVC-u; 2012 new Everest front and back doors, window in	
	front lobby and front cladding	
	Please give any guarantees which you received for this work to	
	your solicitor or estate agent.	
7.	Central heating	
a.	Is there a central heating system in your property? (Note: a partial central heating system is one which does not heat all the main rooms of the property – the main living room, the bedroom(s), the hall and the bathroom).	Yes
	If you have answered yes/partial – what kind of central heating is there? Oil fired	
	(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? Unknown	
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?	No
9.	Issues that may have affected your property	
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a.	Has there been any storm, flood, fire or other structural damage to your property while you have owned it?	No

	If you have answered yes, is the damage the subject of any outstanding insurance claim?				
b.	Are you aware of the exis		, , , ,	No	
	If you have answered yes	<u>s, please give deta</u>	ails:		
10.	Services				
a.	details of the supplier:	es are connected	to your property and give		
	Services		Supplier	1	
	Gas / liquid petroleum gas			l	
	Water mains / private water supply	✓	Scottish Water	ľ	
	Electricity	✓	OVO Energy	l	
	Mains drainage	✓	Highland Council	l	
	Telephone			l	
	Cable TV / satellite			l	
	Broadband			ı.	
b.	Is there a septic tank sys	tem at your prope	erty?	No	
	If you have answered yes, please answer the two questions below:				
C.	Do you have appropriat septic tank?	te consents for t	the discharge from your		
d.	Do you have a maintenance contract for your septic tank?				
	If you have answered yes, please give details of the company with which you have a maintenance contract:				
11.	. Responsibilities for Shared or Common Areas				
a.	Are you aware of any responsibility to contribute to the cost of anything used jointly, such as the repair of a shared drive, private road, boundary, or garden area? If you have answered yes, please give details:			No	
b.	Is there a responsibility to contribute to repair and maintenance of the roof, common stairwell or other common areas?			No	
	If you have answered yes, please give details:				

C.	Has there been any major repair or replacement of any part of the	Yes	
	roof during the time you have owned the property? New roof and soffits 2010 and fascias 2015		
	Do you have the right to walk over any of your neighbours' property - for example to put out your rubbish bin or to maintain your boundaries?		
	If you have answered yes, please give details:		
	As far as you are aware, do any of your neighbours have the right to walk over your property, for example to put out their rubbish bin or to maintain their boundaries?		
	If you have answered yes, please give details:		
	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		
	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?	No	
	If you have answered yes, 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		
	As far as you are aware, has any preventative work for dry rot, wet rot, or damp ever been carried out to your property?	No	

C.	If you have answered yes to 13(a) or (b), do you have any guarantees relating to this work? If you have answered yes, these guarantees will be needed by the purchaser and should be given to your solicitor as soon as possible for checking. If you do not have them yourself please write below who has these documents and your solicitor or estate agent will arrange for them to be obtained. You will also need to provide a description of the work carried out. This may be shown in the original estimate. Guarantees are held by:					9	
	Guarantees		41 1-		fallander		
a.	Are there any guarantees or v					•	
(i)	Electrical work	No	Yes	Don't Know	With title de		Lost
(ii)	Roofing	No	Yes	Don't Know	With title de	eeds	Lost
(iii)	Central heating	No	Yes	Don't know	With title de	eeds	Lost
(iv)	NHBC	No	Yes	Don't know	With title deeds L		Lost
(v)	Damp course	No	Yes	Don't know	With title deeds Lost		
(vi)	Any other work or installations? (e.g: cavity wall insulation, underpinning, indemnity policy)	No	Yes	Don't know	With title deeds Lost		
b.	If you have answered 'yes' or or installations to which the g				e give detail	s of t	he work
C.	Are there any outstanding claims under any of the guarantees No listed above?				No		
	If you have answered yes, ple	ase gi	ve deta	ails:			
15.	Boundaries						
	So far as you are aware, has any boundary of your property been moved in the last 10 years?				No		
	If you have answered yes, please give details:						
16.	Notices that affect your prope	erty					
	In the past 3 years have you e		ceived	a notice:			
a.	advising that the owner of a neighbouring property has made a planning application?					No	
b.	that affects your property in s	ome o	ther w	ay?			No
C.	that requires you to do any maintenance, repairs or improvements to your property?						No

If you have answered yes to any of a-c above, please give the notices to your solicitor or estate agent, including any notices which arrive at any time before the date of entry of the 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) :		
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Date:18.06.2	2	

survey report on:

Property address	8 Sutherland Avenue Upper Achintore Fort William PH33 6JT
Customer	Abigail Wineberg
Customer address	c/o McIntyre & Co 38 High Street Fort William PH33 6AT
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Date of Inspection	21 st June 2023

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.

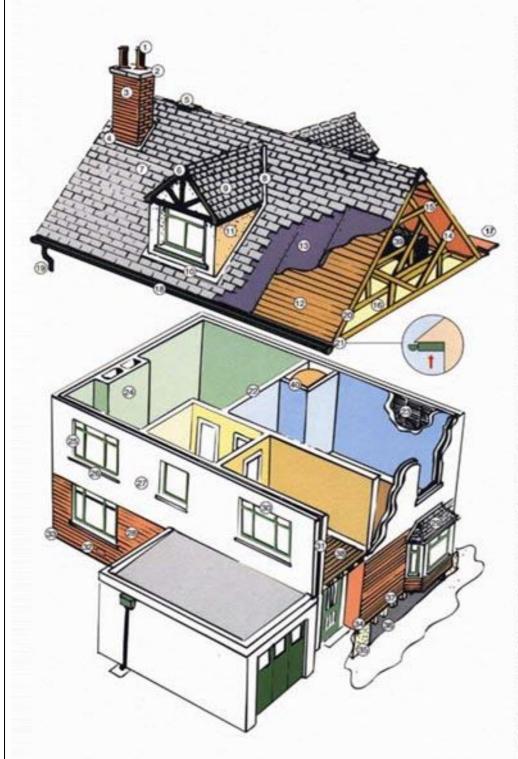
Services such as TV/cable connection, internet connection, swimming pools and other leisure facilities etc were not inspected or reported on.

Description	A detached bungalow.	
Accommodation	Vestibule, inner hall, living room, kitchen and dining, 3 bedrooms, bathroom, utility and a wc.	
Gross internal floor area (m²)	107 sq m	
Neighbourhood and location	The property is set within the town of Fort William in an established residential housing area. Nearby properties are a mix of private houses and social housing. All essential services, amenities and transport links are nearby.	
Age	Built around 1974.	
Weather	Overcast with outbreaks of rain.	
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. There are lead flashings with the main roof.	
Roofing including roof space	Sloping roofs were visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate	
The same of the sa	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 clad in a concrete tile. The ridge is in a concrete tile. The verge is cloaked in a upvc trim.	
	Access to the roof space is via a hatch to the hall ceiling. The roof is constructed in factory manufactured timber trusses with a fibre board based sarking. There is glass wool insulation between and over the ceiling joists. The roof space houses the cold water storage tank.	
Rainwater fittings	Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate Upvc gutters and downpipes.	
Main walls	Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate	
	Foundations and concealed parts were not exposed or inspected External walls are in conventional modern timber frame cavity wall construction (2 walls with a narrow gap between). The outer wall is in brick or block with a render finish. There is reconstituted stone (Fyfe stone) to the front. Cills are in a clay tile. The wall below the living room window is lined in upvc boarding.	
	The inner timber frame wall is load bearing and carries the weight of the roof. 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 Windows are in replacement upvc with sealed double-glazed panels. The external doors are in upvc.
	Facias, soffits and barge boards have been replaced or overclad in upvc.
External decorations	Visually inspected The walls have a masonry paint finish.
Conservatories/porches	Visually inspected None
Communal areas	Circulation areas visually inspected None
Garages and permanent outbuildings	Visually inspected None
Outside areas and boundaries	Visually inspected There are gardens to the front and rear. These are generally sloping and covered in grass bordered with mature bushes and shrubs. There is a good sized timber deck to the front. There is a tarred drive. There is a garden shed and greenhouse to the rear.
	Boundaries are in a mix of timber and hedgerow.
Ceilings	Visually inspected from floor level Plasterboard lined mainly throughout.
Internal walls	Visually inspected from floor level
	Using a moisture meter, walls were randomly tested for dampness where considered appropriate 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
	Floors are in suspended timber (boarded joists). These were fully covered and carpeted at the time of inspection. The floor to the vestibule is in concrete with a tile finish.
	We were able to view part of the sub floor space via a floor hatch to the matwell. Substructures are of conventional construction.
Internal joinery and kitchen	Built in cupboards were looked into but no stored items were moved
fittings	Kitchen units were visually inspected excluding appliances Facings and skirtings are in timber. Internal doors are a mix of age and style.
	Kitchen fittings comprise of a proprietary range of melamine/plastic faced base and wall units, proprietary worktop, inset sink and integral electrical appliances.
Chimney breasts and	Visually inspected
fireplaces	No testing of the flues or fittings were carried out None
Internal decorations	Visually inspected Ceilings and wall have an emulsion painted finish on a plain plasterboard,
	embossed or woodchip paper backing. Internal joinery is painted.
Cellars	Visually inspected where there was a safe and purpose built access None

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 board are located at high level at the side entrance. Electrical fittings are a mix of age.			
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			
Visual inspection of the accessible pipework, water tanks, cylinders and fittings without removing any			
Insulation No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances Mains water supply. There is a plastic cold water storage tank within the roof space. Plumbing supplies where viewed are in copper, wastes are in plastic.			
Bathroom fittings are modern and comprise of a ceramic wc, ceramic wash hand basin and an accessible proprietary shower enclosure. There is an electric instantaneous shower. Walls in the shower room are wet wall. The fittings to the wc are of an older pattern.			
Accessible parts of the system were visually inspected apar t from communal systems, which were not inspected			
No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances Central heating is provided by an external oil fired boiler which heats steel radiators throughout the property. There is a plastic oil storage tank to the rear.			
Hot water is heated and stored in a copper hot water cylinder. The primary form of heating is via the oil boiler.			
Drainage covers etc were not lifted Neither drains nor drainage systems were tested Drainage connects to the mains system.			
Visually inspected			
No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances There are no fire or burglar alarms. There are smoke detectors in places.			
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.			
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 Japanese Knotweed or other invasive plant species within the boundaries of the proeprty or in neighbouring properties, the identification of Japanese Knotweed or other invasive plant species should be made by a Specialst Contractor. As advised above floors were mainly covered and carpeted at the time of inspection.			

Sectional Diagram showing elements of a typical house



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

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

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		ce of any significant cracking, current se the foundations are defective or inaded		
Dampness, rot and infe	estation			
Repair category	2			
Notes	There is damp and rot to a section of skirting board in the dining room associated with a leak to the shower tray to the adjacent bathroom. There is damp staining to the base of the wall within the living room. At the time of inspection these areas were dry but we would advise that further investigation is carried out.			
Chimpey stocks	There is so	ome condensation staining in places an	d flotably around windows.	
Chimney stacks	1			
Repair category	1			
Notes	The chimney stack is redundant. There is moss to the cope. Internally there is damp staining to the timbers adjoining the stack.			
Roofing including roof	space			
Repair category	1			
Notes	There is minor moss beginning to hold to the tiles in places. The ridge is uneven at the gable ends. Some tile coursing is not uniform.			
	The fibre board sarking has sagged in places within the roof space which is quite common for this type of material.			
Rainwater fittings				
Repair category	1			
Notes	No evidence of any significant disrepair. There is a loose holderbat to the front.			
Main walls				
Repair category	1			
Notes	No evidence of any significant disrepair. There is some minor cracking at the junction of the Fyfe stone and the render. There are some small, isolated areas of worn/boss render in places. Some clay tiles forming the sub cills are loose.			
Windows, external doo	rs and joine	ry		
Repair category	1			
Notes	No evidence of any significant disrepair.			
External decorations				
Repair category	1			
Notes	No evidend	ce of any significant weathering.		

Notes Communal areas	Not applicable Not applicable
Communal areas Repair category	Not applicable
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Repair category	Not applicable
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Notes	
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Garages and permanent of Repair category	Not applicable
	Not applicable
Notes	
Outside areas and bound	aries
Repair category 2	2
	The timber fence to the front requires repair. Additional anti slip tape should be fitted to the timber deck. Some concrete slabs to the footpaths are cracked.
Ceilings	
Repair category	1
	No evidence of any significant disrepair. Surfaces are in a condition consistent with age.
Internal walls	
Repair category	1
	No evidence of any significant disrepair. Surfaces are in a condition consistent with age.
Floors including sub-floor	rs
Repair category 3	3
	The floor at the shower tray and around the toilet pan should be checked. Some tiles to the vestibule are loose.
Internal joinery and kitche	en fittings
Repair category 2	2
	A small section of skirting is rotten. Wear is beginning to show to the kitchen fittings in places. Some of the internal joinery is dated.
Chimney breasts and fire	places
Repair category	Not applicable
Notes	
Internal decorations	
Repair category 2	2
Notes I	Internal decorations require updating.
Cellars	
Repair category	Not applicable
Notes	
Electricity	
	2
t	There is no record of when an electrical test was last carried out. It is good practice to test electrical installations to domestic properties on a 5 year cycle or upon an exchange of ownership. Some fittings are dated.

Gas	
Repair category	Not applicable
Notes	
Water, plumbing and ba	nthroom fittings
Repair category	2
Notes	The seal around the shower tray requires to be checked. The fittings to the wc are dated.
Heating and hot water	
Repair category	1
Notes	No evidence of any significant disrepair. It is good practice to service oil boilers on a regular basis. This boiler is of an older type.
Drainage	
Repair category	1
Notes	No evidence of any significant disrepair having regard to the limits of our inspection.

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.

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Structural movement	1
Dampness, rot and infestation	2
Chimney stacks	1
Roofing including roof space	1
Rainwater fittings	1
Main walls	1
Windows, external doors and joinery	1
External decorations	1
Conservatories / porches	N/a
Communal areas	N/a
Garages and permanent outbuildings	N/a
Outside areas and boundaries	2
Ceilings	1
Internal walls	1
Floors including sub-floors	3
Internal joinery and kitchen fittings	2
Chimney breasts and fireplaces	N/a
Internal decorations	2
Cellars	N/a
Electricity	2
Gas	N/a
Water, plumbing and bathroom fittings	2
Heating and hot water	1
Drainage	1

Category 3

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

Category 2

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

Category 1

No immediate action or repair is needed.

Remember

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

Warning

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

3. Accessibility information

Guidance notes on accessibility information

Three steps or fewer to a main entrance door of the property: In flatted developments the 'main entrance' would be the flat's own entrance door, not the external door to the communal stair. The 'three steps or fewer' are counted from external ground level to the flat's entrance door. Where a lift is present, the count is based on the number of steps climbed when using the lift.

Unrestricted parking within 25 metres: For this purpose, 'Unrestricted parking' includes parking available by means of a parking permit. Restricted parking includes parking that is subject to parking restrictions, as indicated by the presence of solid yellow, red or white lines at the edge of the road or by a parking control sign, parking meters or other coin-operated machines.

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 No X
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 X No
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 £300,000 [three hundred 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

£220,000 [two hundred & twenty thousand pounds]

There is a steady demand for properties of this size and type within the town of Fort William.

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Signed	Electronically prepared by Samuel & Partners
Date of report	30 June 2023

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.

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;

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- 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.

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- <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. 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" 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

Samuel & Partners Generic Valuation

Mortgage Valuation Report							
Property:	8 Sutherland	Avenue	С	ustomer:			
	Upper Achinto	ore		wner:			
	Fort William		In	troducer:			
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Date of Inspection:	21.06.23		R	eference:			
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2.0	DESCRIPTIO	N		2.1 Age:	1974		
A detached bung	galow.						
3.0	CONSTRUCT	ION					
Timber frame c	avity walls; pitc	hed and tiled roo	fs; timber floors				
4.0	ACCOMMODA	ATION					
Vestibule, inne	r hall, living roo	m, kitchen and di	ning, 3 bedroom	ns, bathroom	n, utility and a	WC.	
5.0	SERVICES (N	lo tests have bee	n applied to any	of the servi	ices)		
Water:	Mains	Electricity:	Mains	Gas:	None	Drains:	Mains
Central Heatin	g:	Full – oil boiler	to radiators				
6.0	OUTBUILDINGS						
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	property is in a satisfactory condition for lending purposes.						

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Energy Performance Certificate (EPC)

Dwellings

Scotland

8 SUTHERLAND AVENUE, UPPER ACHINTORE, FORT WILLIAM, PH33 6JT

Dwelling type: Detached bungalow Date of assessment: 21 June 2023 Date of certificate: 04 July 2023 **Total floor area:** 107 m²

Primary Energy Indicator: 227 kWh/m²/year Reference number: 5500-0594-0722-6025-1673 RdSAP, existing dwelling Type of assessment:

Approved Organisation: **Elmhurst**

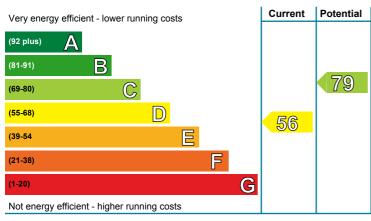
Main heating and fuel: Boiler and radiators, oil

You can use this document to:

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

Estimated energy costs for your home for 3 years*	£6,213	See your recommendations	
Over 3 years you could save*	£1,806	report for more information	

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

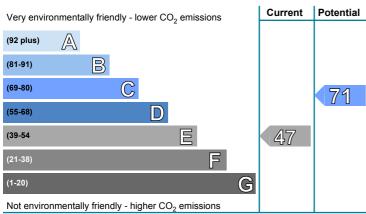


Energy Efficiency Rating

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 D (56). 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 (47). 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 Floor insulation (suspended floor)	£800 - £1,200	£855.00
2 Heating controls (room thermostat)	£350 - £450	£342.00
3 Condensing boiler	£2,200 - £3,000	£351.00

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	Timber frame, as built, partial insulation (assumed)	***	***
Roof	Pitched, 200 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	None	_	_
Hot water	From main system	***	***
Lighting	Low energy lighting in all fixed outlets	****	****

The energy efficiency rating of your home

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

As we all use our homes in different ways, the energy rating is calculated using standard occupancy assumptions which may be different from the way you use it. The rating also uses national weather information to allow comparison between buildings in different parts of Scotland. However, to make information more relevant to your home, local weather data is used to calculate your energy use, 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 59 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 6.4 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 2.8 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	£4,749 over 3 years	£3,423 over 3 years	
Hot water	£993 over 3 years	£513 over 3 years	You could
Lighting	£471 over 3 years	£471 over 3 years	save £1,806
Totals	£6,213	£4,407	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	Floor insulation (suspended floor)	£800 - £1,200	£285	D 62	E 54	
2	Upgrade heating controls	£350 - £450	£114	D 65	D 57	
3	Replace boiler with new condensing boiler	£2,200 - £3,000	£117	D 67	D 60	
4	Solar water heating	£4,000 - £6,000	£85	C 70	D 63	
5	Solar photovoltaic panels, 2.5 kWp	£3,500 - £5,500	£559	C 79	C 71	

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 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.

2 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.

3 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.

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)	13,277	N/A	N/A	N/A
Water heating (kWh per year)	2,791			_

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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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.

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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 greeners cotland.org or contact Home Energy Scotland on 0808 808 2282.

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

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