

25 HILLSIDE DRIVE
BLACKRIDGE
BATHGATE
EH48 3SL



Home Report

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Energy Performance Certificate

Energy Performance Certificate (EPC)

Scotland

Dwellings

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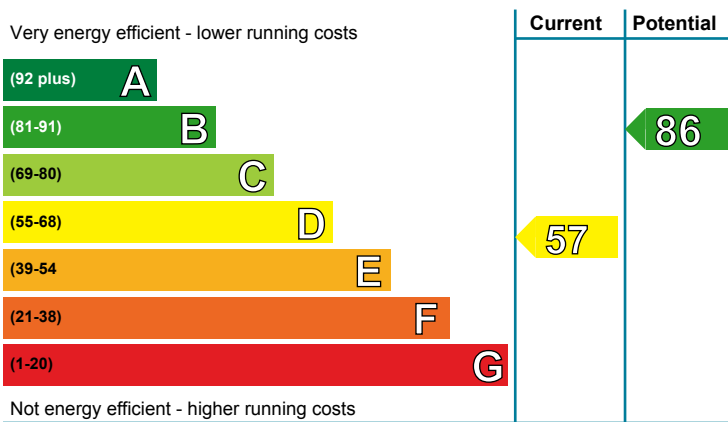
Dwelling type:	End-terrace house	Reference number:	7519-4620-4009-0080-3226
Date of assessment:	20 October 2021	Type of assessment:	RdSAP, existing dwelling
Date of certificate:	25 November 2021	Approved Organisation:	Elmhurst
Total floor area:	75 m ²	Main heating and fuel:	Boiler and radiators, mains gas
Primary Energy Indicator:	384 kWh/m ² /year		

You can use this document to:

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

Estimated energy costs for your home for 3 years*	£3,114	See your recommendations report for more information
Over 3 years you could save*	£1,278	

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

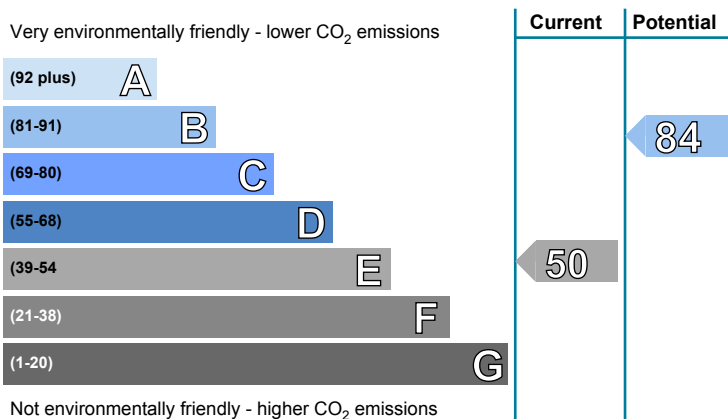


Energy Efficiency Rating

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 (57)**. 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 (50)**. 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 Increase loft insulation to 270 mm	£100 - £350	£78.00
2 Party wall insulation	£300 - £600	£93.00
3 Floor insulation (suspended floor)	£800 - £1,200	£234.00

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	Cavity wall, filled cavity	★★★★☆☆	★★★★☆☆
Roof	Pitched, 100 mm loft insulation	★★★★☆☆	★★★★☆☆
Floor	Suspended, no insulation (assumed)	—	—
Windows	Fully double glazed	★★★★☆☆	★★★★☆☆
Main heating	Boiler and radiators, mains gas	★★★★★☆☆	★★★★★☆☆
Main heating controls	Programmer and room thermostat	★★★★☆☆☆☆	★★★★☆☆☆☆
Secondary heating	Room heaters, mains gas	—	—
Hot water	From main system	★★★★☆☆☆☆	★★★★☆☆☆☆
Lighting	Low energy lighting in 50% of fixed outlets	★★★★★☆☆	★★★★★☆☆

The energy efficiency rating of your home

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

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


The impact of your home on the environment

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

The calculated emissions for your home are 68 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 5.1 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 3.3 tonnes per year. You could reduce emissions even more by switching to renewable energy sources.

















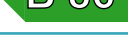
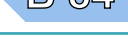
Estimated energy costs for this home

	Current energy costs	Potential energy costs	Potential future savings
Heating	£2,325 over 3 years	£1,443 over 3 years	
Hot water	£504 over 3 years	£204 over 3 years	
Lighting	£285 over 3 years	£189 over 3 years	
Totals	£3,114	£1,836	

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

Recommendations for improvement

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

Recommended measures	Indicative cost	Typical saving per year	Rating after improvement	
			Energy	Environment
1 Increase loft insulation to 270 mm	£100 - £350	£26		
2 Party wall insulation	£300 - £600	£31		
3 Floor insulation (suspended floor)	£800 - £1,200	£78		
4 Low energy lighting for all fixed outlets	£20	£27		
5 Upgrade heating controls	£350 - £450	£26		
6 Replace boiler with new condensing boiler	£2,200 - £3,000	£168		
7 Solar water heating	£4,000 - £6,000	£34		
8 Replacement glazing units	£1,000 - £1,400	£35		
9 Solar photovoltaic panels, 2.5 kWp	£3,500 - £5,500	£311		

Alternative measures

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

- External insulation with cavity wall insulation
- Micro CHP

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 Loft insulation

Loft insulation laid in the loft space or between roof rafters to a depth of at least 270 mm will significantly reduce heat loss through the roof; this will improve levels of comfort, reduce energy use and lower fuel bills. Insulation should not be placed below any cold water storage tank, any such tank should also be insulated on its sides and top, and there should be boarding on battens over the insulation to provide safe access between the loft hatch and the cold water tank. The insulation can be installed by professional contractors but also by a capable DIY enthusiast. Loose granules may be used instead of insulation quilt; this form of loft insulation can be blown into place and can be useful where access is difficult. The loft space must have adequate ventilation to prevent dampness; seek advice about this if unsure. Further information about loft insulation and details of local contractors can be obtained from the National Insulation Association (www.nationalinsulationassociation.org.uk).

2 Party wall insulation

Party wall insulation, to fill the cavity of a wall separating a dwelling from another building with an insulating material, reduces heat loss; this will improve levels of thermal comfort, reduce energy use and lower fuel bills. The insulation material is pumped into the gap through small holes that are drilled into the party wall, and the holes are made good afterwards. As specialist machinery is used to fill the cavity, a professional installation company should carry out this work, and they should carry out a thorough survey before commencing work to ensure that this type of insulation is suitable for this home and its exposure. They should also provide a guarantee for the work. This work has to comply with building regulations, including that installation will not adversely affect the performance of the existing wall in respect of noise transmission. Further information about cavity wall insulation and details of local installers can be obtained from the National Insulation Association (www.nationalinsulationassociation.org.uk).

3 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.

4 Low energy lighting

Replacement of traditional light bulbs with energy saving bulbs will reduce lighting costs over the lifetime of the bulb, and they last many times longer than ordinary light bulbs. Low energy lamps and fittings are now commonplace and readily available. Information on energy efficiency lighting can be found from a wide range of organisations, including the Energy Saving Trust (<http://www.energysavingtrust.org.uk/home-energy-efficiency/lighting>).

5 Heating controls (thermostatic radiator valves)

Thermostatic radiator valves allow the temperature of each room to be controlled to suit individual needs, adding to comfort and reducing heating bills provided internal doors are kept closed. For example, they can be set to be warmer in the living room and bathroom than in the bedrooms. Ask a competent heating engineer to install thermostatic radiator valves. Thermostatic radiator valves should be fitted to every radiator except the radiator in the same room as the room thermostat. Remember the room thermostat is needed as well as the thermostatic radiator valves, to enable the boiler to switch off when no heat is required. Building regulations generally apply to this work, so it is best to check with your local authority building standards department and seek advice from a qualified heating engineer.

6 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.

7 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.

8 Replacement glazing units

Replacing existing double-glazed units with new high-performance units. Building regulations require that replacement glazing is to a standard no worse than previous; a building warrant is not required. Planning permission might be required for such work if a building is listed or within a conservation area so it is best to check with your local authority.

9 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

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)	11,550	(463)	N/A	N/A
Water heating (kWh per year)	2,767			

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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If you have any concerns regarding the content of this report or the service provided by your assessor you should in the first instance raise these matters with your assessor and with the Approved Organisation to which they belong. All Approved Organisations are required to publish their complaints and disciplinary procedures and details can be found online at the web address given above.

Use of this energy performance information

Once lodged by your EPC assessor, this Energy Performance Certificate and Recommendations Report are available to view online at www.scottishepcregister.org.uk, with the facility to search for any single record by entering the property address. This gives everyone access to any current, valid EPC except where a property has a Green Deal Plan, in which case the report reference number (RRN) must first be provided. The energy performance data in these documents, together with other building information gathered during the assessment is held on the Scottish EPC Register and is available to authorised recipients, including organisations delivering energy efficiency and carbon reduction initiatives on behalf of the Scottish and UK governments. A range of data from all assessments undertaken in Scotland is also published periodically by the Scottish Government. Further information on these matters and on Energy Performance Certificates in general, can be found at www.gov.scot/epc.

Advice and support to improve this property

There is support available, which could help you carry out some of the improvements recommended for this property on page 3 and stop wasting energy and money. For more information, visit [greener-scotland.org](https://www.greener-scotland.org) or contact Home Energy Scotland on 0808 808 2282.

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

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Scottish Single Survey

Single Survey

survey report on:

Property address	25 HILLSIDE DRIVE BLACKRIDGE BATHGATE EH48 3SL
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Customer	The Estate of Mr S Holliday
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Customer address	25 Hillside Drive Blackridge Bathgate EH48 3SL
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Prepared by	J & E Shepherd
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Date of inspection	22nd October 2021
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PART 1 - GENERAL

1.1 THE SURVEYORS

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

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

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

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

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

If the Surveyors have had a previous business relationship within the past two years with the Seller or 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.

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

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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 Report² will be from information contained in the Report and the generic Mortgage Valuation Report.

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

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;

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- the "Market Value" is the estimated amount for which a property should exchange on the date of valuation between a willing buyer and a willing seller in an arm's-length transaction after proper marketing wherein the parties had each acted knowledgeably, prudently and without compulsion;
- the "Property" is the property which forms the subject of the Report;
- the "Purchaser" is the person (or persons) who enters into a contract to buy the Property from the Seller;
- a "prospective Purchaser" is anyone considering buying the Property;
- the "Report" is the report, of the kind described in Part 2 of these Terms and Conditions and in the form set out in part 1 of Schedule 1 of the Housing (Scotland) Act 2006 (Prescribed Documents) Regulations 2008;
- the "Seller" is/are the proprietor(s) of the Property;
- the "Surveyor" is the author of the Report on the Property; and
- the "Surveyors" are the firm or company of which the Surveyor is an employee, director, member or partner (unless the Surveyor is not an employee, director, member or partner, when the "Surveyors" means the Surveyor) whose details are set out at the head of the Report.
- the "Energy Report" is the advice given by the accredited Energy Company, based on information collected by the Surveyor during the Inspection, and also includes an Energy Performance Certificate, in a Government approved format.

PART 2 - DESCRIPTION OF THE REPORT

2.1 THE SERVICE

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

2.2 THE INSPECTION

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

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

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

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

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

2.3 THE REPORT

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

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

1. Category 3: Urgent repairs or replacement are needed now. Failure to deal with them may cause problems to other parts of the property or cause a safety hazard. Estimates for repairs or replacement are needed now.
2. Category 2: Repairs or replacement requiring future attention, but estimates are still advised.
3. Category 1: No immediate action or repair is needed.

WARNING:

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

Parts of the property, which cannot be seen or accessed, will not be reported upon and this will be stated. If the Surveyor suspects that a defect may exist within an unexposed area and which could have a material effect upon the value, he may recommend further investigation by specialist contractors.

2.4 SERVICES

Surveyors are not equipped or qualified to test the services and therefore no comment can be interpreted as implying that the design, installation and function of the services are in accordance/compliance with regulations, safety and efficiency expectations. However, comment is made where there is cause to suspect significant defects or shortcomings with the installations. No tests are made of any services or appliances.

2.5 ACCESSIBILITY

A section is included to help identify the basic information interested parties need to know to decide whether to view a property.

2.6 ENERGY REPORT

A section is included that makes provision for an Energy Report, relative to the property. The Surveyor will collect physical data from the property and provide such data in a format required by an accredited Energy Company. The Surveyor cannot of course accept liability for any advice given by the Energy Company.

2.7 VALUATION AND CONVEYANCER ISSUES

The last section of the Report contains matters considered relevant to the Conveyancer (Solicitor). It also contains the Surveyor's opinion both of the market value of the property and of the re-instatement cost, as defined below.

"Market Value" 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.

1. Information and scope of inspection

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

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

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

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

Description	Local Authority built, end-terraced house.
Accommodation	Ground Floor - Entrance hall, lounge, kitchen & toilet. First Floor - Two bedrooms & bathroom (with wc).
Gross internal floor area (m²)	76 square metres.
Neighbourhood and location	Residential in the commuting village of Blackridge. The property is situated on an established residential estate. Surrounding properties are of similar character age and design. Once predominantly Local Authority owned, there is now a good proportion of owner-occupied homes in this area. Local village shopping, primary education, social and transport facilities are considered reasonably accessible within 1 mile, with a fuller range of amenities in the nearby towns of Armadale and Whitburn.
Age	Built circa 1955.
Weather	Dry.
Chimney stacks	Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate. Rendered brick. The chimney is mutual with No.27 Hillside Drive.

<p>Roofing including roof space</p>	<p>Sloping roofs were visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.</p> <p>Roof spaces were visually inspected and were entered where there was safe and reasonable access, normally defined as being from a 3m ladder within the property.</p> <p>If this is not possible, then physical access to the roof space may be taken by other means if the Surveyor deems it safe and reasonable to do so.</p> <p>Timber framed, ridged, hipped and clay tiled. Clay ridge and hip tiles.</p> <p>ROOF SPACE</p> <p>Inspection was restricted due to insulation material. No comment can be made on the condition of inaccessible or concealed timbers and components.</p>
<p>Rainwater fittings</p>	<p>Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.</p> <p>Rainwater goods are formed with cast iron components.</p>
<p>Main walls</p>	<p>Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.</p> <p>Foundations and concealed parts were not exposed or inspected.</p> <p>330mm rendered cavity brick.</p> <p>Sub-floor ventilation appeared consistent with the property's age and type of construction.</p> <p>Cavity insulation.</p>
<p>Windows, external doors and joinery</p>	<p>Internal and external doors were opened and closed where keys were available.</p> <p>Random windows were opened and closed where possible.</p> <p>Doors and windows were not forced open.</p> <p>pvcu double glazed windows.</p> <p>The ground floor toilet having no window is mechanically ventilated.</p> <p>Single leaf pvcu front external entrance door.</p> <p>Single leaf pvcu double glazed left hand external entrance door.</p>

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External decorations	Visually inspected.
Conservatories / porches	None.
Communal areas	None.
Garages and permanent outbuildings	Visually inspected. Detached single car timber garage at the rear left boundary with driveway access and parking directly in front. Unrestricted street parking. No permanent outbuildings.
Outside areas and boundaries	Visually inspected. Garden ground to the front and rear is of a size considered typical of this type of property in this location. Boundaries appeared well defined.
Ceilings	Visually inspected from floor level. Plasterboard (or similar). Some ceilings have an artex finish.
Internal walls	Visually inspected from floor level. Using a moisture meter, walls were randomly tested for dampness where considered appropriate. Plaster. Some walls have an artex finish.
Floors including sub floors	Surfaces of exposed floors were visually inspected. No carpets or floor coverings were lifted. Timber. The floors were covered. Inspection of the floors was limited. It was not possible to check areas under the toilets, bath or similar water using appliances. These areas should be checked at regular intervals as water seepage can cause problems. There was no access available to the sub-floor area. No comment can be made on the condition or otherwise of the sub-floor area/timbers.

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Internal joinery and kitchen fittings	<p>Built-in cupboards were looked into but no stored items were moved.</p> <p>Kitchen units were visually inspected excluding appliances.</p> <p>Kitchen fittings - Fitted wall and base units of an older pattern with worktop surfaces incorporating a sink/drain. Appliances not tested.</p> <p>Timber staircase access to the first-floor landing. Stair treads were covered - no comment can be made on the condition of inaccessible areas.</p> <p>Internal joinery is of mixed materials including pvc curtain pass doors.</p>
Chimney breasts and fireplaces	<p>Visually inspected.</p> <p>No testing of the flues or fittings was carried out.</p> <p>Gas fire fitted to the lounge fireplace opening.</p> <p>Other original fireplace openings have been closed.</p> <p>The presence of a fireplace, chimney or chimney breast or the apparent removal of same, should not be taken as an indication that there is any, adequate or usable flue present. These should always be checked and swept prior to use.</p>
Internal decorations	Visually inspected.
Cellars	None.
Electricity	<p>Accessible parts of the wiring were visually inspected without removing fittings. No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances. Visual inspection does not assess any services to make sure they work properly and efficiently and meet modern standards. If any services are turned off, the surveyor will state that in the report and will not turn them on.</p> <p>Assumed connected to the mains supply.</p> <p>The distribution board and the electric meter are in the ground floor hall.</p> <p>The system was not tested.</p>
Gas	<p>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.</p> <p>Assumed connected to the mains supply.</p> <p>External gas meter box.</p>

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Water, plumbing, bathroom fittings	<p>Visual inspection of the accessible pipework, water tanks, cylinders and fittings without removing any insulation.</p> <p>No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances.</p> <p>Assumed connected to the mains supply.</p> <p>Where accessible plumbing is of copper and plastic components.</p> <p>Ground floor toilet - Two-piece suite comprising a wash hand basin and a low-level wc.</p> <p>Bathroom - Three-piece suite comprising a bath, a wash hand basin, and a low-level wc. Tiled walls and floor. Electric shower over the bath.</p>
Heating and hot water	<p>Accessible parts of the system were visually inspected apart from communal systems, which were not inspected.</p> <p>No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances.</p> <p>Gas fired boiler to radiators.</p> <p>The boiler is located behind the lounge gas fire (back boiler).</p> <p>It is understood the heating system provides domestic hot water.</p> <p>Boxed in hot water tank is in the kitchen.</p>
Drainage	<p>Drainage covers etc. were not lifted.</p> <p>Neither drains nor drainage systems were tested.</p> <p>Presumed connected to the main Public sewer. Not tested.</p>
Fire, smoke and burglar alarms	<p>Visually inspected.</p> <p>No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances.</p> <p>Smoke detectors have not been tested.</p> <p>Where not already installed, smoke detectors should be provided for personal safety.</p> <p>For security reasons burglar alarms have not been noted.</p>
Any additional limits to inspection	<p>Full and safe access was not available into the roof space due to insulation material.</p> <p>The property was fully furnished and had fitted floor coverings; therefore, no detailed inspection was possible of the floors and accordingly, no comment can be made on their condition. It was not possible to check areas under the toilets, bath or similar water using appliances. No inspection has been possible to flooring timbers beneath kitchen appliances. Timbers are assumed to be in</p>

	<p>a satisfactory condition. These areas should be checked at regular intervals as water seepage can cause problems.</p> <p>There was no access available to the sub-floor area. No comment can be made on the condition or otherwise of the sub-floor area/timbers.</p> <p>Internal cupboards were generally filled with storage items.</p> <p>Not all the windows were opened/tested.</p> <p>Services have not been tested. To have these tested arrangements should be made with suitably qualified electricians, plumbers, heating engineers, etc.</p> <p>The cold water rising main was not fully accessible/inspected.</p> <p>An inspection for Japanese Knotweed was not carried out. This is a plant which is subject to control regulation, is considered to be invasive and one which can render a property unsuitable for some mortgage lenders. It is therefore assumed that there is no Japanese Knotweed within the boundaries of the property or on neighbouring property or land. Identification of Japanese Knotweed is best undertaken by a specialist contractor.</p>
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Sectional Diagram showing elements of a typical house




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


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2. Condition


This section identifies problems and tells you about the urgency of any repairs by using one of the following three categories:

Category 3	Category 2	Category 1
Urgent repairs or replacement are needed now. Failure to deal with them may cause problems to other parts of the property or cause a safety hazard. Estimates for repairs or replacement are needed now.	Repairs or replacement requiring future attention, but estimates are still advised.	No immediate action or repair is needed.

 Structural movement	
Repair category	1
Notes	There was no evidence of significant structural movement within the limitations of the inspection.

 Dampness, rot and infestation	
Repair category	2
Notes	<p>Above average damp readings were obtained to localised sections of lower wall lining at ground floor level, mainly in the kitchen. A precautionary check of the entire property should be carried out by a reputable timber specialist prior to purchase.</p> <p>Damp staining was noted to the fireplace walls and ceilings in the first floor bedrooms, although, when tested with a moisture meter, readings were found to be normal. The original source of water ingress should be investigated and confirmed as repaired.</p>

 Chimney stacks	
Repair category	2
Notes	<p>Weathered damaged render. Future repairs will be needed.</p> <p>Damp-stained timbers adjacent to the chimney within the roof space. The original source of water ingress should be identified and confirmed as repaired.</p>

 Roofing including roof space	
Repair category	2
Notes	There was evidence of previous water ingress within the roof void which would suggest that roof coverings require upgrading and at least a degree of regular ongoing maintenance or possible replacement/overhaul. The advice of a reputable roofing contractor should be obtained prior to purchase.

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Rainwater fittings	
Repair category	2
Notes	Rainwater goods are of an older style and in places have suffered corrosion. Maintenance is required and gutters/downpipes checked during rainfall.

Main walls	
Repair category	2
Notes	Sections of the render are weathered/hollow/damaged. Repairs are required. Spalling bricks to the base of the walls and entrance steps.

Windows, external doors and joinery	
Repair category	1
Notes	Windows were not all fully opened or tested, and it should be appreciated that some defects are only evident during certain weather conditions. Within the limitations of our inspection, no significant defects were noted. Windows are of an age and style where a degree of ongoing maintenance should be anticipated to sealed units and opening mechanisms.

External decorations	
Repair category	1
Notes	Paint finished and decorated external surfaces will require redecoration on a regular basis.

Conservatories/porches	
Repair category	-
Notes	Not applicable.

Communal areas	
Repair category	-
Notes	Not applicable.



Garages and permanent outbuildings

Repair category	2
Notes	Aspects of the garage construction may have a limited life span including the felt roof covering and weathered timber cladding. Some patch repair and regular ongoing maintenance should be anticipated.



Outside areas and boundaries

Repair category	2
Notes	<p>Boundary walls and fences should be regularly checked and maintained, as necessary.</p> <p>There are retaining walls at the rear boundary. Corroded metal sheeting exposes areas of damaged brick. These walls should be regularly checked and maintained in good condition to prevent landslip.</p>



Ceilings

Repair category	2
Notes	<p>Damp staining to the ceilings in the first floor bedrooms, although, when tested with a moisture meter, readings were found to be normal. The original source of water ingress should be investigated and confirmed as repaired.</p> <p>Some cracked/uneven ceiling plaster was noted and some repairs may be required at the time of redecoration or disturbance. Textured coatings were noted to some ceilings. On rare occasions, these materials can have an asbestos content. We have not tested these materials nor carried out an asbestos survey however, until the material is professionally tested, the ceilings should be left undisturbed, and the material handled by a competent contractor only.</p>



Internal walls

Repair category	1
Notes	<p>Within the limitations of our inspection no significant defects were noted.</p> <p>Textured coatings were noted to wall linings. On rare occasions, these materials can have an asbestos content. We have not tested these materials nor carried out an asbestos survey however, until the material is professionally tested, the linings should be left undisturbed and the material handled by a competent contractor only.</p>



Floors including sub-floors

Repair category	1
Notes	Due to fitted floor coverings no detailed inspection of floors was possible and accordingly no comment can be made on their condition.

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	<p>It was not possible to check areas under the toilets, bath, shower tray or similar water using appliances. These areas should be checked at regular intervals as water seepage can cause problems.</p> <p>There was no access available to the sub-floor area. No comment can be made on the condition or otherwise of the sub-floor area/timbers.</p>
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Internal joinery and kitchen fittings

Repair category	2
Notes	Internal joinery is generally serviceable however some wear and tear items were noted to kitchen fittings/internal doors/facings etc. and future maintenance or upgrading should be anticipated.



Chimney breasts and fireplaces

Repair category	2
Notes	<p>All flue linings should be checked, repaired if necessary and swept prior to fires/appliances being reused.</p> <p>It is assumed that the gas fire has been installed in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations for fluing and ventilation and that this has been regularly checked and tested. All test documentation should be obtained and authenticated at the point of sale. In the absence of any such documentation, the appliance should be tested by a registered engineer prior to use.</p> <p>Where fireplaces have been removed or blocked without the installation of adequate ventilation, ventilators should be fitted to prevent the build-up of dampness within the chimney flue.</p> <p>Damp staining was noted to the fireplace walls in the first floor bedrooms, although, when tested with a moisture meter, readings were found to be normal. The original source of water ingress should be investigated and confirmed as repaired.</p>



Internal decorations


Repair category	1
Notes	The property is considered to be in dated but fair decorative order.





Cellars


Repair category	-
Notes	Not applicable.


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 Electricity	
Repair category	2
Notes	<p>The Institute of Electrical Engineers recommends that inspections and testings are undertaken at least every ten years and on a change of occupancy. It should be appreciated that only the most recently constructed or re-wired properties will have installations which fully comply with IEE regulations.</p> <p>Aspects of the electrical installation are dated. The system should be checked as a precaution by a registered electrician and upgraded if necessary.</p>

 Gas	
Repair category	1
Notes	<p>In the interests of safety and considering recent regulations it would be prudent to have all gas appliances checked by a Gas Safe registered contractor.</p>

 Water, plumbing and bathroom fittings	
Repair category	1
Notes	<p>No tests have been undertaken of the system, however within the limitations of our inspection, no significant defects were noted.</p> <p>Sanitary fittings appear serviceable however surround seals/tiling/finishes should be checked and maintained watertight.</p> <p>It was not possible to view concealed areas below sanitary fittings and it cannot be confirmed they are free from damp or other defects.</p>

 Heating and hot water	
Repair category	2
Notes	<p>In the interests of safety and considering recent regulations it would be prudent to have all gas appliances checked by a Gas Safe registered contractor.</p> <p>The central heating boiler/system is on semi-modern/dated lines. Further advice should be obtained from a gas safe registered contractor to fully ascertain the condition, life expectancy and efficiency of the system.</p>

 Drainage	
Repair category	1
Notes	<p>All foul and surface water drainage is assumed to be to the main public sewer. The system was not tested.</p>

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

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

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3. Accessibility information

Guidance notes on accessibility information

Three steps or fewer to a main entrance door of the property:

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

Unrestricted parking within 25 metres:

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

1. Which floor(s) is the living accommodation on?	Ground floor & First floor.
2. Are there three steps or fewer to a main entrance door of the property?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
3. Is there a lift to the main entrance door of the property?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
4. Are all door openings greater than 750mm?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
5. Is there a toilet on the same level as the living room and kitchen?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
6. Is there a toilet on the same level as a bedroom?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
7. Are all rooms on the same level with no internal steps or stairs?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
8. Is there unrestricted parking within 25 metres of an entrance door to the building?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

4. Valuation and conveyancer issues

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

Matters for a solicitor or licensed conveyancer

It is assumed that the provision of the ground floor toilet was a permitted development for which Local Authority consents and approvals were not required. This should be verified.

As far as it could be ascertained there have been no other alterations or additions made to the property in recent years which would have required Local Authority approval. This should be verified.

It is assumed there are no Statutory, town planning, road proposals or environmental matters which are likely to have an adverse affect on the property. This should be verified.

It is assumed that the written report issued by the Coal Authority on previous mine workings in the area does not reveal the property to be at risk from movement from past underground workings.

Roads & footpaths - Assumed adopted and maintained by the Local Authority.

The adjoining property at No.27 Hillside Drive has a right of pedestrian access over the property to the rear of the building. This should be verified.

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

Estimated reinstatement cost for insurance purposes

For Reinstatement Cost Assessment purposes, it is recommended that the property be insured for a sum of not less than £215,000 (Two Hundred and Fifteen Thousand Pounds).

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

Valuation and market comments

Having considered matters, taking account of our general observations on site, we are of the opinion that the current market value of the property in its present condition, subject to the assumptions made and with the benefit of full vacant possession may be fairly stated in the capital sum of £85,000 (Eighty Five Thousand Pounds).

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

Signed

Security Print Code [583010 = 5110]
Electronically signed

Report author

Lachlan Macfarlane

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Company name	J & E Shepherd
Address	64 Windmillhill Street, Motherwell, Lanarkshire, ML1 1TA
Date of report	25th November 2021

Mortgage Valuation Report



Property Address

Address 25 HILLSIDE DRIVE, BLACKRIDGE, BATHGATE, EH48 3SL
Seller's Name The Estate of Mr S Holliday
Date of Inspection 22nd October 2021

Property Details

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

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

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

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

Approximate Year of Construction

Tenure

Absolute Ownership Leasehold Ground rent £ Unexpired years

Accommodation

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

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

Residential Element (greater than 40%) Yes No

Garage / Parking / Outbuildings

Single garage Double garage Parking space No garage / garage space / parking space
Available on site? Yes No

Permanent outbuildings:

None.

Mortgage Valuation Report

Construction

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

Special Risks

Has the property suffered structural movement? Yes No

If Yes, is this recent or progressive? Yes No

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

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

Service Connections

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

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

Brief description of Central Heating:

Gas fired boiler to radiators.

Site

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

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

Location

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

Planning Issues

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

If Yes provide details in General Remarks.

Roads

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

Mortgage Valuation Report

General Remarks

A Local Authority built, end-terraced two-storey house in the commuting village of Blackridge.

The property is situated on an established residential estate.

Surrounding properties are of similar character age and design.

Once predominantly Local Authority owned, there is now a good proportion of owner-occupied homes in this area.

Local village shopping, primary education, social and transport facilities are considered reasonably accessible within 1 mile, with a fuller range of amenities in the nearby towns of Armadale and Whitburn.

At the time of the inspection, the general condition of the property appeared consistent with its age and type of construction, but works of repair and maintenance are needed. Elements of the property are ageing and likely to require attention.

It is assumed that the provision of the ground floor toilet was a permitted development for which Local Authority consents and approvals were not required. This should be verified by the completing Conveyancer.

The adjoining property at No.27 Hillside Drive has a right of pedestrian access over the property to the rear of the building. This should be verified by the completing Conveyancer.

Essential Repairs

None on this occasion.

Estimated cost of essential repairs £ Retention recommended? Yes No Amount £

Mortgage Valuation Report

Comment on Mortgageability

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

Valuations

Market value in present condition £

Market value on completion of essential repairs £

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

Is a reinspection necessary? Yes No

Buy To Let Cases

What is the reasonable range of monthly rental income for the property assuming a letting on a 6 month Short Assured Tenancy basis? £

Is the property in an area where there is a steady demand for rented accommodation of this type? Yes No

Declaration

Signed Security Print Code [583010 = 5110]
Electronically signed by:-

Surveyor's name Lachlan Macfarlane

Professional qualifications BSc MRICS

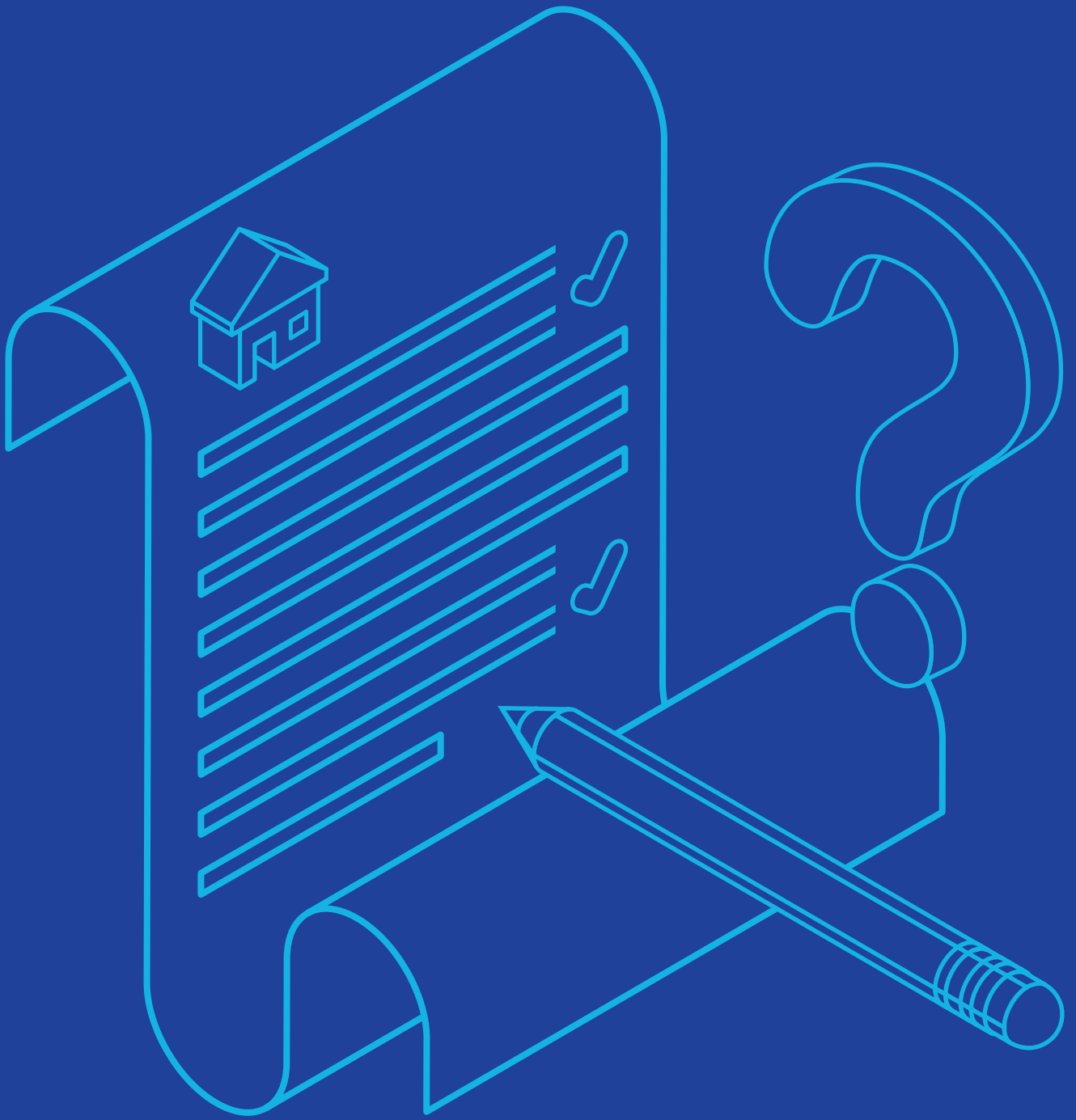
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Report date 25th November 2021



Property Questionnaire

Property Address

25 Hillside Drive,
Blackridge,
BATHGATE,
West Lothian,
EH48 3SL

Seller(s)

George holliday

Completion date of property questionnaire

21-10-2021

Note for sellers

- Please complete this form carefully. It is important that your answers are correct.
- The information in your answers will help ensure that the sale of your house goes smoothly. Please answer each question with as much detailed information as you can.
- If anything changes after you fill in this questionnaire but before the date of entry for the sale of your house, tell your solicitor or estate agent immediately.

Information to be given to prospective buyer(s)

1. Length of ownership

How long have you owned the property?

30

2. Council tax

Which Council Tax band is your property in?

A

3. Parking

What are the arrangements for parking at your property?

Garage, driveway

4. Conservation area

Is your property in a designated Conservation Area (that is an area of special architectural or historical interest, the character or appearance of which it is desirable to preserve or enhance)?

No

5. Listed buildings

Is your property a Listed Building, or contained within one (that is a building recognised and approved as being of special architectural or historical interest)?

No

6. Alterations/additions/extensions

- a)** (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 below the changes which you have made:

Yes

(details)

Extra toilet

(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:

No

- b)** Have you had replacement windows, doors, patio doors or double glazing installed in your property? If you have answered yes, please answer the three questions below:

Yes

(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): Please give any guarantees which you received for this work to your solicitor or estate agent.

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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 or partial - what kind of central heating is there? (Examples: gas-fired, solid fuel, electric storage heating, gas warm air). If you have answered yes, please answer the three questions below:

Gas-fired

(i) When was your central heating system or partial central heating system installed?

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(ii) 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 contract:

(iii) When was your maintenance agreement last renewed? (Please provide the month and year).

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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

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?

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b) Are you aware of the existence of asbestos in your property?

No

10. Please select which services are connected to your property

a) (i) Gas or Liquid Petroleum Gas

Yes

If you have answered Yes, who is the supplier:

Scottish gas

(ii) Water Mains or Private Water Supply:

Mains Supply

If you have answered Yes, who is the supplier:

Scottish Water

(iii) Electricity:

Yes

If you have answered Yes, who is the supplier:

Scottish power

(iv) Mains Drainage:

Yes

If you have answered Yes, who is the supplier:

Local Authority

(v) Telephone:	Yes
If you have answered Yes, who is the supplier:	BT
(vi) Cable TV or Satellite:	No
(vii) Broadband:	No
b) Is there a septic tank system at your property?	No
(i) Do you have appropriate consents for the discharge from your septic tank?	-
(ii) Do you have a maintenance contract for your septic tank?	-
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?	No
b) Is there a responsibility to contribute to repair and maintenance of the roof, common stairwell or other common areas?	No
c) Has there been any major repair or replacement of any part of the roof during the time you have owned the property?	No
d) Do you have the right to walk over any of your neighbours property - for example to put out your rubbish bin or to maintain your boundaries?	No
e) As far as you are aware, do any of your neighbours have the right to walk over your property, for example to put out their rubbish bin or to maintain their boundaries?	Yes
If you have answered yes, please give details:	Neighbour has access to put rubbish bin out
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 privately-owned.)	No
12. Charges associated with your property	
a) Is there a factor or property manager for your property?	No
b) Is there a common buildings insurance policy?	No
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, for example to a residents' association, or maintenance or stair fund.	
13. Specialist works	

a) As far as you are aware, has treatment of dry rot, wet rot, damp or any other specialist work ever been carried out to your property?

No

If you have answered yes, please say what the repairs were for, whether you carried out the repairs (and when) or if they were done before you bought the property:

b) 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.

No

14. Guarantees

a) Are there any guarantees or warranties for any of the following:

i) Electrical work

No

ii) Roofing

No

iii) Central Heating

No

iv) National House Building Council (NHBC)

No

v) Damp course

No

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):

c) Are there any outstanding claims under any of the guarantees listed above?

No

15. Boundaries

So far as you are aware, has any boundary of your property been moved in the last 10 years?

16. Notices that affect your property
In the past three years have you ever received a notice:

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| a) advising that the owner of a neighbouring property has made a planning application? | No |
| b) that affects your property in some other way? | No |
| c) that requires you to do any maintenance, repairs or improvements to your property? | No |

If you have answered yes to any of the 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)

George holliday

Date

21-10-2021



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