

# Home Report

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# Scottish Single Survey



### survey report on:

Property address	98 West Holmes Gardens Musselburgh EH21 6QJ
Customer	Grace Pow
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Prepared by	Shepherd Chartered Surveyors
Date of inspection	19/02/2024



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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 marking the adjacent box.



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

### 1.2 THE REPORT

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

#### 1.3 LIABILITY

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

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

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

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

### 1.4 GENERIC MORTGAGE VALUATION REPORT

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

### 1.5 TRANSCRIPT MORTGAGE VALUATION FOR LENDING PURPOSES

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

### 1.6 INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

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

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

they assign the same to any other party in writing.

#### 1.7 PAYMENT

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

### 1.8 CANCELLATION

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

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

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

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

### 1.9 PRECEDENCE

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

#### 1.10 DEFINITIONS

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

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

### PART 2 - DESCRIPTION OF THE REPORT

### 2.1 THE SERVICE

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

### 2.2 THE INSPECTION

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

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

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

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

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

#### 2.3 THE REPORT

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

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

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

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

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

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

### 2.4 SERVICES

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

### 2.5 ACCESSIBILITY

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

### 2.6 ENERGY REPORT

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

### 2.7 VALUATION AND CONVEYANCER ISSUES

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

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

There are rights of access and exit over all communal roadways, corridors, stairways etc. and to use

communal grounds, parking areas, and other facilities;

- There are no particularly troublesome or unusual legal restrictions;
- There is no current dispute between the occupiers of the flats or any outstanding claims or losses; and the costs of repairs to the building are shared among the co-proprietors on an equitable basis.

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

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

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

### 1. Information and scope of inspection

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

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

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

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

Description	Two storey mid terraced house.
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Accommodation	Ground Floor: Entrance Hall, Living Room, Kitchen/Dining Room and Utility Room.
	First Floor: Three Bedrooms and Bathroom with WC.
Gross internal floor area (m²)	The gross internal floor area extends 92 sq m or thereby.
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Neighbourhood and location	The subjects are situated in the East Lothian town of Musselburgh being convenient for all local amenities.
Age	1910 approximately.
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Weather	Dry and overcast.
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Chimney stacks	Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.
	Chimney stacks are of pointed brick construction. The roof is pitched and slated.

Roofing including roof space	Sloping roofs were visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.
	Flat roofs were visually inspected from vantage points within the property and where safe and reasonable to do so from a 3m ladder externally.
	Roof spaces were visually inspected and were entered where there was safe and reasonable access, normally defined as being from a 3m ladder within the property.
	If this is not possible, then physical access to the roof space may be taken by other means if the Surveyor deems it safe and reasonable to do so.
	Access was afforded into the roof void via a hatch within the first floor landing. A head and shoulders inspection was carried out only due to the presence of insulation. The rear roof pitch could not be inspected.
Rainwater fittings	Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.
	Cast iron gutters and downpipes.
Main walls	Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.
	Foundations and concealed parts were not exposed or inspected.
	The main walls are built of traditional solid stone and solid brick construction. The rear elevation was unseen.
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.
	Windows throughout are of a timber single glazed sash and case style. The front and rear access doors are of a timber variety. There is a roof light within the stairwell.
External decorations	Visually inspected.
	Painted timber finishes.
Conservatories / porches	None.

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Communal areas	None.
Garages and permanent outbuildings	None.
Outside areas and boundaries	Visually inspected.
	The property benefits from private garden ground to the rear of the property bounded by brick walls. No access was afforded into the garden. Boundaries were inspected from rear windows only.
Ceilings	Visually inspected from floor level.
	Plastered ceilings.
Internal walls	Visually inspected from floor level.
	Using a moisture meter, walls were randomly tested for dampness where considered appropriate.
	Internal walls are plastered on the hard.
Floors including sub floors	Surfaces of exposed floors were visually inspected. No carpets or floor coverings were lifted.
	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.
	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.
	Flooring throughout is of suspended timber construction. No access was afforded to any sub-floor areas.
Internal joinery and kitchen fittings	Built-in cupboards were looked into but no stored items
	were moved.
	Kitchen units were visually inspected excluding appliances.
	The kitchen fittings comprise wall and base units with worktop surface areas present. The internal doors, skirtings and facings are of a timber variety.

Chimney breasts and fireplaces	Visually inspected.
	No testing of the flues or fittings was carried out.
	There is a gas fire within the living room.
Internal decorations	Visually inspected.
	Papered and painted throughout.
Cellars	None.
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 with the meter located within the entrance hall.
Gas	Accessible parts of the system were visually inspected without removing fittings. No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances. Visual inspection does not assess any services to make sure they work properly and efficiently and meet modern standards. If any services are turned off, the surveyor will state that in the report and will not turn them on.  Mains supply with the meter located within the entrance hall.
Water, plumbing, bathroom fittings	Visual inspection of the accessible pipework, water tanks, cylinders and fittings without removing any insulation.  No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances.  Mains supply. The plumbing, where seen, is of copper supply pipes and PVC wastepipes. The sanitary fittings comprise a three piece suite within the bathroom.

#### Heating and hot water

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

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

The property benefits from a gas fired central heating system to steel panelled radiators with the combination boiler located within the kitchen cupboard. Hot water is provided by the central heating system.

### Drainage

Drainage covers etc. were not lifted.

Neither drains nor drainage systems were tested.

Drainage is presumed to be to the main public sewer.

### Fire, smoke and burglar alarms

Visually inspected.

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

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

#### Any additional limits to inspection

#### For flats / maisonettes

Only the subject flat and internal communal areas giving access to the flat were inspected.

If the roof space or under-building / basement is communal, reasonable and safe access is not always possible. If no inspection was possible, this will be stated. If no inspection was possible, the surveyor will assume that there are no defects that will have a material effect on the valuation.

The building containing the flat, including any external communal areas, was visually inspected only to the extent that the surveyor is able to give an opinion on the general condition and standard of maintenance.

No access was available beneath sanitary or kitchen fittings.

Windows and external doors were not all fully opened or tested.

No access was available to any sub-floor areas.

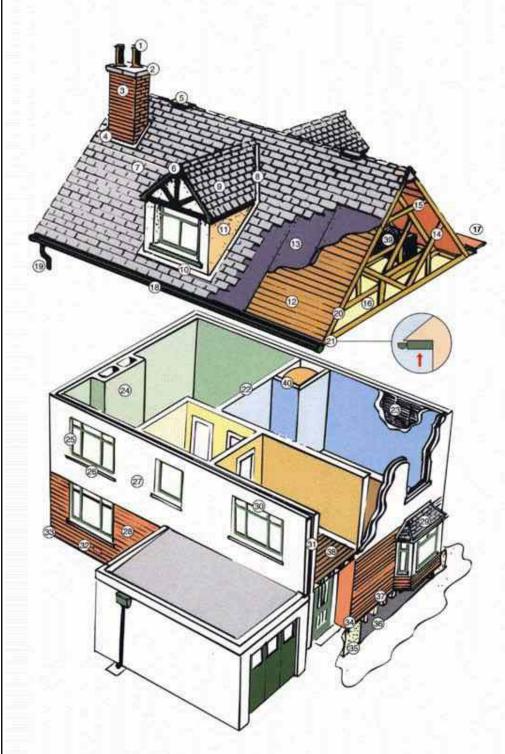
No access was afforded into the garden. The rear elevation and rear roof pitch could not be inspected.

A head and shoulders inspection of the roof void was carried out only. No access was afforded into the roof eaves.

Due to the presence of vegetation not all boundaries could be inspected.

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

### Sectional Diagram showing elements of a typical house



Reference may be made in this report to some or all of the above component parts of the property. This diagram may assist you in locating and understanding these items.

- 1) Chimney pots
- 2) Coping stone
- 3) Chimney head
- (4) Flashing
- 5) Ridge ventilation
- (6) Ridge board
- 7 Slates / tiles
- 8 Valley guttering
- 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
- Floor joists
- 38) Floorboards
- 39) Water tank
- 40) Hot water tank

### 2. Condition

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

Category 3	Category 2	Category 1
	Repairs or replacement requiring future attention, but estimates are still advised.	

Structural movement	
Repair category	3
Notes	More than typical structural movement was noted to the subject property. We would recommend that a check be carried out by a structural engineer with a written report provided thereafter.

Dampness, rot and infestation	
Repair category	3
Notes	Dampness and rot related defects noted to wall linings at ground floor level. Damp and timber/plaster defects noted at first floor level. We would recommend that a thorough check by a reputable timber and damp specialist be undertaken prior to purchase with written quotes provided for all remedial works required.  Evidence of mice infestation was noted. We would recommend that further
	specialist advice be sought in this regard.

Chimney stacks	
Repair category	1
Notes	Our inspection of chimneys was limited but they are of an age and style where a degree of regular ongoing maintenance should be anticipated.

Roofing including roof space	
Repair category	2
Notes	Loose and cracked slates were visible. Daylight noted to be showing within the roof void. The rear pitch could not be inspected due to the lie of the land. Cracked and loose cement work noted to the skews.
	The roof is of an age and style where a degree of regular ongoing maintenance should be anticipated. We would recommend that a check by a roofing contractor be made prior to purchase.

Rainwater fittings	
Repair category	2
Notes	Staining to the external fabric would indicate leaking gutters. We would recommend the rainwater goods be monitored under a heavy downpour and any remedial works carried out thereafter. The rear elevation was unseen.

Main walls	
Repair category	2
Notes	Staining noted to the front elevation. Weathered and damaged stonework noted. The rear elevation was not inspected, we presume no further defects are present. A precautionary check prior to purchase is recommended. Ongoing maintenance and repair to the external walls should be anticipated.

Windows, external doors and joinery	
Repair category	2
Notes	The window within the bathroom is of an older style and future upgrading should be anticipated. The windows are timber framed and single glazed. A degree of regular ongoing maintenance and repair should be anticipated.  The rear door could not be opened at the time of our inspection. Cracked glazing noted to the roof light within the stairwell.  A precautionary check of all windows and doors is always recommended prior to purchase.

External decorations	
Repair category	2
Notes	Weathering noted to areas of external joinery which will deteriorate if left unattended.

Conservatories/porches	
Repair category	N/A
Notes	None.

Communal areas	
Repair category	N/A
Notes	None.

Garages and permanent outbuildings	
Repair category	1
Notes	None.

Outside areas and boundaries	
Repair category	2
Notes	Boundaries and weathered and damaged and masonry repairs should be anticipated. Boundaries should be regularly checked and maintained as necessary.

Ceilings	
Repair category	3
Notes	Plaster defects noted in particular at first floor level requiring repair.

Internal walls	
Repair category	3
Notes	Plaster defects noted in particular at first floor level requiring repair.

Floors including sub-floors	
Repair category	2
Notes	Loose, uneven and damaged flooring noted. Springy stair treads noted.

Internal joinery and kitchen fittings	
Repair category	2
Notes	The kitchen fittings and internal doors are dated and future upgrading should be anticipated.
	Low level internal glazing should be checked for safety glass.

Chimney breasts and fireplaces	
Repair category	2
Notes	We would recommend that the gas fire be checked by a suitable contractor prior to use.
	All flue linings should be checked, repaired if necessary and swept prior to fires/appliances being reused.

Internal decorations	
Repair category	2
Notes	The property would benefit from a programme of modernisation/upgrading.

Cellars	
Repair category	N/A
Notes	None.

Electricity	
Repair category	3
Notes	Aspects of the electrical installation give cause for concern/may be potentially dangerous. The system should be fully checked by a registered electrician prior to purchase.

Gas	
Repair category	2
Notes	Two gas meters were noted during our inspection. We would recommend that the system be checked by a suitable contractor prior to purchase and any remedial works carried out thereafter.

Water, plumbing and bathroom fittings	
Repair category	2
Notes	The bathroom fittings are dated and future upgrading should be anticipated. The seals at the bath would benefit from resealing in order to ensure water tightness. We were unable to view concealed areas below the sanitary fittings and cannot confirm there are free from damp or further defects.  Due to the age of the property it is possible that lead plumbing exists. Whether this is the case we would recommend that it be removed/replaced with a modern equivalent.  We presume the sealants around the sanitary fittings are functional and no defects are present to the adjacent areas. A precautionary check of the areas below and adjacent to the sanitary fittings is always recommended prior to purchase as these areas are prone to leakage.

Heating and hot water		
Repair category	1	
Notes	It is assumed that the central heating system has been properly installed, updated and maintained to meet with all current regulations and standards with particular regard to fluing and ventilation requirements. Service records should be obtained and checked. In the absence of service documentation further advice should be obtained from a qualified heating engineer to ascertain the condition, efficiency, and life expectancy of the system.  A precautionary check is always recommended prior to purchase. No tests have been carried out by this firm.	

Drainage	
Repair category	2
Notes	We would recommend that the drainage be checked prior to purchase. No tests were carried out by this firm.

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	3
Dampness, rot and infestation	3
Chimney stacks	1
Roofing including roof space	2
Rainwater fittings	2
Main walls	2
Windows, external doors and joinery	2
External decorations	2
Conservatories/porches	N/A
Communal areas	N/A
Garages and permanent outbuildings	1
Outside areas and boundaries	2
Ceilings	3
Internal walls	3
Floors including sub-floors	2
Internal joinery and kitchen fittings	2
Chimney breasts and fireplaces	2
Internal decorations	2
Cellars	N/A
Electricity	3
Gas	2
Water, plumbing and bathroom fittings	2
Heating and hot water	1
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. Wherea lift is present, the count is based on the number of steps climbed when using the lift.

Unrestricted parking within 25 metres:

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

1. Which floor(s) is the living accommodation on?		Ground and First		
2. Are there three steps or fewer to a main entrance door of the property?	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		No	X
6. Is there a toilet on the same level as a bedroom?	Yes		No	X
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

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

The property is situated in an area of past/current mining activity. A mining report should be obtained from the Coal Authority to provide information as to historic and future mining activity and whether the property has been the subject of any compensation claims and to confirm that the property is not adversely affected.

The property is located within a designated conservation area.

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

### Estimated reinstatement cost for insurance purposes

For Reinstatement Cost Assessment purposes, it is recommended that the subjects be insured for a sum of not less than £335,000 (THREE HUNDRED AND THIRTY FIVE THOUSAND POUNDS STERLING).

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

### Valuation and market comments

Having considered matters, taking account of our general observations on site, we are of the opinion that the Market Value of the subjects in their present condition and with the benefit of vacant possession may be fairly stated in the sum of £300,000 (THREE HUNDRED THOUSAND POUNDS STERLING).

The valuation figure is on the assumption that the cost of Category 3 repairs does not greatly exceed £10,000. It should be appreciated that this is not an indication of costs and detailed reports and estimates should be obtained from all appropriate contractors and specialists to establish the full extent of the works.

Reports are required from the following: 1. Timber and damp specialist. 2. Structural engineer. 3. Electrical contractor. Detailed reports and estimates should be obtained from suitable tradesmen prior to purchase.

Signed	Edward Cook Electronically signed :- 21/02/2024 15:43
Report author	Edward Cook
Company name	J & E Shepherd Chartered Surveyors
Address	187 North Street Musselburgh EH21 6AN
Date of report	19/02/2024



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Property Address	
Address Seller's Name Date of Inspection	98 West Holmes Gardens, Musselburgh, EH21 6QJ Grace Pow 19/02/2024
Property Details	
Property Type X House Purpose built flat	Bungalow Purpose built maisonette Converted maisonette Converted flat Tenement flat Flat over non-residential use Other (specify in General Remarks)
Property Style Detached Back to back	Semi detached X Mid terrace End terrace High rise block Low rise block Other (specify in General Remarks)
Does the surveyor believe that the military, police? Flats/Maisonettes only Floor(s) on what Approximate Year of Construction	property was built for the public sector, e. g. local authority,  No. of floors in block  No. of units in block  1910  No. of units in block
Tenure	
X Absolute Ownership	Other
Accommodation	
Number of Rooms  1 Living room 1 Bathroom(s	
Gross Floor Area (excluding garage	es and outbuildings) 92 m² (Internal) m² (External)
Residential Element (greater than 4	0%) X Yes No
Garage / Parking / Outbuildings	
Single garage Double gar	rage Parking space X No garage / garage space / parking space
Available on site?	K No
Permanent outbuildings:	
None.	

Construction
Walls Brick Stone Concrete Timber frame X Other (specify in General Remarks)  Roof Tile X Slate Asphalt Felt Other (specify in General Remarks)
Special Risks
Has the property suffered structural movement?
If Yes, is this recent or progressive?
Is there evidence, history, or reason to anticipate subsidence, heave, landslip or flood in $\square$ Yes $\boxtimes$ No the immediate vicinity?
If Yes to any of the above, provide details in General Remarks.
Service Connections
Based on visual inspection only. If any services appear to be non-mains, please comment on the type and location of the supply in General Remarks
Drainage       X       Mains       Private       None       Water       X       Mains       Private       None         Electricity       X       Mains       Private       None       Gas       X       Mains       Private       None         Central Heating       X       Yes       Partial       None
Brief description of Central Heating and any non mains services:
Gas fired 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  X Residential within town / city  Mixed residential / commercial  Shared service connections  Commuter village  Remote village  I solated rural property  Other (specify in General Remarks)
Planning Issues
Has the property been extended / converted / altered? Yes X No  If Yes provide details in General Remarks.
Roads
X Made up road Unmade road Partly completed new road Pedestrian access only Adopted Unadopted

#### **General Remarks**

At the time of inspection the property was found to be in fair condition for one of its age and type of construction with items of repair and maintenance now required.

More than typical structural movement was noted to the subject property. We would recommended that a check be carried out by structural engineer with a written report provided thereafter.

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

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Dampness and rot related defects noted to wall linings at ground floor level. Damp and timber/defects noted at first floor level. We would recommend that a thorough check by a reputable timber and damp specialist be undertaken prior to purchase with written quotes provided for all remedial works required.

Due to the age of the property ongoing maintenance and repair should be anticipated to the internal and external fabric of the building.

Essential Repairs	
The sale is a few almost well as a income de-	
The advice of a structural engineer, da	mp and timber specialist, and electrical contractor is required prior to purchase.
Estimated cost of essential repairs	£10,000
Retention recommended?	X Yes No
Retention amount	£10,000
Comment on Mortgageabilit	y
The property forms suitable security for electrical report. It should be noted that purchase.	r mortgage purposes subject to a satisfactory structural engineer's report, damp and timber report, and t not all lenders have similar lending policies and you should check with your financial adviser prior to

Valuation		
Market value in present condition	£	300,000
Market value on completion of essential repairs	£	310,000
Insurance reinstatement value	£	335,000
(to include the cost of total rebuilding, site clearance, professional fees, ancillary charges plus VAT)		
Is a reinspection necessary?		Yes X No

### Declaration

Signed Edward Cook

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Surveyor's name Edward Cook

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# **Energy Performance Certificate**



### **Energy Performance Certificate (EPC)**

**Dwellings** 

## **Scotland**

### 98 WEST HOLMES GARDENS, FISHERROW, MUSSELBURGH, EH21 6QJ

Dwelling type: Mid-terrace house
Date of assessment: 19 February 2024
Date of certificate: 19 February 2024

**Total floor area:** 96 m<sup>2</sup>

Primary Energy Indicator: 310 kWh/m²/year

Reference number: 0190-2671-1120-2394-3601
Type of assessment: RdSAP, existing dwelling
Approved Organisation: Elmhurst

Main heating and fuel: Boiler and radiators, mains

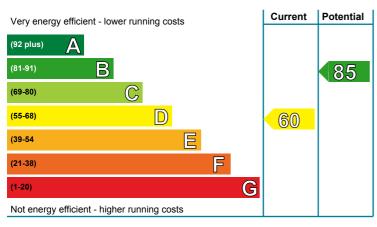
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#### You can use this document to:

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

Estimated energy costs for your home for 3 years*	£6,162	See your recommendations
Over 3 years you could save*	£2,634	report for more information

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

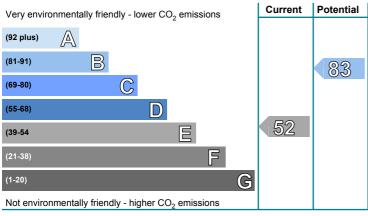


### **Energy Efficiency Rating**

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

Your current rating is **band D (60)**. The average rating for EPCs in Scotland is **band D (61)**.

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



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

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

Your current rating is **band E (52)**. The average rating for EPCs in Scotland is **band D (59)**.

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

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

Recommended measures	Indicative cost	Typical savings over 3 years
1 Room-in-roof insulation	£1,500 - £2,700	£1380.00
2 Internal or external wall insulation	£4,000 - £14,000	£288.00
3 Floor insulation (suspended floor)	£800 - £1,200	£261.00

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	Solid brick, as built, no insulation (assumed)	****	****
Roof	Pitched, no insulation (assumed) Roof room(s), ceiling insulated	<ul><li>★☆☆☆☆</li><li>★★☆☆☆</li></ul>	★☆☆☆☆ ★★☆☆☆
Floor	Suspended, no insulation (assumed)	_	_
Windows	Single glazed	***	***
Main heating	Boiler and radiators, mains gas	<b>★★★★</b> ☆	<b>★★★★</b> ☆
Main heating controls	Programmer, room thermostat and TRVs	<b>★★★★</b> ☆	<b>★★★★</b> ☆
Secondary heating	Room heaters, mains gas	_	_
Hot water	From main system	****	<b>★★★</b> ☆
Lighting	Low energy lighting in 50% of fixed outlets	****	<b>★★★</b> ☆

### The energy efficiency rating of your home

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

As we all use our homes in different ways, the energy rating is calculated using standard occupancy assumptions which may be different from the way you use it. The rating also uses national weather information to allow comparison between buildings in different parts of Scotland. However, to make information more relevant to your home, local weather data is used to calculate your energy use,  $CO_2$  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 55 kg CO<sub>2</sub>/m<sup>2</sup>/yr.

The average Scottish household produces about 6 tonnes of carbon dioxide every year. Based on this assessment, heating and lighting this home currently produces approximately 5.2 tonnes of carbon dioxide every year. Adopting recommendations in this report can reduce emissions and protect the environment. If you were to install all of these recommendations this could reduce emissions by 3.3 tonnes per year. You could reduce emissions even more by switching to renewable energy sources.

### Estimated energy costs for this home

	Current energy costs	Potential energy costs	Potential future savings
Heating	£5,034 over 3 years	£2,754 over 3 years	
Hot water	£555 over 3 years	£384 over 3 years	You could
Lighting	£573 over 3 years	£390 over 3 years	save £2,634
Totals	£6,162	£3,528	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.

Do		Indicative cost	Typical saving	Rating after	improvement
Re	commended measures	indicative cost	per year	Energy	Environment
1	Room-in-roof insulation	£1,500 - £2,700	£460	D 68	D 64
2	Internal or external wall insulation	£4,000 - £14,000	£96	C 70	D 67
3	Floor insulation (suspended floor)	£800 - £1,200	£87	C 71	C 69
4	Low energy lighting for all fixed outlets	£25	£55	C 72	C 70
5	Solar water heating	£4,000 - £6,000	£57	C 74	C 71
6	Replace single glazed windows with low- E double glazed windows	£3,300 - £6,500	£123	C 76	C 75
7	Solar photovoltaic panels, 2.5 kWp	£3,500 - £5,500	£530	B 85	B 83

### Choosing the right improvement package

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



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

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

#### 1 Room-in-roof insulation

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

#### 2 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.

### 3 Floor insulation (suspended floor)

Insulation of a floor will significantly reduce heat loss; this will improve levels of comfort, reduce energy use and lower fuel bills. Suspended floors can often be insulated from below but must have adequate ventilation to prevent dampness; seek advice about this if unsure. Further information about floor insulation is available from many sources including www.energysavingtrust.org.uk/scotland/Insulation/Floor-insulation. Building regulations generally apply to this work so it is best to check with your local authority building standards department.

#### 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 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.

#### 6 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.

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### 7 Solar photovoltaic (PV) panels

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

### Low and zero carbon energy sources

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

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

### Your home's heat demand

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

Heat demand	Existing dwelling	Impact of loft insulation	Impact of cavity wall insulation	Impact of solid wall insulation
Space heating (kWh per year)	17,040	(1,026)	N/A	(973)
Water heating (kWh per year)	2,160			

### **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.

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### **About this document**

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

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

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

#### Use of this energy performance information

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

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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.

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

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Property address	98 West Holmes Gardens Musselburgh EH21 6QJ
Seller(s)	Grace Pow
Completion date of property questionnaire	14/02/2024

### **Note for sellers**

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

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

1.	Length of ownership		
	How long have you owned the proper	ty?	37
2.	Council tax		
	Which Council Tax band is your prope	erty in?	Е
3.	Parking		
	What are the arrangements for parkin (Please tick all that apply)		
	Garage	No	
	Allocated parking space	No	
	• Driveway	No	
	Shared parking	No	
	On street	Yes	
	Resident permit	No	
	Metered Parking	No	
	Other (please specify):		
4.	Conservation area		
	Is your property in a designated Cons special architectural or historical inte which it is desirable to preserve or er	erest, the character or appear	a of Don't know

Is your property a Listed Building, or contained within one (that is a building recognised and approved as being of special architectural or historical interest)?  6. Alterations/additions/extensions  a. (i) During your time in the property, have you carried out any structural alterations, additions or extensions (for example, provision of an extra bath/shower room, toilet, or bedroom)?  If you have answered yes, please describe below the changes which you have made:  (ii) Did you obtain planning permission, building warrant, completion certificate and other consents for this work?  If you have answered yes, the relevant documents will be needed by the purchaser and you should give them to your solicitor as soon as possible for checking.  If you do not have the documents yourself, please note below who has these documents and your solicitor or estate agent will arrange to obtain them:  b. Have you had replacement windows, doors, patio doors or double glazing installed in your property?  If you have answered yes, please answer the three questions below:  (i) Were the replacements the same shape and type as the ones you replaced?  (ii) Did this work involve any changes to the windows doors, or patio doors (with approximate dates when the work was completed):  Please give any guarantees which you received for this work to your solicitor or estate agent.  7. Central heating  a. Is there a central heating system in your property?  (Note: a partial central heating system is one which does not heat all the main rooms of the property — the main living room, the bedroom(s), the hall and the bathroom).  If you have answered yes or partial — what kind of central heating is there?  (Examples: gas-fired, solid fuel, electric storage heating, gas warm air).	5.	Listed buildings	
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	i) When was your central hea installed?	ting system or partial o	entral heating system	
	2006 approximately			
	(ii) Do you have a maintenan	ce contract for the cent	ral heating system?	No
	If you have answered yes, ple you have a maintenance con		company with which	
	(iii) When was your maintena (Please provide the month ar	_	ewed?	
8.	Energy Performance Certification	ate		
	Does your property have an than 10 years old?	Energy Performance Co	ertificate which is less	No
9.	Issues that may have affected	d your property		·
a.	Has there been any storm, flood, fire or other structural damage to the property while you have owned it?			No
	If you have answered yes, is the damage the subject of any outstanding insurance claim?			
b.	Are you aware of the existence of the ex	•	property?	No
10.	Services			
a.	Please tick which services are connected to your property and give details of the supplier:			
	Services	Connected	Supplier	
	Gas or liquid petroleum gas	Yes	Ovo	
	Water mains or private water supply	Yes	Scottish Water	
	Electricity	Yes	Ovo	
	Mains drainage	Yes	Local Authority	

	Cable TV or satellite	No		
	Broadband	No		
b.	Is there a septic tank system at your property?			
	If you have answered yes, please answer the two questions below:			
	(i) Do you have appropriate consents for the discharge from your septic tank?			
	(ii) Do you have a mainten	nance contract for your septic tank?		
	If have answered yes, deta maintenance contract:	ails of the company with which you have a		
11.	Responsibilities for share	d or common areas		
a.		sponsibility to contribute to the cost of anything repair of a shared drive, private road, a?	No	
	If you have answered yes	<u>s,</u> please give details:		
b.	Is there a responsibility to roof, common stairwell of	to contribute to repair and maintenance of the or other common areas?	No	
	If you have answered yes	<u>s,</u> please give details:		
C.	Has there been any major during the time you have	repair or replacement of any part of the roof owned the property?	No	
d.		walk over any of your neighbours'property — our rubbish bin or to maintain your	No	
	If you have answered yes	s, please give details:		
e.		do any of your neighbours have the right to for example to put out their rubbish bin or to s?	No	
	If you have answered yes	s, please give details:		
f.	your property? (public ri	is there a public right of way across any part of ght of way is a way over which the public has a not the land is privately-owned.)	No	
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12.	Charges associated with the property		
а.	Is there a factor or property manager for your property?  If you have answered yes, please provide the name and address, and	No	
	give details of any deposit held and approximate charges:		
b.	Is there a common buildings insurance policy?	No	
	If you have answered yes, is the cost of the insurance included in monthly/annual factor's charges?		
C.	Please give details of any other charges you have to pay on a regular basis for t upkeep of common areas or repair works, for example to a residents' associatio or maintenance or stair fund.		
13.	Specialist work		
a.	As far as you are aware, has treatment of dry rot, wet rot, damp or any other specialist work ever been carried out to your property?	No	
	If you have answered yes, please say what the repairs were for, whether you carried out the repairs (and when) or if they were done before you bought the property.		
b.	As far as you are aware, has any preventative work for dry rot, wet rot, or damp ever been carried out to your property?	No	
	If you have answered yes, please give details:		
C.	If you have answered yes to 13(a) or (b), do you have any guarantees relating to this work?		
	If you have answered yes, these guarantees will be needed by the purchaser and should be given to your solicitor as soon as possible for checking. If you do not have them yourself please write below who has these documents and your solicitor or estate agent will arrange for them to be obtained. You will also need to provide a description of the work carried out. This may be shown in the original estimate.		
	Guarantees are held by:		
14.	Guarantees	•	
a.	Are there any guarantees or warranties for any of the following?		
	(i) Electrical work	No	
	(ii) Roofing	No	
	(iii) Central heating	No	
	(iv) National House Building Council (NHBC)	No	

	(v) Damp course	No	
	(vi) Any other work installations? (for example, cavity wall installation, underpinning, indemnity policy)	No	
b.	If you have answered 'yes' or 'with title deeds', please give details of the work or installations to which the guarantee(s) relate(s):		
C.	Are there any outstanding claims under any of the guarantees listed above? If you have answered yes, please give details:	No	
15.	Boundaries		
	So far as you are aware, has any boundary of your property been moved in thelast 10 years?	No	
	If you have answered yes, please give details:		
16.	Notices that affect your property		
	In the past three years have you ever received a notice:		
a.	advising that the owner of a neighbouring property has made a planning application?	No	
b.	that affects your property in some other way?	No	
C.	that requires you to do any maintenance, repairs or improvements to your property?	No	
	If you have answered yes to any of a-c above, please give the notices to your solicitor or estate agent, including any notices which arrive at any time before the date of entry of the purchaser of your property.		

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

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

Name(s): Grace Pow

Date: 14/02/2024

## Residential

Home Report

Mortgage & Re-Mortgage Valuation Home & Flat Buyer Report

Energy Performance Certificate (EPC)

Private Sale Valuation

Inheritance Tax Valuation

Capital Gains Tax Valuation

Separation Valuation

**Driveby Valuation** 

Desktop Valuation

New Build, Development & Plot Valuation

Extension & Alteration Valuation

Portfolio Valuation

**Rental Valuation** 

**Expert Witness Report** 

Council Tax Appeal

Bespoke Condition Report

## Commercial

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Commercial Agency

Acquisitions & Disposals

Commercial Lease Advisory

Rent Reviews

Asset Management

Project Consultancy

**Development Appraisals** 

**Commercial Property Auctions** 

Property Management

**Professional Services** 

Licensed Trade / Leisure

## Property & Construction

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**Building Surveying** 

Project Management

Dispute Resolution Support Services

Principal Designer

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Commercial EPC

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Peterhead ▲ 01779 470766

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