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## **Survey report on:**

Property Address	The Glebe House Rothes Aberlour AB38 7AW	
Customer	Mrs N Myers & Mr M Myers	
Date of Inspection	14/04/2025	
Prepared by	Paul Delaney Harvey Donaldson & Gibson Chartered Surveyors	



## TERMS AND CONDITIONS

## **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 will have sufficient current local knowledge of the particular market to competently survey, value and report upon Residential Property. <sup>1</sup>

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

Harvey Donaldson & Gibson is part of the Connells Group. In Scotland, the Connells Group also own Slater Hogg & Howison, Countrywide North and Allen & Harris. Harvey Donaldson & Gibson trades as an entirely separate company and has no financial interest whatsoever in the disposal of the property being inspected. A full list of the Connells group brands is available on https://www.connellsgroup.co.uk/our-group/our-brands/. Harvey Donaldson & Gibson is regulated by RICS for the provision of surveying services. This means we agree to uphold the RICS Rules of Conduct for Firms and all their applicable mandatory professional practice requirements of RICS, which can be found at www.rics.org. As an RICS regulated firm we have committed to cooperating with RICS in ensuring compliance with its standards. The firm's nominated RICS Responsible Principal is Rebecca Freeman FRICS, contact 01332 813096.

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.

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

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

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

#### 1.3 LIABILITY

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

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

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

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

#### 1.4 GENERIC MORTGAGE VALUATION REPORT

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

## 1.5 TRANSCRIPT MORTGAGE VALUATION FOR LENDING PURPOSES

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

## 1.6 INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

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

## 1.7 PAYMENT

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

### 1.8 CANCELLATION

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

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

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

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

#### 1.9 PRECEDENCE

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

#### 1.10 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;
- "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.

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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Which shall be in accordance with the current RICS Valuation Standards (the Red Book) and RICS Rules of Conduct.

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

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

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

## 2.4 SERVICES

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

#### 2.5 ACCESSIBILITY

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

## 2.6 ENERGY REPORT

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

#### 2.7 VALUATION AND CONVEYANCER ISSUES

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

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

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

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

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

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

## 1. INFORMATION AND SCOPE OF INSPECTION

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

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

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

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

Description	The property comprises a 2 storey detached villa with rear extension.  The property is understood to be category Category B Listed, being of Historical and Architectural interest.
Accommodation	GROUND FLOOR: Entrance Vestibule, Entrance Hall, Lounge, Dining room, Family room, Dining Kitchen with Utility room and Shower room.  UPPER LEVEL: Landing, Master Bedroom with ensuite Bathroom, 3 further bedrooms, Study, and further Bathroom.
Gross internal floor area (sqm)	251sqm approximately.
Neighbourhood and location	The property is situated on the edge of the village of Rothes, which lies around 12 miles south of Elgin. The location is convenient for local amenities, with a wider range of amenities available in larger nearby towns including Elgin.
Age	182 years approximately. The seller advised that the property was built in or around 1843.
Weather	At the time of the inspection the weather conditions were dry and overcast. The report should be read in this context.

## **Chimney stacks** Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate. The chimney stacks are of a stone construction, pointed externally and with cement or metal flashings. Some sections of chimney could not be seen from a ground level inspection. **Roofing including roof space** Sloping roofs were visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate. Flat roofs were visually inspected from vantage points within the property and where safe and reasonable to do so from a 3m ladder externally. Roof spaces were visually inspected and were entered where there was safe and reasonable access, normally defined as being from a 3m ladder within the property. If this is not possible, then physical access to the roof space may be taken by other means if the Surveyor deems it safe and reasonable to do so. The roof is pitched, hipped and slated, with cement skews where roof slopes meet the upstand walls and metal ridges clipped in position. There is a lead lined flat roof detail over the front door projection and part of the rear extension is beneath a flat roof design clad with a membrane covering. The roof space was inspected through a ceiling hatch to the upper level landing, with a further ceiling hatch to the upper level bedroom. Each inspection was limited to a head and shoulders inspection only which revealed a timber framed roof structure, with timber sarking and glasswool insulation. **Rainwater fittings** Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate. The gutters and downpipes are of uPVC or cast-iron construction. It will be appreciated that the inspection was carried out during dry weather conditions. Sometimes defects in rainwater goods are only apparent during, or after heavy rainfall. Main walls Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.

The rear extension appears to be of a solid brick construction and
roughcast.

Foundations and concealed parts were not exposed or inspected.

The main walls are of a sold stone construction, pointed externally.

Windows, external doors and joinery	Internal and external doors were opened and closed where keys were available. Random windows were opened and closed where possible. Doors and windows were not forced open.  The windows are of timber frame or uPVC design incorporating single, double and secondary glazed units.  The doors are of timber framed design incorporating glazed units.  External joinery finishes are of timber.
External decorations	Visually inspected.
	The external decorations comprise painted or uPVC finishes.
Conservatories / porches	None
Communal areas	None
Garages and permanent outbuildings	Visually inspected.  There is a detached single car garage, with walls are of masonry construction located under a flat roof overlaid in a mineral felt.  There is a former steading/stable block of stone construction under a slate roof.  There is a storage area to the rear of the utility room which is part lined.
Outside areas and boundaries	Visually inspected.  The property benefits from mature and established private garden grounds to the front, side and rear.  There is a paved patio, areas of lawn, and mixed boundaries. Some sections are steeply sloping. The seller advised the grounds extend to around 1acre, however this has not been measured.
Ceilings	Visually inspected from floor level.  The ceilings within the property are of plasterboard or lath/plaster.

# 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 a mixture of lath/plaster or of plasterboard.

## Floors including sub floors

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

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

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

The floors are of solid concrete or of suspended timber construction, overlaid with timber floorboards. The property has fitted floor coverings installed which restricted the scope of our inspection.

There is no accessible sub-floor void.

## Internal joinery and kitchen fittings

Built-in cupboards were looked into but no stored items were moved.

Kitchen units were visually inspected excluding appliances.

Internal joinery comprises timber skirtings, door facings and door surrounds. The doors are part glazed and timber design.

The staircase is of timber design.

Kitchen fittings comprise a range of wall and base units and work surfaces. There are some storage units in the utility room.

Chimney breasts and fireplaces	Visually inspected.
	No testing of the flues or fittings was carried out.
	The chimney breasts are plastered masonry or dry lined.
	Within the lounge, there is a wood-burning stove.
	There are further fireplaces in the dining room and family room which the seller advised have not been used for some time.
	The internal condition and serviceability of any flue cannot be determined from a visual inspection. Old unlined flues will inevitably deteriorate with age as the acidic products of combustion erode the bricks and mortar joints. As a result they may not be completely smoke and fire tight. For this reason they should be cleaned and smoke tested before use.
Internal decorations	Visually inspected.
	The internal decorations are painted, papered, tiled and timber panelled.
Cellars	None
Electricity	Accessible parts of the wiring were visually inspected without removing fittings. No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances. Visual inspection does not assess any services to make sure they work properly and efficiently and meet modern standards. If any services are turned off, the surveyor will state that in the report and will not turn them on.  Mains electricity supply.  The consumer unit and electricity meter are wall mounted in an upper level landing cupboard. Visible wiring is of PVC coated cabling with 13amp sockets.
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.  Mains gas supply.  The gas meter is located within an external meter box.

## Water, plumbing and bathroom fittings

Visual inspection of the accessible pipework, water tank or cylinders (if applicable) and fittings without removing any insulation.

Mains water supply.

The ensuite bathroom contains a free standing bath, separate shower enclosure, twin wash-hand basins and toilet.

The bathroom contains a three piece suite consisting of a bath with shower over, wash-hand basin and toilet.

The shower room contains a three piece suite consisting of a shower enclosure, wash-hand basin and toilet.

There is a double ceramic Belfast style sink unit in the kitchen.

All visible pipework is formed in copper or PVC materials.

## Heating and hot water

Accessible parts of the system were visually inspected apart from communal systems, which were not inspected.

No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances.

The property is centrally heated by means of a gas fired system with a Vaillant central heating boiler installed in the utility room. This boiler supplies steel panel radiators and also provides the domestic hot water.

There is a hot water storage tank installed to an upper level bedroom cupboard.

## Drainage

Drainage covers etc were not lifted.

Neither drains nor drainage systems were tested.

Drainage is understood to be to a private septic tank.

## Fire, smoke and burglar alarms

Visually inspected.

No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances.

The property has smoke and carbon monoxide detection devices installed.

Scottish government regulations came into effect on 1st February 2022 which requires each property to have linked smoke and heat detectors and if gas/carbon burning appliances are present then a carbon monoxide alarm fitted. Upgrading is required to comply with these regulations.

## Any additional limits to inspection

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

It will be appreciated that parts of the property, which are covered, unexposed or inaccessible, cannot be guaranteed to be free from defect.

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

No removal of internal linings has been carried out in order to ascertain the condition of hidden parts and no warranty can be given regarding the areas not specifically referred to in this report.

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

It was dry on the date of inspection. Leakage and water penetration may only be visible to building components such as roof spaces, rainwater goods, around chimney breasts, window openings, etc. These are sometimes only visible during or immediately after, adverse weather conditions.

Similarly, sometimes defects in rainwater goods are only apparent during, or after heavy rainfall.

Our inspection of the roof was restricted due to the location of trees, site topography and the height of the roof.

The flat roof was not completely visible within the limits of inspection.

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

## 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.

- **Chimney pots**
- Coping stone
- Chimney head
- Flashing
- Ridge ventilation
- 6 Ridge board
- 7 Slates / tiles
- 8 Valley guttering
- 9 Dormer projection
- 10 Dormer flashing
- **Dormer cheeks**
- 12 Sarking
- 13) Roof felt
- (14) Trusses
- (15) Collar
- 16 Insulation
- 17) Parapet gutter
- (18) Eaves guttering
- Rainwater downpipe
- 20 Verge boards /skews
- (21) Soffit boards
- (22) Partition wall
- 23) Lath / plaster
- 24) Chimney breast
- 25) Window pointing
- (26) Window sills
- (27) Rendering
- Brickwork / pointing
- 29 Bay window projection
- (30) Lintels
- 31) Cavity walls / wall ties
- 32) Subfloor ventilator
- 33 Damp proof course
- 34) Base course
- 35) Foundations
- (36) Solum
- 37) Floor joists
- 38) Floorboards
- (39) Water tank
- (40) Hot water tank

## 2. CONDITION

This section identifies problems and tells you about the urgency of any repairs by using one of the following 3 categories:

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

Structural movement	
Repair category:	
Notes	Evidence of previous movement was noted, however, from within the limitations of the inspection we found no evidence to suggest that the movement appears to be serious or that there were any obvious signs of recent movement.

Dampness, rot and infestation	
Repair category:	1
Notes	No dampness, rot or infestation noted from within the limitations of the inspection.  Properties of this age and type are always at risk from timber defects and these can be present in hidden areas without any obvious sign being visible on the surface. A requirement for repairs can arise at any time.

Chimney stacks	
Repair category:	2
Notes	Open pointing, cracking and weathering were noted to the chimney stacks, which can provide an entrance point for water ingress. This is likely to become a progressive defect if left unattended. Repointing and repairs are required.  It should be noted that unused chimney heads are a common source of water ingress with the resultant risk of deterioration to the stonework and surrounding timbers within the roof void.

Roofing including roof space	
Repair category:	2
Notes	Some roof slates were noted to be loose, missing and/or broken in places. Repairs are required. In the absence of stripping and re-covering, this roof structure will be an increasingly frequent source of maintenance expenditure. A reputable roofing contractor can advise on life expectancy and repair/replacement costs.  The seller advised that the flat roof covering has been replaced recently, however it should be noted that flat roof coverings will have a limited life span and can fail without warning, where repair or recovering will be required. Ongoing maintenance will also be required.  In the roof space, some staining was noted to roof timbers. Woodworm flight holes were noted to timbers and the seller advised that this was treated a number of years ago. Guarantees should be obtained. In the absence of suitable valid guarantees, a timber specialist can advise.

Rainwater fittings	
Repair category:	2
Notes	The seller advised that the majority of the rainwater fittings were replaced in in 2024. There is a single cast iron section which shows signs of corrosion. This will become a progressive defect if left unattended and repairs are required. Some vegetation growth visible within the guttering. Clearance is required to promote free drainage. Choked rainwater units can lead to serious defects in other parts of the building if not repaired timeously.  Allowing leaves, moss, and other debris to accumulate and create blockages is one of the most frequent causes of gutter-related dampness problems. The weight of the accumulated material can cause gutters to leak at joints or even to collapse completely. However, all of this may be prevented by cleaning gutters frequently, preferably twice a year.

Main walls	
Repair category:	2
Notes	There are areas of cracked, weathered and open pointing. There is some cracking noted to roughcast finishes and cracking to the entrance steps.  Climbers were noted to the external walls which the seller advised was a type of Honeysuckle plant. This restricted the scope of inspection possible. Repairs and ongoing maintenance should be anticipated.

Windows, external doors and joinery			
Repair category:	2		
Notes	The windows are not modern and the life expectancy of some should be fully appreciated. Some windows were not tested. The rear door from the utility room was not tested. The seller advised that original windows have been restored and secondary glazing installed.  External joinery is affected by weathering and localised deterioration. There is a cracked pane of glass noted to an original kitchen window pane. Repair or replacement is required.		
External decorations			
Repair category:	2		
Notes	Weathering and flaking paintwork was noted to some external joinery.		
Conservatories / porche	es .		
Repair category:			
Notes	Not applicable		
Communal areas			
Repair category:			
Notes	Not applicable		
Garages and permanen	Garages and permanent outbuildings		
Repair category:	2		
Notes	The garage shows signs of weathering and deterioration. There is rot/decay noted to roof timbers, weathering to the flat roof and weathering to the entrance door. The flat roof will have a limited life span and may not be water tight. The garage was stored internally. Repairs and ongoing maintenance will be required.  The former steading outbuilding shows some signs of weathering and deterioration to walls, floors and roof. If this building is intended for future use, works will be required. The seller advised the roof was repaired and reslated 2021 and documentation should be obtained.		

Outside areas and boundaries	
Repair category:	2
Notes	There are trees growing within potential influencing distance of the property and these are growing within the subjects garden grounds. Trees will grow progressively larger with time and the risk of damage will increase. Trees should be managed to prevent them from increasing in size. Tree roots can cause damage to structures and services, particularly in shrinkable soils. The requirement for gutter maintenance in the autumn should also be recognised, along with the risk of storm damage.  The stone retaining wall to the rear is showing signs of weathering and cracking in places. Remedial work is required.

Ceilings	
Repair category:	1
Notes	Plaster finishes are uneven in places and the removal of decorative finishes is likely to result in the necessity for plaster repairs.  As age increases, it is not unusual for the plaster to lose its key with the timber lathing, and such defects are only revealed when decorative surfaces are stripped to allow redecoration to take place.

Internal walls	
Repair category:	1
Notes	The plaster finishes appear generally sound with only minor evidence of unevenness and impact damage. If present, the removal of wallpaper is likely to result in the necessity for plaster repairs.

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

Internal joinery and kitchen fittings	
Repair category:	2
Notes	The glazing in vulnerable positions is not kitemarked as toughened glass, and the seller advised this is due to glass being original to the house. This can be considered to be a Health and Safety risk.

Chimney breast and fire places	
Repair category:	
Notes	The fireplaces in the family room and dining room do not appear to have been used for some time. Should the flues be brought back into use, some repairs/upgrading may be required.

Internal decorations	
Repair category:	1
Notes	No obvious significant defects were noted to the internal decorations. Internal decorations are a matter of personal taste and requirements.

Cellars	
Repair category:	
Notes	Not applicable

Electricity	
Repair category:	2
Notes	No obvious significant visual defects noted, however, it is likely that only the most recently rewired properties will have electrical installations that fully comply with current regulations. There is no test sticker, however the seller advised that the property was rewired in 2020 and all documentation should be obtained.  The installation in this property appears relatively modern but there is no evidence of a recent test and there are older features including sockets to skirting boards. As the property is over 10 years old, it would be prudent to have the electrical system tested.  Thereafter it is recommended good practice that all electrical installations should be checked periodically, approximately every ten years or when a property changes hands. This should be regarded as a routine safety and maintenance check.

Gas	
Repair category:	1
Notes	No obvious significant defects noted to the gas installation.  All gas supplies and appliances should be tested and thereafter maintained by a Gas Safe registered contractor on an annual basis. This should be regarded as a routine maintenance and safety check.

Water, plumbing and bathroom fittings	
Repair category:	
Notes	No obvious significant defects noted to accessible plumbing or sanitary fittings.  It is essential that all wall linings, tile grout, seals, etc are maintained in good condition. Failure to do so can lead to concealed defects behind wall finishes, and below the bath/shower tray.

Heating and hot water	
Repair category:	1
Notes	No obvious significant defect was noted to the heating system, although this has not been tested.  The boiler's service history should be checked by referring to the service records. If there is no record of a recent service, the boiler should be checked by an appropriately qualified person. The seller advised that the boiler was serviced in 2025.  No significant defects were noted to the hot water system, however, it should be appreciated that this has not been tested.

Drainage				
Repair category:	1			
Notes	It is understood that drainage is to a septic tank. The valuation reported assumes that the septic tank has been registered with and is fully compliant with all requirements of the Scottish Environmental Protection Agency (SEPA), both with regard to the tank and its outfall.			

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

Structural movement	Category 3
Dampness, rot and infestation	Urgent repairs or replacement are needed now. Failure to deal with them may cause
Chimney stacks	problems to other parts of the property or
Roofing including roof space	cause a safety hazard. Estimates for repairs or replacement are needed now.
Rainwater fittings	Category 2
Main walls	Repairs or replacement requiring future
Windows, external doors and joinery	attention, but estimates are still advised.
External decorations	Category 1
Conservatories / porches	No immediate action or repair is needed.
Communal areas	
Garages and permanent outbuildings	2
Outside areas and boundaries	2
Ceilings	1
Internal walls	1
Floors including sub floors	1
Internal joinery and kitchen fittings	2
Chimney breasts and fireplaces	1
Internal decorations	1
Cellars	
Electricity	2
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**

<u>Three steps or fewer to a main entrance door of the property:</u> 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.

<u>Unrestricted parking within 25 metres:</u> 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
2.Are there three steps or fewer to a main entrance door of the property?	No
3.Is there a lift to the main entrance door of the property?	No
4.Are all door openings greater than 750mm?	No
5.Is there a toilet on the same level as the living room and kitchen?	Yes
6.Is there a toilet on the same level as a bedroom?	Yes
7.Are all rooms on the same level with no internal steps or stairs?	No
8. Is there unrestricted parking within 25 metres of an entrance door to the building?	Yes

## 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

The tenure is understood to be Outright Ownership.

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

Where defects or repairs have been identified within this report it is recommended that, prior to entering into any legally binding sale or purchases contracts, further specialists 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.

The property is understood to be category 'B' listed, being of Historical and Architectural interest. The Legal adviser should check and confirm what planning and building control restrictions are in force as the property is understood to be Listed. The implications of owning a Listed property should be discussed with your Legal adviser.

There is a retaining wall to the boundary. Ownership and maintenance should be investigated and confirmed prior to purchase. The valuation assumes that any obligations will not be of an onerous or burdensome nature.

Rights of access, land ownership and maintenance liabilities around the property should be confirmed through an inspection of the Title Deeds.

The property has been altered and extended to form the current layout. It is assumed that all necessary Local Authority and other consents have been obtained for the works and that the appropriate documentation including Building Warrants and Completion Certificates issued. If any works did not require consent then it is assumed that they meet the standards required by the Building Regulations or are exempt.

## Estimated re-instatement cost (£) for insurance purposes

The estimated reinstatement cost for insurance purposes is £1,545,000 (One Million Five Hundred and Forty-Five Thousand Pounds).

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

The above figure should only be considered as a guide. As the property is Listed, specialist advise should be sought.

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

## Valuation (£) and market comments

In its present condition the opinion of valuation for the Outright Ownership interest with vacant possession on 14/04/2025 is £500,000 (Five Hundred Thousand Pounds).

At the time of the inspection the local property market appeared to be performing adequately, having regard to the supply of property available for sale.

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Company:	Harvey Donaldson & Gibson Chartered Surveyors
Address:	Rubislaw Den House 23 Rubislaw Den North Aberdeen AB15 4AL
Electronically Signed By:	Paul Delaney
Date of report:	06/05/2025

# Mortgage Valuation Report

CASE DETAILS						
Seller Name(s):	Mrs N Myers and Mr M	Myers.				
Property Address:	The Glebe House .					
	Rothes					
Town:	Aberlour		County			
Postcode:	AB38 7AW					
Date of Inspection (dd/m		14/04/2025				
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PROPERTY DETAILS						
Property Type:		House				
Property Style:		Detached				
Was the property built for	or the public sector?	No				
For Flats and Maisonette	es:		Floor the Property is on	:	Number of Floors	in the Block:
Number of Units in the E	Block:		Does the Block have a	Lift?		
TENURE						
Tenure		Absolute Ownershi	р			
If leasehold:						
Unexpired term (Years):			Ground Rent (pa):		£	
ACCOMMODATION						
		3	No. of Padroom(a):	4	No. of Kitchen(s):	1
No. of Living Room(s):			No. of Bedroom(s):	4		
No. of Bathroom(s):	(-) ·	3	No. of WC(s):	_3_	No. of Other room	(s): 2
Description of Other roo	m(s):	Utility room and stu				
Floor Area (m²):		314	Floor Area type:	Externa	àl	
<b>GARAGES &amp; OUTBUIL</b>	DINGS					
Garages:		Single garage				
Permanent Outbuildings	:	Former steading/st	able building			
J			•			
CONSTRUCTION						
Wall Construction:		Solid Stone				
Roof Construction:		Pitched and slated				
Approximate Year of Co	nstruction:	1843	Any evidence of alterati	ons or extensions?		Yes
Alterations / Extensions	details:				n of the habitable space. Or	ur valuation assumes these works have been
		carried out with all	necessary consents. Legal a	advisors to confirm.		
DIOLO						
RISKS			1637			
Is there evidence of mov		Yes	If Yes, does this appear	longstanding?		Yes
Are there any other risk	matters?	Yes				
If yes to any of the above	e, please provide details:			ping floors. On the basis	s of our single inspection the	e movement appeared to be long-standing and
		non-progressive in	nature.			
SERVICES						
Electricity:		Mains	Gas:	Mains	Water:	Mains
Central Heating:		Full	Drainage:	Private		
Provide comments:		Gas fired boiler to	radiators.			
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LEGAL MATTERS						
	. lawal isawaa ta ba waxifiad	hu tha aanuayanaan?		No		
	/ legal issues to be verified	by the conveyancer?		INU		
If yes, please provide de	etails:					
LOCATION						
LOCATION		The property is situ	ested within a regidential are	o in a village with on ove	oraga laval of lagal amonitic	•
Location details:		rne property is sitt	ated within a residential are	a iii a viiiage with an avi	erage level of local amenitie	о.
DOADS.						
ROADS		The access :: :	angere to be private			
Road description:		rne access road a	ppears to be private.			

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The property is a grade	B listed building. of the building is considered adequate for mortgage p	urrocce		
The general condition of	or the building is considered adequate for mortgage p	ourposes.		
ESSENTIAL REPAIRS				
None				
MORTGAGEABILITY RI	EMARKS  for mortgage purposes subject to individual lender o	criteria.		
	,			
VALUATION  Market Value in present	condition:			£ 500000
Market Value after esser				£ 500000
Insurance reinstatement	t value:			£ 1545000
Retention required?  Are repairs required?	No Retention am			£
Are repairs required?	No Estimated cos	ы оперань.		£
DECLARATION				
Surveyor's Name	Paul Delaney	Surveyor's Qualifications	MRICS Report Date (dd/mm/yyyy):	16/04/2025
Company Name	Harvey Donaldson & Gibson Chartered Surveyors		Rubislaw Den House 23 Rubislaw Den North Aberdeer	
Telephone Number	01414321640	Email Address	Https://homereportscotland.scot/	
Surveyor's Signature				

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

Dwellings

## **Scotland**

## THE GLEBE HOUSE, ROTHES, ABERLOUR, AB38 7AW

Dwelling type: Detached house
Date of assessment: 14 April 2025
Date of certificate: 16 April 2025
Total floor area: 251 m<sup>2</sup>

Primary Energy Indicator: 297 kWh/m²/year

Reference number: 6
Type of assessment: R
Approved Organisation: E
Main heating and fuel: B

6100-5845-0322-7299-1453 RdSAP, existing dwelling

Elmhurst

Boiler and radiators, mains

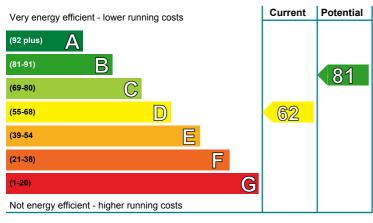
gas

#### You can use this document to:

- . Compare current ratings of properties to see which are more energy efficient and environmentally friendly
- Find out how to save energy and money and also reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by improving your home

Estimated energy costs for your home for 3 years*	£11,142	See your recommendations
Over 3 years you could save*	£4,461	report for more information

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

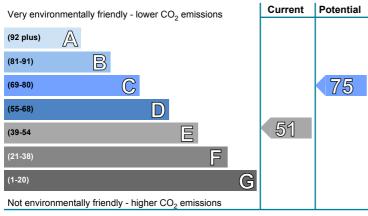


## **Energy Efficiency Rating**

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

Your current rating is **band D (62)**. The average rating for EPCs in Scotland is **band D (61)**.

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



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

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

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

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

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

Recommended measures	Indicative cost	Typical savings over 3 years
1 Internal or external wall insulation	£4,000 - £14,000	£3183.00
2 Floor insulation (suspended floor)	£800 - £1,200	£609.00
3 Floor insulation (solid floor)	£4,000 - £6,000	£312.00

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

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

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

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

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

Element	Description	Energy Efficiency	Environmental
Walls	Granite or whinstone, as built, no insulation (assumed)	***	***
	Solid brick, as built, no insulation (assumed)	***	***
Roof	Pitched, 200 mm loft insulation	<b>★★★★☆</b>	<b>★★★</b> ☆
Floor	Suspended, no insulation (assumed)	_	_
	Solid, no insulation (assumed)	_	_
Windows	Mostly secondary glazing	<b>★★★☆☆</b>	<b>★★★☆☆</b>
Main heating	Boiler and radiators, mains gas	<b>★★★★☆</b>	<b>★★★★</b> ☆
Main heating controls	Programmer, TRVs and bypass	<b>★★★☆☆</b>	<b>★★★☆☆</b>
Secondary heating	None	_	_
Hot water	From main system	<b>★★★★☆</b>	<b>★★★</b> ☆
Lighting	Low energy lighting in 84% of fixed outlets	****	****

## The energy efficiency rating of your home

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

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

## The impact of your home on the environment

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

The calculated emissions for your home are 52 kg CO<sub>2</sub>/m<sup>2</sup>/yr.

The average Scottish household produces about 6 tonnes of carbon dioxide every year. Based on this assessment, heating and lighting this home currently produces approximately 13 tonnes of carbon dioxide every year. Adopting recommendations in this report can reduce emissions and protect the environment. If you were to install all of these recommendations this could reduce emissions by 6.2 tonnes per year. You could reduce emissions even more by switching to renewable energy sources.

## Estimated energy costs for this home

	Current energy costs	Potential energy costs	Potential future savings
Heating	£9,900 over 3 years	£5,475 over 3 years	
Hot water	£663 over 3 years	£627 over 3 years	You could
Lighting	£579 over 3 years	£579 over 3 years	save £4,461
Totals	£11,142	£6,681	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	Internal or external wall insulation	£4,000 - £14,000	£1061	C 72	D 65
2	Floor insulation (suspended floor)	£800 - £1,200	£203	C 74	D 68
3	Floor insulation (solid floor)	£4,000 - £6,000	£104	C 75	C 70
4	Upgrade heating controls	£350 - £450	£120	C 77	C 71
5	Solar photovoltaic panels, 2.5 kWp	£3,500 - £5,500	£377	B 81	C 75

## Choosing the right improvement package





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

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

#### 1 Internal or external wall insulation

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

## 2 Floor insulation (suspended floor)

Insulation of a floor will significantly reduce heat loss; this will improve levels of comfort, reduce energy use and lower fuel bills. Suspended floors can often be insulated from below but must have adequate ventilation to prevent dampness; seek advice about this if unsure. Further information about floor insulation is available from many sources including www.energysavingtrust.org.uk/scotland/Insulation/Floor-insulation. Building regulations generally apply to this work so it is best to check with your local authority building standards department.

#### 3 Floor insulation (solid floor)

Insulation of a floor will significantly reduce heat loss; this will improve levels of comfort, reduce energy use and lower fuel bills. Insulating solid floors can present challenges; insulation laid on top of existing solid floors may impact on existing doors and finishes whilst lifting of a solid floor to insert insulation below will require consideration of the potential effect on both structural stability and damp proofing. It is advised to seek advice from a Chartered Structural Engineer or a registered Architect about this if unsure. Further information about floor insulation is available from many sources including www.energysavingtrust.org.uk/scotland/Insulation/Floor-insulation. Building regulations generally apply to this work and may also require a building warrant so it is best to check with your local authority building standards department.

## 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 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)	46,652	N/A	N/A	(15,779)
Water heating (kWh per year)	3,141			·

## **Addendum**

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

## **About this document**

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

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

Assessor's name: Mr. Paul Delaney EES/010341 Assessor membership number:

Harvey Donaldson & Gibson Chartered Surveyors Company name/trading name:

Rubislaw Den House Address:

23 Rubislaw Den North Aberdeen

AB15 4AL 01224 418749 help@hdg.co.uk

Phone number: Email address: 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 greeners cotland.org or contact Home Energy Scotland on 0808 808 2282.

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

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# **Property Questionnaire**

Property Address	The Glebe House	
	Rothes	
	Aberlour	
	AB38 7AW	
Seller(s)	Mrs N Myers	
	Mr M Myers	

21/04/2025

Completion date of property questionnaire

## Length of ownership 1 How long have you owned the property? 5.5 years 2 Council tax Which Council Tax band is your property in? Е 3 **Parking** What are the arrangements for parking at your property? (Please tick all that apply) Garage $\overline{\mathbf{Q}}$ Allocated parking space Driveway $\square$ Shared parking П On street П

Other (please specify)

Large driveway which can fit 6 cars comfortably. Plus a garage and car port.

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## 4 Conservation area

Resident permit

Metered parking

Is your property in a designated Conservation Area (that is an area of special architectural or historical interest, the character or appearance of which it is desirable to preserve or enhance)?

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

## 6 Alterations/additions/extensions

a.(i) During your time in the property, have you carried out any structural alterations, additions or extensions (for example, provision of an extra bath/shower room, toilet, or bedroom)? Yes

If you have answered yes, please describe below the changes which you have made:

We removed a temporary non load bearing wall in the kitchen to create a single kitchen space

(ii) Did you obtain planning permission, building warrant, completion certificate and other consents for this work?

No

If you have answered yes, the relevant documents will be needed by the purchaser and you should give them to your solicitor as soon as possible for checking.

If you do not have the documents yourself, please note below who has these documents and your solicitor or estate agent will arrange to obtain them:

b. Have you had replacement windows, doors, patio doors or double glazing installed in your property?

Yes

If you have answered yes, please answer the three questions below:

(i) Were the replacements the same shape and type as the ones you replaced? Yes

(ii) Did this work involve any changes to the window or door openings?

(iii) Please describe the changes made to the windows doors, or patio doors (with approximate dates when the work was completed):

We replaced the old secondary glazing with new more efficient secondary glazing. We also restored all the sash windows to make them working windows which can be opened top and bottom. We have not altered the main kitchen window.

Please give any guarantees which you received for this work to your solicitor or estate agent.

## 7 Central heating

a. Is there a central heating system in your property?

(Note: a partial central heating system is one which does not heat all the main rooms of the property — the main living room, the bedroom(s), the hall and the bathroom).

Yes

If you have answered yes or partial — what kind of central heating is there? (Examples: gas-fired, solid fuel, electric storage heating, gas warm air).

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If you have answered yes, please answer the three questions below:

- (i) When was your central heating system or partial central heating system installed?

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- (ii) Do you have a maintenance contract for the central heating system?

Yes

If you have answered yes, please give details of the company with which you have a maintenance contract:

We had the boiler serviced in April 2025

(iii) When was your maintenance agreement last renewed?

(Please provide the month and year).

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## 8 Energy Performance Certificate

Does your property have an Energy Performance Certificate which is less than 10 years old?

Yes

## 9 Issues that may have affected your property

a. Has there been any storm, flood, fire or other structural damage to your property while you have owned it?

Yes

If you have answered yes, is the damage the subject of any outstanding insurance claim?

b. Are you aware of the existence of asbestos in your property?

No

If you have answered yes, please give details:

## 10 Services

Please tick which services are connected to your property and give details of the supplier:

**Services Connected Supplier** Gas or liquid petroleum gas  $\overline{\mathbf{A}}$ Utility Warehouse  $\sqrt{}$ Water mains or private water supply Moray Council  $\overline{\mathbf{A}}$ **Utility Warehouse** Electricity Mains drainage  $\mathbf{\Lambda}$ Septic Tank **Utility Warehouse**  $\square$ 

Telephone ☑ Utili

Cable TV or satellite

Broadband Utility Warehouse

b. Is there a septic tank system at your property?

Yes

(i) Do you have appropriate consents for the discharge from your septic tank? Yes

(ii) Do you have a maintenance contract for your septic tank?

Nο

If you have answered yes, please give details of the company with which you have a maintenance contract:

## 11 Responsibilities for shared or common areas

a. Are you aware of any responsibility to contribute to the cost of anything used jointly, such as the repair of a shared drive, private road, boundary, or garden area?

Yes

If you have answered yes, please give details:

The start of our drive is shared with our neighbour. We have not had to pay anything while living here but we all contribute to salt in winter to help grit the drive which our neighbour handles and spreads.

b. Is there a responsibility to contribute to repair and maintenance of the roof, common stairwell or other common areas?

No

If you have answered yes, please give details:

c. Has there been any major repair or replacement of any part of the roof during the time you have owned the property?

Yes

d. Do you have the right to walk over any of your neighbours' property — for example to put out your rubbish bin or to maintain your boundaries?

No

If you have answered yes, please give details:

e. As far as you are aware, do any of your neighbours have the right to walk over your property, for example to put out their rubbish bin or to maintain their boundaries?

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 privately-owned.)

No

If you have answered yes, please give details:

## 12 Charges associated with your property

a. Is there a factor or property manager for your property?
 No

b. Is there a common buildings insurance policy?

No

If you have answered yes, is the cost of the insurance included in your monthly/annual factor's charges?

c. Please give details of any other charges you have to pay on a regular basis for the upkeep of common areas or repair works, for example to a residents' association, or maintenance or stair fund.

none

## 13 Specialist works

a. As far as you are aware, has treatment of dry rot, wet rot, damp or any other specialist work ever been carried out to your property?

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 please write below who has these documents and your solicitor or estate agent will arrange for them to be obtained. You will also need to provide a description of the work carried out. This may be shown in the original estimate., 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 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

Don't know

(ii) Roofing

Yes

(iii) Central heating

Don't know

(iv) National House Building Council (NHBC)

Don't know

(v) Damp course

No

(vi) Any other work or installations? (for example, cavity wall insulation, underpinning, indemnity policy)

Don't know

- b. <u>If you have answered 'yes'</u> or 'with title deeds', please give details of the work or installations to which the quarantee(s) relate(s):
- (i) Electrical work
- (ii) Roofing

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- (iii) Central heating
- (iv) National House Building Council (NHBC)
- (v) Damp course
- (vi) Any other work or installations? (for example, cavity wall insulation, underpinning, indemnity policy)
- c. Are there any outstanding claims under any of the guarantees listed above?

## If you have answered yes, please give details:

We had the flat roof replaced which has a lifetime guarentee

## 15 Boundaries

So far as your are aware, has any boundary of your property been moved in the last 10 years?

No

If you have answered yes, please give details:

## 16 Notices that affect your property

In the past three years have you ever received a notice:

- a. advising that the owner of a neighbouring property has made a planning application?
- b. that affects your property in some other way?

No

c. that requires you to do any maintenance, repairs or improvements to your property?

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.