

# Single Survey

survey report on:

Property address	2 Cove Close, Aberdeen, AB12 3QN
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Customer	Mr A Milne, Miss E Cruickshank
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Date of inspection	22nd February 2024
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## PART 1 - GENERAL

### 1.1 THE SURVEYORS

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

### 1.2 THE REPORT

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

## 1.3 LIABILITY

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

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

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

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

## 1.4 GENERIC MORTGAGE VALUATION REPORT

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

## 1.5 TRANSCRIPT MORTGAGE VALUATION FOR LENDING PURPOSES

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

## 1.6 INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

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

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

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they assign the same to any other party in writing.

## 1.7 PAYMENT

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

## 1.8 CANCELLATION

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

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

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

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

## 1.9 PRECEDENCE

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

## 1.1 DEFINITIONS

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

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

## PART 2 - DESCRIPTION OF THE REPORT

### 2.1 THE SERVICE

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

### 2.2 THE INSPECTION

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

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

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

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

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

## 2.3 THE REPORT

The Report will be prepared by the Surveyor who carried out the property inspection and will describe various aspects of the property as defined by the headings of the Single Survey report with the comments being general and unbiased. The report on the location, style and condition of the property, will be concise and will be restricted to matters that could have a material effect upon value and will omit items that, in the Surveyor's opinion, are not significant. If certain minor matters are mentioned, it should not be interpreted that the property is free of any other minor defects.

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

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

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

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

## 2.4 SERVICES

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

## 2.5 ACCESSIBILITY

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

## 2.6 ENERGY REPORT

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

## 2.7 VALUATION AND CONVEYANCER ISSUES

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

## 1. Information and scope of inspection

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

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

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

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

<b>Description</b>	The property comprises a 2 storey semi detached house.
<b>Accommodation</b>	GROUND FLOOR: Entrance Hall, Livingroom and Kitchen. FIRST FLOOR: Landing, 2 Bedrooms and Bathroom.
<b>Gross internal floor area (m<sup>2</sup>)</b>	58sqm approximately.
<b>Neighbourhood and location</b>	The property is situated in an established residential area in the coastal village of Cove, which lies around 4 miles south of Aberdeen city centre. The location is convenient for local amenities.
<b>Age</b>	26 years.
<b>Weather</b>	At the time of the inspection the weather conditions were dry and clear. The report should be read in this context.
<b>Chimney stacks</b>	None.
<b>Roofing including roof space</b>	<p>The roof is pitched and tiled, with half round concrete ridge tiles clipped in position and dry uPVC verge caps installed. A ventilation ridge tile was noted.</p> <p>There is a canopy style mono-pitched and tiled roof over the entrance door.</p> <p>The roof space was inspected through a ceiling hatch to the upper level landing. The roof is timber framed, with undertile felt material and glasswool quilt insulation installed between ceiling joists. Some timber boards are installed to provide a storage area.</p>
<b>Rainwater fittings</b>	Rainwater discharge is via uPVC gutters and uPVC downpipes.



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<b>Main walls</b>	<p><b>Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.</b></p> <p><b>Foundations and concealed parts were not exposed or inspected.</b></p> <p>The main walls are of a cavity concrete block construction, roughcast externally and with pointed facing brick finish to the ground floor.</p>
<b>Windows, external doors and joinery</b>	<p><b>Internal and external doors were opened and closed where keys were available.</b></p> <p><b>Random windows were opened and closed where possible.</b></p> <p><b>Doors and windows were not forced open.</b></p> <p>The windows are of uPVC framed and double glazed design. The bathroom window unit has been upgraded recently.</p> <p>The front entrance door is of uPVC framed and double glazed design, with a set of uPVC framed and double glazed French doors leading from the kitchen to the rear garden.</p> <p>There are uPVC clad fascias and soffits to rooflines. There are some timber elements to the canopy roof support.</p>
<b>External decorations</b>	<p>The external decorations comprise painted or uPVC finishes.</p>
<b>Conservatories / porches</b>	<p>None.</p>
<b>Communal areas</b>	<p>None.</p>
<b>Garages and permanent outbuildings</b>	<p>None.</p>
<b>Outside areas and boundaries</b>	<p>There are garden grounds to front and rear.</p> <p>To the front, the garden ground is laid to lawn, with slabbed site paths. There is a slabbed and stone chipped driveway to the side.</p> <p>The rear garden is laid to lawn, with a section of timber decking and with boundary defined by a timber fence. There is a slabbed patio area and paths.</p>
<b>Ceilings</b>	<p><b>Visually inspected from floor level.</b></p> <p>The ceilings are of ceiling joists lined with plasterboard.</p>
<b>Internal walls</b>	<p><b>Visually inspected from floor level.</b></p> <p><b>Using a moisture meter, walls were randomly tested for dampness where considered appropriate.</b></p> <p>The internal walls are of stud lined with plasterboard.</p>

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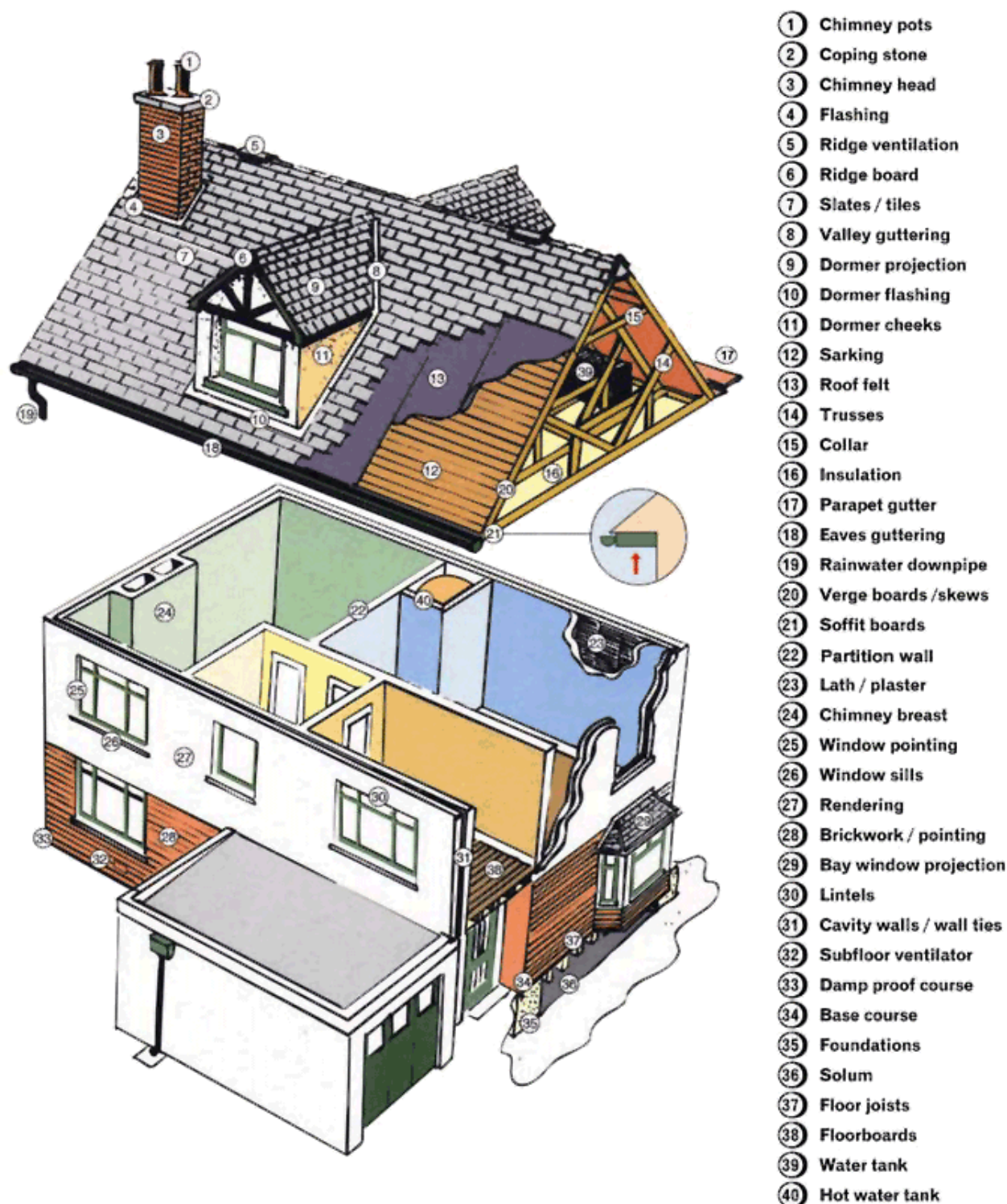
<b>Floors including sub floors</b>	<p>Flooring at ground floor level is of solid concrete, with flooring to the upper level of a suspended timber construction overlaid with timber floorboards. There are fitted floor coverings installed.</p> <p>There is no accessible sub-floor void.</p>
<b>Internal joinery and kitchen fittings</b>	<p>The internal joinery finishes are of timber.</p> <p>The internal doors are of timber framed and glazed or timber framed and panel design.</p> <p>The kitchen is fitted with a range of floor standing and wall mounted units.</p> <p>There is a timber staircase with handrail which leads from the ground floor entrance hall to the upper level landing.</p>
<b>Chimney breasts and fireplaces</b>	<p>None.</p>
<b>Internal decorations</b>	<p><b>Visually inspected.</b></p> <p>The internal decorations comprise painted, tiled or textured paint finishes.</p>
<b>Cellars</b>	<p>None.</p>
<b>Electricity</b>	<p><b>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.</b></p> <p>Mains electricity supply.</p> <p>The electricity meter is in an external box. The consumer unit is wall mounted at higher level within the property and above the entrance door. Visible wiring is of PVC coated cabling with 13amp sockets.</p>
<b>Gas</b>	<p>Mains gas supply.</p> <p>The gas meter is in a low level external box to the front wall of the property.</p>

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<b>Water, plumbing, bathroom fittings</b>	<p><b>Visual inspection of the accessible pipework, water tanks, cylinders and fittings without removing any insulation.</b></p> <p><b>No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances.</b></p> <p>Mains water supply.</p> <p>The family bathroom comprises a panel bath with shower over, low level WC and wash hand basin.</p> <p>There is a stainless steel sink unit with drainer in the kitchen.</p> <p>All visible pipework is formed in copper or PVC materials.</p>
<b>Heating and hot water</b>	<p><b>Accessible parts of the system were visually inspected apart from communal systems, which were not inspected.</b></p> <p><b>No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances.</b></p> <p>There is a gas fired Potterton Suprima 30 central heating boiler, wall mounted in the kitchen. This boiler supplies steel panel radiators and also provides the domestic hot water.</p> <p>There is a hot water storage cylinder installed in the front bedroom cupboard. This cupboard was fully stored and access restricted.</p>
<b>Drainage</b>	<p><b>Drainage covers etc were not lifted.</b></p> <p><b>Neither drains nor drainage systems were tested.</b></p> <p>Mains drainage is understood to be connected.</p>
<b>Fire, smoke and burglar alarms</b>	<p>There are smoke detectors installed.</p> <p>Scottish government regulations came into effect on 1st February 2022 which requires each property to have linked smoke and heat detectors and if gas/carbon burning appliances are present then a carbon monoxide alarm fitted. Upgrading may be required to comply with these regulations. Purchasers should satisfy themselves with regards to compliance.</p>

<b>Any additional limits to inspection</b>	<p>The property was inspected within the limits imposed by occupation which included, throughout, closely nailed and fixed fitted carpeting, floor coverings, stored items, furnishings etc. The owner's personal belongings were not removed from cupboards.</p> <p>It will be appreciated that parts of the property, which are covered, unexposed or inaccessible, cannot be guaranteed to be free from defect.</p> <p>This report does not constitute a full and detailed description of the property and a structural investigation was not carried out. No inspection was undertaken of woodwork or other parts of the structure which are covered, unexposed or otherwise inaccessible and as a result no guarantee can be given that such parts of the structure are free from rot, beetle or other defects.</p> <p>No removal of internal linings has been carried out in order to ascertain the condition of hidden parts and no warranty can be given regarding the areas not specifically referred to in this report.</p> <p>The external building fabric has been inspected from ground level only from the subjects grounds and where possible from adjoining public property. Exposure work has not been carried out.</p> <p>The report does not include an asbestos inspection. However, asbestos was widely used in the building industry until around 2000, when it became a banned substance. If the possibility of asbestos based products has been reported within the limitations of the inspection and you have concerns you should engage a qualified asbestos surveyor.</p>
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## 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.

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## 2. Condition

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

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



### Structural movement

Repair category	1
Notes	No obvious evidence of movement was noted from within the limitations of the inspection.



### Dampness, rot and infestation

Repair category	1
Notes	No dampness, rot or infestation noted from within the limitations of the inspection.



### Chimney stacks

Repair category	-
Notes	Not applicable.



### Roofing including roof space

Repair category	1
Notes	<p>Roof tiling, as viewed from ground level, appears to have been laid to generally even courses with no obvious significant defects noted. Concrete tiled roofs typically have a lifespan of around 40 years. Furthermore, this life can be shortened either due to adverse weather conditions or a general lack of maintenance.</p> <p>Ongoing maintenance will be required to the roof covering.</p>



## Rainwater fittings

Repair category	1
Notes	No significant disrepair was noted to rainwater goods. It will however be appreciated that the inspection was carried out during dry weather conditions. Sometimes defects in rainwater goods are only apparent during, or after heavy rainfall.



## Main walls

Repair category	1
Notes	No obvious significant defects were noted to accessible wall surfaces. Salt efflorescence staining to facing brick can be brushed off.



## Windows, external doors and joinery

Repair category	1
Notes	It should be appreciated that double glazed sealed units do have a limited life expectancy, and defective seals can lead to condensation between the panes, necessitating in the replacement of the unit. This can sometimes only be obvious during adverse weather conditions.  When tested, the kitchen window could not be opened fully and requires attention. Some timbers to the canopy roof are weathered.



## External decorations

Repair category	1
Notes	Some paint finishes are weathered.



## Conservatories/porches

Repair category	-
Notes	Not applicable.



## Communal areas

Repair category	-
Notes	Not applicable.





## Garages and permanent outbuildings

Repair category	-
Notes	Not applicable.



## Outside areas and boundaries

Repair category	1
Notes	Some weathering was noted to timber boundary fencing. Some slabs are cracked.



## Ceilings

Repair category	1
Notes	There are some areas of uneven plasterwork.



## Internal walls

Repair category	1
Notes	There are some areas of uneven plasterwork.



## Floors including sub-floors

Repair category	1
Notes	Within the limitations imposed on the inspection, no indications were noted to suggest any serious disrepair. It will however be appreciated that concealed floor timbers cannot be guaranteed to be free from defect.



## Internal joinery and kitchen fittings

Repair category	1
Notes	No obvious significant defects were noted to internal joinery or kitchen fittings.



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## Chimney breasts and fireplaces

Repair category	-
Notes	Not applicable.



## Internal decorations

Repair category	1
Notes	<p>Internal decorations are a matter of personal taste.</p> <p>Many materials used prior to 1999 contained asbestos. Attention is drawn to, although not limited to, Artex finishes to walls and ceilings. Appropriate precautions should be taken if any sanding or redecoration is planned, and should removal be contemplated, this should only be carried out by a licensed asbestos removal contractor.</p>



## Cellars

Repair category	-
Notes	Not applicable.



## Electricity

Repair category	2
Notes	<p>We noted no evidence of any recent test certification. It is recommended good practice that all electrical installations should be checked periodically, at least every ten years or when a property changes hands. This should be regarded as a routine safety and maintenance check.</p> <p>The consumer unit does not incorporate modern residual circuit detectors. Upgrading and/or renewal should be anticipated.</p> <p>It is recommended good practice that all electrical installations should be checked periodically, approximately every ten years or when a property changes hands. This should be regarded as a routine safety and maintenance check.</p>



## Gas

Repair category	1
Notes	It is recommended good practice that all gas installations should be checked periodically. This should be regarded as a routine safety and maintenance check.



## Water, plumbing and bathroom fittings

<b>Repair category</b>	1
<b>Notes</b>	Given the presence of the shower mounted over the bath, it is essential that all wall linings, tile grout, seals, etc are maintained in good condition. Failure to do so can lead to concealed defects behind wall finishes, and below the bath. As the bath is boxed in, it will be appreciated that it is not possible to comment on concealed locations.



## Heating and hot water

<b>Repair category</b>	1
<b>Notes</b>	<p>It is recommended good practice that gas boilers are serviced on an annual basis by an appropriately qualified person. The boiler's service history should be checked by referring to the service records. If there is no record of a recent service, the boiler should be checked by an appropriately qualified person.</p> <p>The central heating boiler's remaining economic lifespan may be short. It will not be as energy efficient as a modern condensing boiler. Please see our further comments in the attached energy report.</p>



## Drainage

<b>Repair category</b>	1
<b>Notes</b>	No obvious significant defects were noted to the drainage system, within the limitations of the inspection.

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

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

## Category 3

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

## Category 2

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

## Category 1

No immediate action or repair is needed.

### Remember

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

### Warning

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

## 3. Accessibility information

### Guidance notes on accessibility information

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

In flatted developments the 'main entrance' would be the flat's own entrance door, not the external door to the communal stair. The 'three steps or fewer' are counted from external ground level to the flat's entrance door. 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 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
3. Is there a lift to the main entrance door of the property?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
4. Are all door openings greater than 750mm?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
5. Is there a toilet on the same level as the living room and kitchen?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
6. Is there a toilet on the same level as a bedroom?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
7. Are all rooms on the same level with no internal steps or stairs?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
8. Is there unrestricted parking within 25 metres of an entrance door to the building?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>

## 4. Valuation and conveyancer issues

This section highlights information that should be checked with a solicitor or licensed conveyancer. It also gives an opinion of market value and an estimated reinstatement cost for insurance purposes.

### Matters for a solicitor or licensed conveyancer

The tenure is understood to be Outright Ownership.

In line with our normal practice, it is specifically assumed that the property and its value are unaffected by any matters which would or should be revealed to a competent Completing Solicitor by a local search and replies to the usual enquiries, or by any statutory notice and planning proposal.

Where defects or repairs have been identified within this report, or where access was not possible to significant parts of the structure, it is recommended that, prior to entering into any legally binding sale or purchase contract, further specialists or contractors advice and estimates must be obtained, to establish the implications, if any, on a potential offer to purchase or the sale price likely to be achieved for the property.

French doors have been installed to the rear. These appear to be upgraded units from the original French door installation.

Rights of access, land ownership and maintenance liabilities around the property should be confirmed through an inspection of the Title Deeds.

### Estimated reinstatement cost for insurance purposes

£170,000 (One hundred and seventy thousand pounds).

Building costs are currently increasing significantly above inflation due to material and labour shortages. It is recommended that you update this figure regularly to ensure that you have adequate cover or alternatively seek specialist advice from your insurer.

### Valuation and market comments

In its present condition the opinion of valuation for the Outright Ownership interest with vacant possession on the date of inspection is £165,000 (One Hundred and Sixty Five Thousand Pounds).

This is a Replacement Single Survey. The original inspection was carried out on 17 October 2023.

At the time of the inspection, the local property market appeared to be performing adequately, having regard to the supply of property available for sale.

### Signed

Security Print Code [532840 = 6414 ]  
Electronically signed

### Report author

Paul Delaney

### Company name

Harvey Donaldson & Gibson

### Address

23 Rubislaw Den North, Aberdeen, AB15 4AL

# Single Survey

Date of report	22nd February 2024
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# Mortgage Valuation Report



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## Property Address

Address 2 Cove Close, Aberdeen, AB12 3QN  
Seller's Name Mr A Milne, Miss E Cruickshank  
Date of Inspection 22nd February 2024

## Property Details

Property Type ☒ House ☐ Bungalow ☐ Purpose built maisonette ☐ Converted maisonette  
☐ Purpose built flat ☐ Converted flat ☐ Tenement flat ☐ Flat over non-residential use  
☐ Other (specify in General Remarks)

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

Does the surveyor believe that the property was built for the public sector, e.g. local authority, military, police?

☐ Yes ☒ No

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

Approximate Year of Construction

## Tenure

☒ Absolute Ownership ☐ Leasehold Ground rent £  Unexpired years

## Accommodation

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

Gross Floor Area (excluding garages and outbuildings)  m<sup>2</sup> (Internal)  m<sup>2</sup> (External)

Residential Element (greater than 40%) ☒ Yes ☐ No

## Garage / Parking / Outbuildings

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

Permanent outbuildings:

No permanent outbuildings.

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## Construction

Walls ☒ Brick ☐ Stone ☐ Concrete ☐ Timber frame ☐ Other (specify in General Remarks)  
Roof ☒ Tile ☐ Slate ☐ Asphalt ☐ Felt ☐ Other (specify in General Remarks)

## Special Risks

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

## Service Connection

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

Drainage ☒ Mains ☐ Private ☐ None Water ☒ Mains ☐ Private ☐ None  
Electricity ☒ Mains ☐ Private ☐ None Gas ☒ Mains ☐ Private ☐ None  
Central Heating ☒ Yes ☐ Partial ☐ None

Brief description of Central Heating:

Gas fired boiler to radiators.

## Site

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

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

## Location

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

## Planning Issues

Has the property been extended / converted / altered? ☐ Yes ☒ No  
If Yes provide details in General Remarks.

## Roads

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



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## General Remarks

The property is situated in an established residential area in the coastal village of Cove, which lies around 4 miles south of Aberdeen city centre. The location is convenient for local amenities.

The property was found to be in a condition commensurate with age and type.

The property was occupied, furnished and with floors covered. The inspection was consequently restricted.

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## Essential Repairs

None noted.

Estimated cost of essential repairs £

Retention recommended? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Amount £

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## Comment on Mortgageability

The property affords adequate security for loan purposes based on the valuation figure, subject to individual lender's criteria.

## Valuations

Market value in present condition £ 165,000

Market value on completion of essential repairs £

Insurance reinstatement value £ 170,000  
(to include the cost of total rebuilding, site clearance, professional fees, ancillary charges plus VAT)

Is a reinspection necessary? ☐ Yes ☒ No

## Buy To Let Cases

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

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

## Declaration

Signed Security Print Code [532840 = 6414 ]  
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