# 11 Seaview Terrace Fort William PH33 6RG



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# Property Questionnaire

PROPERTY ADDRESS:	11 Seaview Terrace Fort William PH33 6RG
SELLER(S):	Ambrose Gillham Veronica Gillham
COMPLETION DATE OF PROPERTY QUESTIONNAIRE:	17.10.24

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

1.	. Length of ownership					
	How long have you owned the property? 10 years					
2.	Council Tax					
	Which Council Tax band is your property in?  A B C✓ D E F G H					
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3.	Parking					
	What are the arrangements for parking at your property?					
	(Please indicate all that apply)					
	Garage					
	Allocated parking space					
	• Driveway					
	Shared parking ✓					
	On street					
	Resident permit					
	Metered parking					
	Other (please specify):					
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)?					
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)?					
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)?					
	If you have answered yes, please describe the changes which you have made:					
	(ii) Did you obtain planning permission, building warrant, completion certificate and other consents for this work?					

	If you have answered yes, the relevant documents will be needed by the purchaser and you should give them to your solicitor as soon as possible for checking.	
	If you do not have the documents yourself, please note below who has these documents and your solicitor or estate agent can arrange to obtain them.	
b.	Have you had replacement windows, doors, patio doors or double glazing installed in your property?	Yes
	If you have answered yes, please answer the three questions below:	
	(i) Were the replacements the same shape and type as the ones you replaced?	Yes
	(ii) Did this work involve any changes to the window or door openings?	No
	(iii) Please describe the changes made to the windows, doors, or patio doors (with approximate dates when the work was completed): New front door only	
	Please give any guarantees which you received for this work to your solicitor or estate agent.	
7.	Central heating	
a.	Is there a central heating system in your property? (Note: a partial central heating system is one which does not heat all the main rooms of the property – the main living room, the bedroom(s), the hall and the bathroom).	Yes
	If you have answered yes/partial – what kind of central heating is there? LPG	
	(Examples: gas-fired, solid fuel, electric storage heating, gas warm air.)	
	If you have answered yes, please answer the 3 questions below:	
b.	When was your central heating system or partial central heating system installed? Don't know	
C.	Do you have a maintenance contract for the central heating system?	No
	If you have answered yes, please give details of the company with which you have a maintenance agreement:	
d.	When was your maintenance agreement last renewed? (Please provide the month and year).	
8.	Energy Performance Certificate	
	Does your property have an Energy Performance Certificate which is less than 10 years old?	No
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	No

b.	Are you aware of the existence of asbestos in your property?			
	If you have answered yes, please give details:			
10.	Services			
a.	Please tick which services are connected to your property and give details of the supplier:			
	Services	Connected	Supplier	
	Gas / liquid petroleum gas	✓	Calor	
	Water mains / private water supply	✓	Brightwater	
	Electricity	✓	OVO Energy	
	Mains drainage	✓	Brightwater	
	Telephone	✓	Plusnet	
	Cable TV / satellite		Not sure	
	Broadband	✓	Plusnet	
b.	Is there a septic tank sys	tem at vour prope	artv?	No
δ.	•		the two questions below:	140
C.			the discharge from your	
d.	Do you have a maintenar	nce contract for ye	our septic tank?	
	If you have answered yes, please give details of the company with which you have a maintenance contract:			
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?  If you have answered yes, please give details:			
b.	Is there a responsibility to contribute to repair and maintenance of the roof, common stairwell or other common areas?			Yes
	If you have answered yes, please give details: Roof and gutters shared with number 2			
C.	Has there been any major repair or replacement of any part of the roof during the time you have owned the property?			

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?  If you have answered yes, please give details:	No
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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?	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.)	No
	If you have answered yes, please give details:	
12.	Charges associated with your property	
a.	Is there a factor or property manager for your property?	No
	If you have answered yes, please provide the name and address and give details of any deposit held and approximate charges:	
b.	Is there a common buildings insurance policy?	No
	If you have answered yes, is the cost of the insurance included in your monthly/annual factor's charges?	
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	
a.	As far as you are aware, has treatment of dry rot, wet rot, damp or any other specialist work ever been carried out to your property?	Yes
	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 Common furniture beetle in roof rafters treated in 2014 by West Highland Timber Preservation (GCF)	
b.	As far as you are aware, has any preventative work for dry rot, wet rot, or damp ever been carried out to your property?	No
	If you have answered yes, please give details Roof timbers inspected in 2014 – see above	

c.	guarantees relating to this work?  If you have answered yes, these guarantees will be needed by the purchaser and should be given to your solicitor as soon as possible for checking. If you do not have them yourself please write below who has these documents and your solicitor or estate agent will arrange for them to be obtained. You will also need to provide a description of the work carried out. This may be shown in the original estimate.  Guarantees are held by:						
a.	Are there any guarantees or w	varran	ties fo	r any of the	following:		
(i)	Electrical work	No	Yes	Ďon't	With title de	eds	Lost
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(ii)	Roofing	No	Yes	Don't Know	With title de	eds	Lost
(iii)	Central heating	No	Yes	Don't know	With title de	eds	Lost
(iv)	NHBC	No	Yes	Don't know	With title de	With title deeds	
(v)	Damp course	No	Yes	Don't know	With title deeds		Lost
(vi)	Any other work or installations? (e.g: cavity wall insulation, underpinning, indemnity policy)	No	Yes	Don't know	With title de	eds	Lost
b.	If you have answered 'yes' or or installations to which the g	<u>'with</u> uaran	title de tee(s)	<u>eds',</u> pleas relate(s):	e give detail	s of t	he work
C.	Are there any outstanding cla	ims uı	nder ar	ny of the gu	iarantees		
	If you have answered yes, please give details:						
15.	Boundaries						
	So far as you are aware, has any boundary of your property been moved in the last 10 years?				No		
	If you have answered yes, please give details:						
16.	Notices that affect your property						
	In the past 3 years have you ever received a notice:						
a.	advising that the owner of a neighbouring property has made a planning application? – apart from Murthi Hotel changes to skyline				No		
b.	that affects your property in some other way?					No	
C.	that requires you to do any maintenance, repairs or improvements to your property?						No

If you have answered yes to any of a-c above, please give the notices to your solicitor or estate agent, including any notices which arrive at any time before the date of entry of the 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)	
A	Gillham
<b>v</b>	M Gillham
Date:1	7.10.24

# survey report on:

Property address	11 Seaview Terrace Fort William PH33 6RG
Customer	Ambrose Gillham
	Veronica Gillham
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Prepared by	John Strachan MRICS Samuel & Partners - FS Scotland
Date of Inspection	18 <sup>th</sup> October 2024

### 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 the need to move any obstructions and externally from ground level within the site and adjoining public areas. Any references to left or right are taken facing the front of the property.

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.

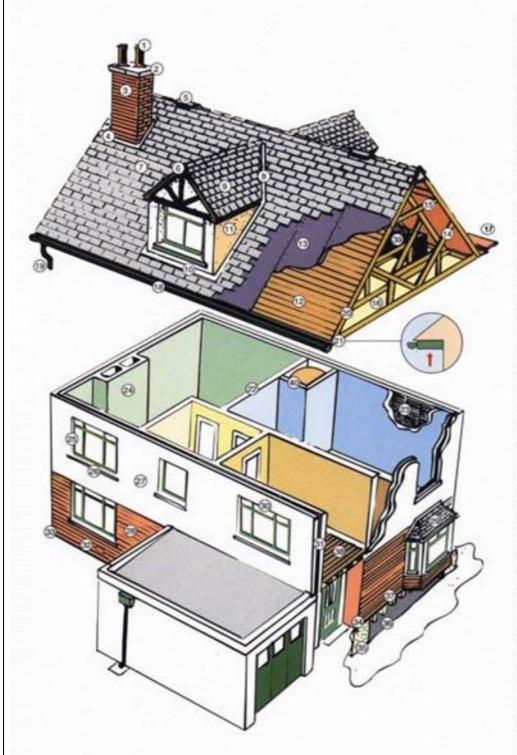
Services such as TV/cable connection, internet connection, swimming pools and other leisure facilities etc were not inspected or reported on.

Description	A first and second floor mid terrace maisonette flat. The property is C listed.	
Accommodation	Ground floor: entrance lobby and stairs.  First floor: landing, living room, kitchen / dining, bedroom and a bathroom.  Second floor: landing, 2 bedrooms and a study.	
Gross internal floor area (m²)	108 sq m.	
Neighbourhood and location	The property is set within the town of Fort William amidst properties of a similar type. All essential services, amenities and transport links are nearby.	
Age	Built around 1895.	
Weather	Overcast with outbreaks of rain. The preceding weather was mixed.	
Chimney stacks	Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate  There are two masonry constructed chimney stacks with rendered surfaces, concrete copes and clay pots. The junction with the roof is weathered in lead.	
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 3 m ladder externally  Roof spaces were visually inspected and were entered where there was safe and reasonable access, normally defined as being from a 3 m 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 covered in a natural slate. The ridge is in a zinc capping. There are dormer windows to the front and rear with pitched and slated roofs. Flashings are in lead. There are skylights to the front and rear.  Due to the nature of construction of the top floor accommodation remaining roof spaces are limited. We viewed the apex via a ceiling hatch to the landing. We viewed the lower roof spaces via hatches to the front and rear bedrooms. The roof is of joiner made construction with a softwood sarking board. There is a cold water storage tank in the upper roof space. There is glass wool to the upper roof space.	
Rainwater fittings	Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate Cast iron gutters and downpipes.	
Main walls	Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate  Foundations and concealed parts were not exposed or inspected  The external walls appear to be in cavity brickwork construction with contrasting brickwork around openings and at the wall head. There is decorative sandstone around the openings. There is vertical lead sheeting to the upper gable on the right hand side.  Internally the walls are finished mainly in a plaster on the hard.	

Windows, external doors and joinery   Internal and external doors were opened and closed where keys were available   Random windows were not forced open   Windows are in original timber ash and case with single glazed panels. The front entrance door is in timber. The fascia boards are in timber.			
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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. The meters and fuse board are located at high level in the kitchen. Electrical fittings are a mix of age.	
Gas	Accessible parts of the system were visually inspected without removing fittings. No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances. Visual inspection does not assess any services to make sure they work properly and efficiently and meet modern standards. If any services are turned off, the surveyor will state that in the report and will not turn them on There is an LPG bulk gas tank located in the rear garden which serves the combi boiler and cooker within the kitchen.	
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. The incoming stopcock is below the kitchen window. Plumbing supplies where viewed are in copper, wastes are in plastic and cast iron.	
	Bathroom fittings comprise of a ceramic wc, ceramic wash hand basin and a plastic bath. The bath taps have a mixer shower attachment. Surfaces around the bath are tiled.	
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  Central heating and hot water is provided by a wall mounted Calor gas fired combi boiler. The boiler heats steel radiators throughout the property.	
	There is a redundant copper hot water cylinder in the lower roof space to the rear bedroom.	
Drainage	Drainage covers etc were not lifted. Neither drains nor drainage systems were tested Drainage connects to the mains system.	
Fire, smoke and burglar alarms	Visually inspected. No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances There are no fire or burglar alarms. There are smoke detectors in various places.	
	Fire Safety Legislation effective from February 2022 requires a smoke alarm to be installed in the room most frequently used for living purposes and in every circulation space on each floor. A heat detection alarm must be installed in every kitchen area and all smoke and heat alarms must be ceiling mounted and interlinked. Where there is a carbon fuelled appliance e.g. central heating boiler, open fire, wood burning stove, etc, a carbon monoxide detector is also required. The purchaser(s) should appraise themselves of the requirements of this legislation and engage with appropriate accredited contractors to ensure compliance.	
Any additional limits to	For flats/maisonettes	
inspection	Only the subject flat and internal communal areas giving access to the flat were inspected	
	If the roof space or underbuilding/basement is communal, reasonable and safe access is not always possible. If no inspection was possible, this will be stated. If no inspection was possible, the surveyor will assume that there are no defects that will have a material effect on the valuation	
	The building containing the flat, including any external communal areas, was visually inspected only to the extent that the surveyor is able to give an opinion on the general condition and standard of maintenance	
	We have not carried out an inspection for Japanese Knotweed or other invasive plant species and unless otherwise stated for the purpose of this report we have assumes that there is no Japenese Knotweed or other invasive plant species within the boundaries of the proeprty or in neighbouring properties. the identification of Japenese Knotweed or other invasive plant species should be made by a Specialst Contractor.  As mentioned above access to the roof space is limited.	
	As mentioned above the floors were fully covered and carpeted at the time of inspection.	

# Sectional Diagram showing elements of a typical house



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

- (1) Chimney pots
- 2) Coping stone
- (3) Chimney head
- (4) Flashing
- (5) Ridge ventilation
- 6 Ridge board
- 7 Slates / tiles
- 8 Valley guttering
- 9 Dormer projection
- 10) Dormer flashing
- 11) Dormer cheeks
- (12) Sarking
- (13) Roof felt
- 14) Trusses
- (15) Collar
- (16) Insulation
- (17) Parapet gutter
- (18) Eaves guttering
- (19) Rainwater downpipe
- 20) Verge boards /skews
- (21) Soffit boards
- 22) Partition wall
- (23) Lath / plaster
- (24) Chimney breast
- (25) Window pointing
- (26) Window sills
- (27) Rendering
- 28) Brickwork / pointing
- (29) Bay window projection
- (30) Lintels
- (31) Cavity walls / wall ties
- 32) Subfloor ventilator
- (33) Damp proof course
- (34) Base course
- 35) Foundations
- (36) Solum
- (37) Floor joists
- (38) Floorboards
- 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.		Repairs or replacement requiring future attention, but estimates are still advised.	No immediate action or repair is needed.		
Estimates for repairs or r are needed now.	eplacement				
Structural movement					
Repair category	1				
Notes		ce of any significant cracking, current se the foundations are defective or inaded			
Dampness, rot and inf	estation				
Repair category	2				
Notes	wall linings the time of There is ev	teral damp to the west wall at the entral at the skylight above the stairs and to inspection these surfaces were dry. vidence of wood boring insect infestatio at the first floor, but we believe this has	the study to the top floor, however at n to the roof void timbers and to the		
Chimney stacks	capboara	at the mat hoof, but we believe this has	an been treated. See legal matters.		
Repair category	2				
Notes		againg maintananae required to the obje	mnov otooko		
Notes	There is or	ngoing maintenance required to the chir	finey stacks.		
Roofing including roo	f space				
Repair category	2				
Notes	There are a few dislodged and slipped slates in places. The lead rolls to the dormers and the skylights are ageing.  There is no insulation to the lower roof spaces.				
Rainwater fittings					
Repair category	2				
Notes	There is or	ngoing maintenance required to the rain	nwater goods in places.		
Main walls					
Repair category	1				
Notes		ce of any significant disrepair. The externorsistent with its age.	rnal wall surfaces are generally in a		
Windows, external do	ors and joine	ry			
Repair category	2				
Notes		t to a side window to the front dormer. board to the west gable is wearing. The			
External decorations					
Repair category	2				
Notes	The paint f soon.	The paint finish is beginning to weather in places and some redecorations are required soon.			

Conservatories/porch	ies
Repair category	2
Notes	There is lateral damp to the west wall. A section of skirting is loose. The timber finial is worn. The rainwater goods require decorating. There is wear to the brickwork at low level.
Communal areas	
Repair category	1
Notes	No evidence of any significant disrepair.
Garages and permane	ent outbuildings
Repair category	3
Notes	The former laundry building is in a poor state of disrepair. See legal matters.
Outside areas and bo	undaries
Repair category	2
Notes	The garden grounds require some basic maintenance. There is Japanese knotweed on ground beyond the rear garden area. The boundaries require repair/completing. See legal matters.
Ceilings	
Repair category	2
Notes	There is hairline cracking to the lath and plaster ceiling in various places which is quite common for properties of this age. It should be ensured that no plaster is boss.
Internal walls	
Repair category	1
Notes	No evidence of any significant disrepair. Surfaces are in a condition consistent with age.
Floors including sub-	floors
Repair category	1
Notes	No evidence of any significant disrepair having regard to the limits of our inspection. It would be wise to check the floors for the presence of woodworm in a property of this age.
Internal joinery and ki	itchen fittings
Repair category	2
Notes	The kitchen fittings are dated and some modernisation is required.
Chimney breasts and	fireplaces
Repair category	1
Notes	No evidence of any significant disrepair.
Internal decorations	
Repair category	2
Notes	Damp affected areas should be redecorated.
Cellars	
Repair category	Not applicable
Notes	

Electricity			
Repair category	2		
Notes	There is no record of when an electrical test was last carried out. It is good practice to test electrical installations to domestic properties on a 5 year cycle or upon an exchange of ownership. There are no extractor fans to the kitchen or bathroom.		
	A fully integrated smoke, heat and carbon monoxide detector system should be provided to comply with new legislation.		
Gas			
Repair category	1		
Notes	It is good practice to service gas appliances on a regular basis. See legal matters.		
Water, plumbing and ba	throom fittings		
Repair category	1		
Notes	No evidence of any significant disrepair. We assume the cold water storage tank in the roof space is redundant. The bathroom suite is dated.		
Heating and hot water			
Repair category	1		
Notes	No evidence of any significant disrepair. It is good practice to service gas boilers on a regular basis. There is a redundant copper cylinder to the lower roof space to the rear bedroom.		
Drainage			
Repair category	1		
Notes	No evidence of any significant disrepair having regard to the limits of our inspection.		

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.

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#### **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.

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

#### 4. Valuation and conveyancer issues

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

#### Matters for a solicitor or licensed conveyancer

It is assumed that the subjects are held on an absolute ownership basis [formerly feudal]. This should be confirmed by your solicitor.

In addition to the standard searches and enquiries to be carried out by your solicitor we would recommend that the following matters are confirmed:

- 1. The guarantee for the wood boring treatment works should be provided.
- 2. The common elements of the property should be confirmed together with a responsibility for the maintenance and upkeep of the same.
- 3. Details concerning the responsibilities and liabilities with regard to the Listed dilapidated laundry building should be provided.
- 4. Is the Japanese knotweed to the land behind the rear garden been dealt with by the landowner or local authority?
- 5. The service record for the gas fired boiler should be provided.

#### Estimated reinstatement cost for insurance purposes

It is recommended that the subjects be insured for a sum of not less than £300,000 [three hundred thousand pounds]

This figure is the estimate of the cost of rebuilding the property and bears no direct relationship to the current market value.

#### Valuation and market comments

£165,000 [one hundred & sixty five thousand pounds]

There is a strong demand for properties at this value band within the town of Fort William. The property retains many of its original features which will appeal to certain buyers.

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Signed	Electronically prepared by Samuel & Partners
Date of report	30 October 2024

# **Terms and Conditions**

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

#### 1.1 THE SURVEYORS

The Seller has engaged the Surveyors to provide the Single Survey Report. The Seller has also engaged the Surveyors to provide an Energy Report in the format prescribed by the accredited Energy Company.

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, 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 to the Seller. It is the responsibility of the Seller to ensure that the amended Report is 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.

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 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.

#### 1.5 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.

#### 1.6 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.

#### 1.7 PRECEDENCE

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

#### 1.8 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 "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;

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- 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.

#### 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.

- <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" 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

# Samuel & Partners Generic Valuation

Mortgage Valuation Report							
Property:	11 Seaview T	errace	C	ustomer:			
	Fort William			wner:			
	PH33 6RG		In	troducer:			
			Te	enure:	Standard Ov	wnership (a	ssumed)
Date of Inspection:	18.10.24		R	eference:			
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1.0	LOCATION						
The property is and transport lin		own of Fort Willia	m amidst prope	rties of a sin	nilar type. All e	essential se	rvices, amenities
2.0	DESCRIPTION	N		2.1 Age:	1895		
-	and floor mid ter	race maisonette f	lat. The proper				
3.0	CONSTRUCT	ION					
Cavity Brickwor	k wans, pitcheu	and slated roof;	concrete and sc	uspended till	ibel floors		
4.0	ACCOMMODA	ATION					
Ground floor: e First floor: land Second floor: la	ing, living room,	kitchen, bedroom a	and a bathroom.				
5.0	SERVICES (N	o tests have beer	n applied to any	of the servi	ces)		
Water:	Mains	Electricity:	Mains	Gas:	LPG	Drains:	Mains
Central Heatin	a:	Full – LPG gas l	poiler to steel ra	adiators			
6.0	OUTBUILDINGS						
Garage:	None						
Others:	Share of former laundry building						
7.0	GENERAL CONDITION - A building survey has not been carried out, nor has any inspection been made of any woodwork, services or other parts of the property which were covered, unexposed or inaccessible. The report cannot therefore confirm that such parts of the property are free from defect. Failure to rectify defects, particularly involving water penetration may result in further and more serious defects arising. Where defects exist and where remedial work is necessary, prospective purchasers are advised to seek accurate estimates and costings from appropriate Contractors or Specialists before proceeding with the purchase. Generally we will not test or report on boundary walls, fences, outbuildings, radon gas or site contamination.						
The property is	s in a satisfactory condition for lending purposes.						

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8.0	ESSENT	ESSENTIAL REPAIR WORK (as a condition of any mortgage or, to preserve the condition of the property)								
None required a	s a conditi	on of the mortgage								
8.1 Retention r	ecommen	ded:	Reflected in	the v	aluatio	n.				
9.0	ROADS	& FOOTPATHS		1						
Have the roads and footpaths adjacent to the property been adopted and maintained by the Local Authority?  [ X ]YES [ ]NO  If No, comment to be made in Section 11						to be made in				
10.0	BUILDIN	IGS INSURANCE	£300,000			OSS EXT		_	118	Sq m
	destruction fittings have	is an opinion of an appropri on a re-instatement basis a e not been included. No allo ce has been made for VAT,	assuming reconsti owance has been	ruction of include	of the pro d for infla	operty in its ation during	s existing of the insu	design a rance pe	and material eriod or durin	ls. Furnishings and g re-construction and
11.0		L REMARKS	,							
None	<u> </u>									
12.0	onerous bi	<b>TION</b> On the assumption urdens, title restrictions or s	servitude rights. I	t is assi	ımed th	at all nece	ssary Loc	al Autho	ority consent	ts, which may have
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		to undertake appropriate te				T				
12.1	Market \	/alue in present on	£165,000			One hu	undred (	& sixty	five thous	sand pounds
12.2		/alue on	£ See remarks in Section 11 of		this report.					
	complet works:	ion of essential								
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# **Energy Performance Certificate (EPC)**

**Dwellings** 

# **Scotland**

#### 11 SEAVIEW TERRACE, FORT WILLIAM, PH33 6RG

Dwelling type: Mid-floor maisonette
Date of assessment: 18 October 2024
Date of certificate: 31 October 2024

**Total floor area:** 108 m<sup>2</sup>

Primary Energy Indicator: 246 kWh/m²/year

**Reference number:** 9080-1907-2200-5204-9204 **Type of assessment:** RdSAP, existing dwelling

Approved Organisation: Elmhurst

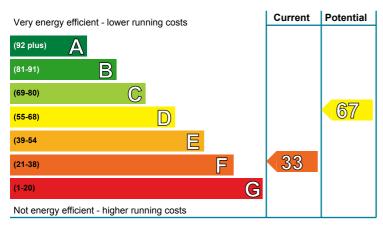
Main heating and fuel: Boiler and radiators, LPG

#### 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*	£7,068	See your recommendations	
Over 3 years you could save*	£3,705	report for more information	

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

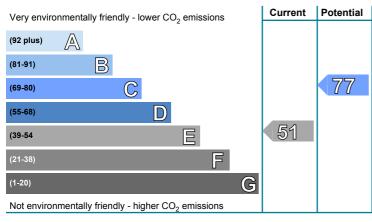


### **Energy Efficiency Rating**

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 (33)**. 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 E (51)**. The average rating for EPCs in Scotland is **band D (59)**.

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

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

Recommended measures	Indicative cost	Typical savings over 3 years
1 Increase loft insulation to 270 mm	£100 - £350	£918.00
2 Room-in-roof insulation	£1,500 - £2,700	£1722.00
3 Cavity wall insulation	£500 - £1,500	£498.00

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

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

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

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

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

Element	Description	Energy Efficiency	Environmental
Walls	Cavity wall, as built, no insulation (assumed)	***	***
Roof	Pitched, no insulation Roof room(s), ceiling insulated	<ul><li>★☆☆☆</li><li>★★☆☆☆</li></ul>	★☆☆☆☆ ★★☆☆☆
Floor	(another dwelling below)	_	_
Windows	Single glazed	***	***
Main heating	Boiler and radiators, LPG	***	<b>★★★★</b> ☆
Main heating controls	Programmer, room thermostat and TRVs	****	<b>★★★★</b> ☆
Secondary heating	None	_	_
Hot water	From main system	***	<b>★★★★</b> ☆
Lighting	Low energy lighting in all fixed outlets	****	****

### The energy efficiency rating of your home

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

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

## The impact of your home on the environment

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

The calculated emissions for your home are 53 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 5.8 tonnes of carbon dioxide every year. Adopting recommendations in this report can reduce emissions and protect the environment. If you were to install all of these recommendations this could reduce emissions by 3.2 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	£5,997 over 3 years	£2,274 over 3 years	
Hot water	£735 over 3 years	£744 over 3 years	You could
Lighting	£336 over 3 years	£345 over 3 years	save £3,705
Total	£7,068	£3,363	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.

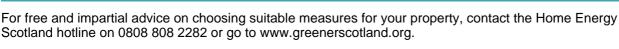
Recommended measures		lu disetiva eset	Typical saving	Rating after improvement		
		Indicative cost	per year	Energy	Environment	
1	Increase loft insulation to 270 mm	£100 - £350	£306	E 40	D 57	
2	Room-in-roof insulation	£1,500 - £2,700	£574	D 55	C 69	
3	Cavity wall insulation	£500 - £1,500	£166	D 60	C 72	
4	Draughtproofing	£80 - £120	£12	D 62	C 74	
5	Replace single glazed windows with low- E double glazed windows	£3,300 - £6,500	£179	D 67	C 77	

#### **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





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

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

#### 1 Loft insulation

Loft insulation laid in the loft space or between roof rafters to a depth of at least 270 mm will significantly reduce heat loss through the roof; this will improve levels of comfort, reduce energy use and lower fuel bills. Insulation should not be placed below any cold water storage tank, any such tank should also be insulated on its sides and top, and there should be boarding on battens over the insulation to provide safe access between the loft hatch and the cold water tank. The insulation can be installed by professional contractors but also by a capable DIY enthusiast. Loose granules may be used instead of insulation quilt; this form of loft insulation can be blown into place and can be useful where access is difficult. The loft space must have adequate ventilation to prevent dampness; seek advice about this if unsure. Further information about loft insulation and details of local contractors can be obtained from the National Insulation Association (www.nationalinsulationassociation.org.uk).

#### 2 Room-in-roof insulation

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

#### 3 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).

#### 4 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.

#### 5 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.

#### 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)	18,179	(2,947)	(1,356)	N/A
Water heating (kWh per year)	2,263			

#### **Addendum**

#### **About this document**

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

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

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#### Use of this energy performance information

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

### Advice and support to improve this property

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

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