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Scottish Single Survey



survey report on:

Property address	Duncan House Chalkheugh Terrace Kelso TD5 7DX
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Customer	Mr John E Taylor

Customer address	

Prepared by	Shepherd Chartered Surveyors
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Date of inspection	10/01/2024



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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 Property¹.

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

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

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

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 Report².

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

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

they assign the same to any other party in writing.

1.7 PAYMENT

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

1.8 CANCELLATION

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

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

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

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

1.9 PRECEDENCE

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

1.10 DEFINITIONS

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

- a "prospective Purchaser" is anyone considering buying the Property;
- the "Report" is the report, of the kind described in Part 2 of these Terms and Conditions and in the form set out in part 1 of Schedule 1 of the Housing (Scotland) Act 2006 (Prescribed Documents) Regulations 2008;
- the "Seller" is/are the proprietor(s) of the Property;
- the "Surveyor" is the author of the Report on the Property; and
- the "Surveyors" are the firm or company of which the Surveyor is an employee, director, member or partner (unless the Surveyor is not an employee, director, member or partner, when the "Surveyors" means the Surveyor) whose details are set out at the head of the Report.
- the "Energy Report" is the advice given by the accredited Energy Company, based on information collected by the Surveyor during the Inspection, and also includes an Energy Performance Certificate, in a Government approved format.

PART 2 - DESCRIPTION OF THE REPORT

2.1 THE SERVICE

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

2.2 THE INSPECTION

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

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

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

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

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

2.3 THE REPORT

The Report will be prepared by the Surveyor who carried out the property inspection and will describe various aspects of the property as defined by the headings of the Single Survey report with the comments

being general and unbiased. The report on the location, style and condition of the property, will be concise and will be restricted to matters that could have a material effect upon value and will omit items that, in the Surveyor's opinion, are not significant. If certain minor matters are mentioned, it should not be interpreted that the property is free of any other minor defects.

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

- 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 <u>Category 2:</u> Repairs or replacement requiring future attention, but estimates are still advised.
- 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 etc. will not be inspected or reported on.

Description	The property comprises a detached house arranged over the ground, first and attic floors of a two storey plus attic and basement building. There is a separate basement flat below that does not form part of the subject property.
Accommodation	GROUND FLOOR - Entrance Hallway, Living Room, Dining

Accommodation	Room, Kitchen, Rear Hall
	FIRST FLOOR - Landing, Two Bedrooms with En-Suite Shower Rooms and One Bedroom with En-Suite Bathroom, separate WC.
	ATTIC FLOOR - Landing, Two Further Bedrooms with En- Suite Bathrooms and a Laundry Room.

Gross internal floor area (m²)	241m ² or thereby.
Neighbourhood and location	The subjects are located within the town of Kelso where surrounding properties are of mixed design, vintage and character. Adequate local shopping, educational and transport facilities are available.
Age	Built approximately 1820 but modernised and altered at later dates to provide the present accommodation.
Weather	The weather at the time of inspection was dry and overcast. The report should be read in the context of these weather conditions.

Chimney stacks	Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.
	The chimney stacks to the subject property, where seen, are of stone and brick construction being rendered externally.
	The chimney flashings, where seen, have been formed in both metal and cement.

Roofing including roof space	 Sloping roofs were visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate. Flat roofs were visually inspected from vantage points within the property and where safe and reasonable to do so from a 3m ladder externally. Roof spaces were visually inspected and were entered where there was safe and reasonable access, normally defined as being from a 3m ladder within the property. If this is not possible, then physical access to the roof space may be taken by other means if the Surveyor deems it safe and reasonable to do so. The roofs over the subject property are timber framed, pitched and overlaid with slate with the ridges and hips, where seen, clad with metal. There is a flat central platform to the main roof. Access into the roof spaces is via a hatch within the ceiling of the laundry room at attic floor level or via a hatch within the WC at first floor level.
Rainwater fittings	Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.
	The rainwater fittings, where seen, are of PVC and cast iron construction.
	Valley gutters have been formed at the intersections of the roof pitches.

Main walls	Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.
	Foundations and concealed parts were not exposed or inspected.
	The main walls are of traditional solid stone construction being part rendered externally whilst the extension to the rear elevation is of rendered block/brick construction.

Windows, external doors and joinery	Internal and external doors were opened and closed where keys were available.
	Random windows were opened and closed where possible.
	Doors and windows were not forced open.
	The front entrance door is of timber panel design whilst the rear entrance door is of timber single glazed design.
	Windows are of timber single glazed design and of timber double glazed design.
	Fascia boards have been formed in timber.

External decorations	Visually inspected.
	Finished in paint work.

Conservatories / porches	N/A.

Communal areas	Circulation areas visually inspected.
	The communal driveway/path has been overlaid with tarmac.

Garages and permanent outbuildings	Visually inspected.
	There is no garage pertaining to the subject property. The subject property does benefit from off street car parking.
	The subject property benefits from an external store room.
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Outside areas and boundaries	Visually inspected.
	Areas of private garden ground are provided to the side and rear elevations with the boundaries delineated, where seen, by means of stone wall.
Ceilings	Visually inspected from floor level.

Internal walls	Visually inspected from floor level.
	Using a moisture meter, walls were randomly tested for dampness where considered appropriate.
	The internal walls are of plastered on the hard construction, lath and plaster and of plasterboard sheet construction.

Floors including sub floors	Surfaces of exposed floors were visually inspected. No carpets or floor coverings were lifted.
	Flooring at ground floor level is of suspended timber construction and of solid concrete construction whilst flooring at upper floor levels is of suspended timber construction.
	No access was available to sub-floor areas as at date of inspection.

Internal joinery and kitchen fittings	Built-in cupboards were looked into but no stored items were moved.
	Kitchen units were visually inspected excluding appliances.
	The skirting boards and door frames are of timber design.
	Internal doors are of timber design and timber glazed design.
	The kitchen is fitted with base units.
	A timber staircase link the ground, first and attic floors.

Chimney breasts and fireplaces	Visually inspected.
	No testing of the flues or fittings was carried out.
	Within the living room there is a stove whilst within the dining room there is a fireplace.
Internal decorations	Visually inspected.
	Mostly painted finishes throughout.

Cellars	N/A.

Electricity	Accessible parts of the wiring were visually inspected without removing fittings. No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances. Visual inspection does not assess any services to make sure they work properly and efficiently and meet modern standards. If any services are turned off, the surveyor will state that in the report and will not turn them on.
	Electricity is from the mains supply.

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. Gas is from the mains supply.
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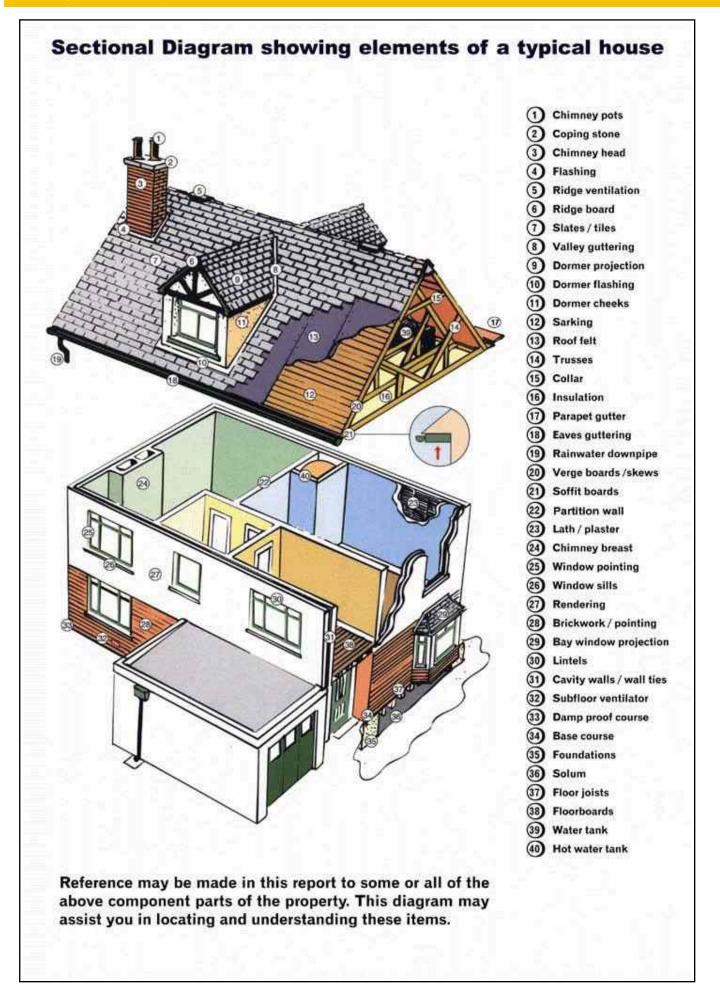
Water, plumbing, bathroom fittings	Visual inspection of the accessible pipework, water tanks, cylinders and fittings without removing any insulation.
	No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances.
	Water is from the mains supply with the plumbing, where seen, being of PVC and copper type.
	The sanitary fittings comprise three piece suites within en- suite bathrooms and two piece suites and shower cubicles within the en-suite shower rooms.
	The WC is fitted with a two piece suite.
	The kitchen is fitted with a sink unit.
	The laundry room is fitted with a sink unit.

Heating and hot water	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.
	A gas fired boiler located in a cupboard to the kitchen serves the central heating system via radiators. Hot water is provided either through the gas boiler or alternatively by means of an electrical immersion heater that is fitted to the pressurised hot water storage tank that is located within the laundry at attic floor landing level.

Drainage	Drainage covers etc. were not lifted.	
	Neither drains nor drainage systems were tested.	
	All foul and surface water drainage is assumed to be to the main public sewer. The system was not tested.	

Fire, smoke and burglar alarms	Visually inspected.
	No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances.
	All Scottish homes require 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 alarm also needs to be installed in each kitchen. The alarms need to be ceiling mounted and interlinked. Where there is a carbon- fuelled appliance such as a boiler, open fire or wood burner, a carbon monoxide detector is also required. We have not assessed or tested any existing equipment and it is the purchasers responsibility to confirm that the property will comply with these standards following a change of ownership.

Any additional limits to inspection	An inspection for Japanese Knotweed was not carried out. This is a plant which is subject to control regulation, is considered to be invasive and one which can render a property unsuitable for some mortgage lenders. It is therefore assumed that there is no Japanese Knotweed within the boundaries of the property or its neighbouring property. Identification of Japanese Knotweed is best undertaken by a specialist contractor.
	The property was fully furnished and had fitted floor coverings, therefore no detailed inspection was possible of the floors and accordingly, no comment can be made on their condition. Internal cupboards were generally filled with storage items.
	No access was available to any sub-floor areas.
	Full and safe access was not available to the roof void areas due to the presence of insulation materials and the absence of flooring or crawl boards. We can therefore confirm that only very restricted 'head and shoulders' inspections from the access hatches were carried out.
	We were not able to fully inspect all areas of boundary walls due to garden vegetation/restricted access.
	Some areas of the external building fabric including some roof pitches and chimneys were not fully or closely inspectable from the surrounding ground level, due to the confines of the site.
	No inspection has been possible to flooring timbers beneath any sanitary fitting, kitchen appliances or other wet areas was possible. Timbers are assumed to be in a satisfactory condition.
	The cold water rising main was not fully inspectable.
	Flat roof coverings were not inspectable.



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
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Structural movement	nt
Repair category	1
Notes	Evidence of settlement/movement has affected the building reflected by runs to internal flooring and cracking to external stone work. On the basis of a single inspection this appears longstanding with no evidence of recent movement apparent.

Dampness, rot and	infestation
Repair category	2
Notes	Above average damp readings were obtained to localised sections of lower wall lining at ground floor level and wall lining at attic floor level. A precautionary check of the entire property should be carried out by a reputable timber and damp specialist prior to purchase.

Chimney stacks	
Repair category	2
Notes	Weathering noted to chimney stacks and repairs are required.

Roofing including r	oof space
Repair category	2
Notes	A number of loose and broken roof slates and components were visible. There was evidence of previous water ingress and daylight holes within the roof void areas. Roof coverings are of an age and style where a degree of regular ongoing maintenance should be anticipated. More extensive overhaul work will be required in future. Further advice should be obtained from a roofing contractor prior to purchase to fully ascertain the condition and life expectancy of the covering.
	There is a flat roof to the main roof which was unseen from ground level at time of inspection. It should be appreciated that this type of covering can have a limited life span and will require a higher than normal degree of ongoing maintenance and eventual replacement. It may be prudent to confirm the service history of the roof covering prior to purchase.
	We always recommend a precautionary check of the roof and pertinents is undertaken prior to purchase especially after adverse weather conditions.
	We understand that some repairs have been carried out to the roof covering recently by a competent firm of roofing contractors, any documentation pertaining to these works should be obtained.

Rainwater fittings	
Repair category	2
Notes	Rainwater goods are of an older style and have suffered corrosion. Maintenance is required and gutters/downpipes checked during heavy rainfall. A cracked downpipe was noted to the front elevation, requiring repair.

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Windows, external doors and joinery	
Repair category	2
Notes	Windows are of an older style, single glazed, timber framed and sash and case design and a degree of regular ongoing maintenance will be required including attention to framework, sash cords and other components.
	Cracked and missing glazing noted above front entrance door and to a bedroom window at attic floor level and repairs are required.
	A precautionary check of all windows and doors is always recommended prior to purchase.
	The lock to the rear door was noted to be damaged on the date of reinspection, this will require reinstatement.

External decorations	
Repair category	2
Notes	The external décor is weathered. Painted timbers will require future redecoration to prevent decay to the timbers.

Conservatories/porches	
Repair category	N/A
Notes	N/A.

Communal areas	
Repair category	1
Notes	Communal areas leading to and surrounding the subject property have been visually inspected where possible, however it should be appreciated that there may be a common repairing liability in respect of other parts of the building out with the scope of our inspection and this should be confirmed.

Garages and permanent outbuildings	
Repair category	1
Notes	Normal maintenance will be required to the outbuilding.

Outside areas and boundaries	
Repair category	2
Notes	Weathering, displaced masonry and cracked render were noted to boundary walls and repairs are required.
	Boundary walls should be regularly checked and maintained as necessary.

Ceilings	
Repair category	2
Notes	Some cracked/uneven ceiling plaster was noted and some repairs may be required at the time of redecoration or disturbance.

Internal walls	
Repair category	2
Notes	Cracked/bossed wall plaster was noted and repairs may be required at the time of disturbance or redecoration.

Floors including sub-floors	
Repair category	1
Notes	Due to fitted carpets and floor coverings no detailed inspection of floors was possible and accordingly no comment can be made on their condition.

Internal joinery and kitchen fittings	
Repair category	1
Notes	Within the limitations of our inspection no significant defects were noted.

Chimney breasts and fireplaces	
Repair category	1
Notes	All flue linings should be checked, repaired if necessary and swept prior to fires/appliances being reused. It is assumed that the stove has been installed in accordance with manufacturer's recommendations for fluing and ventilation and has always utilised the correct type of fuel. The appliance has not been tested by ourselves and is therefore presumed in full, safe working order. The flue should be regularly swept.

Internal decorations	
Repair category	1
Notes	The property is in reasonable decorative order.

Cellars	
Repair category	N/A
Notes	N/A.

Electricity	
Repair category	1
Notes	The Institution of Engineering Technology recommends that inspections and testings are undertaken at least every five 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.
	The wiring system would appear to have been upgraded within recent years and is along modern lines. It will be appreciated that the system was not checked or tested and it is assumed that all works were carried out by a registered electrical contractor to current regulations. In the absence of any documentation a precautionary check should be made by a qualified electrical contractor to confirm the condition and adequacy of the installation.
	A precautionary check of the electrical system is always recommended prior to purchase. No tests were carried out by this firm.

Gas	
Repair category	1
Notes	In the interests of safety and in light of recent regulations it would be prudent to have all gas appliances checked by a Gas Safe registered contractor.

F Water, plumbing and bathroom fittings		
Repair category	1	
Notes	No tests have been undertaken of the system, however within the limitations of our inspection, no significant defects were noted. No inspection has been possible to enclosed timbers beneath wet appliances and no comment has been made on the condition of unseen areas. Watertight seals will require to be regularly checked and replaced, to prevent water damage to adjoining areas.	
	The cold water rising main was not fully inspectable.	
	We presume the sealants around the sanitary fittings are functional and no defects are present to the adjacent areas. A precautionary check of the areas below and adjacent to the sanitary fittings is always recommended prior to purchase as these areas are prone to leakage.	

Heating and hot water		
Repair category	1	
Notes	It is assumed that the central heating system and hot water system have been properly installed, updated and maintained to meet with all current regulations and standards with particular regard to fluing and ventilation requirements. Service records should be obtained and checked. In the absence of service documentation further advice should be obtained from a qualified heating engineer to ascertain the condition, efficiency, and life expectancy of the system.	
	The heating and hot water systems have not been tested by ourselves however are presumed in full safe working order.	
	A precautionary check is always recommended prior to purchase. No tests were carried out by this firm.	

Drainage	
Repair category	1
Notes	All foul and surface water drainage is assumed to be to the main public sewer. The system was not tested.
	A precautionary check of the drainage system is always recommended prior to purchase. No tests were carried out by this firm.

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

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

Category 3

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

Category 2

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

Category 1

No immediate action or repair is needed.

Remember

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

Warning

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. Wherea lift is present, the count is based on the number of steps climbed when using the lift.

Unrestricted parking within 25 metres:

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

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

Where defects or repairs have been identified within this report it is recommended that, prior to entering into any legally binding sale or purchase contract, further specialist's or contractor's advice and estimates should be obtained, to establish the implications, if any, on a potential offer to purchase or the sale price likely to be achieved for the property.

It is assumed that there are no statutory, town planning, road proposals or environmental matters which are likely to have an adverse effect on the property.

The road and footpath adjoining the site are made up and are assumed to be adopted by the Local Authority.

Access to the subjects is via a tarred drive/path. Rights of access and any maintenance liability should be confirmed.

As far as we can ascertain, no significant alterations and additions have been made to the property in recent years which would have required Local Authority Approval, although this cannot be guaranteed.

The property has shared pedestrian access with the flat at basement level. The flat at basement level has access to one of the parking spaces.

A neighbouring property has a right of access across the parking spaces.

There is access from the garden grounds onto a neighbouring terrace and we understand that permission for access is required from the property below.

The property is highlighted on the SEPA website to be in an area of potential flood risk and further investigations are required.

The property is a listed building and is located in a conservation area and as such the cost of repair or reinstatement works are likely to be higher than normal. Any works considered necessary will require to be carried out in consultation with the Local Authority Planning Department and Historic Environment Scotland.

Tests by the national Radiological Protection Board identified some properties in this area as having natural levels of Radon Gas. Further advice on this should be obtained from the UK Health Security Agency.

High damp meter readings were noted. The property should be inspected by a timber/damp specialist prior to purchase.

The subjects form part of a building containing the subject property at upper floor levels and with a

separate flat at basement level. It is assumed that maintenance/repair costs of the common parts of the building will be shared on an equitable basis with the adjoining proprietor. It is therefore assumed that the cost of common repairs detailed within the report will be apportioned accordingly although exact liability should be confirmed.

The seller instructed a refreshed Single Survey and Generic Mortgage Valuation Report. Our original report was dated the 22 June 2023 and a further inspection was carried out by our Firm on the 10 January 2024 to allow updated reports to be issued.

Estimated reinstatement cost for insurance purposes

For Reinstatement Cost Assessment purposes, it is recommended that the subjects be insured for a sum of not less than £1,500,000 (ONE MILLION FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND POUNDS STERLING).

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

Due to its character/period style this property lies outside the parameters of standard calculations for insurance purposes. An estimate is given which it is believed will provide for the basic reconstruction of the property for the purposes of a lender. A more detailed assessment of the re-instatement cost should be obtained to ensure that any necessary additional cover is arranged.

Valuation and market comments

Having considered matters, taking account of our general observations on site, we are of the opinion that the Market Value of the subjects in their present condition and with the benefit of vacant possession may be fairly stated in the sum of £560,000 (FIVE HUNDRED AND SIXTY THOUSAND POUNDS STERLING).

Signed	Michael Rutherford Electronically signed :- 11/01/2024 21:26	
Report author	Michael Rutherford	
Company name	J & E Shepherd Chartered Surveyors	
Address	70 High Street Galashiels TD1 1SQ	
Date of report	10/01/2024	



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Property Address			
Address Seller's Name Date of Inspection	Duncan House, Chalkheugh Terrace, Kelso, TD5 7DX Mr John E Taylor 10/01/2024		
Property Details			
Property Type X House Purpose built flat	Bungalow Purpose built maisonette Converted maisonette Converted flat Tenement flat Flat over non-residential use Other (specify in General Remarks)		
Property Style X Detached Back to back	Semi detached Mid terrace End terrace High rise block Low rise block Other (specify in General Remarks)		
Does the surveyor believe that the military, police? Flats/Maisonettes only Floor(s) on wh Approximate Year of Construction	property was built for the public sector, e. g. local authority, Yes X No nich located No. of floors in block Lift provided? Yes No No. of units in block 1820		
Tenure			
X Absolute Ownership	Dther		
Accommodation			
Number of Rooms 2 Living room 5 Bathroom(stress)			
Gross Floor Area (excluding garages and outbuildings) 241 m² (Internal) m² (External) Residential Element (greater than 40%) X Yes No			
Garage / Parking / Outbuildings			
Single garage Double gar	rage X Parking space No garage / garage space / parking space		
Available on site? X Yes] No		
Permanent outbuildings:			
External store.			

Construction
Walls Brick X Stone Concrete Timber frame Other (specify in General Remarks) Roof Tile X Slate Asphalt Felt Other (specify in General Remarks)
Special Risks
Has the property suffered structural movement?
If Yes, is this recent or progressive?
Is there evidence, history, or reason to anticipate subsidence, heave, landslip or flood in X Yes No the immediate vicinity?
If Yes to any of the above, provide details in General Remarks.
Service Connections
Based on visual inspection only. If any services appear to be non-mains, please comment on the type and location the supply in General Remarks
Drainage X Mains Private None Water X Mains Private None
Electricity X Mains Private None Gas X Mains Private None Central Heating X Yes Partial None None <t< td=""></t<>
Brief description of Central Heating and any non mains services:
Site
Apparent legal issues to be verified by the conveyancer. Please provide a brief description in General Remarks. X Rights of way X Shared drives / access Garage or other amenities on separate site Shared service connections
Ill-defined boundaries Agricultural land included with property Other (specify in General Remarks)
Location
Residential suburb X Residential within town / city Mixed residential / commercial Shared service connections
Commuter village Remote village Isolated rural property Other (specify in General Remarks
Planning Issues
Has the property been extended / converted / altered? X Yes No
If Yes provide details in General Remarks.
Roads
Made up road Unmade road Partly completed new road Pedestrian access only X Adopted Unadopted

General Remarks

At the time of inspection the property was found to be in a condition generally consistent with its age and type of construction but some works of repair and maintenance are required.

Evidence of settlement/movement has affected the building reflected by runs to the internal flooring and cracking to external stone work. On the basis of a single inspection this appears longstanding with no evidence of recent movement apparent.

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Essential Repairs

None.		
Estimated cost of essential repairs	N/A.]
Retention recommended?	Yes X No	
Retention amount	N/A	1
Estimated cost of essential repairs Retention recommended? Retention amount	N/A. Yes X No N/A.]

Comment on Mortgageability

The property forms suitable security for mortgage purposes subject to the specific lending criteria of any mortgage provider.

Valuation

Market value in present condition	£	560,000
Market value on completion of essential repairs	£	
Insurance reinstatement value	£	1,500,000
(to include the cost of total rebuilding, site clearance, professional fees, ancillary charges plus VAT)		
Is a reinspection necessary?		Yes X No

Declaration

Signed	<i>Michael Rutherford</i> Electronically signed :- 11/01/2024 21:26
Surveyor's name	Michael Rutherford
Professional qualifications	BSc (Hons), MRICS
Company name	J & E Shepherd Chartered Surveyors
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Date of Inspection	10/01/2024



Energy Performance Certificate



Energy Performance Certificate (EPC)

Scotland

Dwellings

DUNCAN HOUSE, CHALKHEUGH TERRACE, KELSO, TD5 7DX

Dwelling type: Detached house	
Date of assessment:	22 June 2023
Date of certificate:	22 June 2023
Total floor area:	241 m ²
Primary Energy Indicator:	360 kWh/m ² /year

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

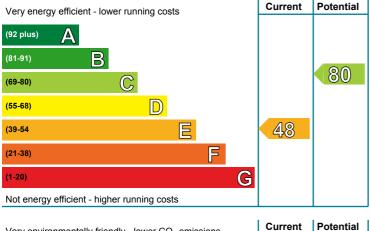
0132-2722-9463-2627-4765 RdSAP, existing dwelling Elmhurst Boiler and radiators, mains gas

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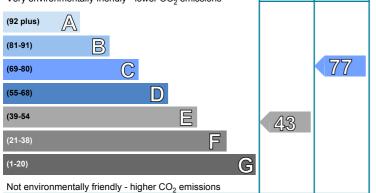
- Compare current ratings of properties to see which are more energy efficient and environmentally friendly
- Find out how to save energy and money and also reduce CO₂ emissions by improving your home

Estimated energy costs for your home for 3 years*	for your home for 3 years* £21,939		
Over 3 years you could save*	£12,129	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 E (48)**. 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 E (43)**. The average rating for EPCs in Scotland is band D (59).

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

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

Recommended measures	Indicative cost	Typical savings over 3 years
1 Room-in-roof insulation	£1,500 - £2,700	£4479.00
2 Internal or external wall insulation	£4,000 - £14,000	£5226.00
3 Draughtproofing	£80 - £120	£648.00

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**

DUNCAN HOUSE, CHALKHEUGH TERRACE, KELSO, TD5 7DX 22 June 2023 RRN: 0132-2722-9463-2627-4765

Summary of the energy performance related features of this home

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

Element	Description	Energy Efficiency	Environmental
Walls	Sandstone or limestone, as built, no insulation (assumed)	★☆☆☆☆	★☆☆☆☆
Roof	Roof room(s), no insulation (assumed)	★☆☆☆☆	$\bigstar \diamond \bullet \bullet \end{array}{} \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \end{array}{} \bullet \bullet \end{array}{} \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet \bullet$
Floor	(another dwelling below) Suspended, no insulation (assumed)		_
Windows	Some double glazing	*****	$\bigstar & \bigstar &$
Main heating	Boiler and radiators, mains gas	★★★★☆	★★★★☆
Main heating controls	Programmer, TRVs and bypass	★★★☆☆	★★★☆☆
Secondary heating	Room heaters, wood logs	—	_
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 57 kg CO₂/m²/yr.

The average Scottish household produces about 6 tonnes of carbon dioxide every year. Based on this assessment, heating and lighting this home currently produces approximately 14 tonnes of carbon dioxide every year. Adopting recommendations in this report can reduce emissions and protect the environment. If you were to install all of these recommendations this could reduce emissions by 8.9 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	£20,124 over 3 years	£8,037 over 3 years		
Hot water	£1,080 over 3 years	£1,023 over 3 years	You could	
Lighting	£735 over 3 years	£750 over 3 years	save £12,129	
Tot	als £21,939	£9,810	over 3 years	

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

Recommendations for improvement

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

Recommended measures		Indicative cost	Typical saving	Rating after improvement	
		indicative cost	per year	Energy	Environment
1	Room-in-roof insulation	£1,500 - £2,700	£1493	D 58	E 52
2	Internal or external wall insulation	£4,000 - £14,000	£1742	C 69	D 66
3	Draughtproofing	£80 - £120	£216	C 71	D 68
4	Upgrade heating controls	£350 - £450	£180	C 72	C 70
5	Replace single glazed windows with low- E double glazed windows	£3,300 - £6,500	£411	C 75	C 73
6	Solar photovoltaic panels, 2.5 kWp	£3,500 - £5,500	£621	C 80	C 77

Choosing the right improvement package

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

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

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

1 Room-in-roof insulation

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

2 Internal or external wall insulation

Internal or external wall insulation involves adding a layer of insulation to either the inside or the outside surface of the external walls, which reduces heat loss and lowers fuel bills. As it is more expensive than cavity wall insulation it is only recommended for walls without a cavity, or where for technical reasons a cavity cannot be filled. Internal insulation, known as dry-lining, is where a layer of insulation is fixed to the inside surface of external walls; this type of insulation is best applied when rooms require redecorating. External solid wall insulation is the application of an insulant and a weather-protective finish to the outside of the wall. This may improve the look of the home, particularly where existing brickwork or rendering is poor, and will provide longlasting weather protection. Further information can be obtained from the National Insulation Association (www.nationalinsulationassociation.org.uk). It should be noted that a building warrant is required for the installation of external wall insulation. Planning permission may also be required and that building regulations apply to external insulation so it is best to check with your local authority on both issues.

3 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.

4 Heating controls (room thermostat)

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

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.

6 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:

Biomass secondary heating

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)	54,597	(489)	N/A	(13,220)
Water heating (kWh per year)	3,024			

Addendum

This dwelling has stone walls and may be exposed to wind driven rain and so requires further investigation to establish whether these walls are of cavity construction and to determine which type of wall insulation is best suited.

About this document

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

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

Assessor's name: Assessor membership number: Company name/trading name: Address:	Mr. Kenneth Laidlaw EES/013689 J & E Shepherd 13 Albert Square Dundee DD1 1XA
Phone number:	01382 200454
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Related party disclosure:	Employed by the professional dealing with the property transaction

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.









Property address	Duncan House Chalkheugh Terrace Kelso TD5 7DX
Seller(s)	Mr John E Taylor
Completion date of property questionnaire	12/01/2024

Note for sellers

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

Information to be given to prospective buyer(s)

1.	Length of ownership			
	How long have you owned the proper	ty?	18 months	
2.	Council tax			
	Which Council Tax band is your prope	erty in?	F	
3.	Parking			
	What are the arrangements for parking at your property? (Please tick all that apply)			
	Garage	Νο		
	 Allocated parking space 	Yes		
	 Driveway 	Yes		
	Shared parking	No		
	On street	Νο		
	Resident permit	Νο		
	Metered Parking	Νο		
	 Other (please specify): 			
4.	Conservation area			
	Is your property in a designated Cons special architectural or historical inte which it is desirable to preserve or er	rest, the character or appear		

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		
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)?	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?			
	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?	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?			
	(ii) Did this work involve any changes to the window or door openings?			
	(iii) Please describe the changes made to the windows doors, or patio doors (with approximate dates when the work was completed):			
	Please give any guarantees which you received for this work to your solicito agent.	r or estate		
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 or partial – what kind of central heating is there? (Examples: gas-fired, solid fuel, electric storage heating, gas warm air).			
	Gas			

	i) When was your central hea installed?	ting system or partial	central heating system	
	Don't know			
	(ii) Do you have a maintenand	ce contract for the cen	tral heating system?	No
	If you have answered yes, please give details of the company with which you have a maintenance contract:			
	(iii) When was your maintena (Please provide the month ar		newed?	
8.	Energy Performance Certifica	ate		
	Does your property have an l than 10 years old?	Energy Performance C	ertificate which is less	No
9.	Issues that may have affected your property			
a.	Has there been any storm, flood, fire or other structural damage to the property while you have owned it?		tural damage to the	No
	If you have answered yes, is insurance claim?	the damage the subject	t of any outstanding	
b.	Are you aware of the existent	-	property?	No
10.	Services			
a.	Please tick which services are connected to your property and give details of the supplier:			
	Services	Connected	Supplier	
	Gas or liquid petroleum gas	Yes	Scottish Power	
	Water mains or private water supply	Yes	Scottish Water	
	Electricity	Yes	Scottish power	
	Mains drainage	Yes	Local Authority	
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	Cable TV or satellite	Yes	Sky	
	Broadband	Yes	Sky	
b.	Is there a septic tank syst	em at your property?		No
	If you have answered yes	, please answer the tw	o questions below:	
	(i) Do you have appropriat tank?	te consents for the dis	scharge from your septic	
	(ii) Do you have a maintenance contract for your septic tank?			
	If have answered yes, deta maintenance contract:	ails of the company w	ith which you have a	
11.	Responsibilities for share	d or common areas		
a.	Are you aware of any res used jointly, such as the boundary, or garden are	repair of a shared dr	oute to the cost of anything ive, private road,	g No
	If you have answered ye	<u>s,</u> please give details	:	
b.	Is there a responsibility to roof, common stairwell of		r and maintenance of the as?	No
	If you have answered yes	<u>s,</u> please give details	:	
с.	Has there been any major during the time you have		t of any part of the roof	No
d.	Do you have the right to for example to put out yo boundaries?		r neighbours'property — maintain your	Yes
	If you have answered yes	<u>s,</u> please give details:	:	
	Pedestrian right of way to re	ear yard		
e.	As far as you are aware, walk over your property, maintain their boundarie	for example to put o	bours have the right to ut their rubbish bin or to	No
	If you have answered yes	<u>s,</u> please give details:	:	
f.		ght of way is a way o	t of way across any part o over which the public has a tely-owned.)	
	If you have answered yes			

12.	Charges associated with the 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 monthly/annual factor's charges?			
С.	Please give details of any other charges you have to pay on a regular basis for th upkeep of common areas or repair works, for example to a residents' association or maintenance or stair fund.			
13.	Specialist work			
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?	No		
	If you have answered yes, please say what the repairs were for, whether you carried out the repairs (and when) or if they were done before you bought the property.			
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:			
C.	If you have answered yes to 13(a) or (b), do you have any guarantees relating to this work?			
	If you have answered yes, these guarantees will be needed by the purchaser and should be given to your solicitor as soon as possible for checking. If you do not have them yourself <u>please write below who</u> <u>has these documents</u> 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:			
14.	Guarantees			
a.	Are there any guarantees or warranties for any of the following?			
	(i) Electrical work	No		
	(ii) Roofing No			
	(iii) Central heating			
	(iv) National House Building Council (NHBC)	No		

	(v) Damp course	No		
	(vi) Any other work installations? (for example, cavity wall installation, underpinning, indemnity policy)	No		
b.	If you have answered 'yes' or 'with title deeds', please give details of the work o installations to which the guarantee(s) relate(s):			
с.	Are there any outstanding claims under any of the guarantees listed above? <u>If you have answered yes,</u> please give details:	No		
15.	Boundaries			
	So far as you are aware, has any boundary of your property been moved in thelast 10 years?	No		
	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:			
a.	advising that the owner of a neighbouring property has made a planning application?	No		
b.	that affects your property in some other way?	No		
с.	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 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

Name(s): John Taylor

Date: 12/01/2024



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