

HOME REPORT

BOLTON HOUSE
MAIN STREET
LYBSTER
KW3 6AQ



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Energy Performance Certificate (EPC)

Scotland

Dwellings

BOLTON HOUSE, MAIN STREET, LYBSTER, KW3 6AQ

Dwelling type: End-terrace house
Date of assessment: 05 February 2025
Date of certificate: 11 February 2025
Total floor area: 81 m²
Primary Energy Indicator: 169 kWh/m²/year

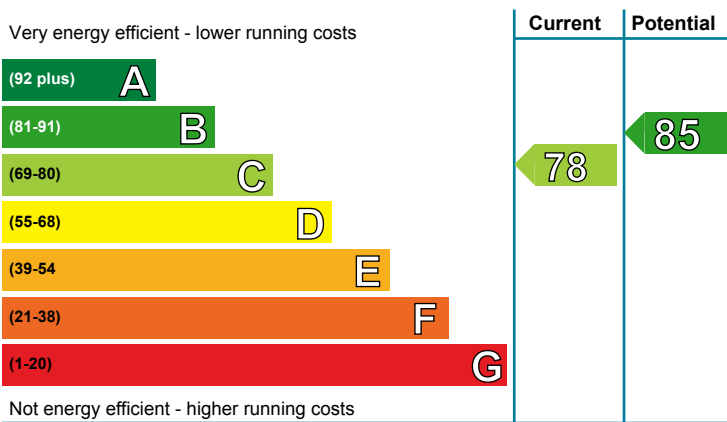
Reference number: 6500-3652-0522-6009-1253
Type of assessment: RdSAP, existing dwelling
Approved Organisation: Elmhurst
Main heating and fuel: Air source heat pump, radiators, electric

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 CO₂ emissions by improving your home

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| Estimated energy costs for your home for 3 years* | £3,771 | See your recommendations report for more information |
| Over 3 years you could save* | £876 | |

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

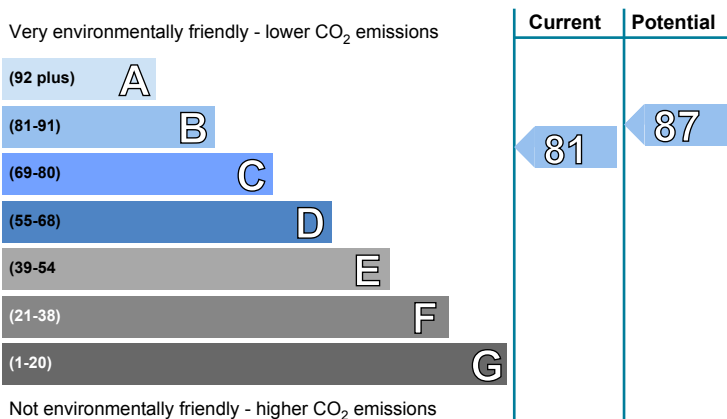


Energy Efficiency Rating

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 C (78)**. The average rating for EPCs in Scotland is **band D (61)**.

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



Environmental Impact (CO₂) Rating

This graph shows the effect of your home on the environment in terms of carbon dioxide (CO₂) emissions. The higher the rating, the less impact it has on the environment.

Your current rating is **band B (81)**. 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 Floor insulation (suspended floor) | £800 - £1,200 | £411.00 |
| 2 Hot water cylinder thermostat | £200 - £400 | £162.00 |
| 3 Solar water heating | £4,000 - £6,000 | £303.00 |

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 | Sandstone or limestone, with internal insulation | ★★★★☆ | ★★★★☆ |
| Roof | Pitched, 300 mm loft insulation | ★★★★★ | ★★★★★ |
| Floor | Suspended, no insulation (assumed) | — | — |
| Windows | Fully double glazed | ★★★★☆ | ★★★★☆ |
| Main heating | Air source heat pump, radiators, electric | ★★★★☆ | ★★★★★ |
| Main heating controls | Programmer, TRVs and bypass | ★★★☆☆ | ★★★☆☆ |
| Secondary heating | None | — | — |
| Hot water | From main system, no cylinder thermostat | ★★☆☆☆ | ★★★☆☆ |
| Lighting | Low energy lighting in all fixed outlets | ★★★★★ | ★★★★★ |

The energy efficiency rating of your home

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

As we all use our homes in different ways, the energy rating is calculated using standard occupancy assumptions which may be different from the way you use it. The rating also uses national weather information to allow comparison between buildings in different parts of Scotland. However, to make information more relevant to your home, local weather data is used to calculate your energy use, CO₂ emissions, running costs and the savings possible from making improvements.


The impact of your home on the environment

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

The calculated emissions for your home are 29 kg CO₂/m²/yr.

The average Scottish household produces about 6 tonnes of carbon dioxide every year. Based on this assessment, heating and lighting this home currently produces approximately 2.3 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 0.6 tonnes per year. You could reduce emissions even more by switching to renewable energy sources.

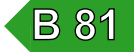
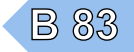
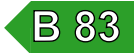

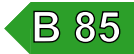

Estimated energy costs for this home

| | Current energy costs | Potential energy costs | Potential future savings |
|---------------|----------------------|------------------------|---|
| Heating | £2,256 over 3 years | £1,935 over 3 years |  |
| Hot water | £1,263 over 3 years | £708 over 3 years | |
| Lighting | £252 over 3 years | £252 over 3 years | |
| Totals | £3,771 | £2,895 | |

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 per year | Rating after improvement | |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|---|---|
| | | | Energy | Environment |
| 1 Floor insulation (suspended floor) | £800 - £1,200 | £137 |  |  |
| 2 Hot water cylinder thermostat | £200 - £400 | £54 |  |  |
| 3 Solar water heating | £4,000 - £6,000 | £101 |  |  |

Choosing the right improvement package

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



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

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

1 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.

2 Cylinder thermostat

A hot water cylinder thermostat enables the boiler to switch off when the water in the cylinder reaches the required temperature; this minimises the amount of energy that is used and lowers fuel bills. The thermostat is a temperature sensor that sends a signal to the boiler when the required temperature is reached. To be fully effective it needs to be sited in the correct position and hard wired in place, so it should be installed by a competent plumber or heating engineer. Building regulations apply to this work, so it is best to check with your local authority building standards department whether a building warrant will be required.

3 Solar water heating

A solar water heating panel, usually fixed to the roof, uses the sun to pre-heat the hot water supply. This can significantly reduce the demand on the heating system to provide hot water and hence save fuel and money. Planning permission might be required, building regulations generally apply to this work and a building warrant may be required, so it is best to check these with your local authority. You could be eligible for Renewable Heat Incentive payments which could appreciably increase the savings beyond those shown on your EPC, provided that both the product and the installer are certified by the Microgeneration Certification Scheme (or equivalent). Details of local MCS installers are available at www.microgenerationcertification.org.

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:

- Air source heat pump
- Solar photovoltaics

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) | 9,294 | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| Water heating (kWh per year) | 3,469 | | | |

About this document

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

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

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| Assessor's name: | Miss Simone Coles |
| Assessor membership number: | EES/026416 |
| Company name/trading name: | D M Hall Chartered Surveyors LLP |
| Address: | Hope House Castlehill Drive Cradlehall Business Park Inverness IV2 5GH |
| Phone number: | 0131 477 6000 |
| Email address: | dmhall@dmhall.co.uk |
| 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 [greener-scotland.org](https://www.greener-scotland.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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Single Survey

survey report on:

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| Property address | BOLTON HOUSE, MAIN STREET, LYBSTER, KW3 6AQ |
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| Customer | [REDACTED] |
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| Customer address | Bolton House, Main Street, LYBSTER, KW3 6AQ |
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| Prepared by | DM Hall LLP |
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| Date of inspection | 5th February 2025 |
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PART 1 - GENERAL

1.1 THE SURVEYORS

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

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

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

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

The individual Surveyor will be a member of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors who is competent to survey, value and report upon Residential Property¹.

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

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

1.2 THE REPORT

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

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

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

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.

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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

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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;

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- 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*

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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.

Single Survey

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.

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| Description | An end terrace two storey house. |
| Accommodation | Ground Floor: Entrance Vestibule, Hallway, Kitchen/Diner and Living Room. First Floor: Two Bedrooms and Bathroom. |
| Gross internal floor area (m²) | 81sq.m or thereby. |
| Neighbourhood and location | The property is situated in a central position within the coastal village of Lybster. Local amenities are limited, however, a reasonable range can be found within the town of Wick which lies within commuting distance. |
| Age | Built circa 1900. The seller has advised that following fire damage, the property was re-built in the 1950s. |
| Weather | Dry, bright and sunny. |
| Chimney stacks | Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate. The chimneyhead is of solid stone construction, externally rendered. Flashings are formed in metal. |
| 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 concrete tiles with a tiled ridge. |

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| Roofing including roof space | <p>Access to the roof space is via a ceiling hatch over the landing.</p> <p>The roof is of timber design and incorporates close boarded sarking.</p> <p>Glass wool insulation has been laid to ceiling joists.</p> |
| Rainwater fittings | <p>Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.</p> <p>Gutters and downpipes are of a round and half-round design and are formed in PVC.</p> |
| Main walls | <p>Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.</p> <p>Foundations and concealed parts were not exposed or inspected.</p> <p>The main walls are of solid stone construction, externally rendered.</p> <p>Internal insulation has been installed.</p> |
| Windows, external doors and joinery | <p>Internal and external doors were opened and closed where keys were available.</p> <p>Random windows were opened and closed where possible.</p> <p>Doors and windows were not forced open.</p> <p>Windows are of a uPVC design and are equipped with double glazed sealed units. The front access door is of uPVC design and incorporates double glazed inserts. The rear access door is of uPVC design and incorporates a double glazed panel.</p> |
| External decorations | Not applicable. |
| Conservatories / porches | Not applicable. |
| Communal areas | Not applicable. |
| Garages and permanent outbuildings | Not applicable. |
| Outside areas and boundaries | <p>Visually inspected.</p> <p>There are no garden grounds to the front and the property is accessed directly off the public footpath.</p> <p>The garden grounds at the rear are predominantly laid to grass with areas of paving. Boundaries are formed in stone and block walls and timber fencing.</p> |

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| Ceilings | Visually inspected from floor level. Plasterboard lined. |
| Internal walls | Visually inspected from floor level. Using a moisture meter, walls were randomly tested for dampness where considered appropriate. Internal walls and partitions are of plasterboard or timber stud lined with plasterboard design. |
| 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 at First Floor level is of suspended timber design. Flooring at Ground Floor level is a mixture of suspended timber and solid construction. |
| 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 doors are of a timber panel or timber with glazed insert design. The Kitchen has a range of modern floor and wall mounted units and incorporates a composite style sink unit. There is a timber tread and riser staircase linking Ground and First Floor accommodation. |
| Chimney breasts and fireplaces | Visually inspected. No testing of the flues or fittings was carried out. There is a blocked off fireplace within the Living Room. |
| Internal decorations | Visually inspected. Paint and wallpapered finishes throughout. |

Single Survey

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| Cellars | Not applicable. |
| Electricity | <p>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.</p> <p>Mains supply. The meter and consumer unit are situated within an entrance vestibule cupboard. Visible cabling is of a PVC coated style and there are 13 amp sockets distributed throughout.</p> |
| Gas | No mains supply. |
| Water, plumbing, bathroom fittings | <p>Visual inspection of the accessible pipework, water tanks, cylinders and fittings without removing any insulation.</p> <p>No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances.</p> <p>Mains supply. Visible plumbers pipework is of PVC and copper materials.</p> <p>The Bathroom comprises a white four piece suite incorporating WC wash-hand basin, bath and mixer shower.</p> |
| Heating and hot water | <p>Accessible parts of the system were visually inspected apart from communal systems, which were not inspected.</p> <p>No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances.</p> <p>Space heating is by means of an air source heat pump located at the rear elevation. This serves steel panel radiators distributed throughout. There is a factory insulated hot water cylinder located within a hallway cupboard and this also has a separate immersion heater.</p> |
| Drainage | <p>Drainage covers etc were not lifted.</p> <p>Neither drains nor drainage systems were tested.</p> <p>Connected to the main public sewer.</p> |
| Fire, smoke and burglar alarms | <p>Visually inspected.</p> <p>No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances.</p> <p>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.</p> |

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| Any additional limits to inspection | <p>The visibility at the gable was limited due to the proximity of the neighbouring property.</p> <p>Parts of the property, which are covered, unexposed or inaccessible, cannot be guaranteed to be free from defect.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Random testing for dampness was undertaken internally with the use of a moisture meter where accessible and considered appropriate.</p> <p>The property was occupied, fully furnished and all floors were covered. Floor coverings restricted my inspection of flooring.</p> <p>In accordance with Health and Safety guidelines I have not disturbed insulation, furniture or personal effects (particularly in cupboards). Floor coverings have not been moved.</p> <p>Personal effects in cupboards and fitted wardrobes were not moved and restricted my inspection.</p> <p>My physical inspection of the roof void area was restricted due to insulation material, stored items and lack of suitable crawl boards. As a result the roof void area was only viewed from the access hatch.</p> <p>My inspection of the roof covering was restricted from ground level and some parts were not visible. Surrounding buildings partially blocked sight lines.</p> <p>There was limited visibility to the sub-floor area via a floor hatch located underneath a Kitchen unit.</p> <p>Concealed areas beneath and around bath and shower trays were not visible. Water spillage in these areas can often be discovered unexpectedly with resultant damage to concealed parts of the fabric.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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 and budgeting before offering. The various trades can advise further.</p> |
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Sectional Diagram showing elements of a typical house



- ① Chimney pots
- ② Coping stone
- ③ Chimney head
- ④ Flashing
- ⑤ Ridge ventilation
- ⑥ Ridge board
- ⑦ Slates / tiles
- ⑧ Valley guttering
- ⑨ Dormer projection
- ⑩ Dormer flashing
- ⑪ Dormer cheeks
- ⑫ Sarking
- ⑬ Roof felt
- ⑭ Trusses
- ⑮ Collar
- ⑯ Insulation
- ⑰ Parapet gutter
- ⑱ Eaves guttering
- ⑲ Rainwater downpipe
- ⑳ Verge boards /skews
- ㉑ Soffit boards
- ㉒ Partition wall
- ㉓ Lath / plaster
- ㉔ Chimney breast
- ㉕ Window pointing
- ㉖ Window sills
- ㉗ Rendering
- ㉘ Brickwork / pointing
- ㉙ Bay window projection
- ㉚ Lintels
- ㉛ Cavity walls / wall ties
- ㉜ Subfloor ventilator
- ㉝ Damp proof course
- ㉞ Base course
- ㉟ Foundations
- ㊱ Solum
- ㊲ Floor joists
- ㊳ Floorboards
- ㊴ Water tank
- ㊵ Hot water tank

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.

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2. Condition

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

| Category 3 | Category 2 | Category 1 |
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| 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

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



Dampness, rot and infestation

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| Repair category | 1 |
| Notes | A limited number of flight holes were evident within the roof space which could indicate the presence of woodworm. The seller has advised that this has now been investigated and confirmed there is no active woodworm. Appropriate documentation is available from the seller. |



Chimney stacks

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| Repair category | 2 |
| Notes | Rendering to the stack at the gable is cracked. A competent building contractor can inspect the stack at close quarters and advise on any necessary repairs. |



Roofing including roof space

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| Repair category | 2 |
| Notes | <p>Concrete tiles are typically guaranteed for 30 years but have a reasonable life expectation around 50/60 years according to the BRE. Life expectancy will often depend on weathering and damage from the prevailing weather. A reputable roofing contractor can advise on life expectancy and repair/replacement costs.</p> <p>Flight holes were noted within the roof space which could be an indication of woodworm presence. See 'Dampness, rot and infestation' section.</p> <p>Staining was evident to the gables within the roof space.</p> <p>The insulation material has been unevenly distributed in places.</p> |



Rainwater fittings

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| Repair category | 1 |
| Notes | Staining was evident to some joints and this should be monitored. |



Main walls

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| Repair category | 2 |
| Notes | Staining was evident to the gables within the roof space. A building contractor will be able to advise further. There is hairline cracking to render adjacent to some openings. |



Windows, external doors and joinery

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| Repair category | 1 |
| Notes | No significant defects evident. |



External decorations

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| Repair category | - |
| Notes | Not applicable. |



Conservatories/porches

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| Repair category | - |
| Notes | Not applicable. |



Communal areas

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| Repair category | - |
| Notes | Not applicable. |



Garages and permanent outbuildings

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| Repair category | - |
| Notes | Not applicable. |



Outside areas and boundaries

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| Repair category | 1 |
| Notes | Cracking has been noted to the block built wall within the rear garden grounds. A building contractor will be able to advise further. |



Ceilings

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| Repair category | 1 |
| Notes | No significant defects evident. |



Internal walls

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| Repair category | 1 |
| Notes | No significant defects evident. |



Floors including sub-floors

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| Repair category | 1 |
| Notes | <p>No significant defects evident.</p> <p>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.</p> |



Internal joinery and kitchen fittings

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| Repair category | 1 |
| Notes | No significant defects evident. |



Chimney breasts and fireplaces

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| Repair category | 1 |
| Notes | <p>Where fireplaces have been removed there is limited provision for ventilation. Unventilated chimney breasts can result in condensation. Disused chimneys should be capped and vented.</p> <p>If disused fireplaces are to be reopened further advice should be sought to ensure that the chimney flue is intact and suitable for use.</p> |



Internal decorations

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| Repair category | 1 |
| Notes | No significant defects evident. |



Cellars

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| Repair category | - |
| Notes | Not applicable. |



Electricity

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| Repair category | 1 |
| Notes | 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

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| Repair category | - |
| Notes | Not applicable. |



Water, plumbing and bathroom fittings

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| Repair category | 1 |
| Notes | Seals around the shower were split in places. The seller has advised that this has now been repaired. |



Heating and hot water

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| Repair category | 1 |
| Notes | 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. |



Drainage

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| Repair category | 1 |
| Notes | No significant defects evident. |

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

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

Category 3

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

Category 2

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

Category 1

No immediate action or repair is needed.

Remember

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

Warning

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

3. Accessibility information

Guidance notes on accessibility information

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

In flatted developments the 'main entrance' would be the flat's own entrance door, not the external door to the communal stair. The 'three steps or fewer' are counted from external ground level to the flat's entrance door. 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.

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| 1. Which floor(s) is the living accommodation on? | Ground and First |
| 2. Are there three steps or fewer to a main entrance door of the property? | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3. Is there a lift to the main entrance door of the property? | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 4. Are all door openings greater than 750mm? | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 5. Is there a toilet on the same level as the living room and kitchen? | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 6. Is there a toilet on the same level as a bedroom? | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 7. Are all rooms on the same level with no internal steps or stairs? | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| 8. Is there unrestricted parking within 25 metres of an entrance door to the building? | Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> |

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

Internal partitions have been altered and removed. 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.

The property is fitted with photovoltaic panels. All documentation relating to the system should be obtained in order that transfer of ownership can be carried out as part of the conveyancing process. It should be confirmed that there are no outstanding financial liabilities or contracts attached to the property.

It is understood the adjoining neighbouring property benefits from a pedestrian right of way over the rear garden grounds. Details of this should be confirmed.

The Seller has advised that the original dwelling suffered fire damage and was rebuilt in the 1950's approximately. No documentation has been provided and full details of this will require to be confirmed.

We have been advised by the seller that the block boundary wall at the rear is not a true reflection of the Legal Title. The full extent of the Title will require to be confirmed by the completing conveyancer.

Estimated reinstatement cost for insurance purposes

£395,000 (THREE HUNDRED AND NINETY FIVE 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

£120,000 (ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY THOUSAND POUNDS)

Against a backdrop of changing economic circumstances it is not possible to predict how the market will perform in the coming months, although market conditions continue to be stable at present.

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| Signed | Security Print Code [551274 = 7711] Electronically signed |
| Report author | Simone Coles |
| Company name | DM Hall LLP |

Single Survey

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| Address | Hope House, Castle Drive, Cradlehall Business Park, Inverness, IV2 5GH |
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| Date of report | 11th February 2025 |
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Mortgage Valuation Report



Property Address

Address BOLTON HOUSE, MAIN STREET, LYBSTER, KW3 6AQ
Seller's Name [REDACTED]
Date of Inspection 5th February 2025

Property Details

Property Type 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 Detached Semi detached Mid terrace End terrace
 Back to back High rise block Low rise block Other (specify in General Remarks)

Does the surveyor believe that the property was built for the public sector, e.g. local authority, military, police? Yes No

Flats/Maisonettes only Floor(s) on which located No. of floors in block Lift provided? Yes No
No. of units in block

Approximate Year of Construction

Tenure

Absolute Ownership Leasehold Ground rent £ Unexpired years

Accommodation

Number of Rooms Living room(s) Bedroom(s) Kitchen(s)
 Bathroom(s) WC(s) Other (Specify in General remarks)

Gross Floor Area (excluding garages and outbuildings) m² (Internal) m² (External)

Residential Element (greater than 40%) Yes No

Garage / Parking / Outbuildings

Single garage Double garage Parking space No garage / garage space / parking space
Available on site? Yes No

Permanent outbuildings:

None.

Mortgage Valuation Report

Construction

Walls Brick Stone Concrete Timber frame
 Solid Cavity Steel frame Concrete block Other (specify in General Remarks)

Roof Tile Slate Asphalt Felt
 Lead Zinc Artificial slate Flat glass fibre Other (specify in General Remarks)

Special Risks

Has the property suffered structural movement? Yes No
If Yes, is this recent or progressive? Yes No
Is there evidence, history, or reason to anticipate subsidence, heave, landslip or flood in the immediate vicinity? Yes No
If Yes to any of the above, provide details in General Remarks.

Service Connection

Based on visual inspection only. If any services appear to be non-mains, please comment on the type and location of the supply in General Remarks.

Drainage Mains Private None
Electricity Mains Private None
Central Heating Yes Partial None

Water Mains Private None
Gas Mains Private None

Brief description of Central Heating:

Air source heat pump to radiators.

Site

Apparent legal issues to be verified by the conveyancer. Please provide a brief description in General Remarks.

Rights of way Shared drives / access Garage or other amenities on separate site Shared service connections
 Agricultural land included with property Ill-defined boundaries Other (specify in General Remarks)

Location

Residential suburb Residential within town / city Mixed residential / commercial Mainly commercial
 Commuter village Remote village Isolated rural property Other (specify in General Remarks)

Planning Issues

Has the property been extended / converted / altered? Yes No

If Yes provide details in General Remarks.

Roads

Made up road Unmade road Partly completed new road Pedestrian access only Adopted Unadopted

Mortgage Valuation Report

General Remarks

The property was found to be in a good order internally with some items of repair and maintenance required externally.

The Seller has advised that internal wall insulation has recently been installed.

Internal partitions have been altered at first floor level to extend the bathroom. Internal partitions have been removed within the kitchen. 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.

The property is fitted with photovoltaic panels. All documentation relating to the system should be obtained in order that transfer of ownership can be carried out as part of the conveyancing process. It should be confirmed that there are no outstanding financial liabilities or contracts attached to the property.

It is understood the neighbouring property has a pedestrian right of way over the rear garden grounds. Details of this should be confirmed.

The Seller has advised that the original dwelling burnt down and was rebuilt in the 1950's approximately. No documentation has been provided and full details of this will require to be confirmed.

The full extent of the Title will require to be confirmed by the completing conveyancer.

Essential Repairs

None apparent.

Estimated cost of essential repairs £ Retention recommended? Yes No Amount £

Mortgage Valuation Report

Comment on Mortgageability

The property provides adequate security for mortgage purposes, subject to individual lender's guidelines.

Valuations

Market value in present condition £

Market value on completion of essential repairs £

Insurance reinstatement value £
(to include the cost of total rebuilding, site clearance, professional fees, ancillary charges plus VAT)

Is a reinspection necessary? Yes No

Buy To Let Cases

What is the reasonable range of monthly rental income for the property assuming a letting on a 6 month Short Assured Tenancy basis? £

Is the property in an area where there is a steady demand for rented accommodation of this type? Yes No

Declaration

Signed Security Print Code [551274 = 7711]
Electronically signed by:-

Surveyor's name Simone Coles

Professional qualifications AssocRICS

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
PROPERTY QUESTIONNAIRE



DM HALL
CHARTERED SURVEYORS

Property Questionnaire

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| Property address | BOLTON HOUSE, MAIN STREET, LYBSTER, KW3 6AQ |
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| Seller(s) |  |
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| Completion date of property questionnaire | 31/01/25 |
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Property Questionnaire

Note for sellers

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

Information to be given to prospective buyer(s)

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| 1. | Length of ownership | | | | | | | |
| | How long have you owned the property? | 3 years | | | | | | |
| 2. | Council tax | | | | | | | |
| | Which Council Tax band is your property in? (Please circle) | | | | | | | |
| | A | B | Ⓒ | D | E | F | G | H |
| 3. | Parking | | | | | | | |
| | What are the arrangements for parking at your property? | | | | | | | |
| | (Please tick all that apply) | | | | | | | |
| | • Garage | <input type="checkbox"/> | | | | | | |
| | • Allocated parking space | <input type="checkbox"/> | | | | | | |
| | • Driveway | <input type="checkbox"/> | | | | | | |
| | • Shared parking | <input type="checkbox"/> | | | | | | |
| | • On street | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | | | | | | |
| | • Resident permit | <input type="checkbox"/> | | | | | | |
| | • Metered parking | <input type="checkbox"/> | | | | | | |
| | • Other (please specify): | <input type="text" value="It's on the street but thea designated bit for parking"/> | | | | | | |
| 4. | Conservation area | | | | | | | |
| | Is your property in a designated Conservation Area (i.e. an area of special architectural or historical interest, the character or appearance of which it is desirable to preserve or enhance)? | Yes / No / Don't know | | | | | | |

Property Questionnaire

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| 5. | Listed buildings | |
| | Is your property a Listed Building, or contained within one (i.e. a building recognised and approved as being of special architectural or historical interest)? | Yes / No |
| 6. | Alterations/additions/extensions | |
| a. | <p>(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)?</p> <p><u>If you have answered yes</u>, please describe below the changes which you have made:</p> | Yes / No |
| | <p>(ii) Did you obtain planning permission, building warrant, completion certificate and other consents for this work?</p> <p><u>If you have answered yes</u>, the relevant documents will be needed by the purchaser and you should give them to your solicitor as soon as possible for checking.</p> <p>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:</p> | Yes / No |
| b. | <p>Have you had replacement windows, doors, patio doors or double glazing installed in your property?</p> <p><u>If you have answered yes</u>, please answer the three questions below:</p> | Yes / No |
| | (i) Were the replacements the same shape and type as the ones you replaced? | Yes / No |
| | (ii) Did this work involve any changes to the window or door openings? | Yes / No |
| | <p>(iii) Please describe the changes made to the windows, doors or patio doors (with approximate dates when the work was completed):</p> <p>March 2024</p> <p>Please give any guarantees which you received for this work to your solicitor or estate agent.</p> | |
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| 7. Central heating | | |
| a. | <p>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).</p> <p>If you have answered yes / partial - what kind of central heating is there? (Examples: gas-fired, solid fuel, electric storage heating, gas warm air).</p> <p>Air source heating system</p> <p>If you have answered yes, please answer the three questions below:</p> | Yes / No / Partial |
| b. | When was your central heating system or partial central heating system installed? | October 2024 |
| c. | <p>Do you have a maintenance contract for the central heating system?</p> <p>If you have answered yes, please give details of the company with which you have a maintenance contract:</p> <p>Doesn't give me an option to say don't know for this question but it's only newly installed</p> | Yes / No |
| d. | When was your maintenance agreement last renewed? (Please provide the month and year). | Don't know |
| 8. Energy Performance Certificate | | |
| | Does your property have an Energy Performance Certificate which is less than 10 years old? | Yes / No |
| 9. Issues that may have affected your property | | |
| a. | <p>Has there been any storm, flood, fire or other structural damage to your property while you have owned it?</p> <p>If you have answered yes, is the damage the subject of any outstanding insurance claim?</p> | <p>Yes / No</p> <p>Yes / No</p> |
| b. | <p>Are you aware of the existence of asbestos in your property?</p> <p>If you have answered yes, please give details:</p> | Yes / No |
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| 10. Services | | | |
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| a. | Please tick which services are connected to your property and give details of the supplier: | | |
| | Services | Connected | Supplier |
| | Gas / liquid petroleum gas | — | |
| | Water mains / private water supply | ✓ | Scottish water |
| | Electricity | ✓ | Sse |
| | Mains drainage | ✓ | Council |
| | Telephone | ✓ | Sky |
| | Cable TV / satellite | ✓ | Sky |
| | Broadband | ✓ | Sky |
| b. | Is there a septic tank system at your property? If you have answered yes, please answer the two questions below: | Yes / No | |
| c. | (i) Do you have appropriate consents for the discharge from your septic tank? | Yes / No / Don't know | |
| d. | (ii) Do you have a maintenance contract for your septic tank? If you have answered yes, please give details of the company with which you have a maintenance contract: | Yes / No | |
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| 11. Responsibilities for Shared or Common Areas | | |
| a. | <p>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?</p> <p><u>If you have answered yes, please give details:</u></p> | Yes / No / Don't Know |
| b. | <p>Is there a responsibility to contribute to repair and maintenance of the roof, common stairwell or other common areas?</p> <p><u>If you have answered yes, please give details:</u></p> | Yes / No / Not applicable |
| c. | <p>Has there been any major repair or replacement of any part of the roof during the time you have owned the property?</p> | Yes / No |
| d. | <p>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?</p> <p><u>If you have answered yes, please give details:</u></p> | Yes / No |
| e. | <p>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?</p> <p><u>If you have answered yes, please give details:</u></p> <p>Right away for waste bin</p> | Yes / No |
| f. | <p>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.)</p> <p><u>If you have answered yes, please give details:</u></p> | Yes / No |
| 12. Charges associated with your property | | |
| a. | <p>Is there a factor or property manager for your property?</p> <p><u>If you have answered yes, please provide the name and address, and give details of any deposit held and approximate charges:</u></p> | Yes / No |
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| b. | <p>Is there a common buildings insurance policy?</p> <p>If you have answered yes, is the cost of the insurance included in your monthly/annual factor's charges?</p> | <p>Yes / No / Don't Know</p> <p>Yes / No / Don't Know</p> |
| c. | <p>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.</p> | |
| <p>13. Specialist works</p> | | |
| a. | <p>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?</p> <p>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:</p> | <p>Yes / No</p> |
| b. | <p>As far as you are aware, has any preventative work for dry rot, wet rot, or damp ever been carried out to your property?</p> <p>If you have answered yes, please give details:</p> | <p>Yes / No</p> |
| c. | <p>If you have answered yes to 13(a) or (b), do you have any guarantees relating to this work?</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Guarantees are held by:</p> | <p>Yes / No</p> |
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| 14. Guarantees | | | | | | | |
| a. Are there any guarantees or warranties for any of the following: | | | | | | | |
| (i) | Electrical work | No | Yes | Don't know | With title deeds | Lost | Cannot Answer* |
| (ii) | Roofing | No | Yes | Don't know | With title deeds | Lost | Cannot Answer* |
| (iii) | Central heating | No | Yes | Don't know | With title deeds | Lost | Cannot Answer* |
| (iv) | NHBC | No | Yes | Don't know | With title deeds | Lost | Cannot Answer* |
| (v) | Damp course | No | Yes | Don't know | With title deeds | Lost | Cannot Answer* |
| (vi) | Any other work or installations? (for example, cavity wall insulation, underpinning, indemnity policy) | No | Yes | Don't know | With title deeds | Lost | Cannot Answer* |
| b. If you have answered 'yes' or 'with title deeds', please give details of the work or installations to which the guarantee(s) relate(s): | | | | | | | |
| Loft and solid wall insulation | | | | | | | |
| c. Are there any outstanding claims under any of the guarantees listed above? | | | | | | Yes / No | |
| If you have answered yes, please give details: | | | | | | | |
| 15. Boundaries | | | | | | | |
| So far as you are aware, has any boundary of your property been moved in the last 10 years? | | | | | | Yes / No / Don't know | |
| If you have answered yes, please give details: | | | | | | | |
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| 16. | Notices that affect your property | |
| | In the past 3 years have you ever received a notice: | |
| a. | advising that the owner of a neighbouring property has made a planning application? | Yes / No / Don't know |
| b. | that affects your property in some other way? | Yes / No / Don't know |
| c. | that requires you to do any maintenance, repairs or improvements to your property? | Yes / No / Don't know |
| | If you have answered yes to any of a-c above, please give the notices to your solicitor or estate agent, including any notices which arrive at any time before the date of entry of the purchaser of your property. | |

Declaration by the seller(s)/or other authorised body or person(s)

I/We confirm that the information in this form is true and correct to the best of my/our knowledge and belief.

Signature(s): _____

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