# **HOME REPORT**

# **MILL HOUSE BRODIE**

**FORRES IV36 2TD** 





# ENERGY PERFORMANCE CERTIFICATE



# **Energy Performance Certificate (EPC)**

**Dwellings** 

**Scotland** 

# MILL HOUSE, BRODIE, FORRES, IV36 2TD

**Dwelling type: Detached house** Date of assessment: 08 June 2018 Date of certificate: 12 June 2018 **Total floor area:** 182 m<sup>2</sup>

**Primary Energy Indicator:** 322 kWh/m<sup>2</sup>/year

Reference number: 2718-2126-1100-0638-5906 RdSAP, existing dwelling Type of assessment:

Approved Organisation: **Elmhurst** 

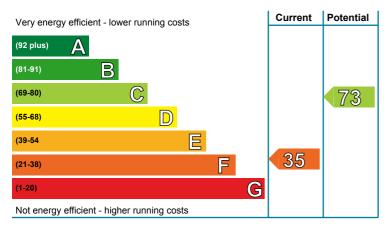
Main heating and fuel: Boiler and radiators, oil

#### 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 CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by improving your home

Estimated energy costs for your home for 3 years*	£6,438	See your recommendations
Over 3 years you could save*	£3,195	report for more information

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

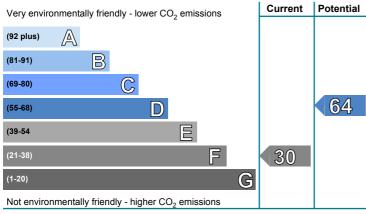


# **Energy Efficiency Rating**

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 F (35). 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<sub>2</sub>) emissions. The higher the rating, the less impact it has on the environment.

Your current rating is **band F (30)**. 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	Available with Green Deal
1 Room-in-roof insulation	£1,500 - £2,700	£1107.00	<b>②</b>
2 Cavity wall insulation	£500 - £1,500	£111.00	Ø
3 Internal or external wall insulation	£4,000 - £14,000	£540.00	<b>②</b>

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



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

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	Sandstone or limestone, as built, no insulation (assumed)	***	***
	Cavity wall, as built, no insulation (assumed)	***	***
Roof	Pitched, 200 mm loft insulation	****	***
	Roof room(s), ceiling insulated	***	<b>★★☆☆☆</b>
Floor	Suspended, no insulation (assumed)	_	_
	Solid, no insulation (assumed)	_	_
Windows	Some double glazing	***	***
Main heating	Boiler and radiators, oil	<b>★★★☆☆</b>	<b>★★★☆☆</b>
Main heating controls	Programmer, room thermostat and TRVs	****	<b>★★★★☆</b>
Secondary heating	Room heaters, dual fuel (mineral and wood)	_	_
Hot water	From main system	***	***
Lighting	Low energy lighting in 20% of fixed outlets	***	$\star\star$

# 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 82 kg  $CO_2/m^2/yr$ .

The average Scottish household produces about 6 tonnes of carbon dioxide every year. Based on this assessment, heating and lighting this home currently produces approximately 15 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 8.5 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	£5,535 over 3 years	£2,748 over 3 years	
Hot water	£405 over 3 years	£213 over 3 years	You could
Lighting	£498 over 3 years	£282 over 3 years	save £3,195
Totals	£6,438	£3,243	over 3 years

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

# **Recommendations for improvement**

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

Recommended measures		Indicative cost	Typical saving	Rating after improvement		Green
Rec	commended measures	indicative cost	per year	Energy	Environment	Deal
1	Room-in-roof insulation	£1,500 - £2,700	£369	E 44	F 38	
2	Cavity wall insulation	£500 - £1,500	£37	E 46	E 39	
3	Internal or external wall insulation	£4,000 - £14,000	£180	E 51	E 43	
4	Floor insulation (suspended floor)	£800 - £1,200	£120	D 55	E 47	
5	Floor insulation (solid floor)	£4,000 - £6,000	£44	D 57	E 48	
6	Draughtproofing	£80 - £120	£37	D 58	E 50	
7	Low energy lighting for all fixed outlets	£80	£62	D 59	E 50	
8	Replace boiler with new condensing boiler	£2,200 - £3,000	£69	D 62	E 53	
9	Solar water heating	£4,000 - £6,000	£37	D 63	D 55	
10	Replace single glazed windows with low-E double glazed windows	£3,300 - £6,500	£110	D 67	D 59	
11	Solar photovoltaic panels, 2.5 kWp	£5,000 - £8,000	£265	C 73	D 64	

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

# **Alternative measures**

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

External insulation with cavity wall insulation

# Choosing the right improvement package



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

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

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

# 1 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.

# 2 Cavity wall insulation

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

#### 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.

# 4 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.

# 5 Floor insulation (solid floor)

Insulation of a floor will significantly reduce heat loss; this will improve levels of comfort, reduce energy use and lower fuel bills. Insulating solid floors can present challenges; insulation laid on top of existing solid floors may impact on existing doors and finishes whilst lifting of a solid floor to insert insulation below will require consideration of the potential effect on both structural stability and damp proofing. It is advised to seek advice from a Chartered Structural Engineer or a registered Architect 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 and may also require a building warrant so it is best to check with your local authority building standards department.

#### 6 Draughtproofing

Fitting draughtproofing, strips of insulation around windows and doors, will improve the comfort in the home. A contractor can be employed but draughtproofing can be installed by a competent DIY enthusiast.

# 7 Low energy lighting

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

# 8 Condensing boiler

A condensing boiler is capable of much higher efficiencies than other types of boiler, meaning it will burn less fuel to heat this property. This improvement is most appropriate when the existing central heating boiler needs repair or replacement, however there may be exceptional circumstances making this impractical. Condensing boilers need a drain for the condensate which limits their location; remember this when considering remodelling the room containing the existing boiler even if the latter is to be retained for the time being (for example a kitchen makeover). Building regulations generally apply to this work and a building warrant may be required, so it is best to check with your local authority building standards department and seek advice from a qualified heating engineer.

#### 9 Solar water heating

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

# 10 Double glazed windows

Double glazing is the term given to a system where two panes of glass are made up into a sealed unit. Replacing existing single-glazed windows with double-glazed windows will improve comfort in the home by reducing draughts and cold spots near windows. Double-glazed windows may also reduce noise, improve security and combat problems with condensation. Building regulations apply to this work and planning permission may also be required, so it is best to check with your local authority on what standards need to be met. A building warrant is not required if the windows comply with the current requirements.

# 11 Solar photovoltaic (PV) panels

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

# Low and zero carbon energy sources

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

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

# Your home's heat demand

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

Heat demand	Existing dwelling	Impact of loft insulation	Impact of cavity wall insulation	Impact of solid wall insulation
Space heating (kWh per year)	34,385	N/A	(664)	(3,143)
Water heating (kWh per year)	2,991			_

# **Addendum**

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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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.

# Opportunity to benefit from a Green Deal on this property

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

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

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

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

Authorised home energy assessment

Finance at no upfront cost

Choose from authorised installers May be paid from savings in energy bills

Repayments stay with the electricity bill payer

# SINGLE **SURVEY**





# survey report on:

Property address	MILL HOUSE BRODIE FORRES IV36 2TD
Customer	MR CLIVE HAMILTON & MRS KAREN HAMILTON
Customer address	HUNTLAW MANOR VALLEY PEEBLES EH45 9JN
Prepared by	DM Hall LLP
Date of inspection	8th June 2018



# PART 1 - GENERAL

# 1.1 THE SURVEYORS

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

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

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

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

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

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



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

# 1.2 THE REPORT

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

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

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

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

<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 and any expressions or assessments in it are not intended as advice to the Seller or Purchaser or any other person in relation to an asking price or any other sales or marketing decisions. The Report is based solely on the Property and is not to be relied upon in any manner whatsoever when considering the valuation or condition of any other property.

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

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

# 1.3 LIABILITY

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

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

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

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

# 1.4 GENERIC MORTGAGE VALUATION REPORT

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

# 1.5 TRANSCRIPT MORTGAGE VALUATION FOR LENDING PURPOSES

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

<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

# 1.6 INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

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

# 1.7 PAYMENT

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

# 1.8 CANCELLATION

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

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

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

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

#### 1.9 PRECEDENCE

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

# 1.10 DEFINITIONS

- the "Lender" is the party who has provided or intends or proposes to provide financial assistance to the Purchaser towards the purchase of the Property and in whose favour a standard security will be granted over the Property;
- the "Transcript Mortgage Valuation Report for Lending Purposes" means a separate report, prepared by the Surveyor, prepared from information in the Report and the generic Mortgage Valuation Report, but in a style and format required by the Lender. The Transcript Mortgage Valuation Report for Lending Purposes will be prepared with the skill and care reasonably to be expected from a surveyor who is a member of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors and who is competent to survey, value and report on the Property;
- the "Generic Mortgage Valuation Report" means a separate report, prepared by the Surveyor from information in the Report but in the Surveyor's own format;

- the "Market Value" is the estimated amount for which a property should exchange on the date of valuation between a willing buyer and a willing seller in an arm's-length transaction after proper marketing wherein the parties had each acted knowledgeably, prudently and without compulsion;
- the "Property" is the property which forms the subject of the Report;
- the "Purchaser" is the person (or persons) who enters into a contract to buy the Property from the Seller:
- a "prospective Purchaser" is anyone considering buying the Property;
- the "Report" is the report, of the kind described in Part 2 of these Terms and Conditions and in the form set out in part 1 of Schedule 1 of the Housing (Scotland) Act 2006 (Prescribed Documents) Regulations 2008;
- the "Seller" is/are the proprietor(s) of the Property;
- the "Surveyor" is the author of the Report on the Property; and
- 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.

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

#### **WARNING:**

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

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

# 2.4 SERVICES

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

# 2.5 ACCESSIBILITY

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

# 2.6 ENERGY REPORT

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

# 2.7 VALUATION AND CONVEYANCER ISSUES

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

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

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

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

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

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

# 1. Information and scope of inspection

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

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

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

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

Description	Two storey detached house with rear extension.
Accommodation	GROUND FLOOR: - Entrance vestibule and hall, lounge/bedroom 4, lounge/dining room, breakfast room, family room/bedroom 5, study, kitchen, utility/w.c. shower room.
	FIRST FLOOR: - 3 Bedrooms, bathroom with w.c.
Gross internal floor area (m²)	182 sq.m.
Neighbourhood and location	The property is located in the small village of Brodie among some other residential properties of a differing age and type. A wide range of local transport, shopping, educational and social facilities are readily available in the town of Forres within reasonable commuting distance.  The property is located adjacent to the A96 Aberdeen to Inverness trunk road.
Age	100+ years.
Weather	Clear and dry.
Chimney stacks	Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.
	Chimney stacks are of stone construction, externally pointed. There is a re-built block central chimney stack. Chimney pots formed in clay. Flashings at the base of the chimneys are formed in cement. There are some small areas of lead flashing.

# Roofing including roof space

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

Flat roofs were visually inspected from vantage points within the property and where safe and reasonable to do so from a 3m ladder externally.

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

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

The roof is pitched and clad in slate. The valleys, ridge and hips are formed in metal.

Access was obtained to roofspaces via hatches in the bathroom, landing and w.c.

The main roof is of timber frame construction with timber sarking boards. There is evidence of underslate felt on parts of the roof. Some parts have no underslate felt as an additional barrier to moisture. Glasswool insulation have been laid between and across the ceiling joists.

The roofspace above the extension is also timber framed with timber sarking boards. There is underslate felt. Glasswool insulation has been laid between the ceiling joists.

#### Rainwater fittings

Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.

The gutters and downpipes are formed in cast iron materials and are of a half round design with round downpipes.

#### Main walls

Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.

Foundations and concealed parts were not exposed or inspected.

Walls are of solid stone construction, externally rendered. The external render has a painted finish. The extension would appear to be cavity brick construction, externally rendered. Again, the render has a painted finish.

# Windows, external doors and joinery

Internal and external doors were opened and closed where keys were available.

Random windows were opened and closed where possible.

Doors and windows were not forced open.

Windows are mainly of a single glazed sash and casement type. There are some double glazed sash and casement style units and some double glazed timber casement units. There are single glazed and double glazed skylights.

	The front door is of a traditional timber framed and panel type. The rear door is also of a traditional timber framed and panel type with double glazed inserts.
	There are double glazed timber casement French windows leading from the family room/bedroom 5 to the garden.
	There are timber facings around dormer windows.
External decorations	External timbers and render have a painted finish.
Conservatories / porches	Visually inspected.
	There is a front entrance porch of stone construction under a pitched and slated roof.
Communal areas	There are no communal areas.
Common and manners and could in the	Visually inspected
Garages and permanent outbuildings	Visually inspected.
	There is a timber/felt workshop. There is a timber/felt summerhouse with timber decked area. This has a multi-fuel stove.
	There is a large stone outbuilding with slate and corrugated iron roof divided into sections one of which can be used as a garage.
	Doors are formed in timber.
	There is a timber/corrugated metal wood storage shed and garden shed.
	There is greenhouse.
Outside areas and boundaries	Visually inspected.
	There are areas of garden ground to the front, sides and rear.
	Boundaries are generally defined by post and wire fencing, hedging and timber post and panel fencing. There is a section of paviour path to the rear of the main house.
	There is a gravel drive and parking area to the side. There is a burn flowing along the rear of the garden. The owner has advised the centre of the burn forms the boundary.
Ceilings	Visually inspected from floor level.
	Ceilings are formed in lath and plaster and plasterboard. There are some textured plaster finishes.

#### Internal walls

Visually inspected from floor level.

Using a moisture meter, walls were randomly tested for dampness where considered appropriate.

Internal walls are formed in lath and plaster and timber stud construction with plasterboard finishes.

There are some solid walls plastered on the hard internally.

# Floors including sub floors

Surfaces of exposed floors were visually inspected. No carpets or floor coverings were lifted.

Sub-floor areas were inspected only to the extent visible from a readily accessible and unfixed hatch by way of an inverted "head and shoulders" inspection at the access point.

Physical access to the sub floor area may be taken if the Surveyor deems it is safe and reasonable to do so, and subject to a minimum clearance of 1m between the underside of floor joists and the solum as determined from the access hatch.

Floors are partly of solid concrete construction and partly of suspended timber construction overlaid in timber tongue and groove boarding. No access was available to any sub floor areas due to the lack of any known hatch.

At the time of my inspection some floors were covered.

# 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 a timber framed and panel type. There are some glazed doors.

The main stairs is formed in timber with a timber balustrade. The second stair is formed in timber.

Skirtings and door facings are formed in timber.

The kitchen contains a range of fitted floor and wall mounted units with a double Belfast style sink on brick base.

There are fitted units around the Aga in the breakfast room.

#### Chimney breasts and fireplaces

Visually inspected.

No testing of the flues or fittings was carried out.

There is an open fireplace in the main lounge/dining room. There is a multi-fuel stove in the family room/bedroom 5. There is an Aga in the breakfast room. There are also open fireplaces in the lounge/bedroom 4 and in three of the upper bedrooms.

Internal decorations	Visually inspected.
	Internal walls are papered or painted throughout.
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.  Mains electricity supply. Visible wiring is in PVC coated cabling with 13 amp sockets. The consumer unit and electricity meter are located in the understair cupboard.
Gas	No mains gas supply.
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.
	Mains water supply. Visible pipework is formed in copper and PVC materials.
	The bathroom contains a white suite with roll top bath, w.c. wash hand basin and shower cubicle with mixer shower over.
	The ground floor shower room contains a white suite comprising low level w.c. wash hand basin and shower cubicle with mixer shower over.
	The utility room contains a white low level w.c. and stainless steel round basin.
	There are wash hand basins in two of the upper bedrooms.
Heating and hot water	Accessible parts of the system were visually inspected apart from communal systems, which were not inspected.
	No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances.
	There is a Grant 90-120 oil fired central heating boiler located externally to the front. This supplies steel panel radiators which are fitted with thermostatic valves. This system also provides domestic hot water.
	There is a programmer in the family room and a wall thermostat in the hall.
	There is a pre-insulated hot water tank in the main bathroom cupboard. This has an electric immersion heater fitted.

Drainage	Drainage covers etc. were not lifted.
	Neither drains nor drainage systems were tested.
	The owner has advised that drainage is to a septic tank. The system has not been inspected and condition, legal and environmental issues have not been investigated. For the purpose of the valuation all are assumed to be satisfactory.
Fire, smoke and burglar alarms	Visually inspected.
	No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances.
	There are smoke detectors fitted to ceilings throughout the property.
Any additional limits to inspection	The property was fully furnished, occupied and the majority of floors were covered.
	My inspection of the roof space was restricted due to the limited size of the spaces and the insulation material. The roof spaces have not been entered.
	No access was obtained to sub-floor areas and floor coverings have not been moved.
	Furniture and stored items (particularly in cupboards) have not been moved.
	I have not carried out an inspection for Japanese Knotweed and unless otherwise stated, for the purpose of this report have assumed there is no Japanese Knotweed within the boundaries of the property or in neighbouring properties.

# 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
- 7 Parapet gutter
- 18) Eaves guttering
- 19) Rainwater downpipe
- 0) Verge boards /skews
- 21) Soffit boards
- 22) Partition wall
- 23) Lath / plaster
- 24) Chimney breast
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- 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
- 8 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 movement	
Repair category	1
Notes	There is no evidence of any serious or ongoing structural movement.

Dampness, rot and infestation	
Repair category	3
Notes	There is evidence of woodboring insect infestation to roof timbers. There is a risk that further infestation exists in concealed areas of the building. The owner has advised that a specialist firm has been instructed to investigate the extent of the problem and effect remedial and associated repairs using guaranteed methods.

Chimney stacks	
Repair category	1
Notes	No reportable defects.

Roofing including roof space	
Repair category	2
Notes	There are a few cracked and broken slates. There is some cracked and missing skew pointing.
	The construction of the roof is of an older kind with no underslate felt as an additional barrier to moisture in areas.
	Regular and ongoing maintenance should be anticipated.
	The ceiling hatch in the landing is formed in asbestos cement sheeting. Whilst this remains in good condition and is left undisturbed, the current informed view is that this will not present any significant hazard to health. In the event of damage or disturbance, potentially significant costs to have them safely removed may be

	anticipated.	
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Rainwater fittings		
Repair category	2	
Notes	There is some peeling paint. There is some surface corrosion to older guttering. There is a stain to the wall to the front which is indicative of a leakage from the downpipe.	
Main walls		
Repair category	1	
Notes	There is some cracking to external render which should be sealed.	
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Windows, external	doors and joinery	
Repair category	2	
Notes	There is a broken pane on the French windows in the family room/bedroom 5.	
External decorations		
Repair category	2	
Notes	There is some peeling paint to external timbers.	
Conservatories/porches		
Repair category	1	
Notes	No reportable defects.	
Communal areas		
Repair category	-	
Notes	N/A	
Garages and permanent outbuildings		
Repair category	2	
Notes	The stone outbuilding exhibits a number of defects which will limit its useful lifespan.	

Outside areas and boundaries	
Repair category	1
Notes	No reportable defects.

Ceilings	
Repair category	2
Notes	There is some cracking to older plasterwork and cornicing.
	There is a visible patch repair to the breakfast room ceiling.

Internal walls	
Repair category	2
Notes	There is some cracking to plasterwork in various areas.

Floors including sub-floors	
Repair category	2
Notes	There is some bounce and movement to the floor within the lounge/bedroom 4. This can be indicative of deterioration to sub floor timbers. A timber specialist who uses guaranteed repair methods can provide estimates of repair and a Scope of Required Works.

Internal joinery and kitchen fittings	
Repair category	2
Notes	There is no balustrade on the narrow secondary stairs leading from the breakfast room to the first floor. In the interests of safety, one should be installed.  The glazed internal doors from the entrance vestiblue do not appear to be fitted with safety glass.

Chimney breasts and fireplaces	
Repair category	1
Notes  No visual defects identified. Any open flues should be swept and checked re-use.	

Internal decorations		
Repair category	1	
Notes	There is cracked paint in the ground floor shower room.	

Cellars	
Repair category	-
Notes	N/A

Electricity		
Repair category	1	
Notes	No visual defects identified.	

Gas	
Repair category	-
Notes	N/A

Water, plumbing and bathroom fittings	
Repair category	1
Notes	No visual defects identified.

Heating and hot water	
Repair category 1	
No visual defects identified. Central heating systems should be serviced an or upon taking occupancy to the property to ensure that they run efficiently safely.	

Drainage	
Repair category	1
Notes	No visual defects identified.

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	3
Chimney stacks	1
Roofing including roof space	2
Rainwater fittings	2
Main walls	1
Windows, external doors and joinery	2
External decorations	2
Conservatories/porches	1
Communal areas	-
Garages and permanent outbuildings	2
Outside areas and boundaries	1
Ceilings	2
Internal walls	2
Floors including sub-floors	2
Internal joinery and kitchen fittings	2
Chimney breasts and fireplaces	1
Internal decorations	1
Cellars	-
Electricity	1
Gas	-
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

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# 3. Accessibility information

# Guidance notes on accessibility information

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

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

# Unrestricted parking within 25 metres:

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

1. Which floor(s) is the living accommodation on?	Ground floor	
2. Are there three steps or fewer to a main entrance door of the property?	Yes X No	
3. Is there a lift to the main entrance door of the property?	Yes No X	
4. Are all door openings greater than 750mm?	Yes No X	
5. Is there a toilet on the same level as the living room and kitchen?	Yes X No	
6. Is there a toilet on the same level as a bedroom?	Yes 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

The property has been extended to the rear. The report assumes that all necessary local authority and other consents were obtained for these alterations and that the appropriate documentation, including Building Warrants and Completion Certificates, issued. If any works did not require consent then it has been assumed they meet the standards required by the Building Regulations, or are exempt.

The property is accessed via a shared private track. The conveyancer can confirm ownership, access rights and maintenance liabilities. For the purposes of valuation, all are assumed to be satisfactory.

The conveyancer can confirm the extent of ground ownership

# Estimated reinstatement cost for insurance purposes

£600,000 (Six hundred thousand pounds)

#### Valuation and market comments

£315,000 (Three hundred and fifteen thousand pounds)

There has been increased demand from purchasers over the past few years.

Signed	Security Print Code [632870 = 1933 ] Electronically signed	
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Date of report	2nd July 2018	

# Mortgage Valuation Report



Property Address	
Address Seller's Name Date of Inspection	MILL HOUSE, BRODIE, FORRES, IV36 2TD MR CLIVE HAMILTON & MRS KAREN HAMILTON 8th June 2018
Property Details	
Property Type	X House       Bungalow       Purpose built maisonette       Converted maisonette         Purpose built flat       Converted flat       Tenement flat       Flat over non-residential use         Other (specify in General Remarks)
Property Style	X Detached       Semi detached       Mid terrace       End terrace         Back to back       High rise block       Low rise block       Other (specify in General Remarks)
Does the surveyor believe that the property was built for the public sector, e.g. local authority, military, police?	
Flats/Maisonettes on Approximate Year of	No. of units in block
Tenure	
X Absolute Ownership	Leasehold Ground rent £ Unexpired years
Accommodation	
Number of Rooms	3 Living room(s) 4 Bedroom(s) 1 Kitchen(s) 2 Bathroom(s) 1 WC(s) 2 Other (Specify in General remarks)
Gross Floor Area (excluding garages and outbuildings)  182 m² (Internal)  m² (External)	
Residential Element	(greater than 40%) X Yes No
Garage / Parking /	Outbuildings
Single garage Available on site?	□ Double garage       X Parking space       □ No garage / garage space / parking space         X Yes       No
Permanent outbuildings:	
Stone/slate/corrugated metal outbuilding divided into various compartments. One of which is suitable for use as a large garage.	
Timber/felt summerhouse. Timber/felt workshop.	
Wood shed. Garden shed. Greenhouse.	

Construction							
Walls	Brick	X Stone	Concrete	e Timber fra	ame	Other (specify in Ge	eneral Remarks)
Roof	Tile	X Slate	Asphalt	Felt		Other (specify in Ge	eneral Remarks)
Special Risks							
Has the property	suffered stru	ctural movem	ent?			Yes	s X No
If Yes, is this rece	nt or progres	ssive?				Yes	s No
Is there evidence, immediate vicinity		eason to antid	cipate subsidend	ce, heave, lands	slip or flood	in the X Yes	s No
If Yes to any of the	e above, pro	vide details ir	n General Rema	rks.			
Service Connec	tions						
Based on visual ir of the supply in G			vices appear to	oe non-mains, բ	olease comr	nent on the type	and location
Drainage	Mains	X Private	None	Wa	ter 🛛 🗓 Mai	ns Private	None
Electricity	X Mains	Private	None	Gas	S Mai	ns Private	X None
Central Heating	X Yes	Partial	None				
Brief description of	of Central He	ating:					
Oil fired boiler to	radiators.						
Site							
Apparent legal iss	ues to be ve	rified by the o	conveyancer. P	lease provide a	brief descri	ption in General	Remarks.
Rights of way	X Shared dr	ives / access	Garage or oth	er amenities on ser	parate site	Shared service co	nnections
Ill-defined boundar	ies	Agricu	ıltural land included	with property		Other (specify in G	General Remarks)
Location							
Residential suburb	Re	esidential within	town / city	ixed residential / co	mmercial	Mainly commercial	
X Commuter village	Re	emote village	Is	olated rural propert	у	Other (specify in G	General Remarks)
Planning Issues	5						
Has the property but If Yes provide details			d / altered?	Yes No			
Roads							
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Made up road	Unmade ro	ad 💹 Partl	y completed new ro	ad Pedest	rian access on	ly X Adopted	Unadopted

#### **General Remarks**

Other accommodation: Study, utility room/wc.

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The property is accessed via a shared private track. The conveyancer can confirm ownership, access rights and maintenance liabilities. For the purposes of valuation, all are assumed to be satisfactory.

The conveyancer can confirm the extent of ground ownership.

The owner has advised that drainage is to a septic tank. The system has not been inspected and condition, legal and environmental issues have not been investigated. For the purposes of the valuation, all are assumed to be satisfactory.

There is a burn flowing past the north side of the property. This may present a risk of flooding. There is a raised flood prevention bank between the house and burn.

There are a few cracked and broken slates. There is some cracked and missing skew pointing.

There is woodboring insect infestation to roof timbers. The owners have advised that they have instructed a specialist firm to inspect and carry out the eradication of infestation using guaranteed methods.

There is some bounce and movement to flooring in the lounge/bedroom 4. This may be indicative of deterioration to sub floor timbers. Further investigation should be carried out in this respect.

Some attention is required to external décor. There is some cracking to render.

There is some cracking to older plasterwork.

Essential Repairs			
None apparent.			
Estimated cost of essential repairs £	Retention recommended? Yes	☐ No	Amount £

Comment on Mortgagea	bility	
The property will form suits	able security for mortgage purposes.	
Valuations		
Market value in present con Market value on completion Insurance reinstatement va (to include the cost of total in Is a reinspection necessary	of essential repairs lue rebuilding, site clearance, professional fees, ancillary charges plus VAT)	£ 315,000 £ £ 600,000
Buy To Let Cases		
month Short Assured Tenai		£ N/A
Is the property in an area w	here there is a steady demand for rented accommodation of this type?	X Yes No
Declaration		
Signed Surveyor's name	Security Print Code [632870 = 1933 ] Electronically signed by:- Michael G McDonald	
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# PROPERTY QUESTIONNAIRE





## Property Questionnaire

PROPERTY ADDRESS;	MILL HOUSE
	BRODIE
	FORRES MORAY IV36 2TD

SELLER(S):	CLIVE HAMILTON
	KAREN HAMILTON

COMPLETION DATE OF	
PROPERTY QUESTIONNAIRE:	15 JUNE 2018

### PROPERTY QUESTIONNAIRE

### **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.

<b>PROPERTY</b>	QUESTIONNAIRE	
Information	to be given to prospective I	buyer(s)

1.	Length of ownership
	How long have you owned the property?
2.	Council Tax
	Which Council Tax band is your property in?
	A B C D E F G H
3.	Parking
	What are the arrangements for parking at your property?
	(Please indicate all that apply)
\	· Garage/Steading
	Allocated parking space
	• Driveway
	Shared parking
1	On street
	Resident permit
	Metered parking
	Other (please specify):  Additional
	• Other (please specity): Additional • the Parking area adjacent to garage  I steading

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4.	Conservation Area	
	Is your property in a designated Conservation Area (i.e. an area of special architectural or historic interest, the character or appearance of which it is desirable to preserve or enhance)?	Yes No Don't know
5.	Listed Buildings	
	Is your property a Listed Building, or contained within one (i.e. a building recognised and approved as being of special architectural or historical interest)?	YesNo
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)?	Yes/No
	If you have answered yes, please describe the changes	
	which you have made:	
	UPSTAIRS BEDROOM CONVERTED TO A	
	JACK AND JILL BATHROOM	

	(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 can arrange to obtain them.	
b.	Have you had replacement windows, doors, patio doors or double glazing installed in your property?  If you have answered yes, please answer the three questions below:	Yes
	(i) Were the replacements the same shape and type as the ones you replaced?	Yes/No
	(ii) Did this work involve any changes to the window or door openings?	Yes No
+	(iii) Please describe the changes made to the windows to doors, or patio doors (with approximate dates when the work was completed):  L XOLIGINAL ROOF LIGHTS REPLACED WITH VELUX ROOF LIGHTS SAME TIME	WINDOWS EPLACED SAME STYLE 2005
	Please give any guarantees which you received for this work to your solicitor or estate agent.	NO LONGER PPLICABLE

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).  If you have answered yes/partial – what kind of central heating is there?	Yes No/ Partial
	(Examples: gas-fired, solid fuel, electric storage heating, gas warm air.) ついし ドルルビり、  If you have answered yes, please answer the 3 questions below:	
b.	When was your central heating system or partial central heating system installed?	MARCH 2005
C.	Do you have a maintenance contract for the central heating system?	Yes No
	If you have answered yes, please give details of the company with which you have a maintenance agreement:	
	Mc LENNAN ENGINEERING	
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d.	When was your maintenance agreement last renewed? (Please provide the month and year).	
	MAY 2018	

8.	Energy Performance Certificate					
	Does your property have an Energy Performance Certificate which is less than 10 years old?					
9.	Issues that may have	affected your	property			
a.	Has there been any storm, flood, fire or other structural damage to your property while you have owned it?					
	If you have answered yes, is the damage the subject of any outstanding insurance claim?					
b.	Are you aware of the existence of asbestos in your property?					
10.	If you have answered yes, please give details:  Services					
a.	Please tick which services are connected to your property and give details of the supplier:					
	Services	Connected	Supplier			
	Gas / liquid petroleum gas	-	-			
	Water mains / private water supply	<b>√</b> -	MAINS SUPPLY ?SCOTTISH WATER	1		
	Electricity	<b>/</b>	(TBA) BRITISH GAS			

P	Mains drainage			T			
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	Telephone	1	BT				
	Cable TV / satellite	ſ	SKY				
	Broadband	J	EE				
b.	Is there a septic tank	system at your	property?	Yes/No			
	If you have answered questions below:	<u>yes,</u> please an	swer the two				
c.	Do you have appropriate consents for the discharge from your septic tank?  Yes No/ Don't Know						
d.	Do you have a maintenance contract for your septic Yes No tank?						
	If you have answered yes, please give details of the company with which you have a maintenance contract:						
	SCOTTISH WATER						
	SEPTIC TANK PLANNING TEAM						
	THE BRIDGE						
	BUCHANAN GATE BUSINESS PARK						
	CHMBERNAULD ROAD						
	STEPPS C.33 6FB						
	(TANK REF: NH98055721)						

11.	Responsibilities for Shared or Common Areas	
a.	Are you aware of any responsibility to contribute to the cost of anything used jointly, such as the repair of a shared drive, private road, boundary, or garden area?	Yes No/ Don't Know
	If you have answered yes, please give details:	
	PROPORTIONAL COSTS OF ACCESS ROAD (OFF	
	MAIN A9L) WARRED REPAIR MAINTENANCE WITH	
	OWNERS OF NO I AND NO 2 MILL COTTACES	
b.	Is there a responsibility to contribute to repair and maintenance of the roof, common stairwell or other common areas?	Yes/No/ Not applicable
	If you have answered yes, please give details:	
C.	Has there been any major repair or replacement of any part of the roof during the time you have owned the property? CENTRE CHIMPNEY REPLACED MAR 2005	Yes/No
d.	Do you have the right to walk over any of your neighbours' property - for example to put out your rubbish bin or to maintain your boundaries?	Yes/No
	If you have answered yes, please give details:	
	ON COMMON ACCESS ROAD TO PUT DUSTBINS	
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e.	As far as you are aware, do any of your neighbours have the right to walk over your property, for example to put out their rubbish bin or to maintain their boundaries?	Yes(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? (A Public Right of Way is a way over which the public has a right to pass, whether or not the land is privately-owned.)  If you have answered yes, please give details:	YesNo
12.	Charges associated with your property	
a.	Is there a factor or property manager for your property?	YesNo
	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?	Yes/(No/) Don't know
	If you have answered yes, is the cost of the insurance included in your monthly/annual factor's charges?	Yes/No/ Don't know
C.	Please give details of any other charges you have to pay on a regular basis for the upkeep of common areas or repair works, e.g. to a Residents' Association, or maintenance or stair fund.	None

13.	Specialist Works	
а.	As far as you are aware, has treatment of dry rot, wet rot, damp or any other specialist work ever been carried out to your property?	Yes/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  のAMP PROOF (D PIP ドモモの) IN STALLED IN 1995	
	WHEN PROPERTY PURCHASED	
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?  If you have answered yes, please give details	Yes(No)
C.	If you have answered yes to 13(a) or (b), do you have any guarantees relating to this work?  If you have answered yes, these guarantees will be needed by the purchaser and should be given to your solicitor as soon as possible for checking. If you do not have them yourself please write below who has these documents and your solicitor or estate agent will arrange for them to be obtained. You will also need to provide a description of the work carried out. This may be shown in the original estimate.	

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	WITH TITLE DEEDS							
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14.	Guarantees							
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a.	Are there any guarantees	or w	arrant	ies for an	y of the			
/=\	following:		II	<b>.</b>	1880 ALC	II		
(i)	Electrical work	(No)	Yes	Don't Know	With title deeds	Lost		
(ii)	Roofing	(No)	Yes	Don't	With title	Lost		
(m) 19		)		Know	deeds			
(iii)	Central heating	(No)	Yes	Don't	With title	Lost		
(:)	NUDC		\ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \	know	deeds			
(iv)	NHBC	(No)	Yes	Don't know	With title deeds	Lost		
(v)	Damp course	No	Yes	Don't	With title	Lost		
`				know	deeds			
(vi)	Any other work or	(No)	Yes	Don't	With title	Lost		
	installations?			know	deeds			
	(for example, cavity wall insulation,							
	underpinning, indemnity							
	policy)							
b.	If you have answered 'yes							
	of the work or installation	15 to v	which	me guara	intee(s) relate(	s):		
	SEE 13A							

C.	Are there any outstanding claims under any of the guarantees listed above?  If you have answered yes, please give details:	Yes(No)
15.	Boundaries	
	So far as you are aware, has any boundary of your property been moved in the last 10 years?  If you have answered yes, please give details:	Yes No Don't Know
16.	Notices that affect your property	
	In the past 3 years have you ever received a notice:	123
a.	advising that the owner of a neighbouring property has made a planning application?	Yes/No/ Don't know
b.	that affects your property in some other way?	Yes/No/ Don't
c.	that requires you to do any maintenance, repairs or improvements to your property?	know Yes No Don't know

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 purchase of your property.

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

I / We confirm that the information in this form is true and

correct to the best of my/our knowledge and belief.				
Signature(s):				
Date:				

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