



Single Survey

Torbea
Gruids
Lairg
IV27 4EF





survey report on:

Customer	Mr & Mrs Miller
Customer Address	
Date of Inspection	22 nd August 2024
Prepared by	Keith J Bowman BSc MRICS Registered Valuer





SINGLE SURVEY TERMS AND CONDITIONS (WITH MVR)

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 onto Lender specific proforma. 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, inspected 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. 1

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

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

1.2 THE REPORT

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

The Report will identify the nature and source of information relied upon in its preparation.

The Surveyor shall provide a Market Value of the Property, unless the condition of the Property is such that it would be inappropriate to do so. A final decision on whether a loan will be granted rests with the Lender who may impose retentions in line with their lending criteria. The date of condition and value of the property will be the date of inspection.

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

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

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

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

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





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) 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 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 with the Report and the generic Mortgage Valuation Report².

1.6 INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

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

1.7 PAYMENT

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

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





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 arms-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 the 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.

- 2.3.1 <u>Category 3:</u> Urgent repairs or replacement are needed now. Failure to deal with them may cause problems to other parts of the Property or cause a safety hazard. Estimates for repairs or replacement are needed now.
- 2.3.2 <u>Category 2:</u> Repairs or replacement requiring future attention, but estimates are still advised.
- 2.3.3 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 of both the market value of the property and the reinstatement 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 arms-length transaction after proper marketing wherein the parties had each acted knowledgeably, prudently and without compulsion. In arriving at the opinion of Market Value the Surveyor can also make 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 assumptions or any found not to apply are reported.

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

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





1. INFORMATION AND SCOPE OF INSPECTION

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

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

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

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

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Conservatories/porches	Visually inspected.
	Two large conservatories provided of double glazed UPVC design with double glazed roof coverings. Conservatory to the frontage has lower walls of timber frame construction with block outer leaf finished with painted render finishes. The rear conservatory has feature brickwork to lower base course areas and is also of double glazed design with double glazed UPVC roof.
Communal areas	Circulation areas visually inspected.
	None.
Garages and permanent outbuildings	Visually inspected.
•	An attached block built garage in keeping with the main property is accessed to the side of the property. The garage door is currently partially panelled with timber pass doors.
Outside areas and boundaries	Visually inspected.
	Areas of garden ground are provided to the front, side and rear, largely bounded by post and wire fencing and gravel drive.
Ceilings	Visually inspected from floor level.
	Of plaster and plasterboard design.
Internal walls	Visually inspected from floor level. Using a moisture meter, walls were randomly tested for dampness where considered appropriate.
	Of plaster and plasterboard design with some areas of timber cladding.
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 safe and
	reasonable to do so and subject to a minimum clearance of 1m between the floor joists and the solum as determined from the access hatch.
	Flooring appears to be of suspended timber and concrete construction.
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 joinery is consistent with a property of this age and style. The kitchen is provided with fitted units and work surfaces. These appear original to the property's construction.
Chimney breasts and fireplaces	Visually inspected. No testing of the flues or fittings was carried out.
перасеѕ	A recessed multi fuel stove is provided in the main living room with freestanding stove with stainless steel liner within the sitting room.
Internal decorations	Visually inspected.
	Comprise of paint and wallpaper finishes to walls and ceilings along with varnish and stain finishes to joinery.
Cellars	Visually inspected where there was safe and purpose-built access.
	N/A
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 report this in the Report and will not turn them on.
	Mains supply. Electrical switch gear and meter located within the hallway cupboard along with various inverters for PV panels to the roof coverings.





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 report this in the report and will not turn them on. N/A
Water, plumbing and 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.
	Mains supply. The plumbing installation appears of PVC and copper pipework. Bathroom and shower room fittings are of a mixed pattern and white in colour.
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.
	Heating is by way of an oil fired boiler located within the garage area. This supplies water filled radiators and we assume this also supplies the hot water cylinder within the hallway cupboard area. It would appear the system is supplemented by the solar power system. Full details of that should be acquired to your satisfaction.
Drainage	Drainage covers etc were not lifted. Neither drains nor drainage systems were tested.
	Connected we assume to the private septic tank system.
Fire, smoke and burglar alarms	Visually inspected. No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances.
	Various smoke and heat detection noted.
	Fire Safety legislation effective from February 2022 requires a smoke alarm to be installed in the room most frequently used for living purposes and in every circulation space on each floor. A heat detecting alarm must be installed in every kitchen area and all smoke and heat alarms must be ceiling mounted and interlinked. Where there is a carbon-fuelled appliance, e.g. central heating boiler, open fire, wood burning stove, etc. a carbon monoxide detector is also required. The purchaser(s) should appraise themselves of the requirements of this legislation and engage with appropriately accredited contractors to ensure compliance.

Any additional limits to inspection

Access throughout the property was restricted due to floor coverings. Stored items (particularly in cupboards) have not been moved. No access was gained to any sub floor areas. Roof space inspection was limited to head and shoulders.

All properties built prior to the year 2000 may contain asbestos in one or more of its components or fittings. It is impossible to identify without a test. It is beyond the scope of this inspection to test for asbestos and future occupants should be advised that if they have any concerns then they should ask a specialist to undertake an appropriate test.

We have not made checks to ascertain whether the property lies within a Radon area. Further advice could be sought from UK Radon.

We have not been able to ascertain whether safety glass has been installed to glazing where required.

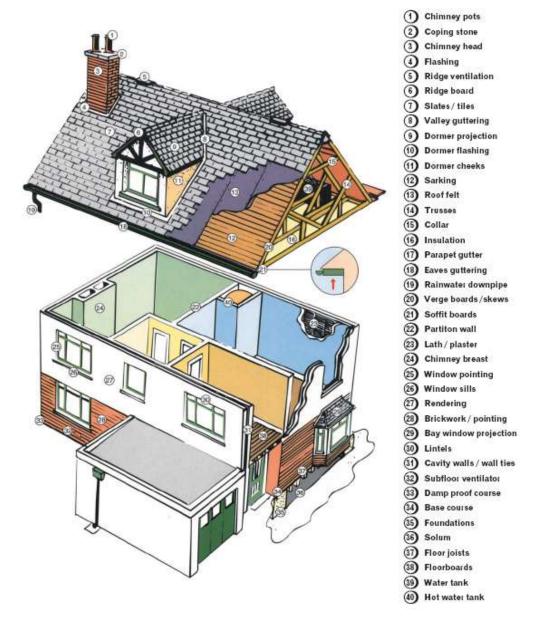
No checks have been made with regard to flood risk.

We have not carried out an inspection for Japanese Knotweed or other invasive plant species and unless otherwise stated for the purposes of this report we have assumed that there is no Japanese Knotweed or other invasive plant species within the boundaries of the property or in neighbouring properties. The identification of Japanese Knotweed or other invasive plant species should be made 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.





2. CONDITION

This section identifies problems and tells you about the urgency of any repairs by using one of the following 3 categories.

Category 3	Category 2	Category 1
Urgent repairs or replacement are needed now. Failure to deal with them may cause problems to other parts of the property or cause a safety hazard. Estimates for repairs or replacements 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	At the time of our inspection there was no evidence of significant structural movement noted to affect the property within the limits of this single inspection.	



Dampness, rot and infestation

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Repair Category	1	
Notes	No significant damp, rot or infestation was noted. Some evidence of mouse infestation was noted within the loft space area. We understand some pest control treatments have been carried out and will continue to require ongoing attention and checks.	
	Some localised damp staining apparent to the rear conservatory. This has had remedial works and appears to be drying out successfully.	



Chimney stacks

Repair Category	2	
Notes	Chimney stacks show signs of normal weathering. We note the cap to the stainless steel flue liner is missing.	



Roofing including roof space

Repair Category	1
Notes	Roof coverings show signs of normal weathering with a degree of moss and debris build-up noted. Some unevenness to sections of roof coverings was also noted. We assume the solar/PV panel system has been installed in line with the relevant standards and guidelines of the manufacturer.

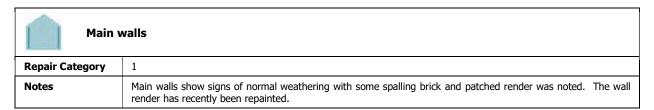


Rainwater fittings

Repair Category 1	
Notes Rainwater goods show signs of weathering and discolouration in part.	
	It should be noted that a full assessment of the rainwater fittings can only be made during heavy rainfall.







Windows, external doors and joinery	
Repair Category	2
Notes	Windows and doors are of mixed eras. One or two double glazed units have misted and failed. Further attention will be necessary as appropriate. We assume all replacement windows and doors have been installed in line with the relevant standards and guidance of the manufacturer.
	We would point out that we have not tested all windows and doors.

External decorations	
Repair Category	1
Notes	External decoration have recently been redecorated and will require ongoing attention in future.

Conservatories/porches	
Repair Category	1
Notes	We note repairs have been carried out to the past leakage to the rear conservatory. These appear to have been successful though ongoing attention should be made of the drainage arrangements.

Communal areas	
Repair Category	N/A
Notes	

Garages and permanent outbuildings	
Repair Category	2
Notes	The garage shows signs of wear and tear. The garage door has been partially panelled over in the recent past. Ad hoc heaters and radiators have been installed. It was also noted that the fire door has been removed to the garage separating it from the house. This should be replaced in the interests of fire safety.







Outside areas and boundaries

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Repair Category	2
Notes	Outside areas require ongoing attention and maintenance. Mature trees were noted to be within influencing distance and will require to be monitored and cut back as appropriate. Some ground levels are high in relation to finished floor levels internally.



Ceilings

Repair Category	2
Notes	Some sections of ceiling are showing signs of condensation staining and will require further attention as appropriate.



Internal walls

Repair Category	2
Notes	Walls show signs of wear and tear with condensation and localised damage noted.



Floors including sub-floors

Repair Category	2
Notes	Some sections of flooring were noted to be loose and sprung and will require further checks and remedial works to resecure as appropriate.
	It is not unusual to discover areas of past water spillage when floor coverings are removed in kitchen and bathroom compartments, revealing the need for further repair and maintenance work.



Internal joinery and kitchen fittings

Repair Category	2
Notes	Internal joinery and kitchen fittings show signs of wear and tear consistent with age. Further updating could be considered as appropriate.

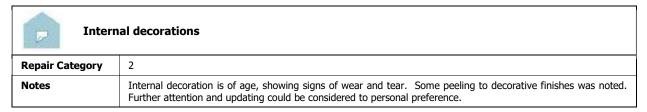


Chimney breasts and fireplaces

Repair Category	1
Notes	We assume the multi-fuel stoves have been installed in line with the relevant standards and guidelines of the manufacturer. The stove within the sitting room is mis-angled and the main fireplace is of bare concrete block finishes. The cap to the chimney is also missing. Prior to reuse, flues and appliances should be check and swept.







Cellar	s
Repair Category	N/A
Notes	



Electricity

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Repair Category	1	
Notes	The electrical system appears of standard pattern with further more recent upgrading to the main switch gear noted. No recent testing was apparent. We assume that the PV system has been installed in line with the relevant standards and guidelines of the manufacturer and any test certification will be made available as appropriate.	
	The Institution of Engineering and Technology recommends that inspection and testing is undertaken at least every 10 years and on change of occupancy. It should be appreciated that only the most recently constructed or rewired properties will have installations which fully comply with present IET regulations.	

Gas	
Repair Category	N/A
Notes	

Water, plumbing and bathroom fittings						
Repair Category 1						
Notes	Bathroom fittings are of mixed eras, showing signs of wear and tear. Further updating could be considered to personal preference in future.					
	Ongoing checks should be made to plumbing fitments and sealants. Failure of seals can result in dampness and decay to adjoining/underlying areas.					

Heating and hot water					
Repair Category	1				
Notes	We assume service records can be made available as appropriate. We assume the heating and hot water appliances have been installed and maintained in line with the manufacturer's guidelines.				







Drainage

Repair Category	1
Notes	We assume the septic tank has been registered with SEPA and meets their requirements.





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

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

Repair Categories

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 replacements 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

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

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

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





4. VALUATION AND CONVEYANCER ISSUES

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

Matters for a solicitor or licensed conveyancer

We assume a clear Property Enquiry Certificate shall be provided in due course and that the property has a clear Title. We further assume that any necessary statutory consents for the property in its current state are in place. If any works did require consent, then it has been assumed they meet the standards required by the Building Regulations or are exempt.

The Solicitor must also ensure that any prospective purchaser fully understands the nature, criteria and basis of a Home Report and in particular what a Home Report is and what it is not (an exhaustive Condition Report) and this should be done before any prospective purchaser makes an offer for this property based on the content of this report. If the Solicitor or purchaser requires any clarification in relation to this, they must contact the surveyor or familiarise themselves with the nature and criteria of this type of report.

It should be checked/confirmed that the tenure is absolute ownership and that there are no unduly onerous conditions or restrictive servitudes contained in the Title.

Advice should be sought with regard to the exact extent of ground pertaining to the subjects.

Where defects or repairs have been identified within this Home Report, regardless of whether reported as category 1, 2 or 3 (please read category definitions), it is always best practice to obtain detailed competitive estimates from reputable contractors or specialists prior to entering into any legally binding contract.

Further checks as to any feed in tariff for the PV panels should be made to purchaser's satisfaction.

This is a replacement of a previous Home Report. The original inspection was 8th May 2024.

Estimated re-instatement cost for insurance purposes

£380,000

This figure is an opinion of an appropriate sum for which the property and garage should be insured against total destruction on a reinstatement basis assuming reconstruction of the property in its existing design and materials. Furnishings and fittings have not been included. No allowance has been included for inflation during the insurance period or during reconstruction and no allowance has been made for VAT, other than on professional fees. Further discussion with your insurers is advised. The figure should be reviewed annually and in the light of any future alterations or additions.

Valuation and market comments

The market value of the property as described in this report is £295,000 (Two Hundred and Ninety Five Thousand Pounds).

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

The property is of a type for which there tends to be a reasonable demand.

Following buoyant market conditions over a prolonged period through the COVID19 pandemic there are now indications of a return to a more balanced level of supply and demand.

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Date of report:	27 th August 2024



Mortgage Valuation Report



Property Address: Seller's Name(s): Date of Inspection:	Torbea, Gr Mr & Mrs M 22 nd Augus	liller	IV27 4EF				Re	ef No: 2	3799		
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	Maisonette		End Ter	race [No of flo	ors in blo	ock			
	Other*		*Specify Comme	under Ge nts	eneral		No o	f Flats ir	block		
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Mortgage Valuation Report



Planning issues Has the property been extended / converted / altered? If yes, please comment in General Remarks	Ye	s 🏻	No 🗆	
v - 11				
General Remarks The subjects comprise a large detached bungalow set in the rural countryside of Gruids, a short property benefits from open views to the surrounding countryside. The property has undergone in the past to provide both side extension and conservatories to the front and rear. We assume as appropriate at the time.	various altera	tions and	extension wor	'ks
Further checks as to any feed in tariff for the PV panels should be made to purchaser's satisfaction	on.			
The property is in average condition for one of its age and type though requiring some degree of works throughout.	f modernisatio	n and hon	ne improveme	ent
Essential Repairs				
None.				
Estimated cost of essential repairs £ Retention recommended Yes	No 🗌	Amo	unt £	
Comment on Mortgageability				
The subjects provide adequate security for normal mortgage loan terms.				
Valuations (Assuming Vacant Possession)				
Market value in present condition	£ 295,000			
Market value on completion of essential repairs	£			
Insurance Reinstatement value	£380,000			
(to include the cost of total rebuilding, site clearance, professional fees, ancillary charges plus VAT)	_			
Is a Reinspection necessary?	Yes 🗌	No	\boxtimes	





Energy Report



Energy Performance Certificate (EPC)

Dwellings

Scotland

TORBEA, GRUIDS, LAIRG, IV27 4EF

Dwelling type: Detached bungalow **Date of assessment:** 08 May 2024

Date of certificate: 08 May 2024

Total floor area: 235 m²

Primary Energy Indicator: 167 kWh/m²/year

Reference number: 0280-1015-8205-9484-8204 **Type of assessment:** RdSAP, existing dwelling

Approved Organisation: Elmhurst

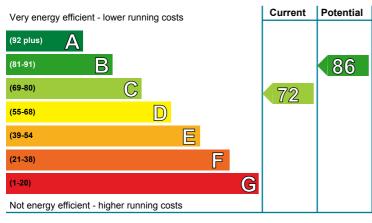
Main heating and fuel: Boiler and radiators, oil

You can use this document to:

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

Estimated energy costs for your home for 3 years*	£9,420	See your recommendations	
Over 3 years you could save*	£951	report for more information	

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

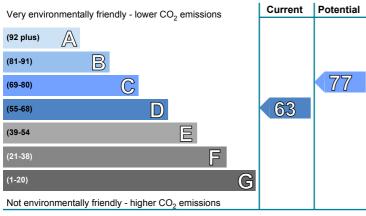


Energy Efficiency Rating

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 C (72)**. 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 (63)**. The average rating for EPCs in Scotland is **band D (59)**.

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

Top actions you can take to save money and make your home more efficient

Recommended measures	Indicative cost	Typical savings over 3 years
1 Floor insulation (suspended floor)	£800 - £1,200	£531.00
2 Heating controls (room thermostat)	£350 - £450	£417.00
3 Wind turbine	£15,000 - £25,000	£3333.00

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

To find out more about the recommended measures and other actions you could take today to stop wasting energy and money, visit greenerscotland.org or contact Home Energy Scotland on 0808 808 2282.

THIS PAGE IS THE ENERGY PERFORMANCE CERTIFICATE WHICH MUST BE AFFIXED TO THE DWELLING AND NOT BE REMOVED UNLESS IT IS REPLACED WITH AN UPDATED CERTIFICATE

Summary of the energy performance related features of this home

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

Element	Description	Energy Efficiency	Environmental
Walls	Timber frame, as built, insulated (assumed)	★★★★☆	★★★ ☆
Roof	oof Pitched, 200 mm loft insulation Pitched, 250 mm loft insulation		★★★★☆ ★★★★☆
Floor	Suspended, limited insulation (assumed) Suspended, insulated (assumed)	_ _	_ _
Windows	Fully double glazed	★★★★☆	★★★★ ☆
Main heating	Main heating Boiler and radiators, oil		★★★★ ☆
Main heating controls	Programmer, TRVs and bypass	★★★☆☆	★★★☆☆
Secondary heating	Room heaters, dual fuel (mineral and wood)	_	_
Hot water	From main system, plus solar	★★★★☆	★★★★ ☆
Lighting	Low energy lighting in 95% 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 46 kg CO₂/m²/yr.

The average Scottish household produces about 6 tonnes of carbon dioxide every year. Based on this assessment, heating and lighting this home currently produces approximately 11 tonnes of carbon dioxide every year. Adopting recommendations in this report can reduce emissions and protect the environment. If you were to install all of these recommendations this could reduce emissions by 3.3 tonnes per year. You could reduce emissions even more by switching to renewable energy sources.

Estimated energy costs for this home

		Current energy costs	Potential energy costs	Potential future savings
Heating		£8,334 over 3 years	£7,407 over 3 years	
Hot water		£465 over 3 years	£441 over 3 years	You could
Lighting		£621 over 3 years	£621 over 3 years	save £951
	Totals	£9,420	£8,469	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.

December ded massages	Indicative cost	Typical saving	Rating after improvement		
Recommended measures	Indicative cost	per year	Energy	Environment	
1 Floor insulation (suspended floor)	£800 - £1,200	£177	C 74	D 66	
2 Upgrade heating controls	£350 - £450	£139	C 76	D 68	
3 Wind turbine	£15,000 - £25,000	£1111	B 86	C 77	

Choosing the right improvement package



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

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

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

1 Floor insulation (suspended floor)

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

2 Heating controls (room thermostat)

The heating system should have a room thermostat to enable the boiler to switch off when no heat is required. A competent heating engineer should be asked to do this work. Insist that the thermostat switches off the boiler as well as the pump and that the thermostatic radiator valve is removed from any radiator in the same room as the thermostat. Building regulations generally apply to this work and a building warrant may be required, so it is best to check with your local authority building standards department and seek advice from a qualified heating engineer.

3 Wind turbine

A wind turbine provides electricity from wind energy. This electricity is used throughout the home in the same way as the electricity purchased from an energy supplier. Wind turbines are not suitable for all properties. The system's effectiveness depends on local wind speeds and the presence of nearby obstructions, and a site survey should be undertaken by an accredited installer. Planning permission might be required and 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. 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 a wind turbine, 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:

- Solar water heating
- Solar photovoltaics

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)	31,445	N/A	N/A	N/A
Water heating (kWh per year)	2,925			

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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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.

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Seller(s) Mr And Mrs David Miller Property Address Torbea, Gruids Lairg IV27 4EF

Note for sellers

- 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.

Q1: Length of Ownership					
How long have you owned the property?					
Q2: Council Tax					
Which council tax band is	your property in?(Please Select)		Е		
Q3: Parking					
Garage	✓	Allocated Parking Space	×		
Driveway	✓	Shared Parking	×		
On Street	×	Resident Permit	*		
Metered Parking	*				
Other (Please Specify)					
Q4: Conservation Area					
Is your property in a designated Conservation Area (that is an area of special architectural or historical interest, the character or appearance of which it is desirable to preserve or enhance)?					
Q5: Listed Building					
, , ,	Building or contained within one(that is a cial architectural or historical interest)	a building recognised and	No		

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Q6: Alterations/Additions/Extensions

a(i)	
During your time in the property, have you carried out a structural alteration, additions or extensions(for example, provision of an extra bath\shower room, toilet, or bedroom)?	No
Please describe the changes you made	N/A
a(ii)	
Did you obtain planning permission, building warrant, completion certificate and other consents for this work?	No
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:	N/A
b(i)	
Have you had replacement windows, doors, patio doors or double glazing installed in your property?	No
b(ii)	
Were the replacements the same shape and type as the ones your replaced?	N/A
b(iii)	
Did the work involve any changes to the window or door openings?	N/A
b(iiii)	
Please describe the changes made to the windows doors, or patio doors (with approximate dates when the work was completed)	N/A

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

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Please give Details?

Q7: Central Heating	
a(i)	
Is there a central heating system in your property?	Yes
(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 bathroom).	
a(ii)	
What kind of central heating is there? (Example: gas-fired, solid fuel, electric storage heating, gas warm air).	Oil-fired
a(iii)	
When was your central heating system system or partial heating system installed?	Unknown
a(iiii)	
Do you have a maintenance contract for the central heating system?	No
Please give details of the company with which you have a maintenance contract?	N/A
a(iiiii)	
When was your maintenance agreement last renewed? please provide month and year	N/A
Q8: Energy Performance Certificate	
Does your property have an Energy Performance Certificate which is less than 10 years old?	Yes
Q9: Issues that may have affected your property	
a(i)	
Has there been any storm, flood, fire or other structural damage to your property while you have owned it?	No
is the damage the subject of any outstanding insurance claim?	N/A
b(i)	
Are you aware of the existence of asbestos in your property	No

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N/A

Q10: Services

a(i)

Please tick which services are connected to your property and give details of the supplier

	Connected	Supplier
Gas or Liquid Petroleum	×	N/A
Water mains or private water supply	✓	Included in Council Tax
Electricity	✓	TBC
Mains Drainage	×	N/A
Telephone	✓	Was BT
Cable TV or Satellite	*	N/A
BroadBand	*	N/A
b(i)		
Is there a septic tank at the property?		Yes
b(ii)		
Do you have appropriate consents for the discharge from your s	eptic tank?	Yes
b(iii)		
Do you have a maintenance contract for your septic tank?		No
Please give Details?		N/A

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Q11: Responsibilities for shared OR Common Areas

Please give details?

QTT. Responsibilities for shared OK Common Areas	
a(i)	
Are you aware of any responsibility to contribute to the cost of anything used jointly, such as the repair of a shared drive, private road, boundary, or garden area?	No
Please give details?	N/A
b(i)	
Is there a responsibility to contribute to repair and maintenance of the roof, common stairwell or other common areas?	No
Please give details?	N/A
c(i)	
Has there been any major repair or replacement of any part of the roof during the time you have owned the property?	No
d(i)	
Do you have the right to walk over any of your neighbours' property - for example to put out your rubbish bin or to maintain your boundaries?	No
Please give details?	N/A
e(i)	
As far as you are aware, do any of your neighbours have the right to walk over your property, for example to put out their rubbish bin or to maintain their boundary?	No
Please give details?	N/A
f(i)	
As far as you are aware, is there a public right of way across your any part of your property? (public right of way is a way over which the public las a right to pass, whether or not the land is privatly owned).	No

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N/A

Q12: Charges associated with your property	
a(i)	
Is there a factor or property manager for your property?	No
Please provide the name and address, and give details of any deposits held and approximate charges:	N/A
b(i)	
Is there a common buildings insurance policy?	No
Is the cost of insurance included in your monthly/annual factor's charges?	N/A
c(i)	
Please give details of any other charges you have to pay on a regular basis for the upkeep of common areas or repair works, for example to a residents' association, or maintenance or stair fund.	N/A
Q13: Specialist Works	
a(i)	
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
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.	N/A
b(i)	
As far as you are aware has any preventative work for dry rot, wet rot, or damp ever been carried out on your property?	No
Please give details:	N/A
c(i)	
Do you have guarantees relating to this work?	N/A
If you have answered yes, these guarantees will be needed by the purchaser and should be given to possible for checking. If you do not have them yourself please write below who has these documen agent will arrange for them to be obtained. You will also need to provide a description of the work coshown in the original estimate.	ts and your solicitor or estate
Guarantees are held by:	N/A

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Q14: Guarantees					
a					
Are there any guarantees	Are there any guarantees or warranties for any of the following:				
Electric Work	No	Roofing		No	
Central Heating	No	National House Building	Council (NHBC)	No	
Damp Course	No	Any other work or installa	ations?	No	
b					
Please give any details of	the work or	installations to which the g	uarantee(s) relate(s)	N/A	
С					
Are there any outstanding	claims und	er any of the guarantees lis	ted above?	No	
Please give details:				N/A	
Q15: Boundaries					
As far as you are aware, h	as any bou	ndary of your property beer	n moved in the last 10 Years?	Yes	
please give any details.				Section of fencing moved to align with title and crofting records.	
Q16: Notices that affect yo	ur property				
In the past three years have	e you ever	received a notice:			
a(i)					
Advising that the owner of	a neighbou	ring property has made a p	lanning application?	No	
b(i)					
That affects your property	in some oth	ner way?		No	
c(i)					
That requires you to do an	y maintena	nce, repairs or improvemer	its to your property?	No	
			es to your solicitor or estate late of entry of the purchaser of		
Declaration					
Declaration by the seller(s) correct to the best of my/or			s) I/We confirm that the information	n in this form is true and	
Agreed	\checkmark	Signature(s)	David and Frances Miller		

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