YOUR ONESURVEY HOME REPORT

ADDRESS

East End Cottage
Main Street
Lochcarron, Strathcarron
IV54 8YB

PREPARED FOR

Julie Hardie

INSPECTION CARRIED OUT BY:



SELLING AGENT:



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PART 1

SINGLE SURVEY

A report on the condition of the property, with categories being rated from 1 to 3.



Single Survey

Survey report on:

Surveyor Reference	NC2023090013	
Customer	Julie Hardie	
Selling address	East End Cottage Main Street Lochcarron, Strathcarron IV54 8YB	
Date of Inspection	12/09/2023	
Prepared by	Neil Cromarty Graham & Sibbald LLP - Inverness	

SINGLE SURVEY TERMS AND CONDITIONS (WITH MVR)

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. ¹

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

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

1.2 THE REPORT

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

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

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.

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

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

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

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

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

1.3 LIABILITY

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

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

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

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

1.4 GENERIC MORTGAGE VALUATION REPORT

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

1.5 TRANSCRIPT MORTGAGE VALUATION FOR LENDING PURPOSES

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

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

- 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.

- 2.3.1 <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.
- 2.3.2 <u>Category 2</u>: Repairs or replacement requiring future attention, but estimates are still advised.
- 2.3.3 Category 1: No immediate action or repair is needed.

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

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

2.4 SERVICES

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

2.5 ACCESSIBILITY

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

2.6 ENERGY REPORT

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

2.7 VALUATION AND CONVEYANCER ISSUES

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

"Market Value" The estimated amount for which a property should exchange on the date of valuation between a willing buyer and a willing seller in an

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

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

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

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

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

1. INFORMATION AND SCOPE OF INSPECTION

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

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

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

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

Description	The property comprises a one and a half storey detached cottage with single storey rear extension.	
Accommodation	The accommodation may be summarised as follows:	
	Ground Floor - Open Plan Living Room/Dining Area, Rear Hallway, Kitchen, Shower Room	
	First Floor - Landing, 2 Bedrooms.	
Gross internal floor area (m2)	62 or thereby.	
Neighbourhood and location	The subjects are centrally located within the coastal village of Lochcarron, fronting onto the main street and with there being views to the front over Lochcarron itself. Immediate surrounding properties comprise dwellings of a generally mixed age and type and include the Lochcarron Hotel adjacent. There are a range of local village amenities available nearby, whilst the city of Inverness is situated approximately 63 miles east.	
Age	Circa 1900.	
Weather	Dry.	
Chimney stacks	There are chimney stacks at both gable elevations of stone construction and rendered externally. Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where required.	
Roofing including roof	The roof is of pitched design, clad with slates and	

space	incorporating metal ridging. The rear extension roof is of lean to design and clad with corrugated iron sheeting. Sloping roofs were visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where required. Flat roofs were visually inspected from vantage points within the property and where safe and reasonable to do so from a 3m ladder externally. Flat roofs have a limited life and depending on their age and quality of workmanship can fail at any time. 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.	
Rainwater fittings	The gutters and downpipes are of plastic manufacture. Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where required.	
Main walls	The main original walls are of solid stone construction and rendered externally. The rear extension walls are consistent with being of timber frame and timber clad construction. Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where required. Foundations and concealed parts were not exposed or inspected.	
Windows, external doors and joinery	The windows are predominantly of modern uPVC, double glazed replacement type with the exception of some timber framed, double glazed and a metal double glazed Velux/skylights at the first floor. The front entrance door is of uPVC type. There are some timber fascia boards. 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.	
External decorations	External decorations comprise painted finishes. Visually inspected.	
Conservatories / porches	Not applicable.	
Communal areas	Not applicable.	
Garages and permanent outbuildings	There are no outbuildings pertaining to the subjects. Visually inspected.	
Outside areas and	The property occupies a roughly rectangular shaped site	

boundaries	with there being areas of private garden grounds. The majority of the garden grounds lie to the rear and are laid with a mixture of grass and gravel. The boundaries are formed in timber board fencing with there also being some stone and block retaining walls. Visually inspected.	
Ceilings	The ceilings are plasterboard lined. Visually inspected from floor level.	
Internal walls	Internal walls are plasterboard lined. Visually inspected from floor level. Using a moisture meter, walls were randomly tested for dampness where considered appropriate.	
Floors including sub floors	The flooring at ground floor level is of solid concrete construction, whilst the first floor is of suspended timber type. We would, however, emphasise our inspection of floor surface areas was greatly restricted due to the presence of fitted floor coverings and furnishings. There was no access gained to any sub-floor areas given the nature of construction. Surfaces of exposed floors were visually inspected. No carpets or floor coverings were lifted.	
Internal joinery and kitchen fittings	Internal skirtings and architraves are of painted timber finish, whilst internal doors are of timber type. The Kitchen comprise a modern range of wall mounted cabinets and worktop surfaces. Built-in cupboards were looked into but no stored items were moved. Kitchen units were visually inspected excluding appliances.	
Chimney breasts and fireplaces	There is a solid fuel stove within the Living Room. Visually inspected. No testing of the flues or fittings was carried out.	
Internal decorations	Internal decorations comprise wallpaper and painted finishes. Visually inspected.	
Cellars	Not applicable.	
Electricity	Mains supply. The electrical installation comprises 13 amp power points whilst the cable where visible is of PVC clad type. The electrical consumer unit and meter is contained at a wall lining at the first floor Landing. 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	

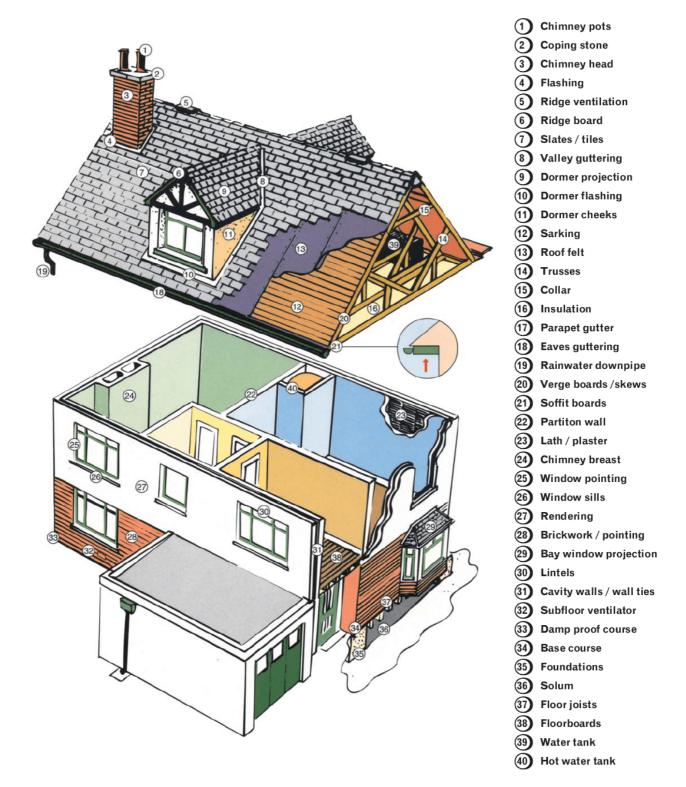
	assess any services to make sure they work properly and efficiently and meet modern standards.	
Gas	Not applicable.	
Water, plumbing and bathroom fittings	Mains supply. The visible plumbing installation is in copper and plastic pipework where seen. The sanitary fittings within the Shower Room are of modern type, comprising a WC, wash hand basin and electrical shower in-tray. 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.	
Heating and hot water	Fixed heating is provided by a range of modern electrical panel heaters. Domestic hot water is provided by an instantaneous system located below the Kitchen sink which serves both the aforementioned and also the sink within the Shower Room. Accessible parts of the system were visually inspected apart from communal systems, which were not inspected. No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances.	
Drainage	Main sewer. Drainage covers etc were not lifted. Neither drains nor drainage systems were tested.	
Fire, smoke and burglar alarms	There appears to be a compliant smoke and heat alarm system within the property. Visually inspected. No test whatsoever were carried out to any systems or appliances. There is now a requirement in place for compliant interlinked fire, smoke and heat detectors in residential properties. The new fire smoke and alarm standard came into force in Scotland in February 2022, requiring 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 requires to be installed in each kitchen. The alarms need to be ceiling mounted and interlinked. Where there is a carbon fuelled appliance such as a boiler, open fire or wood burner etc. a carbon monoxide detector is also required. The surveyor will only comment on the presence of a smoke detector etc. but will not test them, ascertain if they are in working order, interlinked and / or fully compliant with the fire and smoke alarm standard that was introduced in 2022.	

We have for the purposes of the report, assumed the system is fully compliant, if not then the appropriate compliant system will required to be installed prior to sale. This of course should be confirmed by your legal advisor. Any additional limits to At the date of inspection, the property was part furnished, whilst the floors were covered. inspection There was no access gained to any sub-floor areas. There was no access gained to the roof void areas due to the absence of any access hatches. Not all windows and doors were tested during the course of our inspection. A restricted inspection was possible of the chimneys from ground/street level only. It is outwith the scope of this inspection to determine whether or not asbestos based products are present within the property. Asbestos was widely used in the building industry until around 1999, when it became a banned substance. If you have any concerns you should engage the services of a qualified asbestos surveyor. 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. If it exists removal must be undertaken in a controlled manner by specialist contractors. This can prove to be expensive. It should be appreciated that the Home Report inspection is a non-disruptive visual inspection of the property as at the date of inspection and that we are unable to inspect parts of the property which are concealed or covered by floor coverings or contents in place at that time. Once vacant, defects may be apparent that could not be detected during our survey. Changing weather conditions can also affect

time of inspection.

aspects of the property which would not be apparent at the

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.

2. CONDITION

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

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

Structural movement		
Repair category:		
Notes:	At the time of our inspection there was no evidence of significant structural movement noted to affect the property within the limits of our inspection.	

Dampness, rot and infestation		
Repair category:		
Notes:	There was no evidence found of significant dampness, rot or infestation within those areas of the property available for inspection.	

Chimney stacks	
Repair category:	2
Notes:	There was some evidence of damaged render noted to the chimney stacks.

Roofing including roof space		
Repair category:	2	
	The main roof covering appeared original and general maintenance	

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

Notes.	and repair of the roof coverings will be necessary and it should be appreciated that this type of roof covering, due to its age, will require ongoing maintenance in the future.
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Rainwater fittings		
Repair category:		
Notes:	At the time of our inspection there was no evidence of damp staining/water staining on wall surfaces which would indicate leakage. It should be noted that it was not raining at the time of our inspection.	

Main walls		
Repair category:	2	
Notes:	The external render is defective in places with some cracked and boss sections being evident.	

Windows, external doors and joinery	
Repair category:	2
Notes:	These generally appeared in fair condition consistent with age. Windows can be problematic and over time the operation of the windows can be affected and opening mechanisms damaged. It is therefore likely that maintenance/ repair will be required as part of an ongoing maintenance programme. There is an external board to the side extension which may contain asbestos material and this was found to be weather at the date of inspection.

Category 3	Category 2	Category 1
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External decorations		
Repair category:	1	
Notes:	The external decorations are generally in fair order. Regular repainting will be required if these areas are to be maintained in satisfactory condition.	
Conservatories / porches		
Repair category:		
Notes:	Not applicable.	
Communal areas	3	
Repair category:		
Notes:	Not applicable.	
Garages and per	rmanent outbuildings	
Repair category:		
Notes:	Not applicable.	
Outside areas and boundaries		
Repair category:	2	

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

Notes:	You should verify with your conveyancer the extent of the boundaries attaching to the property.
	Outside areas will require ongoing repairs and maintenance. Boundaries/retaining walls will require repairs and maintenance.

Ceilings	
Repair category:	
Notes:	Cracking and blemishes have occurred and some plaster repairs may be required.

Internal walls	
Repair category:	
Notes:	Within the limits of our inspection these generally appeared in fair condition consistent with age.

Floors including sub-floors		
Repair category:	1	
Notes:	No access to the sub-floor chamber was possible at the time of our visit to the property. Within the limitations of our inspection there was no indication to suggest significant defects in this area. It will, however be appreciated that the area was not inspected and therefore no guarantees can be provided in this regard. No significant defects noted within the limitations of the inspection.	

Internal joinery and kitchen fittings

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

Repair category:	1
Notes:	The internal joinery is generally in keeping with the age and type of property. The kitchen units are of a modern type.

Chimney breasts and fireplaces		
Repair category:	2	
Notes:	It is understood that the stove within the living room may not have been used for some time. We would advise a precautionary check of chimney breasts/flues prior to use.	

Internal decorations		
Repair category:	1	
Notes:	The property appears in fair decorative condition consistent with age.	

Cellars		
Repair category:		
Notes:	Not applicable.	

Electricity	
Repair category:	1

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

Notes:	The electrical system within the property appeared of modern design, there being a circuit breaker type distribution board. It should be emphasised that the system was not tested at the time of our inspection. The Institution of Engineering and Technology recommends that inspections and testing are undertaken at least every ten years and on a change of occupancy. It should be appreciated that only the most recently constructed or re-wired properties will have installations which fully comply with IET
	regulations.

Gas	
Repair category:	
Notes:	Not applicable.

Water, plumbing and bathroom fittings		
Repair category:	1	
Notes:	The plumbing and fittings appear of copper/pvc piping where seen and appeared in serviceable condition but was not tested. The sanitary fittings are of modern style and type.	

Heating and hot water		
Repair category:	1	
Notes:	There is an electric heating system provided. This was not tested.	

Drainage		
Drainage		
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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.

Repair category:	1
Notes:	There was no surface evidence to suggest the system is choked or leaking.

Category 3	Category 2	Category 1
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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 comments above for detailed information

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	2
External decorations	1
Conservatories / porches	
Communal areas	
Garages and permanent outbuildings	
Outside areas and boundaries	2
Ceilings	1
Internal walls	1
Floors including sub-floors	1
Internal joinery and kitchen fittings	1
Chimney breasts and fireplaces	2
Internal decorations	1
Cellars	
Electricity	1
Gas	
Water, plumbing and bathroom fittings	1
Heating and hot water	1
Drainage	1

Remember

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

Warning

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

3. ACCESSIBILITY INFORMATION

Guidance Notes on Accessibility Information

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.

<u>Unrestricted parking within 25 metres:</u> For this purpose, 'Unrestricted parking' includes parking available by means of a parking permit. Restricted parking includes parking that is subject to parking restrictions, as indicated by the presence of solid yellow, red or white lines at the edge of the road or by a parking control sign, parking meters or other coinoperated machines.

1. Which floor(s) is the living accommodation on?	Ground & First
2. Are there three steps or fewer to a main entrance door of the property?	[x]YES []NO
3. Is there a lift to the main entrance door of the property?	[]YES [x]NO
4. Are all door openings greater than 750mm?	[]YES [x]NO
5. Is there a toilet on the same level as the living room and kitchen?	[x]YES []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 [x]NO
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 re-instatement cost for insurance purposes.

Matters for a solicitor or licensed conveyancer

The valuation is made on the assumption that any alterations that may have been carried out to the property satisfy all relevant legislation and have full certification where appropriate. While not necessarily an exhaustive list, alterations noted at the time of our inspection include the addition of the rear extension.

We cannot confirm the age of the alterations carried out. On the balance of probability the alterations are likely to have been carried out in excess of 20 years ago.

Absolute Ownership assumed. We are unaware of any easements, servitudes or rights of way which may adversely affect the property. This point should be confirmed by reference to the Title Deeds.

It is recommended that where repairs, defects or maintenance items have been identified, particularly categorised as a 2 or 3, interested parties make appropriate enquiries in order to satisfy themselves of potential costs and the extent of the works required prior to submitting a legal offer to purchase.

We are unaware of any adverse planning proposals affecting the subjects although this should be confirmed by obtaining a Property Enquiry Certificate.

Where items of maintenance or repair have been identified, the purchaser should satisfy themselves as to the costs and implications of these issues prior to making an offer to purchase.

Estimated re-instatement cost (£) for insurance purposes

£230,000

TWO HUNDRED AND THIRTY THOUSAND POUNDS STERLING

Valuation (£) and market comments

£215,000

We are of the opinion that the market value of the subjects all as previously described and on a vacant possession basis would be fairly stated in the region of £215,000 (TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTEEN THOUSAND POUNDS STERLING).

Our valuation reflects current market conditions relating to this area. We would assume that current trends will prevail at the ultimate date of disposal with no adverse or onerous matters being introduced into the market during the intervening period which would have a detrimental effect on price.

Report author:	Neil Cromarty
Company name:	Graham & Sibbald LLP - Inverness

survey report

Address:	4 Ardross Street Inverness IV3 5NN
Signed:	Electronically Signed: 241239-4B4EA96D-F72B
Date of report:	14/09/2023

P A R T 2.

MORTGAGE VALUATION REPORT

Includes a market valuation of the property.





Mortgage Valuation Report

Property:	East End Cottage	Client: Julie H	ardie
	Main Street Lochcarron, Strathcarron IV54 8YB	Tenure: Absol	ute Ownership
Date of Inspection:	12/09/2023	Reference:	NC2023090013

This report has been prepared as part of your instructions to carry out a Single Survey on the property referred to above. The purpose of this report is to summarise the Single Survey for the purpose of advising your lender on the suitability of the property for mortgage purposes. The decision as to whether mortgage finance will be provided is entirely a matter for the lender. You should not rely on this report in making your decision to purchase but consider all the documents provided in the Home Report. Your attention is drawn to the additional comments elsewhere within the report which set out the extent and limitations of the service provided. This report should be read in conjunction with the Single Survey Terms and Conditions (with MVR). In accordance with RICS Valuation – Global Standards 2017 this report is for the use of the party to whom it is addressed or their named client or their nominated lender. No responsibility is accepted to any third party for the whole or any part of the reports contents. Neither the whole or any part of this report may be included in any document, circular or statement without prior approval in writing from the surveyor.

1.0 LOCATION

The subjects are centrally located within the coastal village of Lochcarron, fronting onto the main street and with there being views to the front over Lochcarron itself. Immediate surrounding properties comprise dwellings of a generally mixed age and type and include the Lochcarron Hotel adjacent. There are a range of local village amenities available nearby, whilst the city of Inverness is situated approximately 63 miles east.

2.0 DESCRIP	PTION	2.1 Age:	Circa 1900.	
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The property comprises a one and a half storey detached cottage with single storey rear extension.

3.0 CONSTRUCTION

The roof is of pitched design, clad with slates incorporating metal ridging. The rear extension roof is of lean to design and clad with corrugated iron sheeting.

The main original walls are of solid stone construction rendered externally.

The rear extension walls are consistent with being of timber frame and timber clad construction.

4.0 ACCOMMODATION

The accommodation may be summarised as follows:

Ground Floor - Open Plan Living Room/Dining Area, Rear Hallway, Kitchen, Shower Room

First Floor - Landing, 2 Bedrooms.

5.0	SERVICES (No tests have been applied to any of the services)						
Water:	Mains	Electricity:	Mains	Gas:	None.	Drainage:	Mains

Central Heati	ng:	None					
6.0	OUTBUILDIN	DINGS					
Garage:		None.	None.				
Others:		None.					
7.0	GENERAL CONDITION - A building survey has not been carried out, nor has any inspection been made of any woodwork, services or other parts of the property which were covered, unexposed or inaccessible. The report cannot therefore confirm that such parts of the property are free from defect. Failure to rectify defects, particularly involving water penetration may result in further and more serious defects arising. Where defects exist and where remedial work is necessary, prospective purchasers are advised to seek accurate estimates and costings from appropriate Contractors or Specialists before proceeding with the purchase. Generally we will not test or report on boundary walls, fences, outbuildings, radon gas or site contamination.						
				nerally fair order, consistent wit ate repairs recommended as a			
8.0	ESSENTIAL I	REPAIR WORK	(as a condition	o of any mortgage or, to preser	ve the condition	of the	
In our opinion, t	there are no ess	sential repairs w	orks considere	d necessary.			
8.1 Retention	recommended: 0						
9.0	ROADS &FO	OTPATHS					
The adjacent r	oads and footp	aths are made ι	up and assumed	d adopted by the local authority	/ .		
10.0	BUILDINGS I	NSURANCE 230,000 GROSS EXTERNAL 75 Square metres				_	
	This figure is an opinion of an appropriate sum for which the property and substantial outbuildings should be insured against total destruction on a re-instatement basis assuming reconstruction of the property in its existing design and materials. Furnishings and fittings have not been included. No allowance has been included for inflation during the insurance period or during re-construction and no allowance has been made for VAT, other than on professional fees. Further discussions with your insurers is advised.						
11.0	GENERAL REMARKS						
The valuation is made on the assumption that any alterations that may have been carried out to the property satisfy all relevant legislation and have full certification where appropriate. While not necessarily an exhaustive list, alterations							

noted at the time of our inspection include the addition of the rear extension.

We cannot confirm the age of the alterations carried out. On the balance of probability the alterations are likely to have been carried out in excess of 20 years ago.

Absolute Ownership assumed. We are unaware of any easements, servitudes or rights of way which may adversely affect the property. This point should be confirmed by reference to the Title Deeds.

We are unaware of any adverse planning proposals affecting the subjects although this should be confirmed by obtaining a Property Enquiry Certificate.

Where items of maintenance or repair have been identified, the purchaser should satisfy themselves as to the costs and implications of these issues prior to making an offer to purchase.

We would point out that there was no access gained to any roof void areas at the date of our inspection due to an absence of any loft hatch.

12.0

VALUATION On the assumption of vacant possession and that the property is unaffected by any adverse planning proposals, onerous burdens, title restrictions or servitude rights. It is assumed that all necessary Local Authority consents, which may have been required, have been sought and obtained. No investigation of any contamination on, under or within the property has been made as we consider such matters to be outwith the scope of this report. All property built prior to the year 2000 may contain asbestos in one or more of its components or fittings. It is impossible to identify without a test. It is beyond the scope of this inspection to test for asbestos and future occupants should be advised that if they have any concerns then they should ask for a specialist to undertake appropriate tests.

12.1	Market Value in present condition (£):		£215,000	TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTE STERLING	EEN THOUSAN	ID POUNDS
12.2	Market Value on completion of essential works (£):					
12.3	Suitable security for normal mortgage purposes?		Yes			
12.4	Date of Valuation:		12/09/2023			
Signature:	ignature: Electronically		Signed: 241239-4B4EA96D-F72B			
Surveyor:	Neil Cromarty				Date:	14/09/2023
Graham	Graham & Sibbald LLP - Inverness					
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P A R T 3 .

ENERGY **REPORT**

A report on the energy efficiency of the property.



energy report

energy report on:

Property address	East End Cottage Main Street Lochcarron, Strathcarron IV54 8YB
Customer	Julie Hardie
Customer address	East End Cottage Main Street Lochcarron, Strathcarron IV54 8YB
Prepared by	Neil Cromarty Graham & Sibbald LLP - Inverness

Energy Performance Certificate (EPC)

Dwellings

Scotland

EAST END COTTAGE, LOCHCARRON, STRATHCARRON, IV54 8YB

Dwelling type: Detached house
Date of assessment: 12 September 2023
Date of certificate: 13 September 2023

Total floor area: 62 m²

Primary Energy Indicator: 726 kWh/m²/year

Reference number: 0150-2602-5110-2997-2751

Type of assessment: RdSAP, existing dwelling

Approved Organisation: Elmhurst

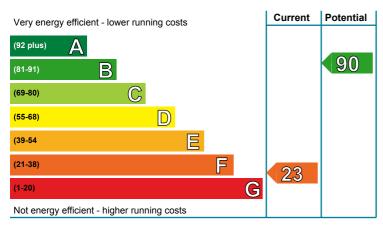
Main heating and fuel: Room heaters, electric

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

Estimated energy costs for your home for 3 years*	costs for your home for 3 years* £15,807		
Over 3 years you could save*	£12,018	report for more information	

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

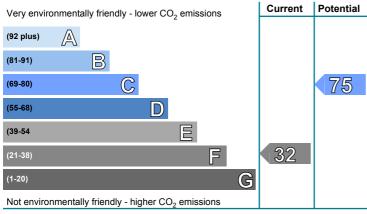


Energy Efficiency Rating

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 F (23)**. The average rating for EPCs in Scotland is **band D (61)**.

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



Environmental Impact (CO₂) Rating

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

Your current rating is **band F (32)**. The average rating for EPCs in Scotland is **band D (59)**.

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

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

Recommended measures	Indicative cost	Typical savings over 3 years
1 Room-in-roof insulation	£1,500 - £2,700	£6423.00
2 Floor insulation (solid floor)	£4,000 - £6,000	£1122.00
3 High heat retention storage heaters	£1,200 - £1,800	£3624.00

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

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

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

Summary of the energy performance related features of this home

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

Element	Description	Energy Efficiency	Environmental
Walls	Granite or whinstone, with internal insulation Timber frame, as built, insulated (assumed)	**** ****	★★★★☆ ★★★★☆
Roof	Flat, insulated (assumed) Roof room(s), no insulation (assumed)	*** ***	*** ***
Floor	Solid, no insulation (assumed)	_	_
Windows	Fully double glazed	****	★★★★ ☆
Main heating	Room heaters, electric	****	***
Main heating controls	Programmer and appliance thermostats	****	★★★★ ☆
Secondary heating	Room heaters, dual fuel (mineral and wood)	_	_
Hot water	Electric instantaneous at point of use	***	***
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 127 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 7.9 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 4.6 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	£14,217 over 3 years	£2,655 over 3 years	
Hot water	£1,281 over 3 years	£750 over 3 years	You could
Lighting	£309 over 3 years	£384 over 3 years	save £12,018
Totals	£15,807	£3,789	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.

		lu dinativa nast	Typical saving	Rating after i	mprovement
Re	commended measures	Indicative cost	per year	Energy	Environment
1	Room-in-roof insulation	£1,500 - £2,700	£2141	E 52	D 55
2	Floor insulation (solid floor)	£4,000 - £6,000	£374	D 58	D 61
3	High heat retention storage heaters	£1,200 - £1,800	£1208	C 72	D 59
4	Solar water heating	£4,000 - £6,000	£282	C 77	D 63
5	Solar photovoltaic panels, 2.5 kWp	£3,500 - £5,500	£620	B 90	C 75

Alternative measures

There are alternative improvement measures which you could also consider for your home. It would be advisable to seek further advice and illustration of the benefits and costs of such measures.

- Biomass boiler (Exempted Appliance if in Smoke Control Area)
- Air or ground source heat pump

Choosing the right improvement package

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



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

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

1 Room-in-roof insulation

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

2 Floor insulation (solid floor)

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

3 High heat retention storage heaters

Modern storage heaters are less expensive to run than the direct acting, on-peak heating system in the property. A dual-rate electricity supply is required to provide the off-peak electricity that these heaters use; this is easily obtained by contacting the energy supplier. Ask for a quotation for high heat retention with automatic charge and output controls. Installations should be in accordance with the national wiring standards. Building regulations generally apply to this work and a building warrant may be required, so it is best to obtain advice from your local authority building standards department and from a qualified electrical heating engineer. Ask the heating engineer to explain the options, which might also include switching to other forms of electric heating.

4 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.

5 Solar photovoltaic (PV) panels

A solar PV system is one which converts light directly into electricity via panels placed on the roof with no waste and no emissions. This electricity is used throughout the home in the same way as the electricity purchased from an energy supplier. Planning permission might be required, building regulations generally apply to this work and a building warrant may be required, so it is best to check with your local authority. The assessment does not include the effect of any Feed-in Tariff which could appreciably increase the savings that are shown on this EPC for solar photovoltaic panels, provided that both the product and the installer are certified by the Microgeneration Certification Scheme (or equivalent). Details of local MCS installers are available at www.microgenerationcertification.org.

Low and zero carbon energy sources

Low and zero carbon (LZC) energy sources are sources of energy that release either very little or no carbon dioxide into the atmosphere when they are used. Installing these sources may help reduce energy bills as well as cutting carbon.

LZC energy sources present: There are none provided for this home

Your home's heat demand

In this section, you can see how much energy you might need to heat your home and provide hot water. These are estimates showing how an average household uses energy. These estimates may not reflect your actual energy use, which could be higher or lower. You might spend more money on heating and hot water if your house is less energy efficient. The table below shows the potential benefit of having your loft and walls insulated. Visit https://energysavingtrust.org.uk/energy-at-home for more information.

Heat demand	Existing dwelling	Impact of loft insulation	Impact of cavity wall insulation	Impact of solid wall insulation
Space heating (kWh per year)	14,539	N/A	N/A	N/A
Water heating (kWh per year)	1,163			

About this document

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

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

Assessor's name:
Assessor membership number:
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Related party disclosure: No related party

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

Use of this energy performance information

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

Advice and support to improve this property

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

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

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PART 4.

PROPERTY QUESTIONNAIRE

The owner of the property is required to complete this document which asks for information on the property such as 'Which council tax band?' etc.



Property Address: EAST END COTTAGE

MAIN STUDET

LOCHCARRON, ROSS-SHIRE

IV54 84B

Seller/1: JULIE HARDIE

Completion date of Property Questionnaire: 8-9-2023.

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 property?	Trems /	vou 2	016
2	Council Tax			
	Which Council tax band is your property in?	BAND B	3.	
3	Parking (tick all applicable)			
	Garage Allocated Parking Space Driveway Shared Parking On Street Resident Permit Metered Parking Other (Please specify)			
4	Conservation area		•	
		Ye	S	
	Is your property in a designated Conservation area (that is an area of special architectural or historical interest,	No	·	
	the character or appearance of which it is desirable to	Un	known	
	preserve or enhance)?			

				1
5	Listed buildings			
	Is your property a Listed Building, or contained within one (that is	Yes		
	a building recognised and approved as being of special	No \		
	architectural or historical interest)?	Unknown		
6	Alterations/additions/extensions		<u> </u>	
a (i)	During your time in the property, have you carried out any	Yes	1	
a (1)	structural alterations, additions or extensions (for example,			
	provision of an extra bath/shower room, toilet or bedroom)?	No	1	
	If you have answered Yes, please describe below the changes which you have made:	Unknown		
(ii)	Did you obtain planning permission, building warrant, completion	Yes	Ţ	_
	certificate and other consents for this work?	No		
		Unknown		
	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			
L	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	~	
		No		
	If you have answered Yes, please answer the 3 questions below:	Unknown		
(i)	Were the replacements the same shape and type as the ones you	Yes	 	
	replaced? 3 REPLACED WINDOWS ARE THE	No		
	SAME SHAPE, BUT NOW-UPVC &			
	Double GLAZED-Wood Don DURYC	Unknown		
(ii)	Did this work involve any changes to the window or door	Yes		
	openings?	No		
		Unknown		
(ili)	Please describe the changes made to the windows, doors, or patio doors (with approximate dates when the work was completed): SITTING ROOM WINDOWS—SAME SHAPED—SI CLAZED—20 FLOW DOON—SAME SHAPED—SIZE—FROM Please give any guarantees which you received for this work to	, , , .	0	LPVC.
	your solicitor or estate agent.	DOF - NOTE		AIC 3

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7	Central heating		
а	Is there a central heating system in your property?	Yes	
	(Note: a partial central heating system is one which does not heat	No	
	all the main rooms of the property – the main living room, the	Partial	
	bedroom/s, the hall and the bathroom)	Unknown	
	If you have answered Yes or Partial – what kind of central heating is there?	ROINTE	
	(Examples: gas-fired, solid fuel, electric storage heating, gas,	HIGH PER	
	warm air).	GEL E	usant,
	If you have answered Yes, please answer the 3 questions below:	RADIAN	SUS.
(i)	When was your central heating system or partial central heating sy	stem installed	?
	August 2023.		
(ii)	Do you have a maintenance contract for the central heating	Yes	
	system?	No	
	If yes, please give details of the company with which you have a	Unknown	<u> </u>
	maintenance contract:		
			_
(iii)	When was your maintenance agreement last renewed? (please proves)	vide the month	n and
8	Energy Performance Certificate		
	Does your property have an Energy Performance Certificate which is less than 10 years old? (PLEASE NOTE: Please tick 'YES' as the surveyor will complete this at the time of inspection)	Yes	
9	Issues that may have affected your property		
a	Has there been any storm, flood, fire or other structural damage	Yes	
	to your property while you have owned it?	No	
		Unknown	
	If you have announced Yes is the damage the subject of arm	Yes	
	If you have answered Yes, is the damage the subject of any outstanding insurance claim?	No	
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b	Are you aware of the existence of asbestos in your property?	Yes	
	If you have appropried Voc. places give details:	No	
	If you have answered Yes, please give details:	Unknown	

10	Services					
а	Please tick which services	s are connecte	d to your property and give deta	ils of the supp	lier	
Serv	ices	Connected	Supplier			
Gas	or liquid petroleum gas					
Water mains or private water supply		/	SCOTTISH WATER.			
Elect	ricity		000			
Main	s drainage		SCOTTISH WA	ien.		
Telephone						
Cable TV or satellite						
Broa	dband					
b	Is there a septic tank sys	tem at your p	roperty?	Yes		
				No		
				Unknown		
	If you have answered Ver	e nleace ancw	er the 2 questions below:			
(i)			he discharge from your septic	Yes	T	
, ,	tank?			No		
				Unknown		
(ii)	Do you have a maintenar	nce contract fo	r your septic tank?	Yes		
				No		
	If you have answered Yes which you have a mainte	s, please give nance contract	details of the company with t:			

11	Responsibilities for shared or common areas		
а	Are you aware of any responsibility to contribute to the cost of	Yes	
	anything used jointly, such as the repair of a shared drive,	No	
	private road, boundary, or garden area?	Unknown	
	If you have answered Yes, please give details:		
b	Is there a responsibility to contribute to repair and maintenance of the roof, common stairwell or other common areas?	Yes	
	of the roof, common stairwell or other common areas?	No Unknown	
	If you have answered yes, please give details:	N/A	——
	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	N/A	
С	Has there been any major repair or replacement to any part of	Yes	
	the roof during the time you have owned the property?	No	
		Unknown	
d	Do you have the right to walk over any of your neighbours'	Yes	-
u .	property – for example to put out your rubbish bin or maintain	No	+
	your boundaries?	Unknown	
	If you have answered Yes, please give details:		
e	As far as you are aware, do any of your neighbours have the	Yes	
	right to walk over your property, for example to put out their	No	
	rubbish bin or to maintain their boundaries?	Unknown	<u> </u>
	If you have answered Yes, please give details:		
f	As far as you are aware, is there a public right of way across any	Yes	
	part of your property? (public right of way is a way over which	No	
	the public has a right to pass, whether or not the land is privately	Unknown	
	owned.)	-	***
	If you have answered Yes, please give details:		
12	Charges associated with your property	l Voc	
а	Is there a factor or property manager for your property?	Yes No	
	If you have answered Yes, please provide the name and address,	Unknown	
	and give details of any deposit held and approximate charges:	Olikilowii	

b	Is there a common buildings insurance policy?	Yes	
	the control of the co	No	
		Unknown	
	If you have answered Yes, is the cost of the insurance included in	CHRISTI	1
	your monthly/annual factor's charges?	You	1
	, and the state of the gap.	Yes	-
		No	
		Unknown	<u> </u>
С	Please give details of any other charges you have to pay on a regulupkeep of common areas or repair works, for example to a resident maintenance or stair fund.		
13	Specialist works		
а	As far as you are aware, has treatment of dry rot, wet rot, damp	Yes	
	or any other specialist work ever been carried out to your	No	i .
	property?	Unknown	
	, F F J.		
	If you have answered Yes, please say what the repairs were for, whether you carried out the repairs (and when) or if they were	NOTHING	
	done before you bought the property:	SINCE	1 HAVE
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		Propor	7.
b	As far as you are aware, has any preventative work for dry rot,	Yes	T
-	wet rot or damp ever been carried out to your property?	No	
	The state of the s	Unknown	
	If you have answered Yes, please give details:		
С	If you have answered Yes to 13(a) or 13(b), do you have any	Yes	
	guarantees relating to this work?	No	
	***	Unknown	
	If you have answered Yes, these guarantees will be needed by	- CIRCIONII	
	the purchaser and should be given to your solicitor as soon as		,
	possible for checking. If you do not have them yourself, <u>please</u> 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.		
	in the original estimate.		
	Guarantees are held by:	/	
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14	14 Guarantees							
а	Are	there any guarantees or warranties for a	ny of	the fo	llowing?			
			No	Yes	Don't know	With title deeds	Lost	
i)		Electrical Work				With SOYCITOR		
ii)		Roofing						
iii)		Central Heating				WITH SOLICION		
iv)		National House Building Council (NHBC)						
۷)		Damp course						
vi)	į	Any other work or installations? (for example, cavity wall insulation, underpinning, indemnity policy)						
b	insi T32	Tou have answered 'Yes' or 'with title deed tallations to which the guarantee(s) relate TO	(s): ME - (PP	NOPER NORW TTE	TY-CBIT W. - TNOW SOUCIT	es Wir	E Th
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	i y	ou have answered Yes, please give details						
15	Bo	undaries						
		far as you are aware, has any boundary o ved in the last 10 years?	f you	r prop	erty been	No		
	If y	ou have answered Yes, please give details	s?			Unknown		
						_ <u> </u>		

16	Notices that affect your property		
In th	e past 3 years have you ever received notice:		
a	Advising that the owner of a neighbouring property has made a planning application?	Yes No Unknown	
b	That affects your property in some other way?	Yes No Unknown	
С	That requires you to do any maintenance, repairs or improvements to your property?	Yes No Unknown	
agent	have answered Yes to any of a-c above, please give the notices to including any notices which arrive at any time before the date of eur property.	your solicitor or ntry of the purc	estate haser

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):

Date: 8 - 9 - 23.