survey report on:

Property address	GREENHOWE STEADING, BANCHORY DEVENICK, ABERDEEN, AB12 5YJ
Customer	MR & MRS McGOWAN
Customer address	C/O GALBRAITH, 337 NORTH DEESIDE ROAD, CULTS, ABERDEEN, AB15 9SN
Prepared by	DM Hall LLP



16th April 2025

Date of inspection

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 ticking the adjacent box.

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

1.2 THE REPORT

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

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.

¹ Which shall be in accordance with the current RICS Valuation Standards (The Red Book) and RICS Codes 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 Report.²

1.6 INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

All intellectual property rights whatsoever (including copyright) in and to the Report, excluding the headings and rubrics, are the exclusive property of the Surveyors and shall remain their exclusive property unless

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.

1.1 DEFINITIONS

- the "Lender" is the party who has provided or intends or proposes to provide financial assistance to the Purchaser towards the purchase of the Property and in whose favour a standard security will be granted over the Property;
- the "Transcript Mortgage Valuation Report for Lending Purposes" means a separate report, prepared by the Surveyor, prepared from information in the Report and the generic Mortgage Valuation Report, but in a style and format required by the Lender. The Transcript Mortgage Valuation Report for Lending Purposes will be prepared with the skill and care reasonably to be expected from a surveyor who is a member of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors and who is competent to survey, value and report on the Property;
- the "Generic Mortgage Valuation Report" means a separate report, prepared by the Surveyor from information in the Report but in the Surveyor's own format;
- 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 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 Category 2: Repairs or replacement requiring future attention, but estimates are still advised.
- 3 Category 1: No immediate action or repair is needed.

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

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

2.4 SERVICES

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

2.5 ACCESSIBILITY

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

2.6 ENERGY REPORT

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

2.7 VALUATION AND CONVEYANCER ISSUES

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

"Market Value" The estimated amount for which a property should exchange on the date of valuation between a willing buyer and a willing seller in an arm's-length transaction after proper marketing wherein

the parties had each acted knowledgeably, prudently and without compulsion. In arriving at the opinion of the Market Value the Surveyor also makes various standard assumptions covering, for example, vacant possession; tenure and other legal considerations; contamination and hazardous materials; the condition of un-inspected parts; the right to use mains services; and the exclusion of curtains, carpets etc. from the valuation. In the case of flats, the following further assumptions are made that:

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

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

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

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

1. Information and scope of inspection

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

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

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

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

Description	Detached steading.
Accommodation	GROUND FLOOR: Hallway/Dining Room, Kitchen, Living Room, Five Bedrooms, One with Ensuite Shower Room, Box Room, Utility Room, Family Bathroom, Family Shower Room, Sun Lounge and Additional Kitchen/Living Room.
Gross internal floor area (m²)	272 square metres approximately.
Neighbourhood and location	The property occupies a rural location approximately 5 miles south west of Aberdeen. Facilities and amenities can be found within reasonable commuting distance.
Age	The building was converted in approximately 1990 with additional annexe conversion in approximately 2015.
Weather	Overcast but dry.
Chimney stacks	Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.
	The chimney stack is of pointed stone construction of cement and metal flashings.
Roofing including roof space	Sloping roofs were visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.
	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 and clad in slates. Ridges and hips are tiled and valleys are formed in metal. There are metal and cement skews.

Roofing including roof space	Roof space inspections were carried out from hatches within the utility room and hallway. The roof space comprises timber trusses, timber sarking, felt and slates. Insulation has been laid between the ceiling joists.
Rainwater fittings	Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.
	Rainwater goods are formed in round and half round PVC sections.
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 solid stone construction pointed externally. The sun lounge extension appears to be of modern cavity timber frame construction incorporating an inner leaf of timber frame and an outer leaf of roughcast blockwork.
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.
	Windows are of double glazed timber and PVC design. There are also double glazed timber Velux windows.
	The front entrance door is a panelled PVC design with double glazed inserts.
	There are a number of additional entrance doors the majority of which are of panelled PVC and panelled timber design with double glazed inserts.
	Soffits and fascias around the sun lounge are formed in timber.
External decorations	Visually inspected.
	Painted.
Conservatories / porches	None.

Garages and permanent outbuildings	Visually inspected.
	There is a timber shed and timber log cabin.
Outside areas and boundaries	Visually inspected.
	The property is surrounded by landscaped grounds generally comprising a tarmac driveway, stone chipped driveway, grass lawn, concrete site path, shrubs, trees and stone wall. There is a blockwork retaining wall on the north elevation.
Ceilings	Visually inspected from floor level.
	Ceilings are of plasterboard.
Internal walls	Visually inspected from floor level.
	Using a moisture meter, walls were randomly tested for
	dampness where considered appropriate.
	Internal walls are of stud lined in plasterboard.
Floors including sub floors	Curfesse of cure and floors were visually inspected. No
Floors including sub floors	Surfaces of exposed floors were visually inspected. No carpets or floor coverings were lifted.
	Sub-floor areas were inspected only to the extent visible from a readily accessible and unfixed hatch by way of an inverted "head and shoulders" inspection at the access point.
	Physical access to the sub floor area may be taken if the Surveyor deems it is safe and reasonable to do so, and subject to a minimum clearance of 1m between the underside of floor joists and the solum as determined from the access hatch.
	Flooring appears to be of solid construction.
	No sub floor inspection was possible.
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 items are of timber.
	Interior doors are of panelled timber design some with single glazed inserts.
	The kitchen is fitted with a range of floor standing and wall mounted panelled timber units, a ceramic sink and cook centre cooker. The annexe kitchen is fitted with a range of floor standing and wall mounted flush timber units, a stainless steel sink unit and fitted appliances.
	The utility room is fitted with a range of floor standing and wall mounted flush timber units and a stainless steel sink unit.

Skirtings and the staircase are of timber.

Chimney breasts and fireplaces	Visually inspected.
	No testing of the flues or fittings was carried out.
	There is an open wood burner in the living room. There is a solid fuel fireplace in the dining room /hallway.
Internal decorations	Visually inspected.
	Internal decorations comprise painted, papered, tiled and splashback finishes.
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 with the circuit breaker board for the original dwelling located in the utility room cupboard at high level. The circuit breaker board for the annexe is in the annexe hallway
Gas	cupboard. The meter is located externally. None.
Water, plumbing, bathroom fittings	Visual inspection of the accessible pipework, water tanks, cylinders and fittings without removing any insulation.
	No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances.
	Mains water supply with the visible pipework of copper supply pipes and PVC wastepipes.
	The family bathroom comprises a low panelled bath with mixer shower over, WC and bracketed wash hand basin. The en-suite contains a shower cubicle with mixer shower over, WC and pedestal wash hand basin. The family shower room contains a shower cubicle with mixer shower over, WC and pedestal wash hand basin.
Heating and hot water	Accessible parts of the system were visually inspected apart from communal systems, which were not inspected.
	No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances.
	Central heating is provided by an oil fire 'Grant Vortex 46-58 Pro Utility' boiler floor mounted in the utility room. This serves a series of steel panelled radiators. There is additional electric underfloor heating in the main bathroom, en suite and sun lounge.
	Hot water is provided by two pre-insulated hot water tanks with immersion heaters and thermostats located within the roof spaces.

Drainage

Drainage covers etc were not lifted.

Neither drains nor drainage systems were tested.

Drainage is to two private septic tanks which the seller has advised are inside the curtilage.

Fire, smoke and burglar alarms

Visually inspected.

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

Smoke detection is fitted.

Legislation by the Scottish Government, which took effect from February 2022, requires all residential properties to have a system of inter-linked smoke alarms and heat detectors. Carbon monoxide detectors are also required where appropriate. Purchasers should appraise themselves of the requirements of this legislation, and engage with appropriately accredited contractors to ensure compliance.

Any additional limits to inspection

Parts of the property, which are covered, unexposed or inaccessible, cannot be guaranteed to be free from defect.

I have not carried out an inspection for Japanese Knotweed and unless otherwise stated, for the purposes of the valuation I have assumed that there is no Japanese Knotweed or other invasive plants within the boundaries of the property or in neighbouring properties.

The report does not include an asbestos inspection. However asbestos was widely used in the building industry until around 2000, when it became a banned substance. If the possibility of asbestos based products has been reported within the limitations of the inspection and you have concerns you should engage a qualified asbestos surveyor. Any such materials should not be drilled or disturbed without prior advice from a licensed specialist.

Random testing for dampness was undertaken internally with the use of a moisture meter where accessible and considered appropriate.

The property was occupied, fully furnished and all floors were covered. Floor coverings restricted my inspection of flooring.

I was not able to inspect the sub floor area.

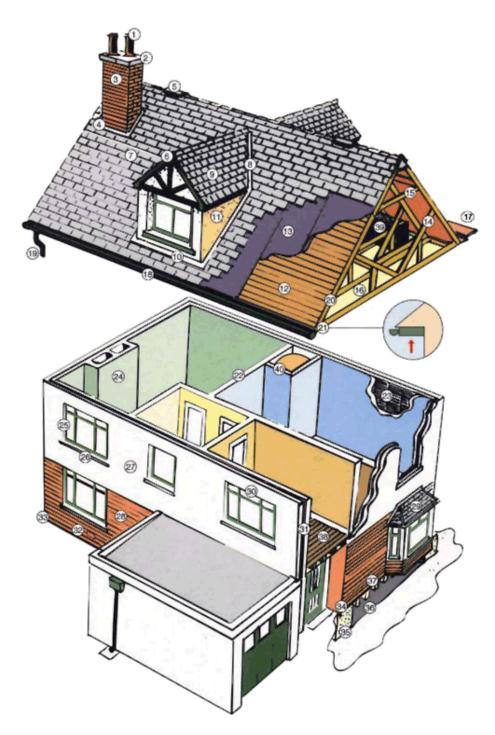
Concealed areas beneath and around bath/shower trays were not visible. Water spillage in these areas can often be discovered unexpectedly with resultant damage to concealed parts of the fabric.

The inspection is not a fire or life safety risk assessment and should not be relied on as a risk assessment inspection. Further advice should be sought if a specific risk assessment of the property and building that it forms part of is required.

Where repairs are required at height compliance with Health and Safety legislation often requires the use of scaffolding which can significantly impact on the cost of repair. Pricing repairs is out with the remit of this report but it would be prudent to consider costs

Any additional limits to inspection	and budgeting before offering. The various trades can advise further.
	Not all sections of roof space could be inspected due to the presence of insulation materials and lack of suitable crawl boards.

Sectional Diagram showing elements of a typical house



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

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

2. Condition

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

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

Structural movement	
Repair category	1
Notes	No obvious evidence of significant movement noted within the limitations of my inspection.

Dampness, rot and infestation	
Repair category	2
Notes	Woodworm flight holes are visible to timbers within the roof space particularly above the annexe accommodation. A timber treatment specialist can advise further.
	Mouse faeces are visible to sections of roof space. A pest control specialist can advise further.
	There are a number of bird's nests visible within the roof space above the annexe although no birds were present/visible at the time of inspection.

Chimney stacks	
Repair category	1
Notes	No significant defects evident.

Roofing including roof space	
Repair category	2
Notes	There are a number of chipped and slipped slates. There is missing hip tile pointing above the sun lounge.
	There are sections of loose sarking boards within the roof spaces and a failed Velux window within the annexe roof space.
	See sections 'Dampness, rot and infestation.'

Rainwater fittings	
Repair category	1
Notes	There is vegetation to rainwater goods.

Main walls	
Repair category	1
Notes	There is a missing section of wall vent adjacent to the utility room door and cracked pointing surrounding the shower room window.

Windows, external doors and joinery	
Repair category	1
Notes	There is a misaligned concrete sill below the sun lounge window.

External decorations	
Repair category	1
Notes	External decorations will require regular repainting to maintain their appearance.

Conservatories/porches	
Repair category	-
Notes	None.

Communal areas	
Repair category	-
Notes	None.

Garages and permanent outbuildings	
Repair category	1
Notes	The felt roof over the log cabin will have a more limited lifespan.

Outside areas and boundaries	
Repair category	2
Notes	There is cracking to the retaining wall on the northern boundary. There is cracking to the concrete site path in sections.

Ceilings	
Repair category	2
Notes	There is cracked plasterboard particularly in the hallway and bedroom.

Internal walls	
Repair category	2
Notes	There are a number of holes to plasterboard particularly in the utility room and hallway. There is cracked plasterboard in the hallway and sun lounge. Plasterboard nails are also visible within the hallway.

Floors including sub-floors	
Repair category	1
Notes	No significant defects evident. It is not unusual to discover areas of past water spillage when floor coverings are removed in kitchen and bathroom compartments, revealing the need for further repair and maintenance work.

Internal joinery and kitchen fittings	
Repair category	1
Notes	The glazed inserts to internal doors could not be confirmed to contain safety glass.

Chimney breasts and fireplaces	
Repair category	1
Notes	Flues should ideally be swept and tested on an annual basis.

Internal decorations	
Repair category	1
Notes	The utility room has stained walls and an incoming purchaser may wish to redecorate to their own taste.

Cellars	
Repair category	-
Notes	None.

Electricity	
Repair category	1
Notes	The PVC electricity meter box door is loose and will require to be adjusted. It is recommended that all electrical installations be checked every five years or on change of ownership to keep up to date with frequent changes in Safety Regulations. Further advice will be available from a qualified NICEIC/ SELECT registered Contractor. It should be appreciated that only recently constructed or rewired properties will have installations which fully comply with IET regulations.

Gas	
Repair category	-
Notes	None.

► Water, plumbing and bathroom fittings	
Repair category	1
Notes	No significant defects evident.

Heating and hot water	
Repair category	2
Notes	The PVC oil tank is in close proximity to the timber shed. This may not comply with current installation regulations.
	It is assumed that the heating and hot water systems have been properly serviced and maintained on a regular basis and installed in accordance with the relevant regulations.
	Boilers and central heating systems should be tested and serviced by an Oftec oil registered engineer on an annual basis to ensure their safe and efficient operation.

Drainage	
Repair category	1
Notes	The owner has not provided any information about the septic tank maintenance and it is assumed that the tanks are registered with SEPA. Regular inspection and maintenance should be anticipated.

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	1
Roofing including roof space	2
Rainwater fittings	1
Main walls	1
Windows, external doors and joinery	1
External decorations	1
Conservatories/porches	-
Communal areas	-
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	-
Electricity	1
Gas	-
Water, plumbing and bathroom fittings	1
Heating and hot water	2
Drainage	1

Category 3

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

Category 2

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

Category 1

No immediate action or repair is needed.

Remember

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

Warning

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

3. Accessibility information

Guidance notes on accessibility information

Three steps or fewer to a main entrance door of the property:

In flatted developments the 'main entrance' would be the flat's own entrance door, not the external door to the communal stair. The 'three steps or fewer' are counted from external ground level to the flat's entrance door. Where a lift is present, the count is based on the number of steps climbed when using the lift.

Unrestricted parking within 25 metres:

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

1. Which floor(s) is the living accommodation on?	Ground
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

The seller has advised the property was extended in approximately 2015. It is assumed all necessary Local Authority and other consents have been obtained for alterations and the appropriate documentation, including Building Warrants and Completion Certificates issued. If any works did not require consent then it is assumed they meet the standards required by the Building Regulations or are exempt.

Access to the subjects is via a shared private road. The extent of the site, ownership and maintenance liabilities around the periphery of the subjects should be confirmed by the conveyancer with reference to the Title Deeds.

It is understood there is a private drainage arrangement to a septic tanks and soakaway. The maintenance liability, rights of access for maintenance and purposes and the availability of SEPA consent should be confirmed.

Estimated reinstatement cost for insurance purposes

£1,150,000 (ONE MILLION, ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY THOUSAND POUNDS).

It should be noted this sum is an estimate calculated by using a rate per square metre based on information provided by Building Cost Information Service (BCIS).

Valuation and market comments

The Market Value as at the date of inspection is £460,000 (FOUR HUNDRED AND SIXTY THOUSAND POUNDS).

At the time of inspection the local property market had been performing adequately. There is demand and sales activity.

This is a replacement Single Survey report. The original inspection was carried out on the 8th May 2024.

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Date of report	18th April 2025



Property Address	
Address Seller's Name Date of Inspection	GREENHOWE STEADING, BANCHORY DEVENICK, ABERDEEN, AB12 5YJ MR & MRS McGOWAN 16th April 2025
Property Details	
Property Type	X House Bungalow Chalet Purpose built maisonette Coach Studio Converted maisonette Purpose built flat Converted flat Tenement flat Flat over non-residential use Other (specify in General Remarks)
Property Style	X Detached Semi detached Mid terrace End terrace Back to back High rise block Low rise block Other (specify in General Remarks)
Does the surveyor be e.g. local authority, m	elieve that the property was built for the public sector, Yes X No nilitary, police?
Flats/Maisonettes onl	ly Floor(s) on which located No. of floors in block Lift provided? Yes No
Approximate Year of	No. of units in block Construction 1990
Tenure	
X Absolute Ownership	Leasehold Ground rent £ Unexpired years
Accommodation	
Number of Rooms	3 Living room(s) 5 Bedroom(s) 2 Kitchen(s) 3 Bathroom(s) 3 WC(s) 2 Other (Specify in General remarks)
Gross Floor Area (ex	cluding garages and outbuildings) [272] m² (Internal) [m² (External)
Residential Element	(greater than 40%) X Yes No
Garage / Parking /	Outbuildings
Single garage Available on site?	□ Double garage□ Yes□ No□ Parking space□ X No garage / garage space / parking space
Permanent outbuildin	ngs:
Timber shed and tir	mber summer house.

Construction								
Construction				_	_			
Walls	Brick	X Stone	∐ Co	ncrete	Timber frame			
	Solid	Cavity	Ste	eel frame	Concrete block	Othe	er (specify in Ger	neral Remarks)
Roof	Tile	X Slate	As	phalt	_ Felt			
	Lead	Zinc	Art	ificial slate	Flat glass fibre	Othe	er (specify in Ger	neral Remarks)
Special Risks								
Has the property s	suffered struct	ural moveme	ent?				Yes	X No
If Yes, is this rece	nt or progress	ive?					Yes	No
Is there evidence, immediate vicinity	history, or rea?	ason to antici	pate subsi	dence, he	ave, landslip o	or flood in th	e Yes	X No
If Yes to any of the	e above, provi	de details in	General R	emarks.				
Service Connec	tion							
Based on visual in of the supply in Go			es appeai	to be noi	n-mains, pleas	e comment	on the type a	nd location
Drainage	Mains	X Private	None		Water	X Mains	Private	None
Electricity	X Mains	Private	None		Gas	Mains	Private	X None
Central Heating	X Yes	Partial	None					
Brief description of Central Heating:								
Oil fired boiler to	radiator heati	ng system ai	nd electric	underfloc	r heating.			
Site								
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Apparent legal iss	X Shared drive	-	_		enities on separate	_	ared service con	
Agricultural land in				d boundarie	•		er (specify in Ge	
Agriculturar land in	cidded with prope	ity		u boundane	.		ler (specify in Ge	nerai Nemarks)
Location								
Residential suburb	Res	idential within to	wn / city	Mixed re	sidential / comme	rcial Mai	inly commercial	
Commuter village	Ren	note village		Isolated	rural property	X Oth	er (specify in Ge	neral Remarks)
Diamaina lagua								
Planning Issues								
Has the property been extended / converted / altered? X Yes No If Yes provide details in General Remarks.								
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Roads								
Made up road	Unmade road	I Partly	completed n	ew road	Pedestrian a	access only	Adopted	X Unadopted

General Remarks

The property occupies a rural location approximately 5 miles south west of Aberdeen. Facilities and amenities can be found within reasonable commuting distance.

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The property is in a condition generally commensurate with age and type although some items of routine maintenance are now required.

OTHER ACCOMMODATION: Utility Room and Box Room.

Essential Repairs				
None noted.				
Estimated cost of essential repairs £	Retention recommended? Yes	X No	Amount £	

Comment on Mortgagea	bility	
	erally mortgageable lenders guidance differs on properties which contain ce should be obtained prior to commitment to purchase.	two kitchens.
Valuations		
Market value in present cor Market value on completion Insurance reinstatement va (to include the cost of total is a reinspection necessary	£ 460,000 £ 1150000	
Buy To Let Cases		
month Short Assured Tenai	ge of monthly rental income for the property assuming a letting on a 6 ncy basis? There there is a steady demand for rented accommodation of this type?	£ Yes No
Declaration		
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