

# Home Report

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# Scottish Single Survey



# survey report on:

Property address	58a Grattan Place Fraserburgh AB43 9SB
Customer	Mr and Mrs N Matthew
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Prepared by	Shepherd Chartered Surveyors
Date of inspection	19/04/2024



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#### **PART 1 - GENERAL**

#### 1.1 THE SURVEYORS

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

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

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

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

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

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Which shall be in accordance with the current RICS Valuation Standards (The Red Book) and RICS Rules 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<sup>2</sup>.

#### 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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 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.

#### 1.10 DEFINITIONS

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

- a "prospective Purchaser" is anyone considering buying the Property;
- the "Report" is the report, of the kind described in Part 2 of these Terms and Conditions and in the form set out in part 1 of Schedule 1 of the Housing (Scotland) Act 2006 (Prescribed Documents) Regulations 2008;
- the "Seller" is/are the proprietor(s) of the Property;
- the "Surveyor" is the author of the Report on the Property; and
- 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 <u>Category 2:</u> 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 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	A self-contained maisonette flatted dwellinghouse occupying the upper floors of a two storey and attic semi-detached block of two flats, with shared ground floor entrance.
Accommodation	First Floor - Hallway, lounge, dining kitchen, bedroom and bathroom with w.c.  Attic Floor - Two bedrooms, study and storeroom.
Gross internal floor area (m²)	116 square metres or thereby.
Neighbourhood and location	The subjects are situated within an established residential area close to Fraserburgh town centre. Other properties in the vicinity are generally of a similar nature and adequate amenities can be found within easy reach.
Age	Built around 1900.
Weather	Overcast but dry.
Chimney stacks	Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.  There are three chimney stacks, mutual with adjoining properties, of pointed stone construction, with clay chimneypots and having cement mortar skews and metal flashings around the chimneyheads. The chimneys were inspected from ground level only.

# Roofing including roof space Sloping roofs were visual

Sloping roofs were visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.

Roof spaces were visually inspected and were entered where there was safe and reasonable access, normally defined as being from a 3m ladder within the property.

If this is not possible, then physical access to the roof space may be taken by other means if the Surveyor deems it safe and reasonable to do so.

The roof over the building is of traditional pitched timber construction, externally clad with slates, with metal lined ridging, valleys and flashings. The roof covering was inspected from ground level only.

An inspection of accessible areas of roof space over the property was carried out from wall/ceiling hatches within the attic floor accommodation. Inspection was restricted due to limited accessibility and the presence of stored goods in part. Most of the roof structure was unseen.

#### Rainwater fittings

Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.

Rainwater fittings comprise a mixture of cast iron and pvc gutters and downpipes. It was not raining at the time of inspection and the adequacy of the system could not be verified.

#### Main walls

Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.

Foundations and concealed parts were not exposed or inspected.

The main walls are of solid stone construction, externally pointed, and having a dressed granite stone frontage.

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, replaced in the past, are mainly of pvc framed construction, equipped with sealed unit double glazing. In addition there is a double glazed timber velux style window and a double glazed metal framed skylight window in the attic accommodation. Not all windows were opened or tested in operation.
	The main entrance door to the flat is of timber construction with glazed upper panel.
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External decorations	Visually inspected.
	There is paintwork to external joinery timbers and to cast iron rainwater fittings.
Conservatories / porches	There is no porch or conservatory.
Communal areas	Circulation areas visually inspected.
	There is a shared entrance vestibule at ground floor level, with substantial external timber door. Flooring within the vestibule is of solid concrete.
Garages and permanent outbuildings	Visually inspected.
	Pertaining to the property is a half share of a double car detached garage located at the rear of the site, of rendered block wall construction, with corrugated asbestos clad roof, and concrete flooring. Vehicular access is provided by a metal up-and-over door off a lane at the rear and there is a separate shared access door to the side. There is no physical internal division within the garage.  There are no outbuildings.

Outside areas and boundaries	Visually inspected.	
	The subjects are contained within a gently sloping site, with garden ground to the front and rear, part of which pertains exclusively to the subject property. Ground at the rear of the property pertaining to the flat is partly in grass and partly concrete slab surfaced.	
	Site boundaries are defined by stone walls.	
	The full extent of the site and any shared areas pertaining thereto should be ascertained from the Title Deeds.	
Ceilings	Visually inspected from floor level.	
	Ceilings appeared to be mainly of the original timber lath and plaster, and partly plasterboard lined. There is pvc cladding to the ceiling in the bathroom.	
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# 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 of traditional style timber pressed panel construction. Skirtings and door facings appeared to be mainly of the original hardwood.

There is a timber staircase with timber handrail and balustrades within the flat.

The kitchen is equipped with a range of traditional style wall and base cupboards, worktop surfacing and composite sink unit and drainer.

#### Chimney breasts and fireplaces

#### Visually inspected.

#### No testing of the flues or fittings was carried out.

There is a coal effect gas-fire contained within a traditional style timber and cast iron fireplace in the lounge, open to the chimney breast. The fire was not in use at the time of inspection.

There is a timber fireplace in the kitchen, with boarded chimney breast, no longer in use.

Chimney breasts elsewhere within the property have been boarded over and are no longer in use.

The presence of a chimney, chimney breast or fireplace should not be taken as an indication that there is any adequate or useable flue present.

#### Internal decorations

#### Visually inspected.

Internal walls and ceilings are painted and/or papered. Joinery timbers are stained/varnished.

#### Cellars

There are no cellars.

#### **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.

A mains supply of electricity is laid on to the property. The electric meter is located within a small cupboard in the shared entrance vestibule. The fusebox, incorporating residual circuit breakers, is located within a cupboard on the first floor landing. There is a distribution of 13 amp socket outlets throughout the main accommodation.

There is an electric extractor fan in the bathroom.

#### 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.

A mains supply of gas is laid on to the property. The gas meter is located within a cupboard in the kitchen.

Gas appliances within the property comprise the fire in the lounge, and the central heating boiler.

#### 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.

A mains supply of water is laid on to the property. The main stop-cock was unseen although is understood to be located in the bathroom.

The plumbing system, where seen, comprises a mixture of pvc and copper supply pipes, and pvc wastepipes. There is no requirement for a cold water storage tank within the property.

The bathroom, re-fitted in 2023, is equipped with white three piece sanitary fittings, together with a mixer shower over the bath, and glazed shower screen. The area below the bath was unseen due to fixed panelling.

Leakage can often occur around sanitary fittings causing deterioration to concealed areas which may only become apparent once the fittings are removed.

#### Heating and hot water

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.

Space heating is provided by a gas-fired central heating system. A wall mounted "Viessmann" condensing combi boiler located in the kitchen, supplies individually thermostatically controlled pressed steel radiators throughout the main accommodation. The vendors advised that the boiler was replaced in 2023.

Hot water is also provided directly from the central heating boiler, with no requirement for a hot water storage cylinder within the property.

#### **Drainage**

Drainage covers etc. were not lifted.

Neither drains nor drainage systems were tested.

Drainage is assumed to be connected to the main public sewer.

# Visually inspected. No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances. All Scottish homes require 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 carbonfuelled appliance such as a boiler, open fire or wood burner, a carbon monoxide detector is also required. We have not assessed or tested any existing equipment and it is the purchasers responsibility to confirm that the property will

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comply with these standards following a change of

#### 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 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. Internal cupboards were generally filled with storage items. No access was available beneath sanitary or kitchen fittings.

Full and safe access was not available to roof void areas due to limited accessibility and the presence of stored goods etc. Most of the roof structure was unseen.

Woodwork or other parts of the structure that were covered, unexposed or inaccessible have not been inspected and we are therefore unable to confirm that any such part of the property is free from beetle, rot or other defects.

Windows were not all fully opened or tested.

An inspection for Japanese Knotweed was not carried out. This is a plant which is subject to control regulation, is considered to be invasive and one which can render a property unsuitable for some mortgage lenders. It is therefore assumed that there is no Japanese Knotweed within the boundaries of the property or its neighbouring property. Identification of Japanese Knotweed is best undertaken by a specialist contractor.

## Sectional Diagram showing elements of a typical house



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

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

#### 2. Condition

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

Category 3	Category 2	Category 1
	Repairs or replacement requiring future attention, but estimates are still advised.	

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

Dampness, rot and infestation	
Repair category	2
Notes	Damp meter readings were taken where considered appropriate within the property and high moisture levels were detected to internal walls at localised areas, notably in the front bedroom and in the shared entrance vestibule below. Under these circumstances there is the possibility of rot affecting concealed timbers due to damp absorption.  Traces of woodbore infestation were noted to roof timbers, although possibly treated by a specialist contractor in the past. Report and Guarantee documentation, if available, should be obtained, checked and held for future reference purposes.  An inspection of the entire property, including exposure work, should be carried out by a reputable timber and damp specialist, prior to purchase, with a view to advising on any repairs or remedial works deemed necessary in this respect.

Chimney stacks	
Repair category	1
Notes	Chimney stacks appear to be in a fair state of repair within the limitations of our inspection but can be vulnerable to defect and should be regularly maintained.  The chimneys are of a type and age where a degree of regular, ongoing maintenance should be anticipated.

Roofing inclu	Roofing including roof space	
Repair category	2	
Notes	The roof covering is of a type and age where a degree of regular, ongoing maintenance should be anticipated and more extensive overhaul work may be required in the future. A precautionary check by a roofing contractor would be prudent. There will likely be a mutual liability in this respect.	
	From within the roof space, there is evidence of corrosion affecting roof fixing nails, typical of the age of the property. Old damp staining was evident on the roof timbers, although again not unusual in the property of this type and age.	
	Roof timbers have been affected by woodworm, although possibly treated by a specialist contractor in the past.	
	There is no insulation cover within the roof space, where seen. The provision of insulation would reduce heat loss through the roof.	

Rainwater fittings	
Repair category	2
Notes	Cast iron sections of rainwater fittings are affected by corrosion, consistent with age and type, and in need of maintenance and repair.  We would highlight that it was not raining at the time of our inspection and we would recommend that all rainwater fittings be inspected during heavy rainfall in order to ensure they are free from leakage.

Main walls	
Repair category	1
Notes	Within the limitations of our inspection, no significant defects were noted, however normal levels of maintenance are recommended.
	An external metal platform at first floor level at the front of the building was noted to be corroded and damaged, representing a potential hazard and possibly requiring repair or replacement in due course.

Windows, external doors and joinery	
Repair category	2
Notes	Windows are of an age and style where a degree of ongoing maintenance should be anticipated to sealed units and opening mechanisms.
	Some double glazed units are defective having failed and allowed condensation to form between the panes. Repairs, including the replacement of defective units, will be required.
	Windows were not all fully opened or tested, and it should be appreciated that some defects are only evident during certain weather conditions.
	There is evidence of weathering and decay affecting joinery timbers at the front entrance.

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

Conservatories/porches	
Repair category	N/A
Notes	

Communal areas	
Repair category	2
Notes	Evidence of penetrating dampness was noted around the main entrance door in the shared vestibule.

Garages and permanent outbuildings	
Repair category	2
Notes	The roof cladding to the garage is thought to be of a material with an asbestos content, and is of an old and weathered appearance, possibly requiring repair or replacement in due course. Asbestos materials, if damaged or disturbed, can be hazardous to health. Further specialist advice should be obtained prior to implementation of any works in this regard.
	There is cracking to walls within the garage.
	The main door the garage is badly corroded and will require replacement in due course.

Outside areas and boundaries	
Repair category	1
Notes	Within the limitations of our inspection, no significant defects were noted to the outside areas and boundaries.
	Boundary walls should routinely checked and maintained as necessary.

Ceilings	
Repair category	1
Notes	Within the limitations of our inspection no significant defects were noted.
	Textured coatings were noted to some ceiling areas. 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.
	Original plasterwork will be susceptible to cracking and deterioration due to age.

Internal walls	
Repair category	1
Notes	Within the limitations of our inspection no significant defects were noted.
	Dampness was detected at localised areas, as referred to above.
	Original plasterwork will be susceptible to cracking and deterioration due to age.

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

Internal joinery and kitchen fittings	
Repair category	1
Notes	Within the limitations of our inspection no significant defects were noted.

Chimney breasts and fireplaces	
Repair category	1
Notes	Within the limitations of our inspection no significant defects were noted.
	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.
	As a precautionary measure, ventilators should be fitted to disused chimney breasts to prevent a build-up of moisture therein.

Internal decorations	
Repair category	1
Notes	The property is generally in good decorative order.

Cellars	
Repair category	N/A
Notes	

Electricity	
Repair category	2
Notes	At the time of inspection there was no evidence to indicate recent testing of the electrical installation.
	The Institution of Engineering and Technology recommends that domestic electrical installations are periodically checked and upgraded to comply with current electrical regulations.
	Unless a Periodic Inspection Report or an Electrical Installation Condition Report has been prepared on the property by a qualified electrician in recent years then the possibility exists that the installation may not conform with current regulations.

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

Water, plumbing and bathroom fittings		
Repair category	1	
Notes	No tests have been undertaken of the system, however within the limitations of our inspection, no significant defects were noted. No inspection has been possible to enclosed timbers beneath wet appliances and no comment has been made on the condition of unseen areas. Watertight seals will require to be regularly checked and replaced, to prevent water damage to adjoining areas.	
	The cold water rising main was not fully inspectable.	
	Sanitary fittings appear serviceable however surround seals, tiling and finishes should be checked and maintained watertight. We were unable to view concealed areas below sanitary fittings and cannot confirm they are free from damp or other defects.	

Heating and hot water			
Repair category	1		
Notes	It is assumed that the central heating system has been properly installed, updated and maintained to meet with all current regulations and standards with particular regard to fluing and ventilation requirements. Service records should be obtained and checked. In the absence of service documentation further advice should be obtained from a qualified heating engineer to ascertain the condition, efficiency, and life expectancy of the system.		

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

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

#### Category 3

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

#### Category 2

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

#### Category 1

No immediate action or repair is needed.

#### Remember

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

#### Warning

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

#### 3. Accessibility information

#### Guidance notes on accessibility information

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

In flatted developments the 'main entrance' would be the flat's own entrance door, not the external door to the communal stair. The 'three steps or fewer' are counted from external ground level to the flat's entrance door. Wherea 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?	First and Attic			
2. Are there three steps or fewer to a main entrance door of the property?	Yes		No	X
3. Is there a lift to the main entrance door of the property?	Yes		No	X
4. Are all door openings greater than 750mm?	Yes		No	X
5. Is there a toilet on the same level as the living room and kitchen?	Yes	X	No	
6. Is there a toilet on the same level as a bedroom?	Yes	X	No	
7. Are all rooms on the same level with no internal steps or stairs?	Yes		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

As far as we could ascertain, no significant alterations or additions have been made to the property in recent years which would have required local authority approval, although this cannot be guaranteed.

It is understood that timber treatment works may have been carried out within the property by a specialist contractor in the past and, if available, relevant Report and Guarantee documentation in this respect should be obtained, checked and held for future reference purposes.

The subjects form part of a block of flats and it has been assumed that maintenance/repair costs of the common parts of the building will be shared on an equitable basis with adjoining proprietors. It is therefore assumed that the cost of common repairs detailed within the report will be apportioned accordingly although exact liability should be confirmed.

The full extent of the site and any shared areas pertaining thereto should be ascertained from the Title Deeds.

The road and footpath fronting the property are fully formed and, we assume, maintained by the local authority. The access lane to the rear is also made up and assumed adopted. This should be confirmed.

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 specialist's 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 subjects be insured for a sum of not less than SIX HUNDRED THOUSAND POUNDS STERLING (£600,000).

This figure is the estimate of the cost of rebuilding the premises 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 Market Value of the subjects in their present condition and with the benefit of vacant possession may be fairly stated in the sum of ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY THOUSAND POUNDS STERLING (£130,000).

Signed	Alan V Kennedy Electronically signed :- 20/04/2024 09:34
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Report author	Alan V Kennedy
Company name	J & E Shepherd Chartered Surveyors
Address	54 Broad Street Fraserburgh AB43 9AH
Date of report	19/04/2024



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Property Address	
Address Seller's Name Date of Inspection	58a Grattan Place, Fraserburgh, AB43 9SB Mr and Mrs N Matthew 19/04/2024
Property Details	
Property Type House Purpose built flat	Bungalow X Purpose built maisonette Converted maisonette Converted flat Tenement flat Flat over non-residential use Other (specify in General Remarks)
Property Style Detached Back to back	X       Semi detached       Mid terrace       End terrace         High rise block       Low rise block       Other (specify in General Remarks)
Does the surveyor believe that the military, police? Flats/Maisonettes only Floor(s) on what Approximate Year of Construction	property was built for the public sector, e. g. local authority,  No. of floors in block  No. of units in block  1900  Yes X No
Tenure	
X Absolute Ownership	Other
Accommodation	
Number of Rooms  1 Living room 1 Bathroom(s	
Gross Floor Area (excluding garage	es and outbuildings) 116 m² (Internal) m² (External)
Residential Element (greater than 4	0%) X Yes  No
Garage / Parking / Outbuildings	
X Single garage Double gal	rage Parking space No garage / garage space / parking space
Available on site? X Yes	☐ No
Permanent outbuildings:	
None.	

Construction
Walls Brick X Stone Concrete Timber frame Other (specify in General Remarks)  Roof Tile X Slate Asphalt Felt Other (specify in General Remarks)
Special Risks
Has the property suffered structural movement?
If Yes, is this recent or progressive?
Is there evidence, history, or reason to anticipate subsidence, heave, landslip or flood in $\square$ Yes $\boxtimes$ No the immediate vicinity?
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       X       Mains       Private       None       Water       X       Mains       Private       None         Flectricity       X       Mains       Private       None       Gas       X       Mains       Private       None
Electricity       X       Mains       Private       None       Gas       X       Mains       Private       None         Central Heating       X       Yes       Partial       None
Brief description of Central Heating and any non mains services:
Gas-fired combi 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  X Residential within town / city  Mixed residential / commercial  Shared service connections
Commuter village Remote village Isolated rural property Other (specify in General Remarks)
Planning Issues
Has the property been extended / converted / altered?  Yes X No  If Yes provide details in General Remarks.
Roads
Made up road Unmade road Partly completed new road Pedestrian access only X Adopted Unadopted

#### **General Remarks**

The subjects are situated within an established residential area close to Fraserburgh town centre. Other properties in the vicinity are generally of a similar nature and adequate amenities can be found within easy reach.

At the time of inspection the property was found to be in a condition generally consistent with its age and type of construction but some works of maintenance and repair are required. Elements of the property are aging and likely to require attention.

It is understood that timber treatment works may have been carried out within the property by a specialist contractor in the past and, if available, relevant Report and Guarantee documentation in this respect should be obtained, checked and held for future reference purposes.

Notwithstanding this, dampness was detected at localised areas within the property and under these circumstances there is the possibility of rot affecting concealed timbers due to damp absorption. An inspection of the entire property, including exposure work, should be carried out by a reputable timber and damp specialist, prior to purchase, with a view to advising on any repairs or remedial works deemed necessary in this respect. For the purpose of this valuation it is assumed no extensive works of this nature would be required at this time, although this cannot be guaranteed.

Materials which may have an asbestos content were noted within the property. These should not be damaged or disturbed without obtaining further specialist advice.

Other accommodation - Study and Store	eroom.		
Essential Repairs			
None apparent.			
Estimated cost of essential repairs	N/A		
Retention recommended?	Yes X No		
Retention amount			
Comment on Mortgageability  The property forms suitable security for	mortgage purposes subject to the specific lending criteria of any mortgage prov	/ider.	
M 1 4			
Valuation			
Market value in present condition		£	130,000
Market value on completion of es	sential repairs	£	
Insurance reinstatement value		£	600,000
	, site clearance, professional fees, ancillary charges plus VAT)		
Is a reinspection necessary?			Yes X No

#### Declaration

Signed Alan V Kennedy

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Surveyor's name Alan V Kennedy

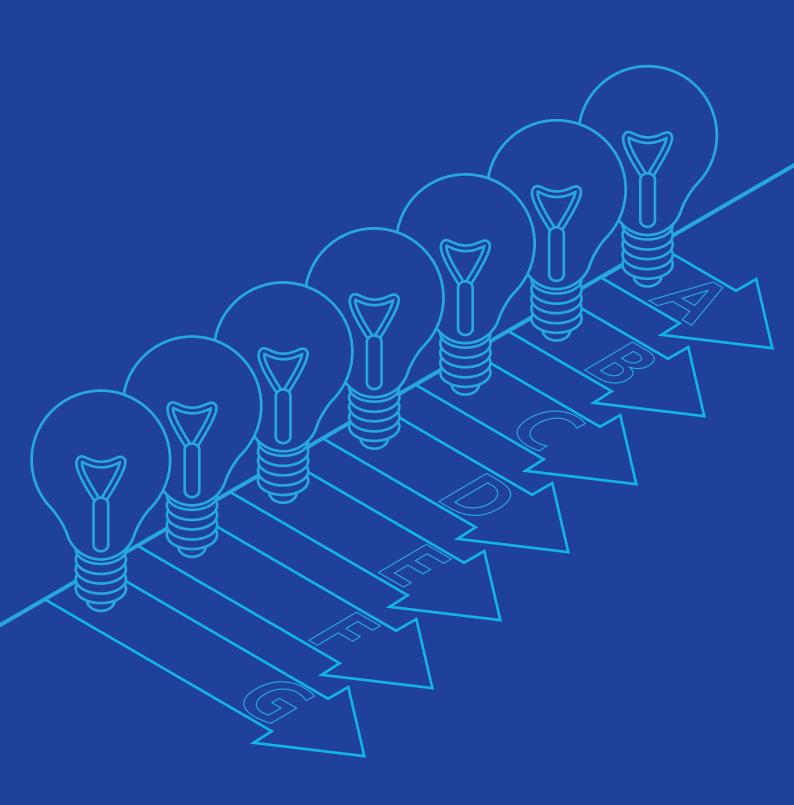
Professional qualifications MRICS

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# **Energy Performance Certificate**



# **Energy Performance Certificate (EPC)**

Dwellings

# **Scotland**

## 58A GRATTAN PLACE, FRASERBURGH, AB43 9SB

**Dwelling type:** Top-floor maisonette

Date of assessment:19 April 2024Date of certificate:19 April 2024Total floor area:130 m²

**Primary Energy Indicator:** 438 kWh/m²/year

**Reference number:** 1714-7324-0200-0671-2292 **Type of assessment:** RdSAP, existing dwelling

**Approved Organisation:** Elmhurst

**Main heating and fuel:** Boiler and radiators, mains

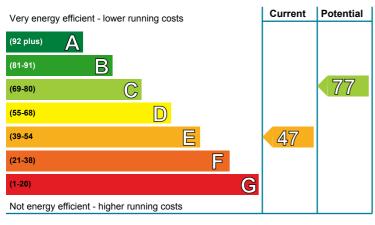
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## You can use this document to:

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

Estimated energy costs for your home for 3 years*	£11,175	See your recommendations
Over 3 years you could save*	£6,462	report for more information

<sup>\*</sup> based upon the cost of energy for heating, hot water, lighting and ventilation, calculated using standard assumptions

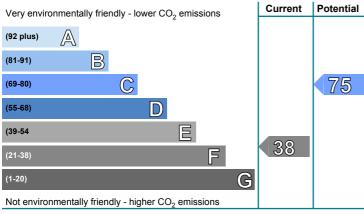


# **Energy Efficiency Rating**

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 E (47)**. The average rating for EPCs in Scotland is **band D (61)**.

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



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

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

Your current rating is **band F (38)**. 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	£948.00
2 Room-in-roof insulation	£1,500 - £2,700	£3789.00
3 Internal or external wall insulation	£4,000 - £14,000	£1728.00

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	Granite or whinstone, as built, no insulation (assumed)	****	***
Roof	Pitched, no insulation Roof room(s), no insulation (assumed)	<ul><li>★☆☆☆☆</li><li>★☆☆☆☆</li></ul>	★☆☆☆☆ ★☆☆☆☆
Floor	(another dwelling below)	_	_
Windows	Fully double glazed	****	<b>★★★</b> ☆
Main heating	Boiler and radiators, mains gas	****	<b>★★★</b> ☆
Main heating controls	Programmer, room thermostat and TRVs	****	<b>★★★</b> ☆
Secondary heating	Room heaters, mains gas	_	_
Hot water	From main system	****	<b>★★★</b> ☆
Lighting	Low energy lighting in all fixed outlets	****	****

# The energy efficiency rating of your home

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

As we all use our homes in different ways, the energy rating is calculated using standard occupancy assumptions which may be different from the way you use it. The rating also uses national weather information to allow comparison between buildings in different parts of Scotland. However, to make information more relevant to your home, local weather data is used to calculate your energy use, CO<sub>2</sub> emissions, running costs and the savings possible from making improvements.

# The impact of your home on the environment

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

The calculated emissions for your home are 77 kg CO<sub>2</sub>/m<sup>2</sup>/yr.

The average Scottish household produces about 6 tonnes of carbon dioxide every year. Based on this assessment, heating and lighting this home currently produces approximately 10 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 6.1 tonnes per year. You could reduce emissions even more by switching to renewable energy sources.

# Estimated energy costs for this home

	Current energy costs	Potential energy costs	Potential future savings
Heating	£10,146 over 3 years	£3,681 over 3 years	
Hot water	£549 over 3 years	£552 over 3 years	You could
Lighting	£480 over 3 years	£480 over 3 years	save £6,462
Totals	£11,175	£4,713	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.

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Recommended measures	Indicative cost	per year	Energy	Environment
1 Increase loft insulation to 270 mm	£100 - £350	£316	E 51	E 42
2 Room-in-roof insulation	£1,500 - £2,700	£1263	C 69	D 63
3 Internal or external wall insulation	£4,000 - £14,000	£576	C 77	C 75

# 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 Room-in-roof insulation

Insulating roof rooms will significantly reduce heat loss; this will improve levels of comfort, reduce energy use and lower fuel bills. If it has a flat ceiling insulation can usually be added above the ceiling, and sloping ceilings and walls of roof rooms can be insulated using an internal lining board. Roof voids must have adequate ventilation to prevent dampness; seek advice about this if unsure. Further information about roof room insulation and details of local contractors can be obtained from the National Insulation Association (www.nationalinsulationassociation.org.uk). Building regulations generally apply to this work so it is best to check this with your local authority building standards department.

## 3 Internal or external wall insulation

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

# Low and zero carbon energy sources

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

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

# Your home's heat demand

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

Heat demand	Existing dwelling	Impact of loft insulation	Impact of cavity wall insulation	Impact of solid wall insulation
Space heating (kWh per year)	28,234	(2,767)	N/A	(3,979)
Water heating (kWh per year)	2,141			

## **Addendum**

Phone number:

This dwelling has stone walls and so requires further investigation to establish whether these walls are of cavity construction and to determine which type of wall insulation is best suited.

## **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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Assessor membership number:

Company name/trading name:

Address:

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

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

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Property address	58a Grattan Place Fraserburgh AB43 9SB
Seller(s)	Mr and Mrs N Matthew
Completion date of property questionnaire	18/04/2024

# **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 proper	rty?	2years 4 months
2.	Council tax		
	Which Council Tax band is your propo	erty in?	С
3.	Parking		
	What are the arrangements for parkir (Please tick all that apply)	ng at your property?	
	Garage	Yes	
	Allocated parking space	No	
	• Driveway	No	
	Shared parking	No	
	On street	Yes	
	Resident permit	No	
	Metered Parking	No	
	Other (please specify):		
4.	Conservation area		
	Is your property in a designated Conspecial architectural or historical into which it is desirable to preserve or en	erest, the character or appea	ea of No arance of

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)?	No
	If you have answered yes, please describe below the changes which you have made:	
	(ii) Did you obtain planning permission, building warrant, completion certificate and other consents for this work?	
	If you have answered yes, the relevant documents will be needed by the purchaser and you should give them to your solicitor as soon as possible for checking.	
	If you do not have the documents yourself, please note below who has these documents and your solicitor or estate agent will arrange to obtain them:	
b.	Have you had replacement windows, doors, patio doors or double glazing installed in your property?	No
	If you have answered yes, please answer the three questions below:	
	(i) Were the replacements the same shape and type as the ones you replaced?	
	(ii) Did this work involve any changes to the window or door openings?	
	(iii) Please describe the changes made to the windows doors, or patio doors approximate dates when the work was completed):	(with
	Please give any guarantees which you received for this work to your solicito agent.	r or estate
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).	
	Gas	

	i) When was your central hea installed?	ting system or partial	central heating system	
	2023			
	(ii) Do you have a maintenand	ce contract for the cer	tral heating system?	Yes
	If you have answered yes, ple you have a maintenance con		e company with which	
	Preferred Managment			
	(iii) When was your maintena (Please provide the month ar		newed?	
	2023			
8.	Energy Performance Certification	ate		
	Does your property have an I than 10 years old?	Energy Performance C	Certificate which is less	No
9.	Issues that may have affected your property			
a.	Has there been any storm, flood, fire or other structural damage to the property while you have owned it?			No
	If you have answered yes, is insurance claim?	the damage the subje	ct of any outstanding	
b.	Are you aware of the existence of asbestos in your property?			No
	If you have answered yes, ple	ease give details:		
10.	Services			
a.	Please tick which services ar supplier:	re connected to your p	roperty and give details o	of the
	Services	Connected	Supplier	
	Gas or liquid petroleum gas	Yes	Octopus	
	Water mains or private water supply	Yes	Scottish Water	
	Electricity	Yes	Octopus	
	Mains drainage	Yes	Local Authority	

	Telephone	Yes	ВТ	
	Cable TV or satellite	Yes	Sky	
	Broadband	Yes	ВТ	
b.	Is there a septic tank system	n at your property?	I I	No
	If you have answered yes, p	lease answer the tw	o questions below:	
	(i) Do you have appropriate tank?	consents for the dis	charge from your septic	
	(ii) Do you have a maintenar	nce contract for you	r septic tank?	
	If have answered yes, detail maintenance contract:	s of the company wi	th which you have a	
11.	Responsibilities for shared or common areas			
a.	Are you aware of any responsed jointly, such as the reboundary, or garden area?	epair of a shared dr		No
	If you have answered yes,	please give details:		
b.	Is there a responsibility to contribute to repair and maintenance of the roof, common stairwell or other common areas?			Yes
	If you have answered yes, please give details:			
	Small porch area needs maint	tained by both lower a	nd upper flat.	
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 wa for example to put out you boundaries?			No
	If you have answered yes,	please give details:		
e.	As far as you are aware, do walk over your property, for maintain their boundaries?	or example to put or		No
	If you have answered yes,	please give details:		

f.	As far as you are aware, is there a public right of way across any part of your property? (public right of way is a way over which the public has a right to pass, whether or not the land is privately-owned.)	No
	If you have answered yes, please give details:	
12.	Charges associated with the property	
a.	Is there a factor or property manager for your property?	No
	If you have answered yes, please provide the name and address, and give details of any deposit held and approximate charges:	
b.	Is there a common buildings insurance policy?	No
	If you have answered yes, is the cost of the insurance included in monthly/annual factor's charges?	
C.	Please give details of any other charges you have to pay on a regular ba upkeep of common areas or repair works, for example to a residents' assor maintenance or stair fund.	
13.	Specialist work	
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
	If you have answered yes, please give details:	
c.	If you have answered yes to 13(a) or (b), do you have any guarantees relating to this work?	
	If you have answered yes, these guarantees will be needed by the purchaser and should be given to your solicitor as soon as possible for checking. If you do not have them yourself please write below who has these documents and your solicitor or estate agent will arrange for them to be obtained. You will also need to provide a description of the work carried out. This may be shown in the original estimate.	
	Guarantees are held by:	
14.	Guarantees	

	(i) Electrical work	No
	(ii) Roofing	No
	(iii) Central heating	Yes
	(iv) National House Building Council (NHBC)	Don't know
	(v) Damp course	No
	(vi) Any other work installations? (for example, cavity wall installation, underpinning, indemnity policy)	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? If you have answered yes, please give details:	No
15.	Boundaries	
	So far as you are aware, has any boundary of your property been moved in thelast 10 years?	No
	If you have answered yes, please give details:	
16.	Notices that affect your property	
	In the past three years have you ever received a notice:	
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 a-c above, please give the notices to your solicitor or estate agent, including any notices which arrive at any time before the date of entry of the purchaser of your property.	

Declaration by the seller(s)/or other authorised body or person(s)

I/We confirm that the information in this form is true and correct to the best of my/our knowledge and belief

Name(s): Mr Nathan and Mrs Laura Matthew

Date: 18/04/2024

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Mortgage & Re-Mortgage Valuation Home & Flat Buyer Report

Energy Performance Certificate (EPC)

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Capital Gains Tax Valuation

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**Rental Valuation** 

**Expert Witness Report** 

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