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survey report on:

Property address	67 Temple Avenue, Bathville, BATHGATE, EH48 2LS
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Customer S Brown	
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Customer address	c/o Sneddons, 1/3 South Street, Bo'ness, West Lothian, EH51 0EA
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Prepared by	Allied Surveyors Scotland

Date of inspection	9th February 2023	



PART 1 - GENERAL

1.1 THE SURVEYORS

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

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

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

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

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

If the Surveyors have had a previous business relationship within the past two years with the Seller or Seller's Agent or relative to the property, they will be obliged to indicate this by 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.

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

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

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



The Report is based solely on the Property and is not to be relied upon in any manner whatsoever when considering the valuation or condition of any other property.

If certain minor matters are mentioned in the Report it should not be assumed that the Property is free of other minor defects.

Neither the whole nor any part of the Report may be published in any way, reproduced or distributed by any party other than the Seller, prospective purchasers and the Purchaser and their respective professional advisers without the prior written consent of the Surveyors.

1.3 LIABILITY

The Report is prepared with the skill and care reasonably to be expected of a competent residential surveyor who is a member of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors.

The Report is addressed to the Seller and was prepared in the expectation that it (or a complete copy) along with these Terms and Conditions (or a complete copy) would (or, as the case might be, would have been) be disclosed and delivered to:

- the Seller;
- any person(s) noting an interest in purchasing the Property from the Seller;
- any person(s) who make(s) (or on whose behalf is made) an offer to purchase the Property, whether or not that offer is accepted by the Seller;
- the Purchaser; and
- the professional advisers of any of these.

The Surveyors acknowledge that their duty of skill and care in relation to the Report is owed to the Seller and to the Purchaser. The Surveyors accept no responsibility or liability whatsoever in relation to the Report to persons other than the Seller and the Purchaser. The Seller and Purchaser should be aware that if a Lender seeks to rely on this Report they do so at their own risk. In particular, the Surveyors accept no responsibility or liability whatsoever to any Lender in relation to the Report. Any such Lender relies upon the Report entirely at their own risk.

1.4 GENERIC MORTGAGE VALUATION REPORT

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

1.5 TRANSCRIPT MORTGAGE VALUATION FOR LENDING PURPOSES

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

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

they assign the same to any other party in writing.

1.7 PAYMENT

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

1.8 CANCELLATION

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

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

In the case of cancellation or the inspection not proceeding, the Surveyor will refund any fees paid by the Seller for the inspection and Report, except for expenses reasonably incurred and any fee due in light of the final paragraph of this section.

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

1.9 PRECEDENCE

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

1.1 DEFINITIONS

- the "Lender" is the party who has provided or intends or proposes to provide financial assistance to the Purchaser towards the purchase of the Property and in whose favour a standard security will be granted over the Property;
- the "Transcript Mortgage Valuation Report for Lending Purposes" means a separate report, prepared by the Surveyor, prepared from information in the Report and the generic Mortgage Valuation Report, but in a style and format required by the Lender. The Transcript Mortgage Valuation Report for Lending Purposes will be prepared with the skill and care reasonably to be expected from a surveyor who is a member of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors and who is competent to survey, value and report on the Property;
- the "Generic Mortgage Valuation Report" means a separate report, prepared by the Surveyor from information in the Report but in the Surveyor's own format;
- the "Market Value" is the estimated amount for which a property should exchange on the date of valuation between a willing buyer and a willing seller in an arm's-length transaction after proper marketing wherein the parties had each acted knowledgeably, prudently and without compulsion;
- the "Property" is the property which forms the subject of the Report;

- the "Purchaser" is the person (or persons) who enters into a contract to buy the Property from the Seller;
- a "prospective Purchaser" is anyone considering buying the Property;
- the "Report" is the report, of the kind described in Part 2 of these Terms and Conditions and in the form set out in part 1 of Schedule 1 of the Housing (Scotland) Act 2006 (Prescribed Documents) Regulations 2008;
- the "Seller" is/are the proprietor(s) of the Property;
- the "Surveyor" is the author of the Report on the Property; and
- the "Surveyors" are the firm or company of which the Surveyor is an employee, director, member or partner (unless the Surveyor is not an employee, director, member or partner, when the "Surveyors" means the Surveyor) whose details are set out at the head of the Report.
- the "Energy Report" is the advice given by the accredited Energy Company, based on information collected by the Surveyor during the Inspection, and also includes an Energy Performance Certificate, in a Government approved format.

PART 2 - DESCRIPTION OF THE REPORT

2.1 THE SERVICE

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

2.2 THE INSPECTION

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

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

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

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

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

2.3 THE REPORT

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

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

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

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

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

2.4 SERVICES

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

2.5 ACCESSIBILITY

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

2.6 ENERGY REPORT

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

2.7 VALUATION AND CONVEYANCER ISSUES

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

"Market Value" 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

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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	This is a two storey semi-detached house.
Accommodation	Ground floor: Hallway, living room, kitchen, bathroom (with WC). First floor: Landing, three bedrooms.

Neighbourhood and location	The property is situated within an established residential area of mixed public sector tenanted and privately owner occupied housing to the south east of Armadale town centre. All the usual facilities and amenities are available locally and there is a regular local transport service to neighbouring communities and to the nearby cities of Edinburgh and Glasgow.
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Weather	At the time of inspection, it was dull and overcast with occasional light showers.

Chimney stacks	Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.
	The chimney stack is of brick construction with a render finish. Concrete coping is present as is a clay pot.

Roofing including roof space	Sloping roofs were visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.
	Flat roofs were visually inspected from vantage points within the property and where safe and reasonable to do so from a 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.

Roofing including roof space	If this is not possible, then physical access to the roof space may be taken by other means if the Surveyor deems it safe and reasonable to do so.
	The roof is pitched with a slate covering over timber sarking and rafters.
	Access to the roof void is by means of a hatch located within the first floor landing ceiling.
	The roof void is partly floored and contained fibre wool insulative material.

Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.
These are of cast iron or PVC construction with guttering connected to downpipes.

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truction with a render 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 of a PVC frame pivot, casement or tilt and turn character with double glazed sealed units installed.
	The external doors are PVC framed and double glazed or timber framed.

External decorations	Visually inspected.
	Decorative finishes are in paint or stain.

Conservatories / porches	There are no conservatories and there are no porches.

Communal areas	There are no communal areas.

Garages and permanent outbuildings	Visually inspected.
	There is a large single car detached garage of prefabricated concrete construction under a profile cement sheet roof.
	There is also a timber framed timber clad and felt roofed outbuilding.

Outside areas and boundaries	Visually inspected.
	Garden areas exist to the front, side and rear of the property. Boundaries, where present, are formed in brick walls and timber fences.

Ceilings	Visually inspected from floor level. These are of a plasterboard nature.
Internal walls	Visually inspected from floor level.
	Using a moisture meter, walls were randomly tested for dampness where considered appropriate.
	These are of a plaster or plasterboard character.

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.
	These are of a solid concrete or suspended timber nature.
	Floor coverings were fitted and no sub-floor inspection has been made.

Internal joinery and kitchen fittings	Built-in cupboards were looked into but no stored items were moved.
	Kitchen units were visually inspected excluding appliances.
	Internal doors are timber framed. Timber facings and skirting boards are present. The staircase to first floor level is also of timber construction.
	There are fitted floor and wall units in the kitchen area.

Chimney breasts and fireplaces	Visually inspected.	
	No testing of the flues or fittings was carried out.	
	The chimney breast is of brick construction with a slab based fireplace. This currently hosts an electric fire.	

Internal decorations	Visually inspected.
	Decorative finishes are in paint, paper or both. Some tiling and boarding have also been used.

Cellars	There are no cellars with this property.
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 supply of electricity connected to the property.
	The distribution board, housing a circuit breaker unit is located within a hall cupboard.
	Visible wiring was PVC coated.

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 connected to the property.
	The gas meter is located within an external storage box.
	The gas supply serves the central heating boiler and other appliances within this house.

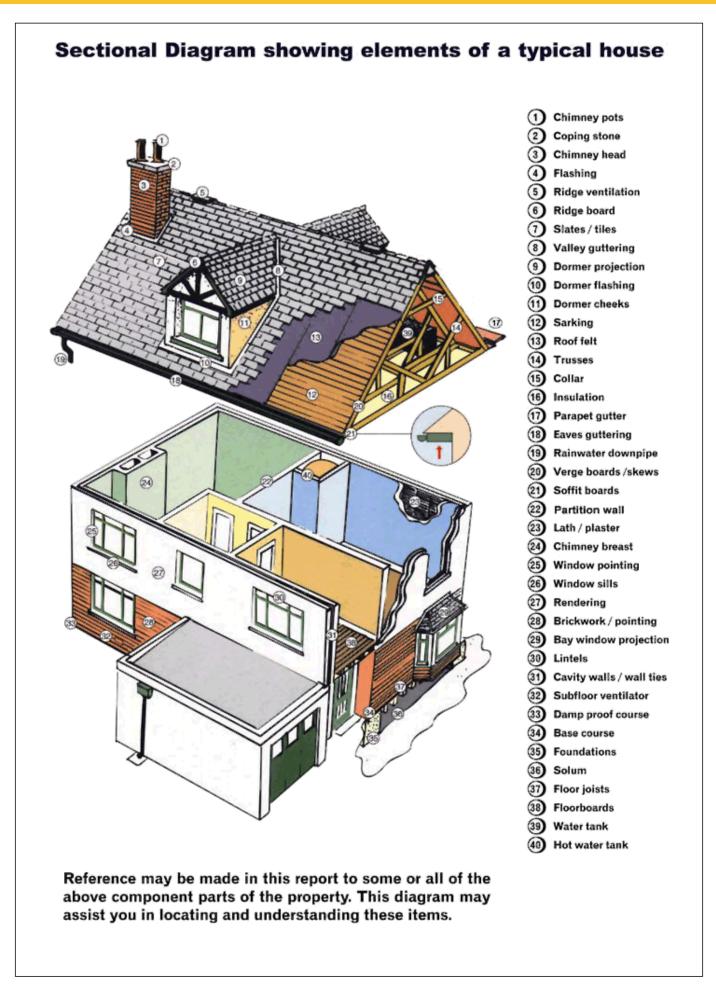
Water, plumbing, bathroom fittings	Visual inspection of the accessible pipework, water tanks, cylinders and fittings without removing any insulation.
	No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances.
	There is a mains water supply connected to the property.
	Visible plumbing fitments were of a copper or PVC nature.
	The bathroom fittings, although not tested, appeared serviceable.

Heating and hot water	Accessible parts of the system were visually inspected apart from communal systems, which were not inspected.
	No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances.
	There is a gas fired central heating system serving panel radiators.
	The boiler for this is a Vokera Riello unit located within a kitchen cabinet and vented externally by means of a balanced flue.
	The central heating boiler also provides domestic hot water.

Drainage	Drainage covers etc were not lifted.
	Neither drains nor drainage systems were tested.
	This is understood to be connected to the main public sewer.

Fire, smoke and burglar alarms	Visually inspected.
	No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances.
	Smoke alarms were noted on ceilings within the property.
	No comment is offered in respect of security systems.
	The new Fire and Smoke Alarm Standard came into force in February 2022. This new standard requires a smoke alarm to be installed in the room most frequently used for living purposes and in every circulation space on each floor. A heat alarm also needs to be installed in each kitchen. The alarms need to be ceiling mounted and interlinked. Where there is a carbon-fuelled appliance such as a boiler, open fire or wood burner a carbon monoxide detector is also required. The purchaser should satisfy themselves in this regard.

Any additional limits to inspection	For flats / maisonettes
	Only the subject flat and internal communal areas giving access to the flat were inspected.
	If the roof space or 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.
	The property was occupied, furnished and had fitted floor coverings. Cupboard areas and the roof void contained some stored personal items.
	No sub-floor inspection has been made and the roof void has been inspected on a head and shoulders basis only.



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 are no indications of significant structural movement within this or neighbouring properties.

Dampness, rot and infestation	
Repair category	1
Notes	Moisture meter readings were obtained within the property but at a level attributable to condensation or to the inherent moisture content or materials employed within the construction.
	Staining was noted on a bedroom ceiling consistent with a previous plumbing defect.
	Evidence of old water penetration was noted within the roof void area.

Chimney stacks	
Repair category	-
Notes	There were no evident indications of defect noted at the time of this inspection. A full examination of water gates at the base ant rear of the chimney stack has not been possible.

Roofing including roof space	
Repair category	2
Notes	Individual slates were noted to be loose, missing or broken. Sections of rough slating were evident adjacent to the chimney stack.
	Cracked bedding was noted to ridge tiles.
	As previously indicated, evidence of old water penetration was noted within the roof void.

Rainwater fittings	
Repair category	2
Notes	Some of the rainwater fittings appear to have been renewed in the relatively recent past. Some organic material was noted to be present within the guttering sections.
	Slight distortion was noted within guttering sections and an end stop to the guttering above the canopy at the front door is missing.

Main walls	
Repair category	1
Notes	The render finish has been renewed within the recent past. Care should be taken to ensure that adequate pointing is maintained at door and window openings.

Windows, external doors and joinery	
Repair category	1
Notes	There were no indications of defect requiring immediate action or repair. It should be noted that double glazed sealed units may fail at any time.

External decorations	
Repair category	1
Notes	Weathered decorative finishes were noted.

Conservatories/porches	
Repair category	-
Notes	There are no conservatories and there are no porches.

Communal areas	
Repair category	-
Notes	There are no communal areas.

Garages and permanent outbuildings	
Repair category	2
Notes	The garage roof coverings may be of an asbestos cement nature. If this is the case, repair or removal may require the employment of a specialist contractor. Softening timbers and distortion were noted within the lean to timber built felt roofed shed.

Outside areas and boundaries	
Repair category	2
Notes	The fence to the rear of the property is collapsing.
	Softening timbers were also noted within fencing sections.

Ceilings	
Repair category	2
Notes	Shrinkage cracking and unevenness were noted. Staining was apparent to a bedroom ceiling, probably as a result of a previous plumbing defect.

Internal walls	
Repair category	2
Notes	Sections of bossed and cracked plaster were noted.

Floors including sub-floors	
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There were no indications of significant distortion found at the time of inspection. Unevenness was noted but is consistent with service access.	

Internal joinery and kitchen fittings		
Repair category	2	
Notes	Timber cladding was noted to the kitchen ceiling and the assumption has been made that a fire retardant finish has been applied.	
	The kitchen fittings themselves are aging.	
	Some adjustment to cupboard hinges is envisaged.	

Chimney breasts and fireplaces		
Repair category	1	
Notes	There were no visible indications of defect at the time of inspection.	

Internal decorations		
Repair category	2	
Notes	Incomplete decorative finishes were noted. Paper seams were noted to be lifting slightly.	

Cellars	
Repair category	-
Notes	There are no cellars with this property.

Electricity	
Repair category	1
Notes	There were no visible indications of defect at the time of this inspection. Some of the fittings are mixed and a ceiling rose was noted to have dropped. 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	1
Notes	There were no visible indications of defect within those sections of the gas supply system available for visual inspection.
	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.

F Water, plumbing and bathroom fittings		
Repair category	2	
Notes	Inadequate sealant is present around the bath at this time. This may result in	
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F Water, plumbing and bathroom fittings		
Repair category	2	
Notes	water spillage with resultant degradation of material and finishes in this locality. The bath side panel has not been removed to facilitate an examination of timbers in this area.	

Heating and hot water		
Repair category	1	
Notes	There were no visible indications of defect at the time of inspection. 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	1
Notes	There were no indications of blockage or back up found at the time of this visit.

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	1
Chimney stacks	-
Roofing including roof space	2
Rainwater fittings	2
Main walls	1
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	2
Floors including sub-floors	1
Internal joinery and kitchen fittings	2
Chimney breasts and fireplaces	1
Internal decorations	2
Cellars	-
Electricity	1
Gas	1
Water, plumbing and bathroom fittings	2
Heating and hot water	1
Drainage	1

Category 3

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

Category 2

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

Category 1

No immediate action or repair is needed.

Remember

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

Warning

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

3. Accessibility information

Guidance notes on accessibility information

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

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

Unrestricted parking within 25 metres:

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

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

4. Valuation and conveyancer issues

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

Matters for a solicitor or licensed conveyancer

The property has been altered in the past in the provision of replacement windows and doors. A non-load bearing partition wall has also been taken down to provide an enlarged kitchen area. A garage has also been added. These works would appear to have been undertaken more than 20 years ago.

The property is also located in an area where mineral extraction has taken place . It would, therefore, be prudent to obtain a satisfactory Coal Authority report.

Estimated reinstatement cost for insurance purposes

The estimated reinstatement cost for insurance purposes is TWO HUNDRED AND TWENTY THOUSAND POUNDS (£220,000) 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. Finishings 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. Further discussions with your insurers are advised. The figure should be reviewed annually and in light of any future alterations or additions.

Building costs are currently increasing significantly above inflation due to material and labour shortages as well as Brexit and the Pandemic. It is recommended that you update this figure regularly to ensure that you have adequate cover or alternatively seek specialist advice from your insurer.

Valuation and market comments

The market value of the property described in the report is ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY THOUSAND POUNDS (£150,000) 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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 Date of report
 13th February 2023

Mortgage Valuation Report



Property Address		
Address Seller's Name Date of Inspection	67 Temple Avenue, Bathville, BATHGATE, EH48 2LS S Brown 9th February 2023	
Property Details		
Property Type	X House Bungalow Purpose built maisonette Purpose built flat Converted flat Tenement flat	Converted maisonette Flat over non-residential use Other (specify in General Remarks)
Property Style	Detached X Semi detached Mid terrace Back to back High rise block Low rise block	End terrace Other (specify in General Remarks)
Does the surveyor be e.g. local authority, m	lieve that the property was built for the public sector, ilitary, police?	Yes X No
Flats/Maisonettes onl	y Floor(s) on which located No. of floors in block No. of units in block	Lift provided? Yes No
Approximate Year of	Construction 1950	
Tenure		
X Absolute Ownership	Leasehold Ground rent £ Unexpired years	
Accommodation		
Number of Rooms	1 Living room(s) 3 Bedroom(s) 1 Kitchen(s) 1 Bathroom(s) 1 WC(s) 0 Other (Specify in General)	remarks)
		m ² (External)
Residential Element (greater than 40%) X Yes No	
Garage / Parking /	Outbuildings	
X Single garage Available on site?	Double garage Parking space No X Yes No	garage / garage space / parking space
Permanent outbuildin	gs:	
There is a lean to tir	nber built, felt roofed garden shed.	

Mortgage Valuation Report

Construction							
Walls	X Brick	Stone	Concrete	Timber frame	Othe	r (specify in Ger	eral Remarks)
Roof	Tile	X Slate	Asphalt	Felt	Othe	r (specify in Ger	eral Remarks)
Special Risks							
Has the property s	uffered struct	ural movemen	ıt?			Yes	X No
If Yes, is this recei	nt or progress	sive?				Yes	No
Is there evidence, immediate vicinity		ason to anticip	ate subsidence	, heave, landslip (or flood in the	e Yes	X No
If Yes to any of the	e above, provi	ide details in G	General Remark	S.			
Service Connec	tion						
Based on visual in of the supply in Ge			es appear to be	non-mains, pleas	e comment o	on the type a	nd location
Drainage	X Mains	Private	None	Water	X Mains	Private	None
Electricity	X Mains	Private	None	Gas	X Mains	Private	None
Central Heating	X Yes	Partial	None				
Brief description o	f Central Hea	ting:					
Site							
Apparent legal iss	ues to be veri	fied by the cor	wayancar Plac	neo provido a brief	f description	in Conoral R	omarke
Rights of way	Shared drive		_	amenities on separate		red service conr	
Ill-defined boundari			ral land included wi			er (specify in Ge	
Location							
		idential within tou			reiel 🗌 Mei		
Commuter village		idential within tow note village		ed residential / comme		nly commercial er (specify in Ge	neral Remarks)
		note village					
Planning Issues	;						
Has the property b	een extended	d / converted /	altered? X	Yes 🗌 No			
If Yes provide deta	ails in Genera	l Remarks.					
Roads							
X Made up road	Unmade road	d Partly c	ompleted new road	Pedestrian a	access only	Adopted	Unadopted

General Remarks

The property is situated within an established residential area of mixed public sector tenanted and private owner occupied housing to the south east of Armadale town centre. All the usual facilities and amenities are available locally and there is a regular local transport service to neighbouring communities and to the nearby cities of Edinburgh and Glasgow.

The property was found to be in a condition consistent with age and construction. Some upgrading of fittings, fixtures and services has taken place in the past but with further works anticipated. Ongoing maintenance should be anticipated in respect of all elements of the building fabric.

The property has been altered in the past in the provision of replacement windows and doors, in the removal of a load bearing partition to enlarge the kitchen area and in the erection of a garage. These works would appear to have been undertaken more than 20 years ago.

The property is also located in an area where mineral extraction has taken place.

Essential Repairs

None.			
Estimated cost of essential repairs £	Retention recommended?	No	Amount £

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Comment on Mortgageability

The property is of a type, for which, in normal marketing conditions, there is a steady demand. The property is considered to form adequate loan security subject to individual lenders criteria.

Valuations	
Market value in present condition	£ 150000
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)	£ 220000
Is a reinspection necessary?	Yes X 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 [529964 = 8514] Electronically signed by:-
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Professional qualifications	BSc MRICS
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Energy Performance Certificate (EPC)

Scotland

Dwellings

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Dwelling type:	Semi-detached house
Date of assessment:	09 February 2023
Date of certificate:	09 February 2023
Total floor area:	82 m ²
Primary Energy Indicator:	323 kWh/m ² /year

Reference number: Type of assessment: Approved Organisation: Main heating and fuel: 6217-7222-4100-0121-8206 RdSAP, existing dwelling Elmhurst Boiler and radiators, mains gas

You can use this document to:

B

Not environmentally friendly - higher CO₂ emissions

D

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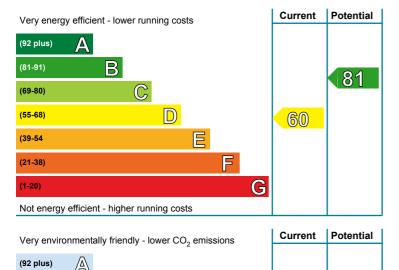
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- Compare current ratings of properties to see which are more energy efficient and environmentally friendly
- Find out how to save energy and money and also reduce CO₂ emissions by improving your home

Estimated energy costs for your home for 3 years*	£3,789	See your recommendations
Over 3 years you could save*	£996	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 (60)**. The average rating for EPCs in Scotland is **band D (61)**.

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

Environmental Impact (CO₂) Rating

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

Your current rating is **band D (57)**. 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
1 Cavity wall insulation	£500 - £1,500	£582.00
2 Floor insulation (suspended floor)	£800 - £1,200	£267.00
3 Low energy lighting	£10	£51.00

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

To find out more about the recommended measures and other actions you could take today to stop wasting energy and money, visit greenerscotland.org or contact Home Energy Scotland on 0808 808 2282. THIS PAGE IS THE ENERGY PERFORMANCE CERTIFICATE WHICH MUST BE AFFIXED TO THE DWELLING AND NOT BE REMOVED UNLESS IT IS REPLACED WITH AN UPDATED CERTIFICATE

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Summary of the energy performance related features of this home

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

Element	Description	Energy Efficiency	Environmental
Walls	Cavity wall, as built, no insulation (assumed)	★★☆☆☆	★★☆☆☆
Roof	Pitched, 250 mm loft insulation	★★★★☆	★★★★☆
Floor	Suspended, no 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, electric	—	_
Hot water	From main system	★★★ ☆	★★★★ ☆
Lighting	Low energy lighting in 75% 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 57 kg $CO_2/m^2/yr$.

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 4.6 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 2.2 tonnes per year. You could reduce emissions even more by switching to renewable energy sources.

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Estimated energy costs for this home				
	Current energy costs	Potential energy costs	Potential future savings	
Heating	£3,171 over 3 years	£2,325 over 3 years		
Hot water	£318 over 3 years	£228 over 3 years	You could	
Lighting	£300 over 3 years	£240 over 3 years	save £996	
Totals	£3,789	£2,793	over 3 years	

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

Recommendations for improvement

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

Recommended measures			Typical saving	Rating after improvement	
		Indicative cost	per year	Energy	Environment
1	Cavity wall insulation	£500 - £1,500	£194	D 66	D 64
2	Floor insulation (suspended floor)	£800 - £1,200	£89	C 69	D 68
3	Low energy lighting for all fixed outlets	£10	£17	C 69	D 68
4	Solar water heating	£4,000 - £6,000	£30	C 70	C 70
5	Solar photovoltaic panels, 2.5 kWp	£3,500 - £5,500	£367	B 81	C 79

Alternative measures

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

• External insulation with cavity wall insulation

Choosing the right improvement package

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



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

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

1 Cavity wall insulation

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

2 Floor insulation (suspended floor)

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

3 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).

4 Solar water heating

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

5 Solar photovoltaic (PV) panels

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

Low and zero carbon energy sources

Low and zero carbon (LZC) energy sources are sources of energy that release either very little or no carbon dioxide into the atmosphere when they are used. Installing these sources may help reduce energy bills as well as cutting carbon.

LZC energy sources present: There are none provided for this home

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Your home's heat demand

In this section, you can see how much energy you might need to heat your home and provide hot water. These are estimates showing how an average household uses energy. These estimates may not reflect your actual energy use, which could be higher or lower. You might spend more money on heating and hot water if your house is less energy efficient. The table below shows the potential benefit of having your loft and walls insulated. Visit https://energysavingtrust.org.uk/energy-at-home for more information.

Heat demand	Existing dwelling	Impact of loft insulation	Impact of cavity wall insulation	Impact of solid wall insulation
Space heating (kWh per year)	14,167	N/A	(2,983)	N/A
Water heating (kWh per year)	2,128			

Addendum

About this document

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

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

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Use of this energy performance information

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

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Advice and support to improve this property

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

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



