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SINGLE Survey

A report on the condition of the property, with categories being rated from 1 to 3.



Single Survey

Survey report on:

Customer	Mr & Mrs. Adam & Debbie McKellar
Selling address	34 Birkdale Park
	Armadale, Bathgate
	EH48 2NE
Date of Inspection	22/08/2024
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PART 1 - GENERAL

1.1 THE SURVEYORS

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

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

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

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

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

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.

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

1.2 THE REPORT

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

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

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

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

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

The Report and any expressions 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. 2

1.6 INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

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

1.7 PAYMENT

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

1.8 CANCELLATION

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

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

In the case of cancellation or the inspection not proceeding, the Surveyor will refund any fees paid by the Seller for the inspection and Report, except for

expenses reasonably incurred and any fee due in light of the final paragraph of this section.

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

1.9 PRECEDENCE

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

1.10 **DEFINITIONS**

- the "Lender" is the party who has provided or intends or proposes to provide financial assistance to the Purchaser towards the purchase of the Property and in whose favour a standard security will be granted over the Property;
- the "Transcript Mortgage Valuation Report for Lending Purposes" means a separate report, prepared by the Surveyor, prepared from information in the Report and the generic Mortgage Valuation Report, but in a style and format required by the Lender. The Transcript Mortgage Valuation Report for Lending Purposes will be prepared with the skill and care reasonably to be expected from a surveyor who is a member of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors and who is competent to survey, value and report on the Property;
- the "Generic Mortgage Valuation Report" means a separate report, prepared by the Surveyor from information in the Report but in the Surveyor's own format.
- the "Market Value" is The estimated amount for which a property should exchange on the date of valuation between a willing buyer and a willing seller in an arm's-length transaction after proper marketing wherein the parties had each acted knowledgeably, prudently and without compulsion
- the "Property" is the property which forms the subject of the Report;
- the "Purchaser" is the person (or persons) who enters into a contract to buy the Property from the Seller;
- a "prospective Purchaser" is anyone considering buying the Property.
- the "Report" is the report, of the kind described in Part 2 of these Terms and Conditions and in the form set out in part 1 of Schedule 1 of the Housing (Scotland) Act 2006 (Prescribed Documents) Regulations 2008;
- the "Seller" is/are the proprietor(s) of the Property;
- the "Surveyor" is the author of the Report on the Property; and

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

- the "Surveyors" are the firm or company of which the Surveyor is an employee, director, member or partner (unless the Surveyor is not an employee, director, member or partner, when the "Surveyors" means the Surveyor) whose details are set out at the head of the Report.
- the "Energy Report" is the advice given by the accredited Energy Company, based on information collected by the Surveyor during the Inspection, and also includes an Energy Performance Certificate, in a Government approved format.

PART 2 – DESCRIPTION OF THE REPORT

2.1 THE SERVICE

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

2.2 THE INSPECTION

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

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

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

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

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

2.3 THE REPORT

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

significant. If certain minor matters are mentioned, it should not be interpreted that the property is free of any other minor defects.

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

- 2.3.1 <u>Category 3</u>: Urgent repairs or replacement are needed now. Failure to deal with them may cause problems to other parts of the property or cause a safety hazard. Estimates for repairs or replacement are needed now.
- 2.3.2 <u>Category 2</u>: Repairs or replacement requiring future attention, but estimates are still advised.
- 2.3.3 <u>Category 1</u>: 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 will not be inspected or reported on.

Description	The subjects comprise a two storey semi detached house.
Accommodation	Ground Floor: Entrance Vestibule, Living Room, Kitchen/Breakfast Room and WC Compartment. First Floor: Landing, Three Bedrooms and Bathroom with W.C.
Gross internal floor area (m2)	75 sq.m. or thereby.
Neighbourhood and location	The subjects are located within the town of Armadale where surrounding properties are broadly similar in terms of age, type and construction. Adequate amenities can be found nearby within the neighbouring town of Bathgate.
Age	2000 or thereby.
Weather	Dry and overcast.
Chimney stacks	None.

Roofing including roof	The roof is timber pitched and overlaid with tiles.
space	Access was afforded into the roof void via an access hatch in the first floor landing however this was restricted to head and shoulders only due to the lack of crawl board space and presence of insulation.
	Sloping roofs were visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where required.
	Flat roofs were visually inspected from vantage points within the property and where safe and reasonable to do so from a 3m ladder externally.
	Flat roofs have a limited life and depending on their age and quality of workmanship can fail at any time.
	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.
Rainwater fittings	PVC gutters and downpipes.
	Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where required.
Main walls	Main walls are of traditional cavity brick/block construction with pointed facing brick finishes present.
	Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where required. Foundations and concealed parts were not exposed or inspected.
Windows, external doors and joinery	Windows throughout are of pvc double glazed with the front and rear access doors being of composite construction.
	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.
External decorations	Painted and pvc finishes present.
	Visually inspected.
Conservatories / porches	None.
Communal areas	None.
Garages and permanent outbuildings	None.
Outside areas and boundaries	The property benefits from private garden grounds to the front, gable and rear these are bounded by timber fencing where defined. The property benefits from off street parking to the front driveway and also to the rear driveway.
	Visually inspected.

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Ceilings	Plasterboard lined.
	Visually inspected from floor level.
Internal walls	Timber stud and plasterboard lined.
	Visually inspected from floor level.
	Using a moisture meter, walls were randomly tested for dampness where considered appropriate.
Floors including sub floors	The flooring at ground floor level is of solid construction and suspended timber at first. At the time of inspection the property was fully floor covered.
	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.
Internal joinery and kitchen fittings	Kitchen fittings comprise of wall and base mounted units with adequate worktop surface areas present.
	Internal doors, skirtings and facings are of a timber variety.
	Built-in cupboards were looked into but no stored items were moved.
	Kitchen units were visually inspected excluding appliances.
Chimney breasts and fireplaces	None.
Internal decorations	Ceilings are painted with Artex type finishes noted. Walls are painted, papered and tiled and the joinery has generally been painted.
	Visually inspected.
Cellars	None.
Electricity	Mains supply with the consumer unit and meter being located in the under stair kitchen cupboard.
	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.

Gas	Mains supply with the meter being located externally. 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
Water, plumbing and	Services are turned on, the Surveyor will state that in the report and will not turn them on. Mains supply.
bathroom fittings	The plumbing works where seen are of copper supply pipes and pvc waste. The sanitary fittings at ground floor level comprise a two piece suite within the wc compartment and at first floor level there is a three piece suite
	within the bathroom. There is a sink in the kitchen. There is an external tap. <i>Visual inspection of the accessible pipework, water tanks, cylinders</i>
	and fittings without removing any insulation. No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances.
Heating and hot water	The property benefits from a gas fired central heating system serving steel panelled radiators with the boiler being wall mounted within the kitchen. There is a hot water cylinder which is located in the first floor landing cupboard. This is presumed to provide domestic 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.
Drainage	Presumed to mains public sewer. Drainage covers etc were not lifted. Neither drains nor drainage systems were tested.
Fire, smoke and burglar alarms	New smoke alarm standards were introduced in Scotland in February 2022 and it is likely that some properties may require additional works to meet these standards. In instances where alarms are in place, no tests whatsoever have been carried out and we cannot confirm if the system complies with the most recent regulations. Any potential purchaser should satisfy themselves as to whether the current system meets with regulations or otherwise.

Any additional limits to inspection	Due to fitted carpets and floor coverings no detailed inspection was possible of the floor timbers and accordingly we cannot guarantee their soundness or otherwise.
	Restricted inspection in cupboards due to storage items.
	No inspection for Japanese Knotweed was carried out and unless otherwise stated for the purpose of this report, it is assumed that there is no Japanese Knotweed within the boundaries of the property or in neighbouring properties.
	A restricted inspection was possible only of the roof space due to accessibility, insulation materials and/or storage items.
	It should be appreciated that the Home Report inspection is a non- disruptive visual inspection of the property as at the date of inspection and that we are unable to inspect parts of the property which are concealed or covered by floor coverings or contents in place at that time. Once vacant, defects may be apparent that could not be detected during our survey. Changing weather conditions can also affect aspects of the property which would not be apparent 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.



- (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 above 3 categories:

Category 3	Category 2	Category 1
	Repairs or replacement requiring future attention, but estimates are still advised.	No immediate action or repair is needed.

Structural movemen	t
Repair category:	
Notes:	At the time of our inspection there was no evidence of significant structural movement noted to affect the property within the limits of our inspection.

Dampness, rot and infestation	
Repair category:	
Notes:	There was no evidence found of significant dampness, rot or infestation within those areas of the property available for inspection.

Chimney stacks	
Repair category:	
Notes:	Not applicable.

Roofing including roof space	
Repair category:	
Notes:	The roof was noted to be in fair order commensurate with the age and type of property although some ongoing maintenance and repairs are likely to be required.

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.

Rainwater fittings	
Repair category:	
Notes:	At the time of our inspection there was no evidence of damp staining/water staining on wall surfaces which would indicate leakage. It should be noted that it was not raining at the time of our inspection.

Main walls	
Repair category:	
Notes:	The main outer walls of the property generally appeared in fair order consistent with age.

Windows, external doors and joinery	
Repair category:	
Notes:	These generally appeared in fair condition consistent with age.

External decorations	;
Repair category:	
Notes:	The external decorations are generally in fair order. Regular repainting will be required if these areas are to be maintained in satisfactory condition.

Conservatories / porches	
Repair category:	
Notes:	Not applicable.

Communal areas	
Repair category:	
Notes:	Not applicable.

Category 3	Category 2	Category 1
to other parts of the property or cause a safety	Repairs or replacement requiring future attention, but estimates are still advised.	No immediate action or repair is needed.

Garages and permanent outbuildings	
Repair category:	
Notes:	Not applicable.

Outside areas and boundaries	
Repair category:	1
Notes:	The boundaries appear reasonably well defined and are in adequate condition. Regular maintenance will be required. You should verify with your conveyancer the extent of the boundaries attaching to the property.

Ceilings	
Repair category:	
Notes:	Within the limits of our inspection these generally appeared in fair condition consistent with age. During redecoration some plaster filling/repair may be required.

Internal walls	
Repair category:	
Notes:	The internal walls are largely covered with decorative finishes. During routine redecoration some plaster filling may be necessary.

Floors including sub-floors	
Repair category:	
Notes:	No access to the sub-floor chamber was possible at the time of our visit to the property. Within the limitations of our inspection there was no indication to suggest significant defects in this area. It will, however be appreciated that the area was not inspected and therefore no guarantees can be provided in this regard.

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.

Internal joinery and kitchen fittings	
Repair category:	
Notes:	The internal joinery is generally in keeping with the age and type of property and appeared in good condition consistent with age.

Chimney breasts and fireplaces	
Repair category:	
Notes:	Not applicable.

Internal decorations	
Repair category:	
Notes:	The property is generally in fresh decoration throughout.

Cellars	
Repair category:	
Notes:	Not applicable.

Electricity	
Repair category:	
Notes:	The Institution of Engineering and Technology recommends that inspections and testing are undertaken at least every ten years and on a change of occupancy. It should be appreciated that only the most recently constructed or re-wired properties will have installations which fully comply with IET regulations.

Gas	
Repair category:	
Notes:	In the interest of safety all gas appliances should be checked by a Gas Safe Registered Engineer.

Category 3	Category 2	Category 1
	Repairs or replacement requiring future attention, but estimates are still advised.	No immediate action or repair is needed.

Water, plumbing and bathroom fittings	
Repair category:	
Notes:	The sanitary fittings appeared in fair order consistent with age.

Heating and hot water	
Repair category:	
Notes:	A gas fired central heating system has been installed. This will require ongoing and regular servicing.

Drainage	
Repair category:	
Notes:	The property is thought to be connected to a main sewer. There was no surface evidence to suggest the system is choked or leaking.

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

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

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 coinoperated machines.

1. Which floor(s) is the living accommodation on?	Ground and First
2. Are there three steps or fewer to a main entrance door of the property?	[x]YES []NO
3. Is there a lift to the main entrance door of the property?	[]YES [x]NO
4. Are all door openings greater than 750mm?	[]YES [x]NO
5. Is there a toilet on the same level as the living room and kitchen?	[x]YES []NO
6. Is there a toilet on the same level as a bedroom?	[x]YES []NO
7. Are all rooms on the same level with no internal steps or stairs?	[]YES [x]NO
8. Is there unrestricted parking within 25 metres of an entrance door to the building?	[x]YES []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 re-instatement cost for insurance purposes.

Matters for a solicitor or licensed conveyancer

We are unaware of any adverse planning proposals affecting the subjects although this should be confirmed by obtaining a Property Enquiry Certificate.

Absolute Ownership assumed. We are unaware of any easements, servitudes or rights of way which may adversely affect the property. This point should be confirmed by reference to the Title Deeds.

We assume that the carriageways etc., ex adverso the subjects are the responsibility of the Local Authority. It is also assumed that any new access roads, footpaths etc., will be private and will be brought up to adoption standards and liability thereafter will be shared according to use.

It is recommended that where repairs, defects or maintenance items have been identified interested parties make appropriate enquiries in order to satisfy themselves of potential costs and the extent of the works required prior to submitting a legal offer to purchase.

It is assumed that insurance cover is obtainable on normal terms. The guidance figure is the estimate of costs for reinstating the subjects as at the date of inspection based on information provided by the Building Cost Information Service (BCIS). It is recommended that this figure is kept under regular review to ensure that you have adequate insurance cover.

Estimated re-instatement cost (£) for insurance purposes

210,000

We are of the opinion that the subjects should be insured for buildings reinstatement purposes for a sum of not less than £210,000 (TWO HUNDRED AND TEN THOUSAND POUNDS STERLING).

Valuation (£) and market comments

205,000

We are of the opinion that the market value of the subjects all as previously described and on a vacant possession basis would be fairly stated in the region of £205,000 (TWO HUNDRED AND FIVE THOUSAND POUNDS STERLING).

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Date of report:

23/08/2024

PART 2.

MORTGAGE VALUATION **REPORT**

Includes a market valuation of the property.





Mortgage Valuation Report

Property:	34 Birkdale Park Armadale, Bathgate EH48 2NE		/Irs. Adam & Debbie McKellar lute Ownership
Date of Inspection:	22/08/2024	Reference:	2024.08.0092

This report has been prepared as part of the seller's instructions to carry out a Single Survey on the property referred to above. The purpose of this report is to summarise the Single Survey for the purpose of advising a potential lender on the suitability of the property for mortgage purposes. The decision as to whether mortgage finance will be provided is entirely a matter for the lender. You should not rely on this report in making your decision to purchase but consider all the documents provided in the Home Report. Your attention is drawn to the additional comments elsewhere within the report which set out the extent and limitations of the service provided. This report should be read in conjunction with the Single Survey Terms and Conditions (with MVR). In accordance with RICS Valuation – Global Standards 2017 this report is for the use of the party to whom it is addressed or their named client or their nominated lender. No responsibility is accepted to any third party for the whole or any part of the reports contents. Neither the whole or any part of this report may be included in any document, circular or statement without prior approval in writing from the surveyor.

1.0 LOCATION

The subjects are located within the town of Armadale where surrounding properties are broadly similar in terms of age, type and construction. Adequate amenities can be found nearby within the neighbouring town of Bathgate.

2.0	DESCRIPTIC	N		2.1 Age:	2000 or there	eby.	
The subjects comprise a two storey semi detached house.							
3.0	CONSTRUCTION						
	alls are of traditi		k/block wall co	onstruction with	n pointed facing	g brick finishes	present. The
roof is timbe	er pitched and overlaid in tiles.						
4.0	ACCOMMO						
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Water:	Mains	Electricity:	Mains	Gas:	Mains	Drainage:	Mains
Central Hea	ating: Full gas						
6.0	OUTBUILDINGS						
Garage:	Not applicable.						
Others:	Not applicable.						
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						
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		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.					
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8.0	ESSENTIAL REPAIR WOR	RK (as a condit	ion of any mortgage or to pre	eserve the c	condition of the
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9.0	ROADS & FOOTPATHS				
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10.0	BUILDINGS INSURANCE (£):	210,000	GROSS EXTERNAL FLOOR AREA	82	Square metres
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ENERGY **Report**

A report on the energy efficiency of the property.



energy report

energy report on:

Property address	34 Birkdale Park
	Armadale, Bathgate
	EH48 2NE

Customer	Mr & Mrs. Adam & Debbie McKellar
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Customer address	34 Birkdale Park
	Armadale, Bathgate
	EH48 2NE

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Energy Performance Certificate (EPC)

Scotland

Dwellings

34 BIRKDALE PARK, ARMADALE, BATHGATE, EH48 2NE

Dwelling type:	Semi-detached house
Date of assessment:	22 August 2024
Date of certificate:	23 August 2024
Total floor area:	75 m²
Primary Energy Indicator:	232 kWh/m ² /year

Reference number: Type of assessment: Approved Organisation: Main heating and fuel:

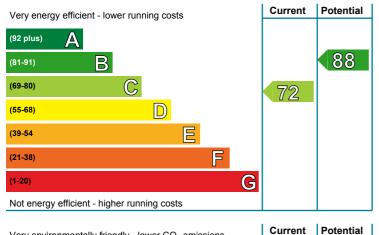
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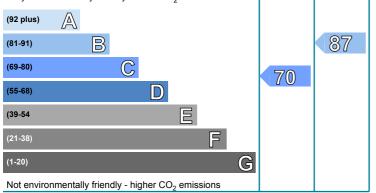
- Compare current ratings of properties to see which are more energy efficient and environmentally friendly
- Find out how to save energy and money and also reduce CO₂ emissions by improving your home

Estimated energy costs for your home for 3 years*	£3,618	See your recommendations
Over 3 years you could save*	£681	report for more information

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



Very environmentally friendly - lower CO₂ emissions



Energy Efficiency Rating

This graph shows the current efficiency of your home, taking into account both energy efficiency and fuel costs. The higher this rating, the lower your fuel bills are likely to be.

Your current rating is band C (72). The average rating for EPCs in Scotland is band D (61).

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

Environmental Impact (CO₂) Rating

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

Your current rating is **band C (70)**. 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 Condensing boiler	£2,200 - £3,000	£327.00
2 Solar water heating	£4,000 - £6,000	£213.00
3 Replacement glazing units	£1,000 - £1,400	£138.00

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**

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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	Cavity wall, as built, insulated (assumed)	★★★☆	★★★★☆
Roof	Pitched, 270 mm loft insulation	★★★ ☆	★★★★☆
Floor	Solid, insulated (assumed)	—	_
Windows	Fully double glazed	★★★☆☆	★★★☆☆
Main heating	Boiler and radiators, mains gas	★★★☆	★★★ ☆
Main heating controls	Programmer, room thermostat and TRVs	★★★ ☆	★★★★☆
Secondary heating	None	—	_
Hot water	From main system	****	★★★ ☆
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, CO₂ emissions, running costs and the savings possible from making improvements.

The impact of your home on the environment

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

The calculated emissions for your home are 41 kg $CO_2/m^2/yr$.

The average Scottish household produces about 6 tonnes of carbon dioxide every year. Based on this assessment, heating and lighting this home currently produces approximately 3.0 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 1.5 tonnes per year. You could reduce emissions even more by switching to renewable energy sources.

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Estimated energy of	osts for this home		
	Current energy costs	Potential energy costs	Potential future savings
Heating	£2,571 over 3 years	£2,247 over 3 years	
Hot water	£744 over 3 years	£387 over 3 years	You could
Lighting	£303 over 3 years	£303 over 3 years	save £681
Totals	s £3,618	£2,937	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.

De		Indicative cost	Typical saving	Rating after i	mprovement
Re	commended measures	indicative cost	per year	Energy	Environment
1	Replace boiler with new condensing boiler	£2,200 - £3,000	£109	C 74	C 73
2	Solar water heating	£4,000 - £6,000	£71	C 75	C 75
3	Replacement glazing units	£1,000 - £1,400	£46	C 76	C 77
4	Solar photovoltaic panels, 2.5 kWp	£3,500 - £5,500	£467	B 88	B 87

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.

Micro CHP

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 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.

2 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.

3 Replacement glazing units

Replacing existing double-glazed units with new high-performance units. Building regulations require that replacement glazing is to a standard no worse than previous; a building warrant is not required. Planning permission might be required for such work if a building is listed or within a conservation area so it is best to check with your local authority.

4 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)	7,662	N/A	N/A	N/A
Water heating (kWh per year)	2,545			

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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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Related party disclosure:	No related party

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 greenerscotland.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.





PART 4.

PROPERTY QUESTIONNAIRE

The owner of the property is required to complete this document which asks for information on the property such as 'Which council tax band?' etc.



Property Questionnaire

Property Address

34 Birkdale Park

Armadale, Bathgate

EH48 2NE

Adam & Debbie McKellar

Completion date of property questionnaire

Note for sellers

Seller(s)

21/08/2024

1.	Length of ownership	
	How long have you owned the prope	erty?
	Approx 18 years	
2.	Council tax	
	Which Council Tax band is your prop	perty in? (Please circle)
	[]A []B []C [x]D []E []F []G []H	
3.	Parking	
	What are the arrangements for parki	ng at your property?
	(Please tick all that apply)	
	Garage	[]
	Allocated parking space	[]
	Driveway	[x]
	Shared parking	[]
	On street	[x]
	Resident permit	[]
	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	[]YES [x]NO
	of which it is desirable to preserve or enhance)?	[]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 [x]NO
6.	Alterations/additions/extensions	
а	(i) During your time in the property, have you carried out any structural alterations, additions or extensions (for example, provision of an extra bath/shower room, toilet, or bedroom)?	[]YES [x]NO
	If you have answered yes, please describe below the changes which you have made:	
	(ii) Did you obtain planning permission, building warrant, completion certificate and other consents for this work?	[]YES []NO
	If you have answered yes, the relevant documents will be needed by the purchaser and you should give them to your solicitor as soon as possible for checking.	
	If you do not have the documents yourself, please note below who has these documents and your solicitor or estate agent will arrange to obtain them:	
b	Have you had replacement windows, doors, patio doors or double glazing installed in your property	[x]YES []NO
	If you have answered yes, please answer the three questions below:	
	(i) Were the replacements the same shape and type as the ones you replaced?	[]YES [x]NO
	(ii) Did this work involve any changes to the window or door openings?	[x]YES []NO
	(iii) Please describe the changes made to the windows doors, or patio doors (with approximate dates when the work was completed):	
	Kitchen window removed and French doors fitted Circa 2022.	
	Please give any guarantees which you received for this work to your solicitor or estate agent.	
7.	Central heating	
а	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	[x]YES []NO
	the property - the main living room, the bedroom(s), the hall and the bathroom).	[]Partial

а	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	[]YES [x]NO
а	Has there been any storm, flood, fire or other structural damage to your	[]YES [x]NO
9. a	Issues that may have affected your property	
	Does your property have an Energy Performance Certificate which is less than 10 years old?	[x]YES []NO
8.	Energy Performance Certificate	[
0	provide the month and year).	
	(iii) When was your maintenance agreement last renewed? (Please	
	which you have a maintenance contract	
	If you have answered yes, please give details of the company with	
	(ii) Do you have a maintenance contract for the central heating system?	[]YES [x]NO
	When built circa 2001	
	(i) When was your central heating system or partial central heating system installed?	
	If you have answered yes, please answer the three questions below:	
	Gas	
	there? (Examples: gas-fired, solid fuel, electric storage heating, gas warm air).	

	Services	Connected	Supplier
	Gas or liquid petroleum gas	Y	Edf
	Water mains or private water supply	Y	Mains water
	Electricity	Y	Edf
	Mains drainage	N	
	Telephone	N	Vodafone
	Cable TV or satellite	Ν	
	Broadband	Υ	Vodafone
b	Is there a septic tank system at your property?		[]YES [x]NO
	If you have answered yes, please answer the t	wo questions below:	
	(i) Do you have appropriate consents for the di	scharge from your septic	[]YES []NO
	tank?		[]Don't know
	(ii) Do you have a maintenance contract for you	ur septic tank?	[]YES []NO
	If you have answered yes, please give details of which you have a maintenance contract:	of the company with	
11.	Responsibilities for shared or common area	as	
а	Are you aware of any responsibility to contribut used jointly, such as the repair of a shared driv boundary, or garden area?		[]YES [x]NO
	If you have answered yes, please give details:		[]Don't know
b	Is there a responsibility to contribute to repair a roof, common stairwell or other common areas		[]YES [x]NO
	If you have answered yes, please give details:		[]N/A
с	Has there been any major repair or replacemenduring the time you have owned the property?	nt of any part of the roof	[]YES [x]NO
d	Do you have the right to walk over any of your example to put out your rubbish bin or to maint		[]YES [x]NO
	If you have answered yes, please give details:		
е	As far as you are aware, do any of your neight walk over your property, for example to put out maintain their boundaries?		[]YES [x]NO
	If you have answered yes, please give details:		

f	As far as you are aware, is there a public right of way across any part of your property? (public right of way is a way over which the public has a right to pass, whether or not the land is privatelyowned.)	[]YES [x]NO
	If you have answered yes, please give details:	
12.	Charges associated with your property	
а	Is there a factor or property manager for your property? If you have answered yes, please provide the name and address, and give details of any deposit held and approximate charges:	[x]YES []NO
	Hacking and Patterson. Edinburgh. Approx £15 PER MONTH	
b	le there e common huildings incurrence policy?	[]YES [x]NO
	Is there a common buildings insurance policy?	[]Don't know
	If you have answered yes, is the cost of the insurance included in your monthly/annual factors charges?	
С	Please give details of any other charges you have to pay on a regular basis for the upkeep of common areas or repair works, for example to a residents' association, or maintenance or stair fund.	
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13.	Specialist works	
13. а	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 [x]NO
	As far as you are aware, has treatment of dry rot, wet rot, damp or any	[]YES [x]NO
	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? 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	[]YES [x]NO
а	As far as you are aware, has treatment of dry rot, wet rot, damp or any other specialist work ever been carried out to your property? 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. As far as you are aware, has any preventative work for dry rot, wet rot,	
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property questionnaire

14.	Guarantees		
а	Are there any guarantees or warranties for any of the following:		
(i)	Electrical work	[x]NO []YES []Don't know []With title deeds []Lost	
(ii)	Roofing	[x]NO []YES []Don't know []With title deeds []Lost	
(iii)	Central heating	[x]NO []YES []Don't know []With title deeds []Lost	
(iv)	National House Building Council(NHBC)	[x]NO []YES []Don't know []With title deeds []Lost	
(v)	Damp course	[x]NO []YES []Don't know []With title deeds []Lost	
(vi)	Any other work or installations? (for example, cavity wall insulation, underpinning, indemnity policy)	[x]NO []YES []Don't know []With title deeds []Lost	
b	If you have answered 'yes' or 'with title deeds', please give details of the work or installations to which the guarantee(s) relate(s):		
С	Are there any outstanding claims under any of the guarantees listed above?	[]YES [x]NO	
	If you have answered yes, please give details:		

15.	Boundaries		
	So far as you are aware, has any boundary of your property been	[]YES [x]NO	
	moved in the last 10 years?	[]Don't know	
	If you have answered yes, please give details:		
16.	Notices that affect your property		
In the past three years have you ever received a notice:			
а	advising that the owner of a neighbouring property has made a planning application?	[]YES [x]NO	
b	that affects your property in some other way?	[]YES [x]NO	
с	that requires you to do any maintenance, repairs or improvements to your property?	[]YES [x]NO	
	If you have answered yes to any of a-c above, please give the notices to your solicitor or estate agent, including any notices which arrive at any time before the date of entry of the purchaser of your property.		

Declaration by the seller(s)/or other authorised body or person(s) I/We confirm that the information in this form is true and correct to the best of my/our knowledge and belief.			
Signature(s):	Adam Nckellar		
Capacity:	[x]Owner		
Capacity.	[]Legally Appointed Agent for Owner		
Date:	21/08/2024		