

# HARVEY DONALDSON & GIBSON

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- 1. Single Survey
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### survey report on:

Property address  Speyview Shore Road, Kingston, Fochabers, IV32 7NS   Customer  Mr A Coxhead, Miss T Barlow  Customer address  Prepared by  Harvey Donaldson And Gibson  Date of inspection  20th June 2023	,	
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#### **PART 1 - GENERAL**

#### 1.1 THE SURVEYORS

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

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

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

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

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

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

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The ultimate holding company of Harvey Donaldson & Gibson is Countrywide plc. In Scotland, Countrywide plc also own Slater Hogg & Howison and Countrywide North. A full list of estate agents owned or under franchise to Countrywide plc is available on request. Harvey Donaldson & Gibson trades as an entirely separate company and has no financial interest whatsoever in the disposal of the property being inspected.

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

#### 1.2 THE REPORT

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

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

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

Prior to 1 December 2008, Purchasers have normally obtained their own report from their chosen Surveyor. By contrast, a Single Survey is instructed by the Seller and made available to all potential Purchasers in expectation that the successful Purchaser will have relied upon it. The Royal Institution of

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

Chartered Surveyors rules require disclosure of any potential conflict of interest when acting for the Seller and the Purchaser in the same transaction. The Single Survey may give rise to a conflict of interest and if this is of concern to any party they are advised to seek their own independent advice.

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

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

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

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

#### 1.3 LIABILITY

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

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

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

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

#### 1.4 GENERIC MORTGAGE VALUATION REPORT

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

#### 1.5 TRANSCRIPT MORTGAGE VALUATION FOR LENDING PURPOSES

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

contained in the Report and the generic Mortgage Valuation Report.<sup>2</sup>

#### 1.6 INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

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

#### 1.7 PAYMENT

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

#### 1.8 CANCELLATION

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

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

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

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

#### 1.9 PRECEDENCE

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

#### 1.1 DEFINITIONS

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

<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

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

#### PART 2 - DESCRIPTION OF THE REPORT

#### 2.1 THE SERVICE

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

#### 2.2 THE INSPECTION

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

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

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

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

researched.

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

#### 2.3 THE REPORT

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

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

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

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

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

#### 2.4 SERVICES

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

#### 2.5 ACCESSIBILITY

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

#### 2.6 ENERGY REPORT

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

#### 2.7 VALUATION AND CONVEYANCER ISSUES

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

"Market Value" The estimated amount for which a property should exchange on the date of valuation between a willing buyer and a willing seller in an arm's-length transaction after proper marketing wherein 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	The subjects comprise an extended one and a half storey detached
	house.
Accommodation	The Accommodation comprises -
	Ground floor - Entrance hall, three bedrooms, bathroom and dining kitchen.
	Attic floor - Living room.
Gross internal floor area (m²)	117
Neighbourhood and location	The property is situated in the small coastal village of Kingston. Surrounding properties are of differing ages and character. There are limited facilities available nearby, however a wider range of amenities can be found in the town of Elgin, located approximately 9 miles distant.
Age	123 years.
Weather	It was dry at the time of the inspection.
Chimney stacks	Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.
	The chimneyheads are of rendered masonry construction, dressed in lead flashings, where visible from ground level.

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, timber framed and covered with concrete interlocking tiles.
	Access into the roof spaces are via ceiling hatches located in the kitchen and living room. Insulation material has been laid, where visible.
Rainwater fittings	Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.
	Rainwater discharge is via uPVC gutters and downpipes.
Main walls	Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.
	Foundations and concealed parts were not exposed or inspected.
	The main external walls are of solid stone construction, rendered externally.
	The extension walls appear to be of cavity blockwork construction, rendered externally.
Windows, external doors and joinery	Internal and external doors were opened and closed where keys were available.
	Random windows were opened and closed where possible.
	Doors and windows were not forced open.
	The windows are of timber construction and single glazed. There are velux windows present on the first floor level.
	The doors are of timber construction with glazed inserts.
External decorations	Visually inspected.
	The external decorations are painted.
Conservatories / porches	None.
Communal areas	None.

Garages and permanent outbuildings	Visually inspected.
	There is a detached single blockwork garage under a profiled metal sheet roof with an up and over vehicle door to the front and pedestrian access door to the side. There is an inspection pit in the garage.
	There is a rendered blockwork/poured concrete store attached to the side of the house.
Outside areas and boundaries	Manalla in an and a l
Outside areas and boundaries	Visually inspected.  There are garden grounds to the front, side and rear of the property which are suitably bounded by timber fencing and blockwork walls.
	The grounds mostly consist of laid grass, planted shrubs, decking and paved / gravelled areas.
	There is a grassed driveway to the side of the property to allow for off street parking.
Ceilings	Visually inspected from floor level.
	Ceilings throughout the property appear to be a mixture of plasterboard lined and of timber strapped, lathed and plastered construction whereby the wet plaster is floated onto a timber framework of lathing fixed to the underside of the ceiling joists.
Internal walls	Visually inspected from floor level.
internal wans	Using a moisture meter, walls were randomly tested for dampness where considered appropriate.
	The internal walls are mostly lined with plasterboard.
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.
	Flooring is of solid construction at ground floor level, upper floors being of suspended timber, overlaid in tongue and groove boarding/similar, all which have fitted floor coverings.

Internal joinery and kitchen fittings	Built-in cupboards were looked into but no stored items were moved.
	Kitchen units were visually inspected excluding appliances.
	The internal doors are timber panelled.
	The skirting boards and door surrounds are timber.
	The staircase is timber.
	The kitchen fittings consist of floor and wall mounted units with a stainless steel sink.
Chimney breasts and fireplaces	Visually inspected.
	No testing of the flues or fittings was carried out.
	There is a fireplace located in the living room.
	Fireplaces throughout the remainder of the property have been removed, sealed and are unvented.
Internal decorations	Visually inspected.
	The ceilings and walls are painted and papered. Some of the walls are clad with timber panels.
	The internal joinery is painted and finished with a decorative stain.
	The kitchen is finished with tiles and the bathroom is finished with wet-wall panels.
Cellars	None.
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 is installed. The meter and fuse box are located in the entrance hallway. The system appears to be of an older type and design (rewireable fuses). The switch and socket outlets are mostly plastic.
Gas	No gas.

Water, plumbing, bathroom fittings	Visual inspection of the accessible pipework, water tanks,
3, 44, 47	cylinders and fittings without removing any insulation.
	No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances.
	Water is supplied from the mains.
	The bathroom contains a bath with mixer shower overhead, wash hand basin and w.c.
	The visible pipework is a mixture of copper and plastic.
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.
	The property is centrally heated by means of an oil fired system, comprising a regular boiler located in the rear entrance vestibule cupboard. Heating to the rooms is provided by water filled radiators. Hot water is supplemented by an electric immersion heater, the foam insulated hot water cylinder is located in the bathroom cupboard.
Drainage	Drainage covers etc were not lifted.
	Neither drains nor drainage systems were tested.
	Drainage is understood to be to a septic tank, located in the back garden.
Fire, smoke and burglar alarms	Visually inspected.
	No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances.
	Smoke/heat detectors are installed.
	Scottish government regulations come into effect in February 2022 which will require each property to have linked smoke and heat detectors and if gas/carbon burning appliances are present then a carbon monoxide alarm fitted. Purchasers should satisfy themselves with regards to compliance.

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#### Any additional limits to inspection

The property was inspected within the limits imposed by occupation which included, throughout, closely nailed and fixed fitted carpeting, floor coverings, stored items, furnishings etc. The owner's personal belongings were not removed from cupboards.

This report does not constitute a full and detailed description of the property and a structural investigation was not carried out. No inspection was undertaken of woodwork or other parts of the structure which are covered, unexposed or otherwise inaccessible and as a result no guarantee can be given that such parts of the structure are free from rot, beetle or other defects.

The external building fabric has been inspected from ground level only from the subjects grounds and where possible from adjoining public property. Exposure work has not been carried out.

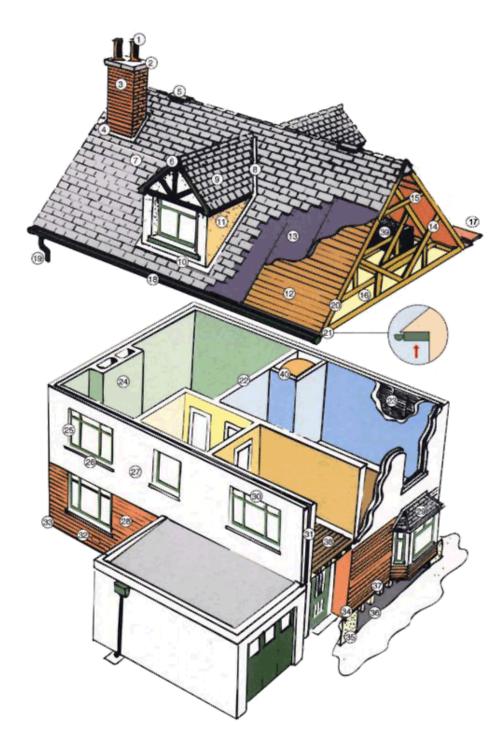
It was dry on the date of inspection. Leakage and water penetration within roof spaces, around chimney breasts, window openings, etc are sometimes only visible during or immediately after, adverse weather conditions.

The report does not include an asbestos inspection. However, asbestos was widely used in the building industry until around 2000, when it became a banned substance. If the possibility of asbestos based products has been reported within the limitations of the inspection and you have concerns you should engage a qualified asbestos surveyor.

The roof space inspection was limited to a head and shoulders style basis only, due to the small hatch sizes and presence of insulation material being laid between the ceiling joists.

No close inspection was possible to enclosed areas beneath and around washing appliances and sanitary fittings.

#### Sectional Diagram showing elements of a typical house



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

- 1) Chimney pots
- 2) Coping stone
- 3) Chimney head
- 4 Flashing
- 5 Ridge ventilation
- 6 Ridge board
- 7) Slates / tiles
- 8 Valley guttering
- 9 Dormer projection
- 10 Dormer flashing
- 11) Dormer cheeks
- 12) Sarking
- 13) Roof felt
- (14) Trusses
- (15) Collar
- (16) Insulation
- 17) Parapet gutter
- (18) Eaves guttering
- (19) Rainwater downpipe
- 20) Verge boards/skews
- 21) Soffit boards
- 22) Partition wall
- 23) Lath / plaster
- 24) Chimney breast
- (25) Window pointing
  - Window sills
- 27) Rendering
- (28) Brickwork / pointing
- 29) Bay window projection
- 30 Lintels
- (31) Cavity walls / wall ties
- 32) Subfloor ventilator
- 33 Damp proof course
- 34) Base course
- (35) Foundations
- 36) Solum
- 37) Floor joists
- 38) Floorboards
- 39) 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
Urgent repairs or replacement are needed now. Failure to deal with them may cause problems to other parts of the property or cause a safety hazard. Estimates for repairs or replacement are needed now.	Repairs or replacement requiring future attention, but estimates are still advised.	No immediate action or repair is needed.

Structural movement	
Repair category	1
Notes	There is evidence of previous movement in the form of off floor levels internally. The movement is considered to be longstanding in nature with no indication of recent structural deterioration. On the basis of a limited single inspection, no further significant movement is anticipated.

Dampness, rot	Dampness, rot and infestation	
Repair category	2	
Notes	Localised high damp meter readings were recorded adjacent to the front door and to the bathroom skirting board.	
	Woodworm flight holes were noted to the roofing timbers. In the absence of valid guarantees for previous timber specialist treatment works, it is recommended that a reputable Timber/ damp specialist firm be employed to carry out a detailed inspection of the entire subjects (including exposure works). Thereafter implement all necessary remedial works under the cover of a long term guarantee.	

Chimney stacks	
Repair category	2
Notes	General cracking to the chimneyhead rendering and cracking to the pots was noted.
	Chimneys can be vulnerable to defects and should be regularly maintained.

Roofing including roof space		
Repair category	2	
Notes	Roof tiling, where viewed from ground level, appears to have been laid to generally even courses, however weathering and deterioration to the ridge tile pointing was evident. The manufacturers of modern roof tiles expect that a roof tile will normally last for approximately 40-50 years. This should be taken into consideration having regard to the age of this property.  Damp staining and past water ingress was noted within the roof space. It would be prudent to have timbers exposed and examined / in conjunction with future roof repairs, / as a precaution against damp associated defects, decay, etc.	
	Woodworm flight holes were also noted to the roofing timbers. In the absence of valid guarantees for previous timber specialist treatment works, it is recommended that a reputable Timber/ damp specialist firm be employed to carry out a detailed inspection of the entire subjects (including exposure works). Thereafter implement all necessary remedial works under the cover of a long term guarantee.	

Rainwater fittings	
Repair category	1
Notes	No significant disrepair was noted to the rainwater goods. It will however be appreciated that the inspection was carried out during dry weather conditions. Sometimes defects in rainwater goods are only apparent during, or after heavy rainfall.

Main walls	
Repair category	2
Notes	The walls are affected by weathering, missing rendering and defective pointing. Repairs should be anticipated.
	External ground levels are excessive in places which can lead to problems with damp/condensation.

Windows, external doors and joinery	
Repair category	2
Notes	The sash and case windows would benefit from refurbishment/replacement as they are ageing and weathering was noted to the external window timbers.  The doors are also of an older type and the life expectancy of same should be fully appreciated.

External decorations	
Repair category	2
Notes	The external decorations are weathered and require attention. The condition of the joinery should be checked and repaired as necessary during redecoration.  Paint finishes and decorated external surfaces will require redecoration on a regular basis.

Conservatories/porches	
Repair category	-
Notes	Not applicable.

Communal areas	
Repair category	-
Notes	Not applicable.

Garages and permanent outbuildings	
Repair category	3
Notes	The store is in a state of disrepair and there's evidence of structural movement which appears significant and may be progressive. The opinion of a structural engineer would be prudent.  The garage up and over door is not functioning and deterioration was noted to the external timbers.

Outside areas and boundaries	
Repair category	1
Notes	Outside areas and boundaries appear adequate for purpose.
	The subjects are situated on the Moray coast close to the sea. Enquiries of the present owner and our local knowledge indicate that there are no previous flood events to this location. The property is in an area at risk of flooding and categorised as high risk of flooding within the SEPA guidelines/website. We have assumed there are no issues in this regard, that the property has never suffered from flooding and that insurance can be obtained on normal terms. Should any of these assumptions prove to be incorrect, it could impact on the value reported herein and future saleability of the property and we would recommend that further checks are made prior to purchase in this regard.

Ceilings	
Repair category	1
Notes	No obvious significant defects were noted to the ceiling surfaces. As age increases, it is not unusual for the plaster to lose its key with the timber lathing, and such defects are only revealed when decorative surfaces are stripped to allow redecoration to take place.

Internal walls	
Repair category	1
Notes	No obvious significant defects were noted to the internal walls, allowing for some blemishes.

Floors including sub-floors	
Repair category	1
Notes	Within the limitations imposed on the inspection, no indications were noted to suggest any serious disrepair. It will however be appreciated that concealed floor timbers cannot be guaranteed to be free from defect.

Internal joinery and kitchen fittings	
Repair category	2
Notes	Internal joinery is of mixed design and vintage, and although worn in some areas, appears generally serviceable. Timberwork, door ironmongery, etc have all suffered wear and deterioration, consistent with age. General wear and tear was also evident to the kitchen fittings and the seal round the sink appears to be defective.
	The panel to the back of the boiler cupboard door is potentially asbestos. A finish of this type is not normally considered to be a health hazard as any asbestos fibres are encapsulated by the material. It should only be removed and disposed of by a licensed contractor.

Chimney breasts and fireplaces	
Repair category	1
Notes	No obvious significant defects were noted to the chimney breast or fireplace.
	It is considered prudent to have the fireplace flue swept and tested prior to use.
	No provision for permanent ventilation is apparent to blocked/disused chimney flues. The lack of same can lead to condensation and dampness internally.

Internal decorations	
Repair category	1
Notes No obvious significant defects were noted to the internal decoration.	

Cellars	
Repair category	-
Notes	Not applicable.

Electricity	
Repair category	3
Notes	It is likely that only the most recently rewired properties will have electrical installations that fully comply with current regulations. The installation in this property appears dated and there is no evidence of a recent test. A number of older switches were also evident.  It is recommended good practice that all electrical installations should be checked periodically, approximately every ten years or when a property changes hands. This should be regarded as a routine safety and maintenance check.

Gas	
Repair category	-
Notes	Not applicable.

► Water, plumbing and bathroom fittings	
Repair category	1
Notes	No obvious significant defects noted to the accessible plumbing or sanitary fittings.
	Given the presence of the shower mounted over the bath, it is essential that all wall linings, tile grout, seals, etc are maintained in good condition. Failure to do so can lead to concealed defects behind wall finishes, and below the bath. As the bath is boxed in, it will be appreciated that it is not possible to comment on concealed locations.
	The plumbing in the majority of properties built before 1945 was carried in lead. Given the age of the property, there is a risk that there could be lead piping in concealed locations. Should this be encountered, it would be essential to have this replaced, on health grounds.
	There is no extractor fan located in the bathroom.

Heating and hot water	
Repair category	2
Notes	The central heating boiler is of a dated style, and likely to be inefficient by modern day standards and the radiators also show signs of deterioration and rusting. Replacement should be anticipated.
	It is recommended good practice that boilers are serviced on an annual basis by an appropriately qualified person. The boiler's service history should be checked by referring to the service records. If there is no record of a recent service, the boiler should be checked by an appropriately qualified person. Old, requires replacement. Corrosion to rads

Drainage	
Repair category	1
Notes	No obvious significant defects were noted to the drainage system, within the limitations of the inspection.
	It is understood that drainage is to a septic tank. The valuation reported assumes that the septic tank is for the sole use of the subjects under report, that it has been registered with and is fully compliant with all requirements of the Scottish Environmental Protection Agency (SEPA), both with regard to the tank and its outfall.

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

Structural movement	1
Dampness, rot and infestation	2
Chimney stacks	2
Roofing including roof space	2
Rainwater fittings	1
Main walls	2
Windows, external doors and joinery	2
External decorations	2
Conservatories/porches	-
Communal areas	-
Garages and permanent outbuildings	3
Outside areas and boundaries	1
Ceilings	1
Internal walls	1
Floors including sub-floors	1
Internal joinery and kitchen fittings	2
Chimney breasts and fireplaces	1
Internal decorations	1
Cellars	-
Electricity	3
Gas	-
Water, plumbing and bathroom fittings	1
Heating and hot water	2
Drainage	1

#### Category 3

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

#### Category 2

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

#### Category 1

No immediate action or repair is needed.

#### Remember

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

#### Warning

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

#### 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 tenure is understood to be Outright Ownership.

In line with our normal practice, it is specifically assumed that the property and its value are unaffected by any matters which would or should be revealed to a competent Completing Solicitor by a local search and replies to the usual enquiries, or by any statutory notice and planning proposal.

Where defects or repairs have been identified within this report, or where access was not possible to significant parts of the structure, it is recommended that, prior to entering into any legally binding sale or purchase contract, further specialists or contractors advice and estimates must be obtained, to establish the implications, if any, on a potential offer to purchase or the sale price likely to be achieved for the property.

The property has been extended/altered to comprise its existing layout, whereby a single storey extension has been added to the rear and the attic space has been converted into living accommodation. A garage has also been built in the garden grounds. It is assumed that all necessary Local Authority consents and approvals are in place for these works.

Drainage, it is understood is to an exclusive septic tank which we understand lies within the feu. This was not checked or tested. It should be ensured that appropriate registration documents are available.

The property is situated close to the sea and the area is shown as being at high risk of coastal flooding on the SEPA online indicative flood risk map. As far as we are aware the property has not been affected by flooding. Therefore the valuation assumes that insurance can be obtained on normal terms.

#### Estimated reinstatement cost for insurance purposes

£620,000 (Six hundred and twenty thousand pounds).

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

#### Valuation and market comments

In its present condition the opinion of valuation for the Outright Ownership interest with vacant possession on 20 June 2023 is:

£210,000 (Two hundred and ten thousand pounds sterling).

Where defects or repairs have been identified within this report, regardless of whether reported as category 1,2 or 3 (please read category definitions), or where access was not possible to significant parts of the structure, it is recommended that, prior to entering into any legally binding sale or purchase contract, further specialists or contractors advice and estimates must be obtained, to establish the implications, if any, on a potential offer to purchase or the sale price likely to be achieved for the property.

Signed	Security Print Code [465436 = 5013]O Electronically signed

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Report author

Company name	Harvey Donaldson And Gibson
Address	Caledonian House Business Centre, High Street, Elgin, IV30 1BD
Date of report	21st June 2023



Property Address	
Address Seller's Name Date of Inspection	Speyview Shore Road, Kingston, Fochabers, IV32 7NS Mr A Coxhead, Miss T Barlow 20th June 2023
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 be e.g. local authority, m	elieve that the property was built for the public sector, Yes X No nilitary, police?
Flats/Maisonettes only	
Approximate Year of	
Tenure	
X Absolute Ownership	Leasehold Ground rent £ Unexpired years
Accommodation	
Number of Rooms	1       Living room(s)       3       Bedroom(s)       1       Kitchen(s)         1       Bathroom(s)       0       WC(s)       0       Other (Specify in General remarks)
Gross Floor Area (exc	cluding garages and outbuildings) 117 m² (Internal) 141 m² (External)
Residential Element (	(greater than 40%) X Yes No
Garage / Parking /	Outbuildings
X Single garage Available on site?	□ Double garage       □ Parking space       □ No garage / garage space / parking space         ▼ Yes       □ No
Permanent outbuildin	igs:
Block store.	

Construction							
Walls	Brick	X Stone	Concrete	Timber frame	Other	(specify in Gen	eral Remarks)
Roof	X Tile	Slate	Asphalt	Felt	Other	(specify in Gen	eral Remarks)
Special Risks							
Has the property suf	fered structu	al movement?				X Yes	No
If Yes, is this recent	or progressiv	e?				Yes	X No
Is there evidence, hi immediate vicinity?	story, or reas	on to anticipat	e subsidence,	heave, landslip or	flood in the	X Yes	No
If Yes to any of the a	above, provid	e details in Ge	neral Remarks	S.			
Service Connection	on						
Based on visual insp of the supply in Gen			appear to be ı	non-mains, please	comment or	n the type ar	nd location
Drainage	Mains	Private	None	Water	X Mains	Private	None
Electricity	Mains	Private	None	Gas	Mains	Private	X None
Central Heating	X Yes	Partial	None				
Brief description of 0	Central Heatir	ng:					
Heating fuel: Oil							
Heating type: Radi	ators						
Site							
Apparent legal issue	s to be verifie	ed by the conve	eyancer. Pleas	se provide a brief	description ir	n General Re	emarks.
Rights of way	Shared drives		J	amenities on separate	site Share	ed service conn	ections
Ill-defined boundaries		Agricultural	land included with	h property	Other	(specify in Ger	neral Remarks)
Location							
Residential suburb	Resid	ential within town /	city Mixed	d residential / commerc	cial Mainl	y commercial	
Commuter village	X Remo	te village	Isolat	ed rural property	Other	(specify in Ger	neral Remarks)
Planning Issues							
Has the property be	en extended /	converted / al	tered? X Y	es No			
If Yes provide details	s in General I	Remarks.					
Roads							
X Made up road	Unmade road	Partly com	pleted new road	Pedestrian ac	cess only	Adopted	Unadopted

#### **General Remarks**

The property is situated in the small coastal village of Kingston. Surrounding properties are of differing ages and character. There are limited facilities available nearby, however a wider range of amenities can be found in the town of Elgin, located approximately 9 miles distant.

The general condition of the property appears consistent with age and type of construction, but some works of repair and maintenance are required.

The property has been extended/altered to comprise its existing layout, whereby a single storey extension has been added to the rear and the attic space has been converted into living accommodation. A garage has also been built in the garden grounds. It is assumed that all necessary Local Authority consents and approvals are in place for these works.

Drainage, it is understood is to an exclusive septic tank which we understand lies within the feu. This was not checked or tested. It should be ensured that appropriate registration documents are available.

The property is situated close to the sea and the area is shown as being at high risk of coastal flooding on the SEPA online indicative flood risk map. As far as we are aware the property has not been affected by flooding. Therefore the valuation assumes that insurance can be obtained on normal terms.

There is evidence of previous movement in the form of off floor levels internally. The movement is considered to be longstanding in nature with no indication of recent structural deterioration. On the basis of a limited single inspection, no further significant movement is anticipated.

The internal floor area includes areas of restricted head height below 1.5m high.

Essential Repairs
None apparent within the limitations of our inspection.
Estimated cost of essential repairs £ Retention recommended? Yes X No Amount £

Comment on Mortgageability					
The property affords adeq lender's criteria.	juate security for loan purposes based on the valuation figure, subject to i	ndividual			
Valuations					
Market value in present condition  Market value on completion of essential repairs  Insurance reinstatement value (to include the cost of total rebuilding, site clearance, professional fees, ancillary charges plus VAT)  Is a reinspection necessary?  Buy To Let Cases  £ 620  £ 620  £ 620					
What is the reasonable rangementh Short Assured Tenar	ge of monthly rental income for the property assuming a letting on a 6 ncy basis?	£			
	here there is a steady demand for rented accommodation of this type?	Yes No			
Declaration					
Signed Surveyor's name Professional qualifications Company name	Security Print Code [465436 = 5013]O Electronically signed by:- India Hill AssocRICS Harvey Donaldson And Gibson				
Caledonian House Business Centre, High Street, Elgin, IV30 1BD  Telephone 01343547844  Fax 0203 880 9193  Report date 21st June 2023					

### **Energy Performance Certificate (EPC)**

Dwellings

### **Scotland**

#### SPEYVIEW, SHORE ROAD, KINGSTON, FOCHABERS, IV32 7NS

Dwelling type:Detached houseDate of assessment:20 June 2023Date of certificate:21 June 2023Total floor area:117 m²

Primary Energy Indicator: 417 kWh/m²/year

**Reference number:** 5217-2226-4100-0920-8226 **Type of assessment:** RdSAP, existing dwelling

**Approved Organisation:** Elmhurst

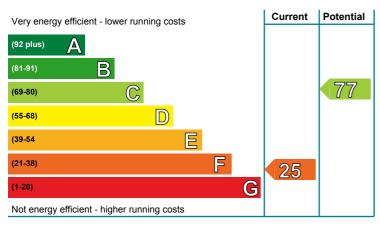
Main heating and fuel: Boiler and radiators, oil

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

Estimated energy costs for your home for 3 years*	£12,492	See your recommendations	
Over 3 years you could save*	£7,296	report for more information	

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

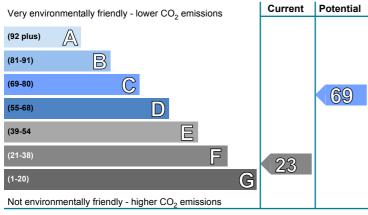


#### **Energy Efficiency Rating**

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

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



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

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

Your current rating is **band F (23)**. 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 Room-in-roof insulation	£1,500 - £2,700	£2562.00	
2 Cavity wall insulation	£500 - £1,500	£201.00	
3 Internal or external wall insulation	£4,000 - £14,000	£804.00	

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.

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#### Summary of the energy performance related features of this home

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

Element	Description	Energy Efficiency	Environmental
Walls	Sandstone or limestone, as built, no insulation (assumed)	***	** \$ \$ \$ \$
	Cavity wall, as built, no insulation (assumed)	****	****
Roof	Roof room(s), ceiling insulated	<b>★</b> ☆☆☆	****
Floor	Solid, no insulation (assumed)	_	_
Windows	Some double glazing	<b>★</b> ☆☆☆	****
Main heating	Boiler and radiators, oil	***	<b>★★★☆☆</b>
Main heating controls	Programmer, TRVs and bypass	<b>★★★☆☆</b>	<b>★★★☆☆</b>
Secondary heating	Room heaters, dual fuel (mineral and wood)	_	_
Hot water	From main system, no cylinder thermostat	****	****
Lighting	Low energy lighting in 79% 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, 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 108 kg CO<sub>2</sub>/m<sup>2</sup>/yr.

The average Scottish household produces about 6 tonnes of carbon dioxide every year. Based on this assessment, heating and lighting this home currently produces approximately 13 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 9.0 tonnes per year. You could reduce emissions even more by switching to renewable energy sources.

#### Estimated energy costs for this home

		Current energy costs	Potential energy costs	Potential future savings
Heating		£10,293 over 3 years	£4,077 over 3 years	
Hot water		£1,599 over 3 years	£510 over 3 years	You could
Lighting		£600 over 3 years	£609 over 3 years	save £7,296
	Totals	£12,492	£5,196	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	
		indicative cost	per year	Energy	Environment
1	Room-in-roof insulation	£1,500 - £2,700	£854	F 38	F 32
2	Cavity wall insulation	£500 - £1,500	£67	E 39	F 33
3	Internal or external wall insulation	£4,000 - £14,000	£268	E 43	F 37
4	Floor insulation (solid floor)	£4,000 - £6,000	£220	E 47	E 40
5	Add additional 80 mm jacket to hot water cylinder	£15 - £30	£28	E 48	E 40
6	Hot water cylinder thermostat	£200 - £400	£42	E 49	E 41
7	Upgrade heating controls	£350 - £450	£168	E 52	E 44
8	Replace boiler with new condensing boiler	£2,200 - £3,000	£459	D 62	E 54
9	Solar water heating	£4,000 - £6,000	£88	D 64	D 56
10	Replace single glazed windows with low- E double glazed windows	£3,300 - £6,500	£236	C 69	D 62
11	Solar photovoltaic panels, 2.5 kWp	£3,500 - £5,500	£606	C 77	C 69

#### **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 (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.

#### 5 Hot water cylinder insulation

Increasing the thickness of existing insulation by adding an 80 mm cylinder jacket around the hot water cylinder will help maintain the water at the required temperature; this will reduce the amount of energy used and lower fuel bills. The jacket should be fitted over the top of the existing foam insulation and over any thermostat clamped to the cylinder. Hot water pipes from the hot water cylinder should also be insulated, using pre-formed pipe insulation of up to 50 mm thickness, or to suit the space available, for as far as they can be accessed to reduce losses in summer. All these materials can be purchased from DIY stores and installed by a competent DIY enthusiast.

#### 6 Cylinder thermostat

A hot water cylinder thermostat enables the boiler to switch off when the water in the cylinder reaches the required temperature; this minimises the amount of energy that is used and lowers fuel bills. The thermostat is a temperature sensor that sends a signal to the boiler when the required temperature is reached. To be fully effective it needs to be sited in the correct position and hard wired in place, so it should be installed by a competent plumber or heating engineer. Building regulations apply to this work, so it is best to check with your local authority building standards department whether a building warrant will be required.

#### 7 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.

#### 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

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)	21,946	(1,116)	(414)	(1,641)
Water heating (kWh per year)	3,638			

#### **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.

#### Advice and support to improve this property

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

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

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Property Address	Speyview, Shore Road, Kingston, Fochabers, Moray, IV32 7NS
Vendor(s)	Miss Tracy Barlow
Completion Date of Property Questionnaire	20/06/2023 15:39
System Ref:	QV109179





#### **Note for sellers**

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

### Information to be given to prospective buyer(s)

1.	Length of ownership				
	How long have you owned the property? 4 years 10 months				
2.	Council Tax				
	Which Council Tax band is your property in?				
	A & B & C Ø D & E & F & G	×	Н	×	
3.	Parking				
	What are the arrangements for parking at your property?  Please tick all that apply?				
	Garage ♥ Allocated parking space ♥	Dı	riveway		
	Shared parking ⊗ On street ⊗ F	Resident	permit	8	
	Metered parking 😵 Other (please specify):				
4.	Conservation area				
	Is your property in a designated Conservation Area (that is an area of special architectural or historical interest, the character or appearance of which it is desirable to preserve or enhance)?		Yes No		
		Don	t know	×	
5.	Listed buildings				
	Is your property a Listed Building, or contained within one (that is a building recognised and approved as being of special architectural or historical interest)?		Yes	<b>×</b>	
			No	<b>Ø</b>	
6.	Alterations/additions/extensions				
a.	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	, 🐼	
<u>u.</u>	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,		No		
(i)	If you have answered yes, please describe below the changes which you have made:				
4115	Did you obtain planning permission, building warrant, completion certificate and other		Yes	<b>×</b>	
(ii)	consents for this work?		No	×	
(iv)	If you have answered yes, the relevant documents will be needed by the purchaser and you stabilition as soon as possible for checking. If you do not have the documents yourself, please not these documents and your solicitor or estate agent will arrange to obtain them:			your	



6.	Alterations/additions/extensions	
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 😵
D.	property: If you have answered yes, please answer the timee questions below	No 🕢
(i)	Were the replacements the same shape and type as the ones you	Yes 😵
(i)	replaced?	No 😵
(ii)	Did the work involve any changes to the window or door openings?	Yes 😵
(")		No 😵
	Please describe the changes made to the windows doors, or patio doors (with approximate date completed):	es when the work was
	Please give any guarantees which you received for this work to your solicitor or estate agent	
(iii)	i lease give any guarantees which you received for this work to your solitor of estate agent	
7.	Central heating	
	Is there a central heating system in your property? (Note: a partial central heating system is one which does not heat all the main	Yes 🤡
a.	rooms of the property — the main living room, the bedroom(s), the hall and the bathroom).	No 😵
		Partial 🚷
	<u>If you have answered yes or partial</u> – what kind of central heating is there? (Examples: gas-fired, solid fuel, electric storage heating, gas warm air)	
	Oil <u>If you have answered yes</u> , please answer the three questions below	
	When we was a series had in a series are restrict a series in stalled?	Do not know
(i)	When was your central heating system or partial central heating installed?	Do not know
	Do you have a maintenance contract for the central heating system?	Yes 🔕
(ii)		No 🕢
	<u>If you answered yes</u> please give details of the company with whom you have a maintenance co	intract
	When was your maintenance contract last renewed? (Please provide the month and year)	
(iii)	The new year manner and search and new year,	
8.	Energy Performance Certificate	
<u> </u>	Does your property have an Energy Performance Certificate which is less	Yes 😵
	than 10 years old?	No 🐼
9.	Issues that may have affected your property	
	Has there been any storm, flood, fire, or other structural damage to your	Yes 😵
a.	That there been any eterni, heed, me, or ether etherial damage to year	
	property while you have owned it?	
<u> </u> 	property while you have owned it?	No 🗸
	property while you have owned it?  If you have answered yes is the damage the subject of any outstanding	No V Yes No S
b.	property while you have owned it?  If you have answered yes is the damage the subject of any outstanding insurance claim?	No 🗸 Yes 🔕
b.	property while you have owned it?  If you have answered yes is the damage the subject of any outstanding insurance claim?	No V Yes V No V Yes V



10.	Services				
	Please tick which services are connected	ed to your property	and give details of	the supplier	
	Service	Connected	Suppli	ier	
	Gas or liquid petroleum gas	$\otimes$			
	Water mains or private water supply		Moray co	uncil	
a.	Electricity		Scottish p	oower	
	Mains drainage	$\otimes$			
	Telephone		Bt		
	Cable TV or satellite		Sky		
	Broadband		Sky		
b.	Is there a septic tank at your property?			Yes 🤡	
D.	If you have answered yes please answer the questions below			No 😵	
	Do you have appropriate consents for the	ne discharge of you	ur septic tank?	Yes 🗸	
(i)			No 😵		
				Don't know 🚫	
	Do you have a maintenance contract for	r your septic tank?		Yes 😵	
/::\				No 🕢	
(ii)	If you answered yes please give details of the company with whom you have a maintenance contract				
11.	Responsibilities for shared or comme	on areas			
	Are you aware of any responsibility to contribute to the cost of anything used jointly, such as repair of a shared drive, private road, boundary, or garden area?			V 🐼	
				Yes 😵	
a.	Igaracii arca:	,,	boundary, or	No 🕢	
a.	gardon aroa.	,,			
a.	If you answered yes please give details	,,,	boundary, or	No 🕢	
а. 		,,	boundary, or	No 🕢	
a. 	If you answered yes please give details  Are you aware of any responsibility to compare the second s	ontribute to the cos	st of repair and	No 🕢	
d. 	If you answered yes please give details	ontribute to the cos	st of repair and	No <b>⊘</b> Don't know <b>⊗</b>	
ь.	If you answered yes please give details  Are you aware of any responsibility to compare the second s	ontribute to the cos	st of repair and	No ♥ Don't know   Yes    Yes	
	If you answered yes please give details  Are you aware of any responsibility to compare the second s	ontribute to the cos	st of repair and	No ② Don't know   Yes  No ②	
	If you answered yes please give details  Are you aware of any responsibility to commaintenance of the roof, common stairs  If you answered yes please give details  No	ontribute to the cosvell, or other comm	st of repair and non areas?	No ② Don't know   Yes  No ②	
b.	If you answered yes please give details  Are you aware of any responsibility to commintenance of the roof, common stairs  If you answered yes please give details  No  Has there been any major repair or repl	ontribute to the cosvell, or other comm	st of repair and non areas?	No ⊘ Don't know ⊗  Yes ⊗ No ⊘	
	If you answered yes please give details  Are you aware of any responsibility to comaintenance of the roof, common stairs  If you answered yes please give details  No  Has there been any major repair or repl during the time you have owned the bui	ontribute to the cosvell, or other command	et of repair and loon areas?	No ODON'T know S  Yes No ODON'T know S	
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b. c.	If you answered yes please give details  Are you aware of any responsibility to comaintenance of the roof, common stairs  If you answered yes please give details  No  Has there been any major repair or repl during the time you have owned the bui	ontribute to the cosvell, or other commacement of any palding?	est of repair and non areas?  rt of the roof	No ODOn't know S  Yes No ODOn't know S  Yes No ODOn't know S	
b.	If you answered yes please give details  Are you aware of any responsibility to comaintenance of the roof, common stairs  If you answered yes please give details  No  Has there been any major repair or repl during the time you have owned the buil	ontribute to the cosvell, or other commacement of any palding?	est of repair and non areas?  rt of the roof	No ODON'T know S  Yes No ODON'T know S  Yes No Ves No Ves S	



11.	Responsibilities for shared or common areas	
	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 <b>⊗</b> No ⊘
e.	If you answered yes please give details	140
	I you answered yes prease give details	
	As far as you are aware, is there a public right of way across any part of your property? (public right of way is a way over which the public has a right to pass, whether or not the land is privately owned.)	Yes 😵
f.		No 🤡
••	<u>If you answered yes</u> please give details	
40	Charges associated with your property	
12.	Charges associated with your property	
	Is there a factor or property manager for your property?	Yes 🔕
a.		No 🤣
	If you answered yes please provide name and address and give details relating to deposits held	and charges
	Is there a common buildings insurance policy?	Yes 😵
	is there a common buildings insurance policy:	No 🐼
b.		Don't know
υ.	<b>If you answered yes</b> is the cost of insurance included in your monthly/annual factor's charges?	Yes
	a the cost of modulates in four modulation, and the cost of modulation in the cost of modulation	No
	Please give details of any other charges you have to pay on a regular basis for the up	
C.	areas or repair works, for example to a residents' association, or maintenance or stair <b>N/A</b>	fund.
13.	Specialist works	
	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 answered yes please give further details	
a.		,
	Do you have any guarantees for this work?	Yes 🔕
		No 🔕
	Guarantees are held by :	_
	As far as you are aware, has any preventative work for dry rot, wet rot, or damp ever been carried out to your property?	Yes 😵
		No 🕢
_	If you answered yes please give further details	
b.		
	Do you have any guarantees for this work?	Yes 🛇
	Consented to the label to the	No 😵
	Guarantees are held by :	



14.	Guarantees					
	Are there any warranties or guarantees for any of the following					
a.		No	Yes	Don't know	With title deeds	Lost
(i) b.	Electrical work	<b>Ø</b>	8	8	8	8
(ii) b.	Roofing	<b>Ø</b>	8	8	8	8
(iii) b.	Central heating	<b>Ø</b>	8	8	8	8
(iv) b.	National House Building Council (NHBC)	8	8	<b>Ø</b>	8	8
(v) b.	Damp course	<b>Ø</b>	8	8	8	8
(vi)	Any other work or installation? (for example cavity wall insulation, underpinning, indemnity policy)	×	×		×	×
b.		<u>I</u>				
	Are there any outstanding claims under any of the guarantees listed at	ove?				es 😵
c.	<u>If you answered yes</u> please give details					,
15.	Boundaries					
	Are you aware has any boundary of your property been moved ten years?	in the I	ast			es 😵
a.				Do	n't kno	
	<u>If you answered yes</u> please give details					



16.	Notices that affect your property	
	In the past three years have you ever receievd a notice :	
a.	Advising that the owner of a neighbouring property has made a planning application?	Yes ⊗ No ⊘
b.	that affects your property in some other way?	Yes ⊗ No ⊘
c.	that requires you to perform any maintenance, repairs, or improvements to the property?	Yes ⊗ No ⊘
	If you answered yes to any of a-c above please give the notices to your so agent, including any notices which arrive at any time before the date of entry of your property	

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

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

**Signatures:** 

**Tracy Louise Barlow** 

**Anthony Paul Coxhead** 

Date:



