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Scottish
Single Survey



# survey report on:

Property address	The Clachan Newtonairds Dumfries DG2 0JL
Customer	Joy Jack
Customer address	
Prepared by	Shepherd Chartered Surveyors
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### **PART 1 - GENERAL**

### 1.1 THE SURVEYORS

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

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

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

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

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

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



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

### 1.2 THE REPORT

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

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

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

Prior to 1 December 2008, Purchasers have normally obtained their own report from their chosen Surveyor. By contrast, a Single Survey is instructed by the Seller and made available to all potential Purchasers in expectation that the successful Purchaser will have relied upon it. The Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors rules require disclosure of any potential conflict of interest when acting for the Seller and the Purchaser in the same transaction. The Single Survey may give rise to a conflict of interest and if this is of concern to any party they are advised to seek their own independent advice.

The Report and any expressions or assessments in it are not intended as advice to the Seller or Purchaser or any other person in relation to an asking price or any other sales or marketing decisions.

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

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

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

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

#### 1.3 LIABILITY

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

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

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

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

### 1.4 GENERIC MORTGAGE VALUATION REPORT

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

### 1.5 TRANSCRIPT MORTGAGE VALUATION FOR LENDING PURPOSES

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

### 1.6 INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

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

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

they assign the same to any other party in writing.

#### 1.7 PAYMENT

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

### 1.8 CANCELLATION

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

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

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

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

### 1.9 PRECEDENCE

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

#### 1.10 DEFINITIONS

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

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

### PART 2 - DESCRIPTION OF THE REPORT

### 2.1 THE SERVICE

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

### 2.2 THE INSPECTION

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

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

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

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

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

#### 2.3 THE REPORT

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

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

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

- 1 <u>Category 3:</u> Urgent repairs or replacement are needed now. Failure to deal with them may cause problems to other parts of the property or cause a safety hazard. Estimates for repairs or replacement are needed now.
- 2 <u>Category 2:</u> Repairs or replacement requiring future attention, but estimates are still advised.
- 3 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	One and a half storey detached house.
Accommodation	GROUND FLOOR:- Drawing Room, Sitting Room, Dining Room (with butler's pantry), Kitchen/Breakfast Room, Boot Room, Utility Room, Store (formerly a bathroom), Bedroom 1, En-Suite Bathroom with WC, Bedroom 2, Office, Bathroom with WC, and Cloakroom with WC.  FIRST/ATTIC FLOOR:- Bedroom 3, Bedroom 4, Study/Bunk Room and Bathroom (with WC).  In addition, there is a studio/former flat on this upper floor level, that is externally accessed at the rear, comprising of a former Living Room/Kitchen, Bedroom and Bathroom with WC.
Gross internal floor area (m²)	The combined gross internal floor area of the main building and the studio/former flat extends to 318m² or thereby. Attic rooms with sloping ceilings have been measured to 1.5m height.
Neighbourhood and location	The property is situated in a rural location, with the main shopping, social and educational amenities being provided in the neighbouring town of Dumfries. The house occupies an elevated position in the Cairn valley, and enjoys views of the surrounding countryside.
Age	It is estimated that the property was constructed in the early 1800s.
Weather	Dry and sunny, following earlier rain.

Chimney stacks	Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.  The chimneys are of stone/brick roughcast construction with clay pots, and one has a metal flue vent terminal.
Roofing including roof space	Sloping roofs were visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.
	Flat roofs were visually inspected from vantage points within the property and where safe and reasonable to do so from a 3m ladder externally.
	Roof spaces were visually inspected and were entered where there was safe and reasonable access, normally defined as being from a 3m ladder within the property.
	If this is not possible, then physical access to the roof space may be taken by other means if the Surveyor deems it safe and reasonable to do so.
	The main roofs are pitched and slated with stone ridging, hips and skews. There are flat felt covered dormer roofs, and there are also flat felt roofs over the front porch and to an extension at the rear.
	Access into the main attic roof space is gained through a wall opening in the former studio/former flat, and a ceiling hatch in the front entrance hall provides access into the roof void to this section of the building. The roofs are of timber frame construction overlaid with sarkingboard. There is a felt membrane beneath the slates to most parts of the roof, although there is no felt to the main front pitch. The main roof void has been floored for storage purposes. Insulation has been laid above the ceilings. There are electric lights in both roof spaces.
Rainwater fittings	Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.
	The gutters and downpipes are formed in cast iron.
Main walls	Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.
	Foundations and concealed parts were not exposed or inspected.
	The main walls are a mix of solid stone and cavity brick construction, which are roughcast externally. It is understood that cavity wall insulation has been installed. Fresh air intakes on the base of the walls provide ventilation to the sub-floor areas

areas.

Windows, external doors and joinery	Internal and external doors were opened and closed where keys were available.
	Random windows were opened and closed where possible.
	Doors and windows were not forced open.
	The windows have recently been replaced with double glazed uPVC casements. The studio/former flat has double glazed Velux rooflights, and there is also a double glazed Velux rooflight above the stairwell. There is a small, single glazed, timber framed window to the pantry off the kitchen.  The drawing room has timber double glazed French doors, and there are uPVC double glazed French doors to the dining room. The front entrance has a timber door, and the side
	entrance door is timber double glazed. The entrance door into the studio/former flat is timber glazed.
External decorations	Visually inspected.
Conservatories / porches	Not applicable.
Communal areas	Not applicable.

### Garages and permanent outbuildings Visually inspected. There is no garage. There is a detached barn with a gross internal floor area of 95m<sup>2</sup> or thereby, that has been refurbished and upgraded by the current owners. It is used for parties and recreational purposes, but it does offer scope for conversion to residential use, subject to obtaining all required Local Authority consents. The walls are stone pointed, and the roof slated. There is a stone chimney. The windows and doors are timber double glazed. It is understood that the walls have been insulated internally, and the roof was entirely reconstructed. The roof voids were not inspected. Photovoltaic solar panels have been installed on one of the roof pitches. There is a modern stable outbuilding of timber construction with corrugated bitumen roof. There is an older stable of similar construction, although this is now in a dilapidated state. The stone walls of the former outbuilding remain within the site. Subject to obtaining Local Authority consents, this could be reinstated and/or developed. The boiler is housed in a basic outhouse, which has brick walls and metal profile sheet roof. Outside areas and boundaries Visually inspected. The site is moderately sloping and undulating and is understood to extend to approximately 4 acres or thereby. It includes paddock and garden ground, and the paddock has a water trough. The boundaries are defined with post and wire fencing. Details of the extent of the property must be confirmed with the Title Deeds. Ceilings Visually inspected from floor level. The ceilings appear to be lined throughout with plasterboard, although it is possible that some old lath and plaster ceilings remain. Internal walls Visually inspected from floor level. Using a moisture meter, walls were randomly tested for dampness where considered appropriate. The main walls are dry lined and part plastered on the hard internally, and the partitions are a mix of solid construction and timber studs.

Floors including sub floors	The floors are a mix of concrete and suspended timber construction.
	It is not possible to inspect the floor surfaces due to the presence of fitted coverings in all rooms. No access was gained into the sub-floor areas.
Internal joinery and kitchen fittings	Built-in cupboards were looked into but no stored items were moved.
	Kitchen units were visually inspected excluding appliances.
	The internal doors are a mix of timber panelled, tongue and grooved timber boarded, timber glazed and flush timber types.
	There are fitted units in the kitchen which are on modern lines, and have granite worktops. There are semi modern units in the utility room (and also within the living room/kitchen in the studio/former flat).
	A timber carpeted staircase provides access to the first/attic floor accommodation from the inner hallway.
Chimney breasts and fireplaces	Visually inspected.
	No testing of the flues or fittings was carried out.
	There are fireplaces with open fires in the drawing room and sitting room, and the dining room fireplace has a wood burning stove installed. There is an oil fired AGA stove in the kitchen.
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Internal decorations	Visually inspected.
Cellars	Not applicable.

### **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. The electric meter, consumer units and fuse box are in the kitchen pantry, there is a separate meter and consumer unit in the studio/former flat. The stable is also separately metered.

The supply of electricity is supplemented by an array of photovoltaic solar panels, that have been installed on the roof of the barn outbuilding.

#### Gas

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

Bottled propane gas is connected to the property.

### 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.

The sellers advise that water is from the mains supply.

The kitchen units are fitted with a ceramic sink, there is a double stainless steel sink in the utility room and the butler's pantry (off the dining room) has a stainless steel bowl.

The sanitary fittings are of varying ages, and include a white wash-hand basin and WC in the ground floor cloakroom; a three piece white suite in the ground floor bathroom; a four piece white suite in the en-suite bathroom; a three piece white suite in the upstairs bathroom within the main dwelling; and the studio/former flat has a three piece white suite in its bathroom.

### Heating and hot water

Visual inspection of the accessible pipework, water tanks, cylinders and fittings without removing any insulation.

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

The 'Kidd 2 Kerosene' boiler is in an attached outhouse. The boiler provides domestic hot water, and also heats radiators in the main rooms. There is zoned control of the heating, and the radiators are fitted with thermostatic valves. There are foam insulated hot water tanks in the principal bedroom, and the landing airing cupboard.

It is understood that the oil fired AGA stove in the kitchen provides hot water to the kitchen and the studio/former flat. The two foam insulated hot water tanks are in the studio.

Hot water is supplemented by an electric shower (not tested).

### Drainage

Drainage covers etc. were not lifted.

Neither drains nor drainage systems were tested.

Drainage is understood to be connected to a septic tank. For the avoidance of doubt, the tank was not inspected to confirm its age, type and condition and the drainage system has not been checked or tested in any way.

### Fire, smoke and burglar alarms

Visually inspected.

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

All Scottish homes require a smoke alarm to be installed in the room most frequently used for living purposes and in every circulation space on each floor. A heat alarm also needs to be installed in each kitchen. The alarms need to be ceiling mounted and interlinked. Where there is a carbonfuelled appliance such as a boiler, open fire or wood burner, a carbon monoxide detector is also required. We have not assessed or tested any existing equipment and it is the purchasers responsibility to confirm that the property will comply with these standards following a change of ownership.

In the interests of security, no comment is made in relation to the presence, or otherwise, of a burglar alarm.

#### Any additional limits to inspection

The property was fully furnished and had fitted floor coverings, therefore no detailed inspection was possible of the floors and accordingly, no comment can be made on their condition. Internal cupboards were generally filled with storage items. No access was available beneath sanitary or kitchen fittings.

With properties of this type and age various parts of the structure, such as joists and lintels, are in direct contact with the main external walls, but are hidden from view behind wall linings etc and cannot be seen. Those areas which were not inspected cannot be reported as being free from defect, and any comments regarding the condition of the property must be read in this context.

An inspection for Japanese Knotweed was not carried out. This is a plant which is subject to control regulation, is considered to be invasive and one which can render a property unsuitable for some mortgage lenders. It is therefore assumed that there is no Japanese Knotweed within the boundaries of the property or its neighbouring property. Identification of Japanese Knotweed is best undertaken by a specialist contractor.

### 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
- 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

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

Structural movemen	nt
Repair category	1
Notes	There was no evidence of significant structural movement within the limitations of our inspection.

Dampness, rot and infestation	
Repair category	2
Notes	Slight localised dampness recorded to the chimney breast adjoining the fireplace in the sitting room.
	There is water staining to the walls adjoining the French doors in the drawing room, but this was found to be dry at the time of the inspection.
	The sellers advise that woodworm treatment was undertaken by Garroch & Gourlay in 2007, with the benefit of a 30 year insurance-backed guarantee.

Chimney stacks	
Repair category	1
Notes	The chimney stacks appear to be in a reasonable state of repair within the limitations of our inspection, but chimneys are vulnerable to defect and must be regularly maintained.

Roofing including roof space	
Repair category	2
Notes	The roof coverings are of varying ages. The front roof pitch of the original building is old, there is no felt membrane beneath the slates. Roof ventilators have been installed to address previous issues with condensation, and there is some residual mould to the timbers. A number of broken and loose slates were noted to the roof, and previous patch repairs are evident. There is some moss build up. Some of the skew stones are poorly aligned and there is missing pointing to ridge stones. The roof metal work is weathered and there is some oxidisation to the copper valleys, etc.
	Evidence of old woodworm infestation was noted to the roof timbers. The sellers advise that this was treated by Garroch & Gourlay in 2007, with the benefit of a 30 year insurance-backed guarantee.
	The flat felt roof coverings are likely to have a limited life only, and early renewal may be required. The flat roof over the rear single storey part of the building was noted to be holding water.
	Roofing contractors recommend that roof coverings are inspected regularly in order to ensure they remain watertight.

Rainwater fittings	
Repair category	1
Notes	Within the limitations of our inspection rainwater goods were seen to be free from significant defect.

Main walls	
Repair category	2
Notes	Localised areas of cracked and bossed/hollow roughcast were noted to the external walls. There is some loose roughcast to the rear gable of the utility room.

Windows, external doors and joinery	
Repair category	1
Notes	Windows and doors were not all fully opened or tested, and it should be appreciated that some defects may only be evident during certain weather conditions. Within the limitations of our inspection, no significant defects were noted.

External decorations	
Repair category	1
Notes	Paint finished external surfaces will require redecoration on a regular basis.

Conservatories/porches	
Repair category	N/A
Notes	Not applicable.

Communal areas	
Repair category	N/A
Notes	Not applicable.

Garages and permanent outbuildings	
Repair category	2
Notes	The dilapidated timber stable building has been disregarded for the purpose of the Single Survey.
	The barn has been extensively refurbished including completely replacing the roof. However, there is some missing ridge pointing. There is missing and defective pointing to the walls, and evidence of some past movement. Internally, there is condensation to some wall and ceiling surfaces. A former vehicular access door at a gable end is no longer in use. There is some localised damp to a section of wall in the small end room.
	The small boiler room is a basic quality structure. The door is temporarily secured in its closed position with a brick.

Outside areas and boundaries	
Repair category	1
Notes	Retaining garden walls and boundary fences will require to be maintained.  Mature trees within the site will also require future maintenance.

Ceilings	
Repair category	1
Notes	Minor plaster cracking was noted. Otherwise, within the limitations of our inspection no significant defects are evident.

Internal walls	
Repair category	1
Notes	Minor plaster cracking was noted. Otherwise, within the limitations of our inspection no significant defects are evident.

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

Internal joinery and kitchen fittings	
Repair category	1
Notes	Within the limitations of our inspection no significant defects were noted.
	Low level internal glazing should be checked for safety glass.

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

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

Cellars	
Repair category	N/A
Notes	Not applicable.

Electricity	
Repair category	1
Notes	The Institution of Engineering and Technology recommends that inspections and testings are undertaken at least every five years and on a change of occupancy. It should be appreciated that only the most recently constructed or rewired properties will have installations which fully comply with IET regulations.  Photovoltaic solar panels have been installed on the roof of the 'barn' outbuilding, and we understand a feed in tariff exists in this regard. It is
	assumed these panels are fully owned with no third party finance agreement. This should be fully investigated prior to purchase.

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

Water, plumbing and bathroom fittings		
Repair category	1	
Notes	No tests have been undertaken of the system, however within the limitations of our inspection, no significant defects were noted. No inspection has been possible to enclosed timbers beneath wet appliances and no comment has been made on the condition of unseen areas. Watertight seals will require to be regularly checked and replaced, to prevent water damage to adjoining areas.  The cold water rising main was not fully inspectable.	

Heating and hot water		
Repair category	1	
Notes	It is assumed that the central heating and hot water systems have been properly installed, updated and maintained to meet with all current regulations and standards with particular regard to fluing and ventilation requirements. Service records should be obtained and checked. In the absence of service documentation further advice should be obtained from a qualified heating engineer to ascertain the condition, efficiency, and life expectancy of the systems.  It is understood that the electric heating in the studio/former flat is not currently in operation.	

Drainage	
Repair category	1
Notes	Drainage is to a septic tank. The maintenance liability, rights of access and SEPA consents must be confirmed.

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	2
Windows, external doors and joinery	1
External decorations	1
Conservatories/porches	N/A
Communal areas	N/A
Garages and permanent outbuildings	2
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	N/A
Electricity	1
Gas	1
Water, plumbing and bathroom fittings	1
Heating and hot water	1
Drainage	1

### Category 3

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

### Category 2

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

### Category 1

No immediate action or repair is needed.

#### Remember

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

### Warning

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

### 3. Accessibility information

### Guidance notes on accessibility information

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

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

### Unrestricted parking within 25 metres:

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

1. Which floor(s) is the living accommodation on?		Ground and first		
2. Are there three steps or fewer to a main entrance door of the property?		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	X	No	
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

- 1) The Assumed Tenure is Absolute Ownership.
- 2) It is understood that the site area extends to 4 acres or thereby, and includes paddock and garden ground. Details must be confirmed with the Title Deeds.
- 3) It is understood that the unmade access road forms part of the property's Title, but a farm has access rights over it. Details of these access rights and any maintenance liability must be confirmed with the Title Deeds.
- 4) It must be confirmed that the septic tank is registered with SEPA.
- 5) The property has been altered and extended in the past to provide the present accommodation, but the sellers advise that this was carried out more than 21 years ago by the previous owners. However, it is assumed that all required Planning and/or Building Warrant approvals were obtained.
- 6) The sellers advise that woodworm treatment was undertaken by Garroch & Gourlay in 2007, with the benefit of a 30 year insurance-backed guarantee. Original copies of the documentation must be obtained.

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

This is a Replacement Home Report, our original inspection was carried out on 12/07/2023.

### Estimated reinstatement cost for insurance purposes

For Reinstatement Cost Assessment purposes, it is recommended that the subjects be insured for a sum of not less than £1,300,000.

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

#### Valuation and market comments

Having considered matters, taking account of our general observations on site, we are of the opinion that the Market Value of the subjects in their present condition and with the benefit of vacant possession may be fairly stated in the sum of £785,000 (SEVEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY FIVE THOUSAND POUNDS STERLING).

Signed	lan Young Electronically signed :- 11/07/2024 11:36	
Report author	lan Young	
Company name	J & E Shepherd Chartered Surveyors	
Address	18 Castle Street	
	Dumfries	
	DG1 1DR	
Date of report	10/07/2024	



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Property Address	
Address Seller's Name Date of Inspection	The Clachan, Newtonairds, Dumfries, DG2 0JL Joy Jack 10/07/2024
Property Details	
Property Type X House Purpose built flat	Bungalow Purpose built maisonette Converted maisonette Converted flat Tenement flat Flat over non-residential use Other (specify in General Remarks)
Property Style X Detached Back to back	☐ Semi detached       Mid terrace       ☐ End terrace         ☐ High rise block       ☐ Low rise block       ☐ Other (specify in General Remarks)
Does the surveyor believe that the military, police? Flats/Maisonettes only Floor(s) on what Approximate Year of Construction	oroperty was built for the public sector, e. g. local authority,  No. of floors in block  No. of units in block  1820  No. of units in block
Tenure	
X Absolute Ownership	Other
Accommodation	
Number of Rooms  3 Living room 4 Bathroom(s	
Gross Floor Area (excluding garage	es and outbuildings) 318 m² (Internal) 365 m² (External)
Residential Element (greater than 4	0%) Yes X No
Garage / Parking / Outbuildings	
Single garage Double gar	age X Parking space No garage / garage space / parking space
Available on site?	] No
Permanent outbuildings:	
95m² stone/slate former barn, currently use dwelling (subject to obtaining all required Lough 16m² timber/corrugated bitumen stable.  Small, attached brick/metal profile sheet both	

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

#### **General Remarks**

The property is situated in a rural location, with the main shopping, social and educational amenities being provided in the neighbouring town of Dumfries. The house occupies an elevated position in the Cairn valley, and enjoys views of the surrounding countryside.

At the time of inspection the property was found to be generally well maintained having regard to the age and character, with fittings internally on mixed modern/semi-modern lines. A number of items were noted which are provided in the valuation figure. In general, these are most typical of buildings of this age, or are capable of remedy by routine maintenance and repair.

The sellers advise that woodworm treatment was undertaken by Garroch & Gourlay in 2007, with the benefit of a 30 year insurance-backed guarantee. Original copies of the documentation must be obtained.

Additional accommodation includes a utility room, office and study/bunk room within the main dwelling; together with a separately accessed studio that was formerly a self-contained one bedroomed flat (with open plan living room/kitchen, bedroom and en-suite bathroom).

It is understood that the site area extends to 4 acres or thereby, and includes paddock and garden ground. Details must be confirmed with the Title Deeds.

It is understood that the unmade access road forms part of the property's Title, but a farm has access rights over it. Details of these access rights and any maintenance liability must be confirmed with the Title Deeds.

It must be confirmed that the septic tank is registered with SEPA.

The property has been altered and extended in the past to provide the present accommodation, but the sellers advise that this was carried out more than 21 years ago by the previous owners. However, it is assumed that all required Planning and/or Building Warrant approvals were obtained.

Essential Repairs				
None.				
Estimated cost of essential repairs	N/A			
Retention recommended?	Yes X No			
Retention amount	N/A			
Comment on Mortgageability  The property forms suitable security for	mortgage purposes subject to the specific lending criteria of any mortgage provide	der.		
Valuation				
Market value in present condition	1	£ 785,000		
Market value on completion of essential repairs £		£		
Insurance reinstatement value		£ 1,300,000		
(to include the cost of total rebuilding, site clearance, professional fees, ancillary charges plus VAT)				
Is a reinspection necessary?		Yes X No		

### Declaration

Signed Ian Young

Electronically signed :- 11/07/2024 11:36

Surveyor's name Ian Young Professional qualifications MRICS

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Date of Inspection 10/07/2024



**Energy Performance Certificate** 



# **Energy Performance Certificate (EPC)**

**Dwellings** 

**Scotland** 

### THE CLACHAN, DUMFRIES, DG2 0JL

**Dwelling type: Detached house** Date of assessment: 12 July 2023 Date of certificate: 18 July 2023 **Total floor area:** 

296 m<sup>2</sup>

**Primary Energy Indicator:** 147 kWh/m<sup>2</sup>/year Reference number: 6017-3423-2430-2972-6292

RdSAP, existing dwelling Type of assessment:

Approved Organisation: **Elmhurst** 

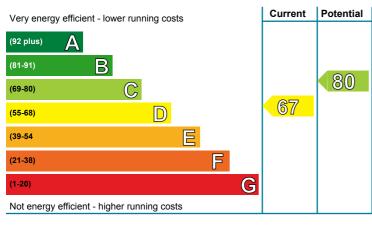
Main heating and fuel: Boiler and radiators, oil

#### You can use this document to:

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

Estimated energy costs for your home for 3 years*	£11,739	See your recommendations	
Over 3 years you could save*	£1,200	report for more information	

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

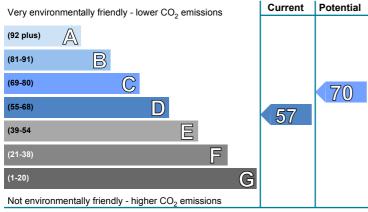


### **Energy Efficiency Rating**

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

Your current rating is band D (67). The average rating for EPCs in Scotland is band D (61).

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



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

This graph shows the effect of your home on the environment in terms of carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) emissions. The higher the rating, the less impact it has on the environment.

Your current rating is band D (57). 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	£897.00
2 Solar water heating	£4,000 - £6,000	£303.00
3 Wind turbine	£15,000 - £25,000	£3939.00

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	Cavity wall, filled cavity	<b>★★★☆☆</b>	<b>★★★☆☆</b>
Roof	Pitched, 200 mm loft insulation Flat, insulated (assumed) Roof room(s), insulated (assumed)	**** *****	**** **** **
Floor	Suspended, no insulation (assumed)	_	_
Windows	Fully double glazed	<b>★★★★☆</b>	<b>★★★</b> ☆
Main heating	Boiler and radiators, oil	<b>★★★☆☆</b>	<b>★★★</b> ☆
Main heating controls	Time and temperature zone control	****	****
Secondary heating	Room heaters, dual fuel (mineral and wood)	_	_
Hot water	From main system	<b>★★★☆☆</b>	<b>★★★</b> ☆☆
Lighting	Low energy lighting in 72% of fixed outlets	****	****

### The energy efficiency rating of your home

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

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

### The impact of your home on the environment

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

The calculated emissions for your home are 41 kg CO<sub>2</sub>/m<sup>2</sup>/yr.

The average Scottish household produces about 6 tonnes of carbon dioxide every year. Based on this assessment, heating and lighting this home currently produces approximately 12 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 3.3 tonnes per year. You could reduce emissions even more by switching to renewable energy sources.

### Estimated energy costs for this home

	Current energy costs	Potential energy costs	Potential future savings
Heating	£9,810 over 3 years	£8,970 over 3 years	
Hot water	£852 over 3 years	£492 over 3 years	You could
Lighting	£1,077 over 3 years	£1,077 over 3 years	save £1,200
Totals	£11,739	£10,539	over 3 years

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

#### **Recommendations for improvement**

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

December ded massives	Indicative cost	Typical saving . per year	Rating after improvement	
Recommended measures			Energy	Environment
1 Floor insulation (suspended floor)	£800 - £1,200	£299	C 70	D 61
2 Solar water heating	£4,000 - £6,000	£101	C 72	D 63
3 Wind turbine	£15,000 - £25,000	£1313	C 80	C 70

### 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 Solar water heating

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

#### 3 Wind turbine

A wind turbine provides electricity from wind energy. This electricity is used throughout the home in the same way as the electricity purchased from an energy supplier. Wind turbines are not suitable for all properties. The system's effectiveness depends on local wind speeds and the presence of nearby obstructions, and a site survey should be undertaken by an accredited installer. Planning permission might be required and 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. The assessment does not include the effect of any Feed-in Tariff which could appreciably increase the savings that are shown on this EPC for a wind turbine, 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:

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)	36,267	(2,645)	N/A	(744)
Water heating (kWh per year)	3,388			

#### **Addendum**

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

#### **About this document**

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

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

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If you have any concerns regarding the content of this report or the service provided by your assessor you should in the first instance raise these matters with your assessor and with the Approved Organisation to which they belong. All Approved Organisations are required to publish their complaints and disciplinary procedures and details can be found online at the web address given above.

#### Use of this energy performance information

Once lodged by your EPC assessor, this Energy Performance Certificate and Recommendations Report are available to view online at www.scottishepcregister.org.uk, with the facility to search for any single record by entering the property address. This gives everyone access to any current, valid EPC except where a property has a Green Deal Plan, in which case the report reference number (RRN) must first be provided. The energy performance data in these documents, together with other building information gathered during the assessment is held on the Scottish EPC Register and is available to authorised recipients, including organisations delivering energy efficiency and carbon reduction initiatives on behalf of the Scottish and UK governments. A range of data from all assessments undertaken in Scotland is also published periodically by the Scottish Government. Further information on these matters and on Energy Performance Certificates in general, can be found at www.gov.scot/epc.

### Advice and support to improve this property

There is support available, which could help you carry out some of the improvements recommended for this property on page 3 and stop wasting energy and money. For more information, visit greeners cotland.org or contact Home Energy Scotland on 0808 808 2282.

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

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Property Questionnaire



Property address	The Clachan Newtonairds Dumfries DG2 0JL
Seller(s)	Joy Jack
Completion date of property questionnaire	18/07/2023

### **Note for sellers**

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

### Information to be given to prospective buyer(s)

1.	Length of ownership		
	How long have you owned the proper	How long have you owned the property? 17years	
2.	Council tax		
	Which Council Tax band is your prope	erty in?	G
3.	Parking		
	What are the arrangements for parkin (Please tick all that apply)		
	Garage	No	
	Allocated parking space	No	
	• Driveway	Yes	
	Shared parking	No	
	On street	No	
	Resident permit	No	
	Metered Parking	No	
	Other (please specify):		
4.	Conservation area		
	Is your property in a designated Cons special architectural or historical inte which it is desirable to preserve or er	rest, the character or appea	ea of No rance of

5.	Listed buildings	
	Is your property a Listed Building, or contained within one (that is a building recognised and approved as being of special architectural or historical interest)?	No
6.	Alterations/additions/extensions	
a.	(i) During your time in the property, have you carried out any structural alterations, additions or extensions (for example, provision of an extra bath/shower room, toilet, or bedroom)?	No
	If you have answered yes, please describe below the changes which you have made:	
	(ii) Did you obtain planning permission, building warrant, completion certificate and other consents for this work?	
	If you have answered yes, the relevant documents will be needed by the purchaser and you should give them to your solicitor as soon as possible for checking.	
	If you do not have the documents yourself, please note below who has these documents and your solicitor or estate agent will arrange to obtain them:	
b.	Have you had replacement windows, doors, patio doors or double glazing installed in your property?	Yes
	If you have answered yes, please answer the three questions below:	
	(i) Were the replacements the same shape and type as the ones you replaced?	No
	(ii) Did this work involve any changes to the window or door openings?	No
	(iii) Please describe the changes made to the windows doors, or patio doors approximate dates when the work was completed):	(with
	Please give any guarantees which you received for this work to your solicito agent.	r or estate
	replaced old sash windows with new double glazed composite windows to match of style	original
7.	Central heating	
a.	Is there a central heating system in your property? (Note: a partial central heating system is one which does not heat all the main rooms of the property — the main living room, the bedroom(s), the hall and the bathroom).	Yes
	If you have answered yes or partial – what kind of central heating is there? (Examples: gas-fired, solid fuel, electric storage heating, gas warm air).	

	oil			
	If you have answered yes, please answer the three questions below:			
	i) When was your central heating system or partial central heating system installed?			
	25years			
	(ii) Do you have a maintenand	ce contract for the central hea	ting system?	No
	If you have answered yes, ple you have a maintenance con	ease give details of the compa tract:	ny with which	
	(iii) When was your maintena (Please provide the month ar	nce agreement last renewed? nd year).		
8.	Energy Performance Certifica	ate		
	Does your property have an I than 10 years old?	Energy Performance Certificat	e which is less	Yes
9.	Issues that may have affected your property			
a.	Has there been any storm, flood, fire or other structural damage to the property while you have owned it?			No
	If you have answered yes, is the damage the subject of any outstanding insurance claim?			
b.	Are you aware of the existence of asbestos in your property?			No
	If you have answered yes, please give details:			
10.	Services			
a.	Please tick which services are connected to your property and give details of the supplier:			the
	Services	Connected	Supplier	
	Gas or liquid petroleum gas	No		
	Water mains or private water supply	Yes	Scottish Water	
	Electricity	Yes	Scottish power	
	Mains drainage	No		

	Telephone	Yes	ВТ	
	Cable TV or satellite	Yes	Sky	
	Broadband	Yes	ВТ	
b.	Is there a septic tank system	at your property?	I	Yes
	If you have answered yes, pl	ease answer the two	questions below:	
	(i) Do you have appropriate of tank?	consents for the disc	harge from your septic	Don't know
	(ii) Do you have a maintenan	ce contract for your	septic tank?	No
	If have answered yes, details maintenance contract:	of the company with	n which you have a	
11.	Responsibilities for shared or common areas			
a.	Are you aware of any responsed jointly, such as the reboundary, or garden area?			Yes
	If you have answered yes, please give details:			
	we are obliged to share the cos	st of maintaining the bo	oundary fence between us	
b.	Is there a responsibility to coron, common stairwell or coron	-		Not Applica ble
	If you have answered yes, p	please give details:		
C.	Has there been any major rep		of any part of the roof	Yes
d.	Do you have the right to wa for example to put out your boundaries?			No
	If you have answered yes, p	lease give details:		
e.	As far as you are aware, do walk over your property, for maintain their boundaries?			No
	If you have answered yes, p	lease give details:		

f.	As far as you are aware, is there a public right of way across any part of	No
	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.)	
	If you have answered yes, please give details:	
12.	Charges associated with the property	
a.	Is there a factor or property manager for your property?	No
	If you have answered yes, please provide the name and address, and give details of any deposit held and approximate charges:	
b.	Is there a common buildings insurance policy?	No
	If you have answered yes, is the cost of the insurance included in monthly/annual factor's charges?	
C.	Please give details of any other charges you have to pay on a regular ba upkeep of common areas or repair works, for example to a residents' as or maintenance or stair fund.	
13.	Specialist work	
a.	As far as you are aware, has treatment of dry rot, wet rot, damp or any other specialist work ever been carried out to your property?	Yes
	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.	
	the attic area was treated for woodworm in January 2007 and there is a 30 year guarantee in place	
b.	As far as you are aware, has any preventative work for dry rot,wet rot, or damp ever been carried out to your property?	Yes
	If you have answered yes, please give details:	
	see above in section 13a	
C.	If you have answered yes to 13(a) or (b), do you have any guarantees relating to this work?	Yes
	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.	
	Cuarantage are held by the yender	
	Guarantees are held by: the vendor	

a.	Are there any guarantees or warranties for any of the following?			
	(i) Electrical work	No		
	(ii) Roofing	No		
	(iii) Central heating	No		
	(iv) National House Building Council (NHBC)	No		
	(v) Damp course	No		
	(vi) Any other work installations? (for example, cavity wall installation, underpinning, indemnity policy)	Yes		
b.	If you have answered 'yes' or 'with title deeds', please give details of the installations to which the guarantee(s) relate(s):	work or		
	cavity wall insulation where appropriate installed `16/05/2011 with 25 year guaranteer cavity wall insulation where appropriate installed `16/05/2011 with 25 year guaranteer cavity wall insulation where appropriate installed `16/05/2011 with 25 year guaranteer cavity wall insulation where appropriate installed `16/05/2011 with 25 year guaranteer cavity wall insulation where appropriate installed `16/05/2011 with 25 year guaranteer cavity wall insulation where appropriate installed `16/05/2011 with 25 year guaranteer cavity wall insulation where appropriate installed `16/05/2011 with 25 year guaranteer cavity wall insulation where appropriate installed `16/05/2011 with 25 year guaranteer cavity wall insulation where appropriate installed `16/05/2011 with 25 year guaranteer cavity wall insulation where appropriate installed `16/05/2011 with 25 year guaranteer cavity wall insulation where cavity wall insulation with the cavity wall with the cavity wall with the cavity wall wall with the cavity wall with the cavity wall wall wall with the cavity wall wall wall wall with the cavity wall wall with the cavity wall wall wall wall with the cavity wall wall wall wall wall wall wall wal	ntee		
C.	Are there any outstanding claims under any of the guarantees listed above? If you have answered yes, please give details:	No		
15.	Boundaries			
	So far as you are aware, has any boundary of your property been moved in thelast 10 years?	No		
	If you have answered yes, please give details:			
16.	Notices that affect your property			
	In the past three years have you ever received a notice:			
a.	advising that the owner of a neighbouring property has made a planning application?	No		
b.	that affects your property in some other way?	No		
C.	that requires you to do any maintenance, repairs or improvements to your property?	No		
	If you have answered yes to any of a-c above, please give the notices to yo or estate agent, including any notices which arrive at any time before the d of the purchaser of your property.			

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

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

Name(s): Joy jack

Date: 18/07/2023

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