Moyness House, Nairn, IV12 5LB

Home Report



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Single Survey



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Survey Report on:

Property Address	Moyness House, Nairn, IV12 5LB
Reference	1055553
Customer Name	Kenneth Barker Executry
Date of Inspection	12th May 2025
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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 Seller's Agent or relative to the property, they will be obliged to indicate this by ticking the adjacent box. X

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

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

1.2 THE REPORT

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

1.3 LIABILITY

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

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

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

the professional advisers of any of these.

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

1.4 GENERIC MORTGAGE VALUATION REPORT

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

1.5 TRANSCRIPT MORTGAGE VALUATION FOR LENDING PURPOSES

The Surveyors undertake that on being asked to do so by a prospective purchaser, or his/her professional adviser 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.

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

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 an asset or liability should exchange on the valuation date, between a willing buyer and a willing seller in an arm's length transaction, after proper marketing and where 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.

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

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

Parts of the property, which cannot be seen or accessed, will not be reported upon and this will be stated. If the Surveyor suspects that a defect may exist within an unexposed area and which could have a material effect upon the value, they 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 reinstatement cost, as defined below.

"Market value" The estimated amount for which an asset or liability should exchange on the valuation date, between a willing buyer and a willing seller in an arm's length transaction, after proper marketing and where 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 coproprietors on an equitable basis.

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

"Reinstatement 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 is a two storey detached house.	
Accommodation	Ground Floor: Living Room, Dining Room, Bathroom and Kitchen.	
	First Floor: 2 Bedrooms and WC/Bedroom.	
Gross Internal Floor Area (m2)	Approximately 118m².	
Neighbourhood and Location	The property is located in the rural area of Moyness. The property is surrounded by open countryside. A range of facilities can be obtained in the town of Nairn within reasonable commuting distance.	
Age	Built around 1875.	
Weather	It was sunny and dry, following generally similar conditions.	
Chimney Stacks	Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.	
	There are chimney stacks are of stone construction.	
	These have pointed finishes. There are cement flashings at the base of the chimneys.	

Roofing including Roof Space	Sloping roofs were visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.
	Roof spaces were visually inspected and were entered where there was safe and reasonable access, normally defined as being from a 3m ladder within the property.
	If this is not possible, then physical access to the roof space may be taken by other means if the Surveyor deems it safe and reasonable to do so.
	The roof is pitched and slated.
	The ridges are formed in metal.
	Access to the roof space is available via a hatch in the landing.
	The roof is of timber construction, with timber sarking.
	Insulation materials have been laid over the ceiling joists.
Rainwater Fittings	Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.
	There are half round, UPVC and cast iron gutters in place, which connect to round , UPVC and cast iron downpipes.
Main Walls	Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.
	Foundations and concealed parts were not exposed or inspected.
	The walls are of solid stone construction, externally pointed.
	The rear extension walls are of timber frame construction, with a block outer leaf externally rendered.
Windows, External Doors and Joinery	Internal and external doors were opened and closed where keys were available.
	Random windows were opened and closed where possible.

	Doors and windows were not forced open.	
	The windows are of a double glazed, timber frame type.	
	The access doors are of a timber single glazed design.	
External Decorations	Visually inspected.	
	The external timbers are painted.	
Conservatories and Porches	There are no conservatories or porches.	
Communal Areas	There are no communal areas.	
Garages and Permanent	Visually inspected.	
Outbuildings	There is a detached double car garage of timber construction.	
	The property has an attached greenhouse.	
	There is a stone byre which contains a kitchenette and partially installed shower.	
Outside Areas and Boundaries	Visually inspected.	
	The property has garden areas to the front, sides and rear. The garden areas are surfaced in grass.	
	The boundaries are formed in timber fencing and stone walls.	
	There is a drive and parking area surfaced in tarmac.	
Ceilings	Visually inspected from floor level.	
	The ceilings are formed in plasterboard.	
Internal Walls	Visually inspected from floor level.	
	Using a moisture meter, walls were randomly tested for dampness where considered appropriate.	
	The internal walls are partly of plasterboard construction and partly of solid block or brick construction, plastered on	

	the hard.	
Floors including Sub-floors	Surfaces of exposed floors were visually inspected. No carpets or floor coverings were lifted.	
	Sub-floor areas were inspected only to the extent visible from a readily accessible and unfixed hatch by way of an inverted "head and shoulders" inspection at the access point.	
	Physical access to the sub-floor area may be taken if the Surveyor deems it is safe and reasonable to do so, and subject to a minimum clearance of 1m between the underside of floor joists and the solum as determined from the access hatch.	
	The ground floors are of solid concrete construction. The first floors are of suspended timber construction overlaid with tongue and groove boarding.	
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 consist of a timber panel type.	
	The kitchen is fitted with a range of base and wall mounted units with laminate worktops.	
	The stairs are formed in timber with a timber handrail.	
Chimney Breasts and Fireplaces	Visually inspected.	
	No testing of the flues or fittings was carried out.	
	There is an open fire place in the living room.	
Internal Decorations	Visually inspected.	
	The internal walls and ceilings have a papered and painted finish.	
Cellars	There are no cellars.	

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 supply installed. The electricity consumer unit is located in the landing area. The electricity meter is located adjacent.	
Gas	There is no gas supply.	
Water, Plumbing and 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.	
	Water is connected to the mains supply.	
	Visible pipework is made with copper and PVC materials.	
	The bathroom is fitted with a white suite containing a WC, wash hand basin, bidet and bath with mixer shower.	
	There is a WC only at first floor level.	
Heating and Hot Water	Accessible parts of the system were visually inspected apart from communal systems, which were not inspected.	
	No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances.	
	There is an oil fired, range cooker central heating boiler located within the kitchen.	
	This supplies a system of steel panel radiators throughout the property. There is a hot water tank located in the the extension roof space.	
	The central heating system is controlled by a programmer and thermostatic valves on radiators.	

Drainage Drainage covers etc were not lifted. Neither drains nor drainage systems were tested. The owner has advised that drainage is to a private septic tank. This has not been inspected or tested. Fire, Smoke and Burglar Alarms Visually inspected. No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances. Legislation by the Scottish Government, which took effect from February 2022, requires all residential properties to have a system of inter-linked smoke alarms and heat detectors. Carbon monoxide detectors are also required where appropriate. Purchasers should appraise themselves of the requirements of this legislation, and engage with appropriately accredited contractors to ensure compliance. Any Additional Limits to Inspection Parts of the property, which are covered, unexposed or inaccessible, cannot be guaranteed to be free from defect. I have not carried out an inspection for Japanese Knotweed and unless otherwise stated, for the purposes of the valuation I have assumed that there is no Japanese Knotweed or other invasive plants within the boundaries of the property or in neighbouring properties. The report does not include an asbestos inspection. However asbestos was widely used in the building industry until around 2000, when it became a banned substance. If the possibility of asbestos based products has been reported within the limitations of the inspection and you have concerns, you should engage a qualified asbestos surveyor. Random testing for dampness was undertaken internally with the use of a moisture meter where accessible and considered appropriate.

not visible. Due to the presence of water, there is an inherent risk of leakage and resultant damage to concealed areas which may only become apparent when the building fabric is opened up for examination.

Concealed areas beneath and around sanitary fittings were

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

Where repairs are required at height compliance with Health and Safety legislation often requires the use of scaffolding which can significantly impact on the cost of repair. Pricing repairs is outwith the remit of this report but it would be prudent to consider costs and budgeting before offering. The various trades can advise further.

Access to the kitchen has been restricted due to an ongoing leak.

I was unable to view the rear of the byre.

The property was unoccupied,unfurnished and floors were partly covered.

Floor coverings have not been moved. These restricted my inspection of flooring.

I was unable to inspect the sub floor area as no suitable access hatch was available.

My physical inspection of the roof void area was restricted due to insulation material, stored items and a lack of suitable crawl boards. As a result, the roof void area was only viewed from the access hatch.

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 3 categories:

Category 3	Category 2	Category 1
	Repairs or replacement requiring future attention, but estimates are still advised.	No immediate action or repair is needed.

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

Category 3	Category 2	Category 1
replacement are needed now.	Repairs or replacement requiring future attention, but estimates are still advised.	No immediate action or repair is needed.

Dampness, Rot and In	festation
Repair Category	3
Notes	There is extensive dampness and decay evident to timber and linings throughout the ground level.
	High levels of dampness have been recorded to wall linings at ground and first floor levels.
	Door frames at ground level are structurally compromised as timber have been partly replaced.
	Fungal growth is evident.
	There is an ongoing leak in the kitchen roof space with the ceiling being water damaged and sagging.
	There is cracking to plaster finishes, which is an indication further concealed defects.
	There is evidence of wood boring insect infestation. This can be treated by a Timber Specialist contractor.
	Decay is evident to a panel to the rear of a bedroom press.
	Timber throughout suffer from swelling from moisture damage.
	There is evidence of a serious form of timber decay and a strong likelihood that similar defects will be present within concealed areas. The entire property should be inspected by a firm of Timber and Damp Specialists with a view to having all necessary remedial repair work implemented.
	Dampness which appears to be consistent with condensation is evident in places. Such dampness can often be alleviated by achieving balanced levels of heating and ventilation. This can be

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monitored and should the dampness condition persist, damp specialist contractors can advise further.
External ground levels are high in areas and this can contribute to timber/damp defects internally. A specialist contractor can advise.

Chimney Stacks	
Repair Category	3
Notes	The stacks are weathered. There is some erosion. A building contractor will be able to advise further.

Roofing including Roof Space	
Repair Category	3
Notes	There is evidence of wood boring insect infestation. Please see comments under Dampness, Rot & Infestation.
	Natural slates have an expected lifespan of up to 100 years or more depending on slate quality, source, thickness and cutting skill of the slater. Slates deteriorate over time; nail fixings corrode and loosen resulting in on-going maintenance requirements. Close quarter inspection may reveal damage to roofing materials, especially where these are original. Regular maintenance should be anticipated particularly after adverse weather conditions.
	Droppings in the roof space indicate a vermin issue that could lead to health problems or an interruption of services. A pest management professional will be able to provide further advice.
	Some slates are slipped and broken.

Category 3	Category 2	Category 1
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Rainwater Fittings		
Repair Category	3	
Notes	Metal rainwater fittings are corroded and require attention. These will require periodic maintenance to prolong their lifespan.	
	A downpipe is broken.	
	There are no rainwater goods to the left hand roof pitch of the extension.	
	There is a wall head gutter. These can be problematic, especially in older buildings, and maintenance should be undertaken regularly.	

Main Walls	
Repair Category	3
Notes	Cracking is evident to walling.
	There are high external growing levels. See dampness, rot and infestation section for further information.
	There is bossed and damaged render from leaking rainwater goods.
	A building contractor will be able to advise further.

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.

Windows, External Doors and Joinery	
Repair Category	2
Notes	The decay is evident to the lower door frames.
	The trim to the front door is missing.
	Windows are weathered.
	There are cracked panes.
	Doors and random windows are opened but not all and inspections can be restricted by window blinds, curtains, ornaments etc. Handles, locks and opening mechanisms can deteriorate through usage and repair or replacement can be anticipated on an ad hoc basis. No assurances can be provided that all window fitments are functional.

External Decorations	
Repair Category	2
Notes	Outside paintwork has deteriorated and redecoration is now required. Regular re-painting of external joinery finishes will prolong their life span.

Conservatories and Porches	
Repair Category	N/A
Notes	Not applicable.

Category 3	Category 2	Category 1
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Communal Areas	
Repair Category	N/A
Notes	Not applicable.

Garages and Permanent Outbuildings	
Repair Category	2
Notes	Decay is evident to lower linings in the attached greenhouse.
	A garage downpipe is blocked.
	A socket is broken in the garage. There are DIY electrics.
	Staining is evident to garage roof timbers. This form of roof covering has a limited lifespan and requires regular maintenance and monitoring.
	Dampness has been recorded to the byre outer walls.
	The consumer unit is of an older style.
	There is evidence of wood boring insect infestation. Please see comments under Dampness, Rot & Infestation.
	A slate has slipped.
	There's vegetation to the roof.
	The downpipes are not connected to proper drainage outlets.

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.

Outside Areas and Boundaries	
Repair Category	2
Notes	Garden is unkempt and overgrown.
	There is decayed fencing and loose stones to boundaries.

Ceilings	
Repair Category	3
Notes	There is an ongoing leak in the kitchen roof space with the ceiling being water damaged and sagging.
	Staining is evident to linings adjoining the right hand gable wall.
	There are various missing ceiling linings.
	Fungal growth is evident to joist ends at first floor level.

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Internal Walls	
Repair Category	3
Notes	Door frames have a temporary timbers keeping them in place.
	There is extensive dampness and decay evident to timber and linings throughout the ground level.
	High levels of dampness have been recorded to wall linings at ground and first floor levels.
	Two of the door frames at ground level are structurally compromised as timber have been partly replaced.
	There are various missing plasterboard lightnings.
	There is cracking and off level door lintels at first floor level. This may have been caused by decay at ground level. Dampness, rot and infestation section for further information.
	There is damage from previous fittings.
	There are various areas of water staining.
	Cracked/damaged plaster finishes can be repaired prior to redecorating.

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Floors including Sub-floors		
Repair Category	2	
Notes	There is fungal growth to timbers. See dampness, rot and infestation section for further information.	
	There is evidence of wood boring insect infestation. Please see comments under Dampness, Rot & Infestation.	
	Sections of flooring are loose and uneven.	
	It is not unusual to discover areas of past water spillage when floor coverings are removed in kitchen and bathroom compartments, revealing the need for further repair and maintenance work.	

Internal Joinery and Kitchen Fittings	
Repair Category	3
Notes	Decay is evident to a panel to the rear of a bedroom press.
	There is evidence of wood boring insect infestation. Please see comments under Dampness, Rot & Infestation.
	Timbers throughout suffer from swelling from moisture damage.
	See dampness, rot and infestation section for further information.
	The kitchen units are water damaged.
	There are various missing joinery finishes.
	There are ill fitting doors.
	Some doors have been removed.

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Chimney Breasts and Fireplaces	
Repair Category	3
Notes	Not this has been recorded to chimney breast.
	A fireplace is full of debris.
	The possibility of concealed defects exists. Darkness, rot and infestation section for further information. A building contractor will also be able to advise on repairs to the stacks.
	Where fireplaces have been removed there is limited provision for ventilation. Unventilated chimney breasts can result in condensation.

Internal Decorations	
Repair Category	3
Notes	Decorative finishes are damaged and an incoming occupier can redecorate to their own personal taste. There are ripped wallpaper finishes.

Cellars	
Repair Category	N/A
Notes	Not Applicable.

Category 3	Category 2	Category 1
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Electricity	
Repair Category	3
Notes	The electrical installation appears to be in a dangerous state with dampness having been recorded two lines around electrics. An NICEIC/SELECT registered electrician can be engaged to examine the system and undertake all required replacement work.
	A bedroom light fitting is not fixed to the ceiling.
	There are loose sockets were linings have been removed.
	External lights are loose.
	It is recommended that all electrical installations be checked every five years or on change of ownership to keep up to date with frequent changes in Safety Regulations. Further advice will be available from a qualified NICEIC/ SELECT registered Contractor. It should be appreciated that only recently constructed or rewired properties will have installations which fully comply with IET regulations.

Gas	
Repair Category	N/A
Notes	Not applicable.

Category 3	Category 2	Category 1
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Water, Plumbing and Bathroom Fittings	
Repair Category	3
Notes	There is an ongoing leak in the kitchen roof space. A plumbing contractor will be able to carry out a full inspection over the entire subjects advising on necessary repairs.
	Seals around the bath areas are defective. Failure to seals can result in dampness and decay within hidden areas of the property.
	There is a WC at first floor level. There is no wash and basin. This is unlikely to comply with current regulations.

Heating and Hot Water	
Repair Category	2
Notes	A radiator has been removed.
	The central heating boiler is of an older type. Informed opinion suggests that many boilers have a life expectancy of between 10 and 20 years. A suitably qualified heating engineer will be able to advise further on repairing requirements or whether replacement is likely to be a more viable solution.
	It is assumed that the heating and hot water systems have been installed in accordance with all relevant regulations and thereafter maintained on a regular basis.
	Boilers and central heating systems should be tested and serviced by a Oftec oil registered engineer on an annual basis to ensure their safe and efficient operation.

Category 3	Category 2	Category 1
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Drainage	
Repair Category	2
Notes	It is assumed that the tank is registered with SEPA. Regular inspection and maintenance should be anticipated.

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

Structural Movement	1
Dampness, Rot and Infestation	3
Chimney Stacks	3
Roofing including Roof Space	3
Rainwater Fittings	3
Main Walls	3
Windows, External Doors and Joinery	2
External Decorations	2
Conservatories and Porches	N/A
Communal Areas	N/A
Garages and Permanent Outbuildings	2
Outside Areas and Boundaries	2
Ceilings	3
Internal Walls	3
Floors including Sub-floors	2
Internal Joinery and Kitchen Fittings	3
Chimney Breasts and Fireplaces	3
Internal Decorations	3
Cellars	N/A
Electricity	3
Gas	N/A
Water, Plumbing and Bathroom Fittings	3
Heating and Hot Water	2
Drainage	2

Category 3

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

Category 2

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

Category 1

No immediate action or repair is needed.

Remember

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

Warning

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

3. ACCESSIBILITY INFORMATION

Guidance Notes on Accessibility Information

Three steps or fewer to a main entrance door of the property: In flatted developments the 'main entrance' would be the flat's own entrance door, not the external door to the communal stair.

The 'three steps or fewer' are counted from external ground level to the flat's entrance door. Where a lift is present, the count is based on the number of steps climbed when using the lift.

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

1. Which floor(s) is the living accommodation on?	Ground floor.
2. Are there three steps or fewer to a main entrance door of the property?	Yes X No
3. Is there a lift to the main entrance door of the property?	Yes No X
4. Are all door openings greater than 750mm?	Yes No X
5. Is there a toilet on the same level as the living room and kitchen?	Yes 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

The property was full renovated more than 20 years ago. A WC has been installed at first floor level in recent years. The garage has been erected more than 20 years ago. The byre in the garden has had a kitchenette and shower tray fitted in recent years. It is assumed that all necessary Local Authority and other consents have been obtained for alterations and that the appropriate documentation, including Building Warrants and Completion Certificates issued. If any works did not require consent, then it has been assumed they meet the standards required by the Building Regulations or are exempt.

Drainage is to a septic tank. It is assumed that the tank is registered with SEPA. The position regarding age, location, condition and maintenance history should be clarified.

Estimated Reinstatement Cost (£) for Insurance Purposes

Six Hundred and Thirty-Five Thousand Pounds: £635,000

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

Valuation (£) and Market Comments

Two Hundred and Eighty Thousand Pounds: £280,000

The opinion of Market Value is provided on the assumption that the cost of Category 3 repairs will not exceed £70000. I reserve the right to re-consider the reported Market Value if subsequent estimates exceed this figure.

The property market over the past 12 months has been some buoyant with a number of houses sale in a relatively short period of time.

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Mortgage Valuation Report



DM HALL

Property Address: Moyness House, Nairn, IV12 5LB

Date of Inspection: 12th May 2025

Reference: 1055553

Location & Description

1. Location:

The property is located in the rural area of Moyness. The property is surrounded by open countryside. A range of facilities can be obtained in the town of Nairn within reasonable commuting distance.

2. Description:

The property is a two storey detached house.

3. Age:

Built around 1875.

4. Main Construction:

Walls: Solid stone. Roof: Pitched and slated.

5. Accommodation:

Ground Floor: Living Room, Dining Room, Bathroom and Kitchen.

First Floor: 2 Bedrooms and WC/Bedroom.

6. Floor Area - excluding garages and outbuildings:

Gross internal floor area: 118 Gross external floor area:

7. Garage and Outbuildings:

Detached double garage.

Stone byre.

Services / Roads

Services / Roads					
8 Main Service:					
Water:	Yes: ✓	No:			
Electricity:	Yes: ✓	No:			
Gas:	Yes:	No:	✓		
Drainage:	Yes:	No:	✓		
For comments on no	on-mains services, see sectio	n 15.			
8a. Heating:					
Oil fired boiler.					
		45.0			
	d adopted (If no see section		ks)		
Yes: ✓		No:			
General Condition					
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be present within co	oncealed areas. Woodworm i of Timber and Damp Speci	nfestation is evident.	elihood that similar defects will The entire property should be having all necessary remedial		
The electrics are in be able to advise fu	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	aces. An NICEIC/SEL	ECT registered electrician will		
Rainwater goods should be overhauled.					
The kitchen suffers from dampness. A building contractor will be able to advise further.					
A number of linings	are missing.				
The plumbing syste	m has leaks and should be o	verhauled.			
Retention:	Yes: ✓	No:			

Retention amount: £75,000

11. Subsidence, Settlement and Landslip:

No obvious evidence of significant movement noted within the limitations of my inspection.

12. General Condition:

The property will require to be the subject of a comprehensive programme of repair and upgrading. While intended not an exhaustive list, this includes attention to such elements as extension dampness and rot. see essential repairs section for further information.

Legal & Other Matters

Yes:	✓	No:		
14. Tenure - assumed ownership with marketable title (If no, see section 15)				

No:

13. Alterations: Has the property been extended/converted/altered? (If yes, see section 15)

15. General Remarks:

Yes:

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Drainage is to a septic tank. It is assumed that the tank is registered with SEPA. The position regarding age, location, condition and maintenance history should be clarified.

16. Comments on Mortgageability:

The property is considered suitable for mortgage purposes subject, as always, to the policy of the individual lender.

Valuation & Insurance

17.1 Valuation in present condition (words and figures):

Two Hundred and Eighty Thousand Pounds: £280,000

17.2 Valuation upon completion of any works required under section 9 (words and figures):

Three Hundred and Fifty-Five Thousand Pounds: £355,000

17.3 Insurance reinstatement: Approximate current reinstatement cost including site clearance and professional fees, excluding VAT except on fees. (words and figures):

Six Hundred and Thirty-Five Thousand Pounds: £635,000

18. Declaration:

Signed:

Valuer's name and Qualifications: Colin MacGregor BSc (Hons) MRICS 1205312

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Energy Performance Certificate



Energy Performance Certificate (EPC)

Dwellings

Scotland

MOYNESS HOUSE, NAIRN, IV12 5LB

Dwelling type: Detached house
Date of assessment: 12 May 2025
Date of certificate: 15 May 2025
Total floor area: 118 m²

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Primary Energy Indicator: 525 kWh/m²/year

Reference number: 3715-8825-0100-0222-8292

Type of assessment: RdSAP, existing dwelling

Approved Organisation: Elmhurst

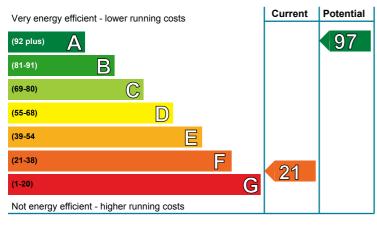
Main heating and fuel: Boiler and radiators, oil

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 CO₂ emissions by improving your home

Estimated energy costs for your home for 3 years*	£11,040	See your recommendations
Over 3 years you could save*	£7,089	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 (21)**. 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.

Very environmentally friendly - lower CO₂ emissions (92 plus) (81-91) (69-80) (55-68) (39-54 (21-38) (1-20) Not environmentally friendly - higher CO₂ emissions Current Potential Potential

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 G (16)**. The average rating for EPCs in Scotland is **band D (59)**.

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

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

Recommended measures	Indicative cost	Typical savings over 3 years	
1 Internal or external wall insulation	£4,000 - £14,000	£3231.00	
2 Floor insulation (solid floor)	£4,000 - £6,000	£534.00	
3 Add additional 80 mm jacket to hot water cylinder	£15 - £30	£66.00	

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

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

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

Summary of the energy performance related features of this home

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

Element	Description	Energy Efficiency	Environmental
Walls	Granite or whinstone, as built, no insulation (assumed)	***	***
	Timber frame, as built, insulated (assumed)	★★★★ ☆	★★★★ ☆
Roof	Pitched, 150 mm loft insulation	★★★★ ☆	★★★★ ☆
Floor	Solid, no insulation (assumed)	_	_
	Solid, limited insulation (assumed)	_	
Windows	Single glazed	****	****
Main heating	Boiler and radiators, oil	***	***
Main heating controls	Programmer, TRVs and bypass	***	***
Secondary heating	Room heaters, coal	_	_
Hot water	From main system, no cylinder thermostat	****	****
Lighting	Low energy lighting in 45% 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, 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 148 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 17 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 13.7 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	£9,252 over 3 years	£3,276 over 3 years	
Hot water	£1,287 over 3 years	£345 over 3 years	You could
Lighting	£501 over 3 years	£330 over 3 years	save £7,089
Tota	ls £11,040	£3,951	over 3 years

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

Recommendations for improvement

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

Recommended measures		Indicative cost	Typical saving	Rating after improvement	
		indicative cost	per year	Energy	Environment
1	Internal or external wall insulation	£4,000 - £14,000	£1077	E 40	F 31
2	Floor insulation (solid floor)	£4,000 - £6,000	£178	E 43	F 34
3	Add additional 80 mm jacket to hot water cylinder	£15 - £30	£22	E 44	F 35
4	Low energy lighting for all fixed outlets	£30	£45	E 45	F 35
5	Hot water cylinder thermostat	£200 - £400	£32	E 46	F 36
6	Upgrade heating controls	£350 - £450	£164	E 50	E 39
7	Condensing boiler	£2,200 - £3,000	£560	D 65	E 52
8	Solar water heating	£4,000 - £6,000	£58	D 67	D 55
9	Replace single glazed windows with low-E double glazed windows	£3,300 - £6,500	£226	C 72	D 62
10	Solar photovoltaic panels, 2.5 kWp	£3,500 - £5,500	£382	C 80	C 69
11	Wind turbine	£15,000 - £25,000	£865	A 97	B 84

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.

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 Internal or external wall insulation

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

2 Floor insulation (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 Hot water cylinder insulation

Increasing the thickness of existing insulation by adding an 80 mm cylinder jacket around the hot water cylinder will help maintain the water at the required temperature; this will reduce the amount of energy used and lower fuel bills. The jacket should be fitted over the top of the existing foam insulation and over any thermostat clamped to the cylinder. Hot water pipes from the hot water cylinder should also be insulated, using pre-formed pipe insulation of up to 50 mm thickness, or to suit the space available, for as far as they can be accessed to reduce losses in summer. All these materials can be purchased from DIY stores and installed by a competent DIY enthusiast.

4 Low energy lighting

Replacement of traditional light bulbs with energy saving bulbs will reduce lighting costs over the lifetime of the bulb, and they last many times longer than ordinary light bulbs. Low energy lamps and fittings are now commonplace and readily available. Information on energy efficiency lighting can be found from a wide range of organisations, including the Energy Saving Trust (http://www.energysavingtrust.org.uk/home-energy-efficiency/lighting).

5 Cylinder thermostat

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

6 Heating controls (room thermostat)

The heating system should have a room thermostat to enable the boiler to switch off when no heat is required. A competent heating engineer should be asked to do this work. Insist that the thermostat switches off the boiler as well as the pump and that the thermostatic radiator valve is removed from any radiator in the same room as the thermostat. Building regulations generally apply to this work and a building warrant may be required, so it is best to check with your local authority building standards department and seek advice from a qualified heating engineer.

7 Condensing boiler (separate from the range cooker)

A condensing boiler is capable of higher efficiencies than other types of boiler, meaning it will burn less fuel to heat the property. It is recommended to install a separate condensing boiler, independent of the range cooker, but there may be exceptional circumstances making this impractical. Condensing boilers need a drain for the condensate which limits their location. Building regulations generally apply to this work and a building warrant may be required, so it is best to check with your local authority building standards department and seek advice from a qualified heating engineer.

8 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.

9 Double glazed windows

Double glazing is the term given to a system where two panes of glass are made up into a sealed unit. Replacing existing single-glazed windows with double-glazed windows will improve comfort in the home by reducing draughts and cold spots near windows. Double-glazed windows may also reduce noise, improve security and combat problems with condensation. Building regulations apply to this work and planning permission may also be required, so it is best to check with your local authority on what standards need to be met. A building warrant is not required if the windows comply with the current requirements.

10 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.

11 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: 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)	24,674	(444)	N/A	(8,916)	
Water heating (kWh per year)	3,639				

Addendum

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

About this document

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

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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.

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