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## ADDRESS

The Neuk 16a Grange Terrace Bo'Ness EH51 9DS

## PREPARED FOR

D MacFarlane

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# SINGLE Survey

A report on the condition of the property, with categories being rated from 1 to 3.



# Single Survey

## Survey report on:

Surveyor Reference	ME044559
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Customer	Mr & Mrs. D MacFarlane
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Customer address	The Neuk 16a Grange Terrace Bo'Ness EH51 9DS

Date of Inspection	29/03/2018
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## PART 1 - GENERAL

#### 1.1 THE SURVEYORS

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

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

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

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

The individual Surveyor will be a member of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors who is competent to survey, value and report upon Residential Property. <sup>1</sup>

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.

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

## 1.2 THE REPORT

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Which shall be in accordance with the current RICS Valuation Standards (the Red Book) and RICS Codes of Conduct

The Report 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 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 GENERIC MORTGAGE VALUATION REPORT

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

## 1.5 TRANSCRIPT MORTGAGE VALUATION FOR LENDING PURPOSES

The Surveyors undertake that on being asked to do so by a prospective purchaser, or his/her professional advisor or Lender, they will prepare a Transcript Mortgage Valuation Report for Lending Purposes on terms and conditions to be agreed between the Surveyors and Lender and solely for the use of the Lender and upon which the Lender may rely. The decision as to whether finance will be provided is entirely a matter for the Lender. The Transcript Mortgage Valuation Report will be prepared from information contained in the Report and the generic Mortgage Valuation Report. 2

## 1.6 INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

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

## 1.7 PAYMENT

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

## 1.8 CANCELLATION

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

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

In the case of cancellation or the inspection not proceeding, the Surveyor will refund any fees paid by the Seller for the inspection and Report, except for

expenses reasonably incurred and any fee due in light of the final paragraph of this section.

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

## 1.9 PRECEDENCE

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

#### 1.10 **DEFINITIONS**

- the "Lender" is the party who has provided or intends or proposes to provide financial assistance to the Purchaser towards the purchase of the Property and in whose favour a standard security will be granted over the Property;
- the "Transcript Mortgage Valuation Report for Lending Purposes" means a separate report, prepared by the Surveyor, prepared from information in the Report and the generic Mortgage Valuation Report, but in a style and format required by the Lender. The Transcript Mortgage Valuation Report for Lending Purposes will be prepared with the skill and care reasonably to be expected from a surveyor who is a member of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors and who is competent to survey, value and report on the Property;
- the "Generic Mortgage Valuation Report" means a separate report, prepared by the Surveyor from information in the Report but in the Surveyor's own format.
- the "Market Value" is The estimated amount for which a property should exchange on the date of valuation between a willing buyer and a willing seller in an arm's-length transaction after proper marketing wherein the parties had each acted knowledgeably, prudently and without compulsion
- the "Property" is the property which forms the subject of the Report;
- the "Purchaser" is the person (or persons) who enters into a contract to buy the Property from the Seller;
- a "prospective Purchaser" is anyone considering buying the Property.
- the "Report" is the report, of the kind described in Part 2 of these Terms and Conditions and in the form set out in part 1 of Schedule 1 of the Housing (Scotland) Act 2006 (Prescribed Documents) Regulations 2008;
- the "Seller" is/are the proprietor(s) of the Property;
- the "Surveyor" is the author of the Report on the Property; and

<sup>2</sup> Which shall be in accordance with the current RICS Valuation Standards (the Red Book) and RICS Rules of Conduct.

- the "Surveyors" are the firm or company of which the Surveyor is an employee, director, member or partner (unless the Surveyor is not an employee, director, member or partner, when the "Surveyors" means the Surveyor) whose details are set out at the head of the Report.
- the "Energy Report" is the advice given by the accredited Energy Company, based on information collected by the Surveyor during the Inspection, and also includes an Energy Performance Certificate, in a Government approved format.

## PART 2 – DESCRIPTION OF THE REPORT

## 2.1 THE SERVICE

The Single Survey is a Report by an independent Surveyor, prepared in an objective way regarding the condition and value of the Property on the day of the inspection, and who is a member of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors. It includes an Energy Report as required by Statute and this is in the format of the accredited Energy Company. In addition, the Surveyor has agreed to supply a generic Mortgage Valuation Report.

## 2.2 THE INSPECTION

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

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

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

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

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

## 2.3 THE REPORT

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

significant. If certain minor matters are mentioned, it should not be interpreted that the property is free of any other minor defects.

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

- 2.3.1 <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.
- 2.3.2 <u>Category 2</u>: Repairs or replacement requiring future attention, but estimates are still advised.
- 2.3.3 <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" The estimated amount for which a property should exchange on the date of valuation between a willing buyer and a willing seller in an arm's-length transaction after proper marketing wherein the parties had each acted knowledgeably, prudently and without compulsion. In arriving at the opinion of the Market Value the Surveyor also makes various standard assumptions covering, for example, vacant possession; tenure and other legal considerations; contamination and hazardous materials; the condition of un-inspected parts; the right to use mains services; and the exclusion of curtains, carpets etc. from the valuation. In the case of flats, the following further assumptions are made that:

- \*There are rights of access and exit over all communal roadways, corridors, stairways etc. and to use communal grounds, parking areas, and other facilities;
- \*There are no particularly troublesome or unusual legal restrictions;
- \*There is no current dispute between the occupiers of the flats or any outstanding claims or losses; and the costs of repairs to the building are shared among the co-proprietors on an equitable basis.

Any additional assumption, or any found not to apply, is reported.

"Re-instatement cost" is an estimate for insurance purposes of the current cost of rebuilding the Property in its present form unless otherwise stated. This includes the cost of rebuilding the garage and permanent outbuildings, site clearance and professional fees, but excludes VAT (except on the fees).

Sellers or prospective Purchasers may consider it prudent to instruct a reinspection and revaluation after a period of 12 weeks (or sooner if appropriate) to reflect changing circumstances in the market and/or in the physical condition of the Property

## **1. INFORMATION AND SCOPE OF INSPECTION**

This section tells you about the type, accommodation, neighbourhood, age and construction of the property. It also tells you about the extent of the inspection and highlights anything that the Surveyor could not inspect.

All references to visual inspection refer to an inspection from within the property without moving any obstructions and externally from ground level within the site and adjoining public areas. Any references to left or right in a description of the exterior of the property refer to the view of someone standing facing that part of the property from the outside.

The inspection is carried out without causing damage to the building or its contents and without endangering the occupiers or the Surveyor. Heavy furniture, stored items and insulation are not moved. Unless identified in the report the Surveyor will assume that no harmful or hazardous materials or techniques have been used in the construction. The presence or possible consequences of any site contamination will not be researched.

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

Description	Detached, extended single storey cottage.
Accommodation	Entrance porch, hallway, sitting room, dining room, study, two bedrooms, kitchen and a bathroom with WC.
Gross internal floor area (m2)	83m2 approximately.
Neighbourhood and location	The subject property is located within a mature 3/4 acre plot, within an established private residential area in the town of Bo'ness overlooking the River Forth. All the usual facilities and amenities are available in Bo'ness town centre, including transport links.
Age	111 years. Originally constructed in 1907 and extended in 1992.
Weather	At the time of inspection, it was dry and sunny.
Chimney stacks	Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where required. There is a single brick chimney stack with one chimney pot. The stack serves the two solid fuel burning stoves.
Roofing including roof space	Sloping roofs were visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where required. Flat roofs were visually inspected from vantage points within the property and where safe and reasonable to do so from a 3m ladder externally.

	Roof spaces were visually inspected and were entered where there was safe and reasonable access, normally defined as being from a 3m ladder within the property. If this is not possible, then physical access to the roof space may be taken by other means if the Surveyor deems it safe and reasonable to do so.
	The roof is constructed of timber rafters with a concrete inter-locking tile covering.
	Access to the roof void area is via a hatchway in the hall. The presence of a significant amount of insulation material and some stored items limited the scope of the inspection which was carried out from the access hatchway only.
	From the hatchway, the underside of ply sarking was sighted at roof level. At joist level there is approximately 270mm of insulation material. Brickwork was sighted to the gables, together with a brick chimney stack.
	Over the rear extension, the roof is mono-pitched with a tiled covering.
Rainwater fittings	Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where required.
	The rainwater rhones and downpipes are of both PVC and cast iron.
Main walls	Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where required. Foundations and concealed parts were not exposed or inspected.
	The original cottage is of 300mm cavity brickwork with a harled external finish.
	The extension to the rear of the property appears to be of 320mm cavity brickwork, with a harled finish.
Windows, external doors and joinery	Internal and external doors were opened and closed where keys were available.
	Random windows were opened and closed where possible.
	Doors and windows were not forced open.
	The windows are double glazed within timber frames (2009 approximately).
	The bathroom window is single glazed within a timber frame.

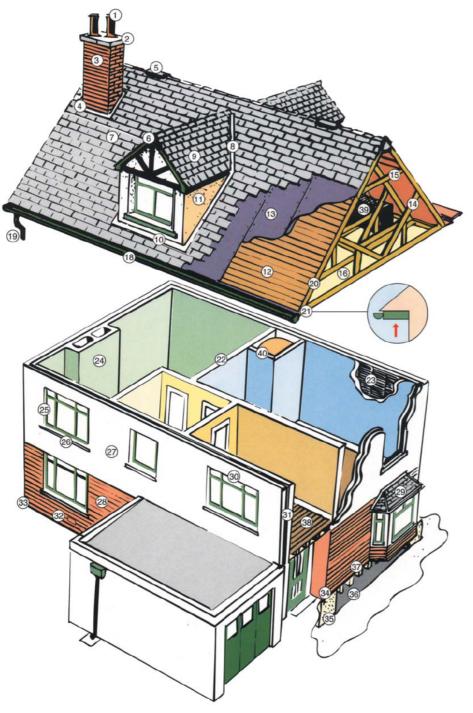
	The front door is of a timber and metal design with single glazed panel.
	The rear door is also of a timber and metal design with single glazed panel.
	There are timber facia boards at eaves level and decorative timbers and joist ends to the eaves, gables and external window projections.
External decorations	Visually inspected.
	External timbers have been coated with paint.
Conservatories / porches	Visually inspected.
	The entrance porch appears to be of single brickwork, with a harled finish and a pitched tiled roof.
Communal areas	There are no communal areas within the building.
Garages and permanent outbuildings	Visually inspected. There is a detached single garage of brickwork construction with a PVC profile sheet roof. The garage has a metal up and over door, power and light and an inspection pit. Within the garage there is wood burning stove. Within the garden grounds there are four timber Summer houses, some of which have power and light and two smaller outbuildings. There are three greenhouses.
Outside areas and boundaries	<ul> <li>Visually inspected.</li> <li>The subject property is accessed by means of an un-made shared private lane, giving access to an area of hard-standing and parking.</li> <li>The front garden area is laid to lawn with mature flower beds and shrubs. The remainder of the 3/4 acre plot is tiered with access paths, walkways, areas laid to lawn with mature bushes and trees. There are areas of raised decking. Boundaries are fenced and have hedges in places.</li> </ul>
Ceilings	Visually inspected from floor level.

	The ceilings appear to be of lath and plaster, some are of plasterboard. Some have decorative plaster finishes.
Internal walls	Visually inspected from floor level.
	Using a moisture meter, walls were randomly tested for dampness where considered appropriate.
	Internal walls and partitions are plastered on the hard or lath and plaster. Some have decorative plaster finishes.
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 1m between the underside of floor joists and the solum as determined from the access hatch.
	The floors appear to be of suspended timber, however the fitted floor coverings prevented an inspection of the flooring below.
	The flooring within the porch appears to be of solid construction.
Internal joinery and	Built-in cupboards were looked into but no stored items were moved.
kitchen fittings	Kitchen units were visually inspected excluding appliances.
	Internal joiner work including doors, skirtings and facings is of timber construction.
	The kitchen fittings have a timber and tiled finish.
Chimney breasts and fireplaces	Visually inspected. No testing of the flues or fittings was carried out.
	There is a back to back chimney breast within the dining room/sitting room into which run flues serving the two wood burning stoves.
Internal decorations	Visually inspected.

	Internal walls and ceilings have a painted, wallpapered or tiled finish. Some finishes are in decorative plaster.	
Cellars	There is no cellar.	
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.	
	There is a mains electricity supply, with a circuit breaker box and electricity meter located within a rear bedroom cupboard.	
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.	
	There is a mains gas supply, with the gas meter located externally.	
Water, plumbing and	Visual inspection of the accessible pipework, water tanks, cylinders	
bathroom fittings	and fittings without removing any insulation.	
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	No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances. There is a mains water supply. The water pipework is of copper and PVC. The sanitary fittings in the bathroom are made of porcelain, fibreglass or enamelled steel. 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. There is a mains water supply. The water pipework is of copper and PVC. The sanitary fittings in the bathroom are made of porcelain, fibreglass or enamelled steel. Accessible parts of the system were visually inspected apart from communal systems, which were not inspected. No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances. The property has a gas fired central heating system with the Worcester 28i Junior Combination gas boiler located within	

Drainage	Neither drains nor drainage systems were tested.	
	Drainage is understood to be to the public sewer.	
Fire, smoke and burglar alarms	Visually inspected.	
	No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances.	
	Smoke detectors are located throughout the property.	
Any additional limits to inspection	Only the subject flat and internal communal areas giving access to the flat were inspected.	
	If the roof space or under-building / 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.	
	An inspection for Japanese Knotweed was not carried out. This is a plant which is subject to control regulation, is considered to be invasive and one which can render a property unsuitable for some mortgage lenders. It is therefore assumed that there is no Japanese Knotweed within the boundaries of the property or its neighbouring property. Identification of Japanese Knotweed is best undertaken by a specialist contractor. If it exists removal must be undertaken in a controlled manner by specialist contractors. This can prove to be expensive.	
	The inspection was limited by the presence of fitted floor coverings, stored items in cupboards and furnishings.	
	The inspection of the roof void area was carried out from the hatchway only.	

## 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
$\bigcirc$	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	Partiton 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 3 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 moven	nent
Repair category:	
Notes:	There is no visible evidence of any significant structural movement.

Dampness, rot a	nd infestation
Repair category:	2
Notes:	Moisture readings were obtained from the internal bathroom wall, which backs onto the kitchen.

Chimney stacks	
Repair category:	
Notes:	The visible condition of the chimney stack appears to be satisfactory, consistent with age and construction.

Roofing including roof space	
Repair category:	
Notes:	The visible condition of the roof coverings was satisfactory, consistent with age and construction. Some moss growth is evident.

Category 3	Category 2	Category 1
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The roof void area appears to be in a satisfactory condition.
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Rainwater fittings	
Repair category:	
Notes:	The visible condition of the rainwater rhones was satisfactory.
	The downpipes are connected to the rainwater rhones and no visible signs of significant deterioration was noted.

Main walls	
Repair category:	2
Notes:	Boss harling is evident on the south most gable, below the bathroom window.
	Harling is also boss on the south most front corner of the property.

Windows, external doors and joinery		
Repair category:	2	
Notes:	Timber decay is evident to the external timbers of the front bedroom window.	
	Cement asbestos sheeting appears to be present at soffit level of the projecting bay window on the south most elevation.	
	Some materials used in the building and maintenance industry until 1999 contain asbestos. Asbestos fibres released into the air, and which are breathed in, are dangerous to health. Decorative finishes	

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.

	in common use in the period from about 1950 to about 1985 included artex, used as a coating on ceilings and sometimes walls. Older artex can contain asbestos and if sanding or removal of this material is intended, then appropriate precautions should be taken, if necessary with advice from the Environmental Health Department of the Local Authority.
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External decorations	
Repair category:	
Notes:	External decorations are in a satisfactory condition. However, some weathered timbers are evident at the apex on the the north most gable.

Conservatories / porches	
Repair category:	
Notes:	The visible condition of the entrance porch appears to be satisfactory, consistent with age and construction.

Communal areas	
Repair category:	
Notes:	There are no communal areas within the building.

Garages and permanent outbuildings	
Repair category:	

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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.

Notes:	The visible condition of the garage appears to be satisfactory, consistent with age and construction.
	The garden Summer houses and outbuildings appear to be in a satisfactory condition, consistent with age and construction.

Outside areas and boundaries	
Repair category:	
Notes:	The outside areas and boundaries appear to be in an acceptable condition.

Ceilings	
Repair category:	
Notes:	The visible condition of the ceilings was considered to be satisfactory, consistent with age and construction.

Internal walls	
Repair category:	2
Notes:	Moisture meter readings were obtained from deteriorating finishes to the internal wall within the bathroom.

Floors including sub-floors	
Repair category:	
Notes:	No significant defects noted to the flooring in the areas inspected.

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.

Internal joinery and kitchen fittings	
Repair category:	
Notes:	The internal joinery and kitchen fittings are in a satisfactory condition, consistent with age and construction.

Chimney breasts and fireplaces	
Repair category:	
Notes:	The visible condition of the chimney breast appears to be satisfactory, consistent with age and construction. We presume that suitable flue linings are in place and that the solid fuel burning stoves within the property meet SEPA requirements.

Internal decorations	
Repair category:	
Notes:	The internal decorations are in an acceptable condition, consistent with age and construction.
	Some materials used in the building and maintenance industry until 1999 contain asbestos. Asbestos fibres released into the air, and which are breathed in, are dangerous to health. Decorative finishes in common use in the period from about 1950 to about 1985 included artex, used as a coating on ceilings and sometimes walls. Older artex can contain asbestos and if sanding or removal of this material is intended, then appropriate precautions should be taken, if necessary with advice from the Environmental Health Department of the Local Authority.

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.

Repair category:	
Notes:	There are no cellars.

Electricity		
Repair category:		
Notes:	The visible condition of the installation at the property appears to be satisfactory.	
	Confirmation the system complies with current regulation and is in a serviceable condition can only be given by a qualified electrician.	
	The trade bodies governing electrical installations currently advise that these should be tested prior to a change of occupancy and, thereafter, at least once every five years, by a competent Electrician.	

Gas	
Repair category:	
Notes:	The visible condition of the installation at the property appears to be satisfactory.
	The trade bodies governing gas installations currently advise that these should be tested prior to a change of occupancy and, thereafter, at least once per year, by a Gas Safe Registered Contractor.

Water, plumbing and bathroom fittings

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.

Repair category:	1
Notes:	The visible condition of the plumbing and the bathroom fittings was considered to be satisfactory, consistent with their age and type of construction.

Heating and hot water		
Repair category:		
Notes:	The visible condition of the heating and hot water systems appear to be satisfactory, consistent with age and construction.	
	It has been assumed that the heating installation has been regularly serviced and that recent service history records will be made available.	

Drainage		
Repair category:		
Notes:	There was no visible evidence of any significant defect to the drainage system at the time of inspection. At the time of our inspection, we did not lift any drainage inspection covers or carry out any drainage tests and we cannot therefore comment with any authority on the condition of the drainage system. We would add that there was no evidence on the surface to suggest any major problems in this connection, but if you wish further investigations undertaken, then a competent plumber should be instructed.	

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.

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

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

## 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**

<u>Three steps or fewer to a main entrance door of the property:</u> 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.

<u>Unrestricted parking within 25 metres:</u> 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 coinoperated machines.

1. Which floor(s) is the living accommodation on?	Ground.
2. Are there three steps or fewer to a main entrance door of the property?	[x]YES [ ]NO
3. Is there a lift to the main entrance door of the property?	[ ]YES [x]NO
4. Are all door openings greater than 750mm?	[ ]YES [x]NO
5. Is there a toilet on the same level as the living room and kitchen?	[x]YES [ ]NO
6. Is there a toilet on the same level as a bedroom?	[x]YES [ ]NO
7. Are all rooms on the same level with no internal steps or stairs?	[x]YES [ ]NO
8. Is there unrestricted parking within 25 metres of an entrance door to the building?	[x]YES [ ]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 re-instatement cost for insurance purposes.

## Matters for a solicitor or licensed conveyancer

The subject property has been extended and we presume that all Local Authority permissions and warrants are in place and readily available.

Reference should be made to title deeds to clarify exact responsibilities over the shared access lane and as to the exact extent of the plot itself.

The subjects lie in an area where mineral extraction has taken place in the past; therefore a Coal Mining Report should be requested.

## Estimated re-instatement cost (£) for insurance purposes

The estimated reinstatement cost for insurance purposes is £235,000 (Two Hundred and Thirty Five Thousand Pounds Sterling). This figure is an opinion of an appropriate sum for which the property and substantial outbuildings should be insured against total destruction, on a reinstatement basis, assuming reconstruction of the property in its existing design and materials. Finishing's and fittings have not been included. No allowance has been included for inflation during the insurance period or during reconstruction and no allowance has been made for VAT, other than on professional fees. A further discussion with your insurers is advised. The figure should be reviewed annually and in light of any future alterations or additions.

## Valuation (£) and market comments

The market value of the described in the report is £275,000 (Two Hundred and Seventy Five Thousand Pounds Sterling).

This figure assumes vacant possession and that the property is unaffected by any adverse planning proposals, onerous burdens, title restrictions or servitude rights.

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<b>Date of report:</b> 29/03/2018
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## PART 2.

# MORTGAGE VALUATION **REPORT**

Includes a market valuation of the property.





## Mortgage Valuation Report

Property:	The Neuk 16a Grange Terrace Bo'Ness EH51 9DS	Client: Mr & Mrs. D MacFarlane Tenure: Absolute	
Date of Inspection:	29/03/2018	Reference:	ME044559 - PT/CMW

This report has been prepared as part of your instructions to carry out a Single Survey on the property referred to above. The purpose of this report is to summarise the Single Survey for the purpose of advising your lender on the suitability of the property for mortgage purposes. The decision as to whether mortgage finance will be provided is entirely a matter for the lender. You should not rely on this report in making your decision to purchase but consider all the documents provided in the Home Report. Your attention is drawn to the additional comments elsewhere within the report which set out the extent and limitations of the service provided. This report should be read in conjunction with the Single Survey Terms and Conditions (with MVR). In accordance with RICS Valuation – Global Standards 2017 this report is for the use of the party to whom it is addressed or their named client or their nominated lender. No responsibility is accepted to any third party for the whole or any part of this report may be included in any document, circular or statement without prior approval in writing from the surveyor.

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#### LOCATION

CONSTRUCTION

The subject property is located within a mature 3/4 acre plot, in an established private residential area in the town of Bo'ness overlooking the River Forth.

All the usual facilities and amenities are available in Bo'ness town centre, including transport links.

2.0	DESCRIPTION	2.1 Age:	111 years. Originally constructed in 1907 and extended in 1992.	
Detached, ext	ended single storey cottage.			

WALLS - The original cottage is of 300mm cavity brickwork with a harled external finish.

The entrance porch appears to be of single brickwork, with a harled finish.

The extension to the rear of the property appears to be of 320mm cavity brickwork, with a harled finish.

ROOF - The roof is constructed of timber rafters with a concrete inter-locking tile covering.

4.0	ACCOMMODATION				
Entrance porch, hallway, sitting room, dining room, study, two bedrooms, kitchen and a bathroom with WC.					
5.0	SERVICES (No tests have been applied to any of the services)				

Water:	Mains	Electricity:	Mains	Gas:	Mains	Drainage:	To the public sewer
Central Heating: Gas fired, se		Gas fired, serv	ving panelled radiators.				
6.0	OUTBUILDINGS						
Garage:	There is a detached single garage of brickwork construction with a PVC profile sheet roof.						
Others:	There are four timber Summer houses, three greenhouses and two further outbuildings.						
7.0	<b>GENERAL CONDITION</b> - 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.						
	ic of this buildin and repairs sho			tent with age ar	nd construction	and therefore a	t least normal
8.0	ESSENTIAL I property)		(as a conditior	n of any mortga	ge or, to preser	ve the condition	of the
None.							
8.1 Retention	recommended	d:	Nil				
9.0	ROADS &FO	OTPATHS					
Made up.							
10.0	BUILDINGS I (£):	NSURANCE	235,000	GROSS EXT FLOOR ARE		92	Square metres
	This figure is an opinion of an appropriate sum for which the property and substantial outbuildings should be insured against total destruction on a re-instatement basis assuming reconstruction of the property in its existing design and materials. Furnishings and fittings have not been included. No allowance has been included for inflation during the insurance period or during re-construction and no allowance has been made for VAT, other than on professional fees. Further discussions with your insurers is advised.						
11.0	GENERAL REMARKS						
The subjects are of a type and style for which under normal market conditions there is a steady demand.							
The subject property has been extended and we presume that all Local Authority permissions and warrants are in place and readily available.							
Reference should be made to title deeds to clarify exact responsibilities over the shared access lane and as to the exact extent of the plot itself.							
The subjects lie in an area where mineral extraction has taken place in the past; therefore a Coal Mining Report should be requested.							
12.0	.0 VALUATION On the assumption of vacant possession and that the property 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 Page 30						

	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.					
12.1	Market Value condition (£)		275,000	Two Hundred and Seventy F	ive Thousand F	Pounds
12.2	Market Value completion o works (£):					
12.3	Suitable secunormal morte purposes?	•	Yes			
12.4	Date of Valua	ation:	29/03/2018			
Signature:		Electronically	Signed: 111719	9-D530C532-283D		
Surveyor:	Paul Trotter	Paul Trotter CEM Dip Surv MR		V MRICS	Date:	30/03/2018
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# ENERGY **Report**

A report on the energy efficiency of the property.



# energy report

## energy report on:

Property address
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Customer	Mr & Mrs. D MacFarlane
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Customer address	The Neuk 16a Grange Terrace Bo'Ness EH51 9DS
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## **Energy Performance Certificate (EPC)**

## Scotland

Dwellings

#### THE NEUK, 16A GRANGE TERRACE, BO'NESS, EH51 9DS

Dwelling type:	Detached bungalow
Date of assessment:	29 March 2018
Date of certificate:	30 March 2018
Total floor area:	83 m <sup>2</sup>
Primary Energy Indicator:	268 kWh/m <sup>2</sup> /year

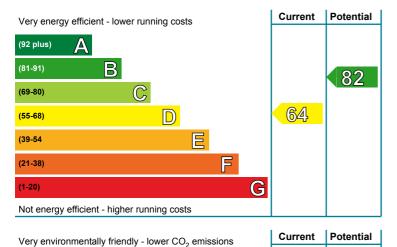
Reference number: Type of assessment: Approved Organisation: Main heating and fuel: 2517-1015-9207-4528-2900 RdSAP, existing dwelling Elmhurst Boiler and radiators, mains gas

#### You can use this document to:

- Compare current ratings of properties to see which are more energy efficient and environmentally friendly
- Find out how to save energy and money and also reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by improving your home

Estimated energy costs for your home for 3 years*	£2,610	See your recommendations
Over 3 years you could save*	£615	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 (64)**. The average rating for EPCs in Scotland is **band D (61)**.

The potential rating shows the effect of undertaking all of the improvement measures listed within your recommendations report.

## Environmental Impact (CO<sub>2</sub>) Rating

This graph shows the effect of your home on the environment in terms of carbon dioxide  $(CO_2)$  emissions. The higher the rating, the less impact it has on the environment.

Your current rating is **band D (63)**. 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

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Recommended measures	Indicative cost	Typical savings over 3 years	Available with Green Deal
1 Internal or external wall insulation	£4,000 - £14,000	£75.00	$\bigcirc$
2 Floor insulation (suspended floor)	£800 - £1,200	£273.00	$\bigcirc$
3 Condensing boiler	£2,200 - £3,000	£174.00	<b></b>

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.



(92 plus)

(81-91)

(69-80)

(55-68)

(39-54

(21-38)

(1-20)

B

Not environmentally friendly - higher CO<sub>2</sub> emissions

D

The Green Deal may allow you to make your home warmer and cheaper to run at no up-front capital cost. See your recommendations report for more details.

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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	ment Description		Environmental	
Walls	Cavity wall, filled cavity Solid brick, as built, no insulation (assumed)	★★★☆☆ ★★☆☆☆	★★★☆☆ ★★☆☆☆	
Roof	Pitched, 270 mm loft insulation	★★★★☆	★★★★☆	
Floor	Suspended, no insulation (assumed) Suspended, limited insulation (assumed)	—	_	
Windows	Fully double glazed	★★★★☆	★★★★☆	
Main heating	Boiler and radiators, mains gas	★★★★☆	★★★★☆	
Main heating controls Programmer, room thermostat and TRVs		★★★★☆	★★★★☆	
Secondary heating	Room heaters, wood logs	—	_	
Hot water	From main system	<b>★★★★</b> ☆	★★★★☆	
Lighting	Low energy lighting in 92% 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, CO<sub>2</sub> emissions, running costs and the savings possible from making improvements.

### The impact of your home on the environment

One of the biggest contributors to global warming is carbon dioxide. The energy we use for heating, lighting and power in our homes produces over a quarter of the UK's carbon dioxide emissions. Different fuels produce different amounts of carbon dioxide for every kilowatt hour (kWh) of energy used. The Environmental Impact Rating of your home is calculated by applying these 'carbon factors' for the fuels you use to your overall energy use.

The calculated emissions for your home are 44 kg CO<sub>2</sub>/m<sup>2</sup>/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 3.6 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 1.9 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	£2,085 over 3 years	£1,602 over 3 years	
Hot water	£339 over 3 years	£207 over 3 years	You could
Lighting	£186 over 3 years	£186 over 3 years	save £615
Totals	£2,610	£1,995	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.

De		Indicative cost	Typical saving	Rating after improvement		Green
Re	commended measures	indicative cost	per year	Energy	Environment	Deal
1	Internal or external wall insulation	£4,000 - £14,000	£25	D 65	D 64	
2	Floor insulation (suspended floor)	£800 - £1,200	£91	D 68	D 68	
3	Replace boiler with new condensing boiler	£2,200 - £3,000	£58	C 71	C 72	
4	Solar water heating	£4,000 - £6,000	£31	C 72	C 74	
5	Solar photovoltaic panels, 2.5 kWp	£5,000 - £8,000	£265	B 82	B 83	

Measures which have a green deal tick  $\bigcirc$  are likely to be eligible for Green Deal finance plans based on indicative costs. Subsidy also may be available for some measures, such as solid wall insulation. Additional support may also be available for certain households in receipt of means tested benefits. Measures which have an orange tick  $\bigcirc$  may need additional finance. To find out how you could use Green Deal finance to improve your property, visit www.greenerscotland.org or contact the Home Energy Scotland hotline on 0808 808 2282.

#### **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.

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# Choosing the right improvement package

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



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

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

#### 1 Internal or external wall insulation

Internal or external wall insulation involves adding a layer of insulation to either the inside or the outside surface of the external walls, which reduces heat loss and lowers fuel bills. As it is more expensive than cavity wall insulation it is only recommended for walls without a cavity, or where for technical reasons a cavity cannot be filled. Internal insulation, known as dry-lining, is where a layer of insulation is fixed to the inside surface of external walls; this type of insulation is best applied when rooms require redecorating. External solid wall insulation is the application of an insulant and a weather-protective finish to the outside of the wall. This may improve the look of the home, particularly where existing brickwork or rendering is poor, and will provide longlasting weather protection. Further information can be obtained from the National Insulation Association (www.nationalinsulationassociation.org.uk). It should be noted that a building warrant is required for the installation of external wall insulation. Planning permission may also be required and that building regulations apply to external insulation so it is best to check with your local authority on both issues.

#### 2 Floor insulation (suspended floor)

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

#### 3 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:

• Biomass secondary heating

# Your home's heat demand

You could receive Renewable Heat Incentive (RHI) payments and help reduce carbon emissions by replacing your existing heating system with one that generates renewable heat and, where appropriate, having your loft insulated and cavity walls filled. The estimated energy required for space and water heating will form the basis of the payments. For more information go to www.energysavingtrust.org.uk/scotland/rhi.

Heat demand	Existing dwelling	Impact of loft insulation	Impact of cavity wall insulation	Impact of solid wall insulation
Space heating (kWh per year)	10,972	(228)	N/A	(484)
Water heating (kWh per year)	2,132			

#### 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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#### 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.

# Opportunity to benefit from a Green Deal on this property

Under a Green Deal, the cost of the improvements is repaid over time via a credit agreement. Repayments are made through a charge added to the electricity bill for the property.

To see which improvements are recommended for this property, please turn to page 3. You can choose which improvements you want to install and ask for a quote from an authorised Green Deal provider. They will organise installation by an authorised Green Deal installer. If you move home, the responsibility for paying the Green Deal charge under the credit agreement passes to the new electricity bill payer.

For householders in receipt of income-related benefits, additional help may be available.

To find out more, visit www.greenerscotland.org or call 0808 808 2282.



#### PART 4.

# PROPERTY QUESTIONNAIRE

The owner of the property is required to complete this document which asks for information on the property such as 'Which council tax band?' etc.



# **Property Questionnaire**

**Property Address** 

The Neuk 16a Grange Terrace Bo'Ness EH51 9DS

Seller(s)

Bernadette MacFarlane

Completion date of property questionnaire

Note for sellers

1.	Length of ownership		
	How long have you owned the proper 13 years	ty?	
2.	Council tax		
	Which Council Tax band is your property in? (Please circle) []A []B []C [x]D []E []F []G []H		
3.	Parking		
	What are the arrangements for parking at your property? (Please tick all that apply)		
	Garage	[X]	
	Allocated parking space	[]	
	Driveway	[X]	
	Shared parking	[]	
	On street	[]	
	Resident permit	[]	
	Metered parking	[]	
	Other (please specify):	we have space for 3 cars to park in our garden	

# property questionnaire

4.	Conservation area	
	Is your property in a designated Conservation Area (that is an area of special architectural or historical interest, the character or appearance of which it is desirable to preserve or enhance)?	
5.	Listed buildings	
	Is your property a Listed Building, or contained within one (that is a building recognised and approved as being of special architectural or historical interest)?	[ ]YES [x]NO
6.	Alterations/additions/extensions	
а	(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)?	[ ]YES [x]NO
	If you have answered yes, please describe below 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 will arrange to obtain them:	
b	Have you had replacement windows, doors, patio doors or double glazing installed in your property	[x]YES [ ]NO
	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? [x]YES []NO	
	(ii) Did this work involve any changes to the window or door []YES [x]NO	
	(iii) Please describe the changes made to the windows doors, or patio doors (with approximate dates when the work was completed):	
	double glazing was installed in line with legislation i.e the windows are original and had double glazed panels fitted inside the original frames.	

	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).[x]YES []NO []Partial	
	If you have answered yes or partial - what kind of central heating is there? (Examples: gas-fired, solid fuel, electric storage heating, gas warm air).	
	gas	
	If you have answered yes, please answer the three questions below:	
	(i) When was your central heating system or partial central heating system installed?	
	2005	
	(ii) Do you have a maintenance contract for the central heating [x]YES []NO system?	
	If you have answered yes, please give details of the company with which you have a maintenance contract	
	Scottish Hydro	
	(iii) When was your maintenance agreement last renewed? (Please provide the month and year).	
	annually	
8.	Energy Performance Certificate	
	Does your property have an Energy Performance Certificate which is less than 10 years old?	[x]YES [ ]NO
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?	[ ]YES [x]NO
	If you have answered yes, is the damage the subject of any outstanding insurance claim?	[ ]YES [ ]NO
b	Are you aware of the existence of asbestos in your property?	[ ]YES [x]NO

	If you have answered yes, please give details	5.	
10.	Services		
а	Please tick which services are connected to your property and give details of the supplier:		
	Services	Connected	Supplier
	Gas or liquid petroleum gas	Υ	hydro electric
	Water mains or private water supply	Y	water mains
	Electricity	Υ	hydro electric
	Mains drainage	Y	council
	Telephone	Y	virgin
	Cable TV or satellite	Y	virgin
	Broadband	Y	virgin
b	Is there a septic tank system at your property? []YES [x]NC		[]YES [x]NO
	If you have answered yes, please answer the two questions below:		
	(i) Do you have appropriate consents for the discharge from []YES []NO []Don't know		
	(ii) Do you have a maintenance contract for your septic tank? []YES[]NO		
	If you have answered yes, please give details of the company with which you have a maintenance contract:		
11.	Responsibilities for shared or common are	eas	•
а	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: <i>shared drive</i>		
b	Is there a responsibility to contribute to repair and maintenance of the roof, common stairwell or other common areas? If you have answered yes, please give details:		
с	Has there been any major repair or replacem the roof during the time you have owned the		[ ]YES [x]NO

d	Do you have the right to walk over any of your neighbours' property- for example to put out your rubbish bin or to maintain your boundaries? If you have answered yes, please give details:	[ ]YES [x]NO
е	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:	[ ]YES [x]NO
f	As far as you are aware, is there a public right of way across any part of your property? (public right of way is a way over which the public has a right to pass, whether or not the land is privatelyowned.) If you have answered yes, please give details:	[ ]YES [x]NO
12.	Charges associated with your property	
а	Is there a factor or property manager for your property? If you have answered yes, please provide the name and address, and give details of any deposit held and approximate charges:	[ ]YES [x]NO
b	Is there a common buildings insurance policy?	[ ]YES [x]NO [ ]Don't know
	If you have answered yes, is the cost of the insurance included in your monthly/annual factors charges?	
С	Please give details of any other charges you have to pay on a regular basis for the upkeep of common areas or repair works, for example to a residents' association, or maintenance or stair fund.	
	none	
13.	Specialist works	
а	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 []YES [x]NO property?	
	If you have answered yes, please say what the repairs were for, whether you carried out the repairs (and when) or if they were done before you bought the property.	
b	As far as you are aware, has any preventative work for dry rot, wet rot, or damp ever been carried out to your property?	[ ]YES [x]NO
	If you have answered yes, please give details:	
с	If you have answered yes to 13(a) or (b), do you have any guarantees relating to this work?	[ ]YES [ ]NO

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:	

14.	Guarantees		
а	Are there any guarantees	or warranties for any of the following:	
(i)	Electrical work	[x]NO [ ]YES [ ]Don't know [ ]With title deeds [ ]Lost	
(ii)	Roofing	[x]NO [ ]YES [ ]Don't know [ ]With title deeds [ ]Lost	
(iii)	Central heating	[x]NO [ ]YES [ ]Don't know [ ]With title deeds [ ]Lost	
(iv)	National House Building Council(NHBC)	[x]NO [ ]YES [ ]Don't know [ ]With title deeds [ ]Lost	
(v)	Damp course [x]NO [ ]YES [ ]Don't know [ ]With title deeds [ ]Lost		
(vi)	Any other work or installations? (for example, cavity wall insulation, underpinning, indemnity policy)		
b	If you have answered 'yes' or 'with title deeds', please give details of the work or installations to which the guarantee(s) relate(s): in march 2012 we had cavity wall insulation put in, and insulation in the attic. We have certificates for this.		
с	Are there any       outstanding claims         outstanding claims       []YES [x]NO         guarantees listed       above?		
	If you have answered yes, please give details:		

15.	Boundaries	
	So far as you are aware, has any boundary of your property been moved in the last 10 years?	[ ]YES [x]NO [ ]Don't know

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

Declaration by the seller(s)/or other authorised body or 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):	Bernadette Macfarlane
Capacity:	[x]Owner [ ]Legally Appointed Agent for Owner
Date:	16/03/2018