YOUR ONESURVEY HOME REPORT

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1 Albert Place Kelso TD5 7JL

PREPARED FOR

James Easson

INSPECTION CARRIED OUT BY:



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PART 1

SINGLE SURVEY

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



Single Survey

Survey report on:

Surveyor Reference	3V938418
Customer	Mr. James Easson
Selling address	1 Albert Place
	Kelso
	TD5 7JL
Date of Inspection	13/11/2023
Prepared by	William Laidlaw
	J & E Shepherd - Galashiels

SINGLE SURVEY TERMS AND CONDITIONS (WITH MVR)

PART 1 - GENERAL

1.1 THE SURVEYORS

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

1.2 THE REPORT

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

1.3 LIABILITY

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

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

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

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

1.4 GENERIC MORTGAGE VALUATION REPORT

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

1.5 TRANSCRIPT MORTGAGE VALUATION FOR LENDING PURPOSES

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

1.6 INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

All intellectual property rights whatsoever (including copyright) in and to the Report, excluding the headings and rubrics, are the exclusive property of the Surveyors and shall remain their exclusive property unless they assign the same to any other party in writing.

1.7 PAYMENT

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

1.8 CANCELLATION

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

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

In the case of cancellation or the inspection not proceeding, the Surveyor will refund any fees paid by the Seller for the inspection and Report, except for

expenses reasonably incurred and any fee due in light of the final paragraph of this section.

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

1.9 PRECEDENCE

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

1.10 DEFINITIONS

- the "Lender" is the party who has provided or intends or proposes to provide financial assistance to the Purchaser towards the purchase of the Property and in whose favour a standard security will be granted over the Property;
- the "Transcript Mortgage Valuation Report for Lending Purposes" means a separate report, prepared by the Surveyor, prepared from information in the Report and the generic Mortgage Valuation Report, but in a style and format required by the Lender. The Transcript Mortgage Valuation Report for Lending Purposes will be prepared with the skill and care reasonably to be expected from a surveyor who is a member of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors and who is competent to survey, value and report on the Property;
- the "Generic Mortgage Valuation Report" means a separate report, prepared by the Surveyor from information in the Report but in the Surveyor's own format.
- the "Market Value" is The estimated amount for which a property should exchange on the date of valuation between a willing buyer and a willing seller in an arm's-length transaction after proper marketing wherein the parties had each acted knowledgeably, prudently and without compulsion
- the "Property" is the property which forms the subject of the Report;
- the "Purchaser" is the person (or persons) who enters into a contract to buy the Property from the Seller;
- a "prospective Purchaser" is anyone considering buying the Property.
- the "Report" is the report, of the kind described in Part 2 of these Terms and Conditions and in the form set out in part 1 of Schedule 1 of the Housing (Scotland) Act 2006 (Prescribed Documents) Regulations 2008;
- the "Seller" is/are the proprietor(s) of the Property;
- the "Surveyor" is the author of the Report on the Property; and

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

- the "Surveyors" are the firm or company of which the Surveyor is an employee, director, member or partner (unless the Surveyor is not an employee, director, member or partner, when the "Surveyors" means the Surveyor) whose details are set out at the head of the Report.
- the "Energy Report" is the advice given by the accredited Energy Company, based on information collected by the Surveyor during the Inspection, and also includes an Energy Performance Certificate, in a Government approved format.

PART 2 - DESCRIPTION OF THE REPORT

2.1 THE SERVICE

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

2.2 THE INSPECTION

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

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

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

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

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

2.3 THE REPORT

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

significant. If certain minor matters are mentioned, it should not be interpreted that the property is free of any other minor defects.

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

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

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

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

2.4 SERVICES

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

2.5 ACCESSIBILITY

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

2.6 ENERGY REPORT

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

2.7 VALUATION AND CONVEYANCER ISSUES

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

1. INFORMATION AND SCOPE OF INSPECTION

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

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

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

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

Description	The property comprises a purpose built ground floor flat within a two storey and attic block containing four residential units.
Accommodation	Ground Floor: Entrance Hallway, Living Room/Kitchen, Bedroom, Inner Hallway, Rear Hallway/Utility Area, Bathroom.
Gross internal floor area (m2)	42sqm or thereby.
Neighbourhood and location	The subjects are located within the town of Kelso where surrounding properties are of mixed design, vintage and character.
	Adequate local shopping, educational and transport facilities are available.
Age	Originally built in approximately 1900 but modernised and altered at later dates to provide the present accommodation.
Weather	Overcast with intermittent rain showers.
Chimney stacks	Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where required.
	The chimney stack to the block containing the subject property is of brick construction with clay chimney pots. Chimney flashings have been formed in cement.

Roofing including roof space	Sloping roofs were visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where required.	
	Flat roofs were visually inspected from vantage points within the property and where safe and reasonable to do so from a 3m ladder externally. Flat roofs have a limited life and depending on their age and quality of workmanship can fail at any time.	
	The main roof over the subject property is pitched and overlaid with slate with shallow pitched dormer windows at attic floor level being overlaid with what would appear to be fibre-glass sheet.	
	The roof over the rear hallway/utility area comprises the external landing for the flats above. This is of solid concrete construction.	
	No inspection to any roof void area was possible due to access being within separate ownership.	
Rainwater fittings	Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where required.	
	Rainwater fittings are of cast iron and PVC construction.	
Main walls	Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where required. Foundations and concealed parts were not exposed or inspected.	
	The main walls are of traditional solid stone construction being rendered externally whilst the rear extension would appear to be of solid brick construction being rendered externally.	
Windows, external doors and joinery	Internal and external doors were opened and closed where keys were available.	
	Random windows were opened and closed where possible.	
	Doors and windows were not forced open.	
	The front and rear entrance doors are of timber design.	
	Windows are of timber double glazed design.	
External decorations	Visually inspected.	
	Finished in paintwork.	
Conservatories / porches	Not applicable.	
Communal areas	Circulation areas visually inspected.	
	The communal path to the rear elevation of the block containing the subject property has been overlaid with tarmac.	

Garages and permanent outbuildings	Visually inspected.		
-	There is no garage pertaining to the subject property.		
	The subject property does benefit from two external stores to the rear elevation		
Outside areas and boundaries	Visually inspected.		
	The subject property benefits from an area of communal garden ground with the boundaries delineated, where seen, by means of stone wall, timber fence and hedging.		
	There is a stone built boundary wall at the gable wall elevation of the block containing the subject property.		
Ceilings	Visually inspected from floor level.		
	Ceilings, where seen, are of plasterboard sheet construction.		
	A ceiling lining to a bedroom cupboard has been clad with timber panel.		
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 hard construction and of plasterboard sheet construction.		
	Sections of wall lining to the kitchen area have been tiled whilst sections of wall lining to the bathroom have tiled and clad with waterproof board.		
Floors including sub floors	Surfaces of exposed floors were visually inspected. No carpets or floor coverings were lifted.		
	Flooring throughout the subject property is of suspended timber construction and of solid concrete construction.		
	No access was available to sub-floor areas as at date of inspection.		
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 skirting boards and door frames are of timber design.		
	Internal doors are of timber design and timber glazed design		

Chimney breasts and fireplaces	Visually inspected. No testing of the flues or fittings was carried out.	
Портабоз	Within the subject property fireplaces have been removed and, from the limitations of our inspection, these would appear to have been ventilated.	
	At the time of inspection there was an electric fire within the living room area.	
Internal decorations	Visually inspected.	
	Mostly painted finishes throughout.	
Cellars	Not applicable.	
Electricity	Accessible parts of the wiring were visually inspected without removing fittings. No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances. Visual inspection does not assess any services to make sure they work properly and efficiently and meet modern standards. If any services are turned off, the Surveyor will state that in the report and will not turn them on.	
	Electricity is from the mains supply with the meter located within an upper level cupboard to the entrance hallway.	
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.	
	Gas is from the mains supply with the meter located externally on the gable wall elevation.	
Water, plumbing and bathroom fittings	Visual inspection of the accessible pipework, water tanks, cylinders and fittings without removing any insulation.	
	No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances.	
	Water is from the mains supply with the plumbing, where seen, being of PVC and copper type.	
	The sanitary fittings comprise a three-piece suite within the bathroom.	
	The kitchen area is fitted with a sink unit.	
Heating and hot water	Accessible parts of the system were visually inspected apart from communal systems, which were not inspected.	
	No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances.	
	A gas fired boiler located on a wall surface to the rear hallway/utility area serves the central heating system via radiators. Hot water is provided through the gas boiler.	

Drainage	Drainage covers etc were not lifted. Neither drains nor drainage systems were tested. All foul and surface water drainage is assumed to be to the main public sewer. The system was not tested.
Fire, smoke and burglar alarms	Visually inspected. No test whatsoever were carried out to any systems 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 carbon-fuelled 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

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.

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

The property was partially furnished and had fitted floor coverings, therefore no detailed inspection was possible of the floors and accordingly, no comment can be made on their condition.

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

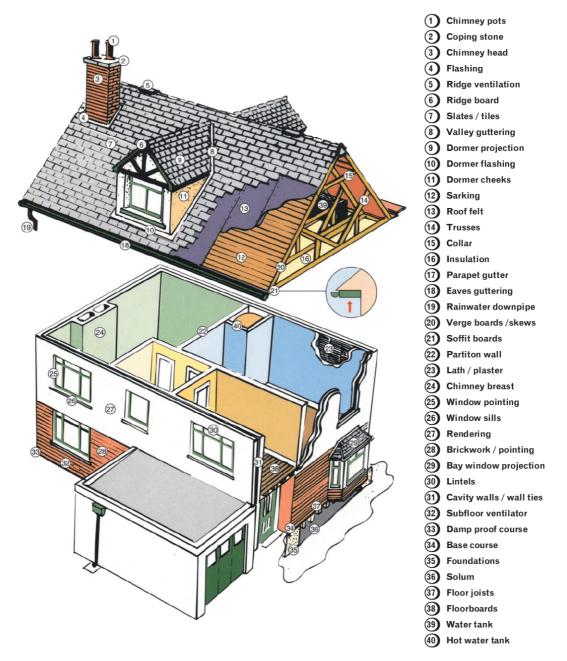
No access was available to any sub-floor areas.

No inspection of any roof void area was possible due to access being within separate ownership.

No inspection has been possible to flooring timbers beneath any sanitary fitting, kitchen appliances or other wet areas was possible. Timbers are assumed to be in a satisfactory condition.

The cold water rising main was not fully inspectable.

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.

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.

2. CONDITION

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

Structural movement		
Repair category:	2	
Notes:	Evidence of settlement/movement has affected the building reflected by cracking to external render. On the basis of a single inspection this appears longstanding with no evidence of recent movement apparent.	

Dampness, rot and infestation		
Repair category:	2	
Notes:	Above average moisture readings were obtained to localised sections of wall lining throughout the subject property. This would appear to be a result of condensation. Increased ventilation is recommended and these areas should be monitored closely. Evidence of penetrating dampness was noted to a section of upper wall and ceiling lining to the rear hallway/utility area. This would appear to be as a result of leakage from the external landing above. We understand	
	that this has now been repaired and documentation is available.	

Chimney stacks	
Repair category:	2
Notes:	Weathering and open joints noted to sections of brickwork at the chimney stack and repairs are required.

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Roofing including roof space	
Repair category:	2
Notes:	As described above, evidence of penetrating dampness was noted to sections of wall and ceiling lining within the rear hallway/utility area at the rear elevation in an area adjacent to the external landing for the flats above. All necessary remedial works to rectify this defect should be undertaken as a matter of priority.
	Roofing contractors recommend that roof coverings are inspected regularly in order to ensure they remain watertight.
	We always recommend a precautionary check of the roof and pertinents is undertaken prior to purchase especially after adverse weather conditions.

Rainwater fittings	
Repair category:	2
Notes:	Rainwater goods are of an older style and have suffered corrosion. Maintenance is required and gutters/downpipes checked during heavy rainfall.

Main walls	
Repair category:	2
Notes:	Sections of external render were noted to be cracked, weathered and bossed and repairs are required whilst a loose fitting sub-floor vent to the front elevation requires to be re-affixed.

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Windows, external doors and joinery	
Repair category:	2
Notes:	Windows are of an age and style where a degree of ongoing maintenance should be anticipated to sealed units and opening mechanisms.
	It is assumed that replacement windows and doors comply with relevant building and fire regulations
	A precautionary check of all windows and doors is always recommended prior to purchase.

External decorations	
Repair category:	
Notes:	Paint finished and decorated external surfaces will require redecoration on a regular basis

Conservatories / porches	
Repair category:	
Notes:	Not applicable.

Communal areas		
Repair category:		
Notes:	Communal areas leading to and surrounding the subject property have been visually inspected where possible, however it should be appreciated that there may be a common repairing liability in respect of other parts of the building out with the scope of our inspection and this should be confirmed.	

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Garages and permanent outbuildings	
Repair category:	2
Notes:	Aspects of the outbuilding construction may have a limited life span including roof coverings, render work and joinery work. Some patch repair and regular ongoing maintenance should be anticipated.

Outside areas and boundaries	
Repair category:	2
Notes:	Weathering, loose stonework and open joints to sections of stone built boundary wall noted and repairs are required.

Ceilings	
Repair category:	
Notes:	Within the limitations of our inspection no significant defects were noted.

Internal walls	
Repair category:	
Notes:	Within the limitations of our inspection no significant defects were noted.

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

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.

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

Chimney breasts and fireplaces	
Repair category:	
Notes:	Fireplaces have been removed and/or covered over. It is assumed that the chimneys have been adequately vented with the chimneys capped and, where not already fitted, ventilators should be fitted to prevent the build-up of dampness within the chimney flues.

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

Cellars	
Repair category:	
Notes:	Not applicable.

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.

Electricity	
Repair category:	2
Notes:	Aspects of the electrical installation are dated and the system should be checked as a precaution by a registered electrician and upgraded if necessary.
	The Institution of Engineering Technology recommends that inspections and testings are undertaken at least every five years and on a change of occupancy. It should be appreciated that only the most recently constructed or re-wired properties will have installations which fully comply with IET regulations.
	A precautionary check of the electrical system is always recommended prior to purchase. No tests were carried out by this firm.

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

Category 3	Category 2	Category 1
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Water, plumbing and bathroom fittings	
Repair category:	1
Notes:	No tests have been undertaken of the system, however within the limitations of our inspection, no significant defects were noted. No inspection has been possible to enclosed timbers beneath wet appliances and no comment has been made on the condition of unseen areas. Watertight seals will require to be regularly checked and replaced, to prevent water damage to adjoining areas.
	The cold water rising main was not fully inspectable.
	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 and hot water system have been properly installed, updated and maintained to meet with all current regulations and standards with particular regard to fluing and ventilation requirements. Service records should be obtained and checked. In the absence of service documentation further advice should be obtained from a qualified heating engineer to ascertain the condition, efficiency, and life expectancy of the system. The heating and hot water systems have not been tested by ourselves however are presumed in full safe working order. A precautionary check is always recommended prior to purchase. No tests were carried out by this firm.			

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

Drainage					
Repair category:					
Notes: All foul and surface water drainage is assumed to be to the mai sewer. The system was not tested.					
	A precautionary check of the drainage system is always recommended 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 comments above for detailed information.

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

Remember

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

Warning

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

3. ACCESSIBILITY INFORMATION

Guidance Notes on Accessibility Information

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

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

1. Which floor(s) is the living accommodation on?	Ground.
2. Are there three steps or fewer to a main entrance door of the property?	[x]YES []NO
3. Is there a lift to the main entrance door of the property?	[]YES [x]NO
4. Are all door openings greater than 750mm?	[]YES [x]NO
5. Is there a toilet on the same level as the living room and kitchen?	[x]YES []NO
6. Is there a toilet on the same level as a bedroom?	[x]YES []NO
7. Are all rooms on the same level with no internal steps or stairs?	[x]YES []NO
8. Is there unrestricted parking within 25 metres of an entrance door to the building?	[x]YES []NO

4. VALUATION AND CONVEYANCER ISSUES

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

Matters for a solicitor or licensed conveyancer

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.

It is assumed that there are no statutory, town planning, road proposals or environmental matters which are likely to have an adverse effect on the property.

The road and footpath adjoining the site are made up and are assumed to be adopted by the Local Authority.

High damp meter readings were noted. The property should be inspected by a timber/damp specialist prior to purchase.

As far as we can ascertain, no significant alterations/additions have been made to the property in recent years which would have required Local Authority approval, although this cannot be guaranteed.

Replacement double glazed windows noted.

The property is located in a conservation area and as such the cost of repair or reinstatement works are likely to be higher than normal. Any works considered necessary will require to be carried out in consultation with the Local Authority Planning Department and Historic Environment Scotland.

Whilst we are unaware of any past flooding having directly affected the property or immediate area, it is situated in a SEPA designated medium risk potential surface water flood area. It should be confirmed with SEPA and the local authority that any appropriate flood risk measures have been adhered to.

The flat has shared pedestrian access with neighbouring occupiers.

The subjects form part of a block of flats and it has been assumed that maintenance/repair costs of the common parts of the building will be shared on an equitable basis with adjoining proprietors. It is therefore assumed that the cost of common repairs detailed within the report will be apportioned accordingly although exact liability should be confirmed.

Estimated re-instatement cost (£) for insurance purposes

250,000

TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY THOUSAND POUNDS STERLING.

Valuation (£) and market comments

85.000

EIGHTY FIVE THOUSAND POUNDS STERLING.

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Company name: J & E Shepherd - Galashiels				
Address:	70 High Street Galashiels TD1 1SQ			

Signed:	Electronically Signed: 246152-A3FC4B8C-AC00			
Date of report:	13/11/2023			

MORTGAGE VALUATION **REPORT**

Includes a market valuation of the property.





Mortgage Valuation Report					
Property:	1 Albert Place Kelso TD5 7JL	Client: Mr. Ja Tenure: Abso	mes Easson lute ownership.		
Date of Inspection:	13/11/2023	Reference:	30/HR/021418		

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

1.0 LOCATION

The subjects are located within the town of Kelso where surrounding properties are of mixed design, vintage and character.

Adequate local shopping, educational and transport facilities are available.

2.0	DESCRIPTION	2.1 Age:	Originally built in	
			approximately 1900 but	
			modernised and altered at	
			later dates to provide the	
			present accommodation.	

The property comprises a purpose built ground floor flat within a two storey and attic block containing four residential units.

3.0 CONSTRUCTION

Main roof - pitched and slated and flat concrete.

Main walls - solid stone and solid brick.

4.0 ACCOMMODATION

Ground Floor: Entrance Hallway, Living Room/Kitchen, Bedroom, Inner Hallway, Rear Hallway/Utility Area, Bathroom.

5.0	SERVICES (No tests have been applied to any of the services)						
Water:	Mains.	Electricity:	Mains.	Gas:	Mains.	Drainage:	Mains.
Central Heat	entral Heating: Gas fired boiler to radiators.						
6.0	OUTBUILDIN	OUTBUILDINGS					
Garage:	None.						
Others:	Two external stores.						

GENERAL CONDITION - A building survey has not been carried out, nor has any inspection been made of any woodwork, services or other parts of the property which were covered, unexposed or inaccessible. The report cannot therefore confirm that such parts of the property are free from defect. Failure to rectify defects, particularly involving water penetration may result in further and more serious defects arising. Where defects exist and where remedial work is necessary, prospective purchasers are advised to seek accurate estimates and costings from appropriate Contractors or Specialists before proceeding with the purchase. Generally we will not test or report on boundary walls, fences, outbuildings, radon gas or site contamination.

At the time of inspection the property was found to be in a condition generally consistent with its age and type of construction but some works of repair and maintenance are required.

Evidence of settlement/movement has affected the building reflected by cracking to external render. On the basis of a single inspection this appears longstanding with no evidence of recent movement apparent.

8.0	property)	K (as a conditi	ion of any mortgage or, to pre	serve the cond	lition of the	
N/A.						
8.1 Retention	n recommended:	N/A.				
9.0	ROADS & FOOTPATHS					
The road and	footpath adjoining the site ar	e made up and	d are assumed to be adopted	by the Local A	uthority.	
10.0	BUILDINGS INSURANCE	250,000 GROSS EXTERNAL 50 Square				
	(£):		FLOOR AREA		metres	
	should be insured against to the property in its existing do No allowance has been inclu-	tal destruction esign and mate uded for inflatio	sum for which the property ar on a re-instatement basis as erials. Furnishings and fittings on during the insurance period other than on professional fe	suming recons have not beer d or during re-o	truction of included.	

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GENERAL REMARKS

11.0

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12.0	VALUATION On the assumption of vacant possession and that the property is unaffected by any adverse planning proposals, onerous burdens, title restrictions or servitude rights. It is assumed that all necessary Local Authority consents, which may have been required, have been sought and obtained. No investigation of any contamination on, under or within the property has been made as we consider such matters to be outwith the scope of this report. All property built prior to the year 2000 may contain asbestos in one or more of its components or fittings. It is impossible to identify without a test. It is beyond the scope of this inspection to test for asbestos and future occupants should be advised that if they have any concerns then they should ask for a specialist to undertake appropriate tests.				
12.1	Market Value in present condition (£):	85,000 EIGHTY FIVE THOUSAND POUNDS STERLING.			
12.2	Market Value on completion of essential works (£):	N/A.	N/A.		
12.3	Suitable security for normal mortgage purposes?	Yes			
12.4	Date of Valuation:	13/11/2023			
Signature:	Electronically	y Signed: 2461	52-A3FC4B8C-AC00		_
Surveyor:	William Laidlaw	Laidlaw Date : 13/11/2023			13/11/2023
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PART 3

ENERGY REPORT

A report on the energy efficiency of the property.



energy report

energy report on:

Property address	1 Albert Place Kelso TD5 7JL
Customer	Mr. James Easson
Customer address	1 Albert Place
	Kelso
	TD5 7JL
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Energy Performance Certificate (EPC)

Dwellings

Scotland

1 ALBERT PLACE, KELSO, TD5 7JL

Dwelling type: Ground-floor flat
Date of assessment: 13 November 2023
Date of certificate: 13 November 2023

Total floor area: 42 m²

Primary Energy Indicator: 336 kWh/m²/year

Reference number: 7317-0129-7009-0317-8296 **Type of assessment:** RdSAP, existing dwelling

Approved Organisation: Elmhurst

Main heating and fuel: Boiler and radiators, mains

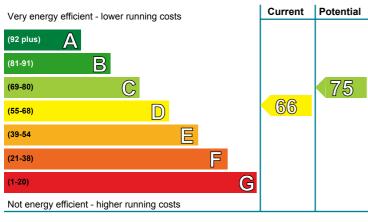
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You can use this document to:

- . 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 CO₂ emissions by improving your home

Estimated energy costs for your home for 3 years*	£3,945	See your recommendations
Over 3 years you could save*	£1,296	report for more information

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

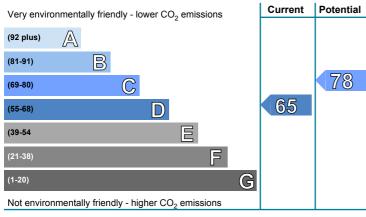


Energy Efficiency Rating

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

Your current rating is **band D (66)**. The average rating for EPCs in Scotland is **band D (61)**.

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



Environmental Impact (CO₂) Rating

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

Your current rating is **band D (65)**. The average rating for EPCs in Scotland is **band D (59)**.

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

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

Recommended measures	Indicative cost	Typical savings over 3 years
1 Internal or external wall insulation	£4,000 - £14,000	£948.00
2 Floor insulation (suspended floor)	£800 - £1,200	£345.00

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	Sandstone or limestone, as built, no insulation (assumed)	****	***
	Solid brick, as built, no insulation (assumed)	****	****
Roof	(another dwelling above)	_	_
Floor	Suspended, no insulation (assumed)	_	_
Windows	Fully double glazed	★★★☆☆	***
Main heating	Boiler and radiators, mains gas	****	★★★ ☆
Main heating controls	Programmer, room thermostat and TRVs	****	★★★ ☆
Secondary heating	None	_	_
Hot water	From main system	****	★★★ ☆
Lighting	Low energy lighting in all fixed outlets	****	****

The energy efficiency rating of your home

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

As we all use our homes in different ways, the energy rating is calculated using standard occupancy assumptions which may be different from the way you use it. The rating also uses national weather information to allow comparison between buildings in different parts of Scotland. However, to make information more relevant to your home, local weather data is used to calculate your energy use, CO₂ emissions, running costs and the savings possible from making improvements.

The impact of your home on the environment

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

The calculated emissions for your home are 59 kg CO₂/m²/yr.

The average Scottish household produces about 6 tonnes of carbon dioxide every year. Based on this assessment, heating and lighting this home currently produces approximately 2.5 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 0.9 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	£3,159 over 3 years	£1,863 over 3 years	
Hot water	£567 over 3 years	£567 over 3 years	You could
Lighting	£219 over 3 years	£219 over 3 years	save £1,296
Totals	£3,945	£2,649	over 3 years

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

Recommendations for improvement

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

December ded massives	Typ		Rating after improvement			
Recommended measures	Indicative cost	per year	Energy	Environment		
1 Internal or external wall insulation	£4,000 - £14,000	£316	C 72	C 74		
2 Floor insulation (suspended floor	or) £800 - £1,200	£115	C 75	C 78		

Choosing the right improvement package



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

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

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

1 Internal or external wall insulation

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

2 Floor insulation (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.

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)	7,866	N/A	N/A	(2,797)
Water heating (kWh per year)	1,644			

Addendum

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

About this document

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

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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Related party disclosure: No related party

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

Use of this energy performance information

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

Advice and support to improve this property

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

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

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PROPERTY QUESTIONNAIRE

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



Property Address	1 Albert Place
	Kelso
	TD5 7JL
Seller(s)	James Easson
Completion date of property questionnaire	16/11/2023

Note for sellers

1.	Length of ownership	
	How long have you owned the property?	
	15 years	
2.	Council tax	
	Which Council Tax band is your property in	n? (Please circle)
	[x]A []B []C []D []E []F []G []H	
3.	Parking	
	What are the arrangements for parking at y	our property?
	(Please tick all that apply)	
	Garage	[]
	Allocated parking space	[]
	Driveway	[]
	Shared parking	[]
	On street	[X]
	Resident permit	[]
	Metered parking	[]
	Other (please specify):	

4.	Conservation area	
	Is your property in a designated Conservation Area (that is an area of	[]YES [x]NO
	special architectural or historical interest, the character or appearance of which it is desirable to preserve or enhance)?	[]Don't know
5.	Listed buildings	
	Is your property a Listed Building, or contained within one (that is a building recognised and approved as being of special architectural or historical interest)?	[]YES [x]NO
6.	Alterations/additions/extensions	
а	(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)?	[]YES [x]NO
	If you have answered yes, please describe below the changes which you have made:	
	(ii) Did you obtain planning permission, building warrant, completion certificate and other consents for this work?	[]YES[]NO
	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:	
Ь	Have you had replacement windows, doors, patio doors or double glazing installed in your property	[]YES [x]NO
	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?	[]YES[]NO
	(ii) Did this work involve any changes to the window or door openings?	[]YES[]NO
	(iii) Please describe the changes made 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	
а	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	[x]YES []NO
	the property - the main living room, the bedroom(s), the hall and the bathroom).	[]Partial

	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).	
	Gas combi boiler	
	If you have answered yes, please answer the three questions below:	
	(i) When was your central heating system or partial central heating system installed?	
	6 years ago	
	(ii) Do you have a maintenance contract for the central heating system?	[]YES [x]NO
	If you have answered yes, please give details of the company with which you have a maintenance contract	
	(iii) When was your maintenance agreement last renewed? (Please provide the month and year).	
8.	Energy Performance Certificate	
	Does your property have an Energy Performance Certificate which is less than 10 years old?	[x]YES []NO
9.	Issues that may have affected your property	
а	Has there been any storm, flood, fire or other structural damage to your property while you have owned it?	[]YES [x]NO
	If you have answered yes, is the damage the subject of any outstanding insurance claim?	[]YES[]NO
b	Are you aware of the existence of asbestos in your property?	[]YES [x]NO
	Are you aware or the existence of aspestos in your property?	[]Don't know
	If you have answered yes, please give details:	
10.	Services	

а	Please tick which services are connected to your property and give details of the supplier:				
	Services	ices Connected Su		pplier	
	Gas or liquid petroleum gas	Υ	EC)F	
	Water mains or private water supply	Υ	Sc	ottish Water	
	Electricity	Υ	EC)F	
	Mains drainage	Υ	Sc	ottish Water	
	Telephone	N			
	Cable TV or satellite	N			
	Broadband	Υ	ВТ	-	
b	Is there a septic tank system at your property?			[]YES [x]NO	
	If you have answered yes, please answer the two q	uestions below:			
	(i) Do you have appropriate consents for the discha	rge from your sep	tic	[]YES[]NO	
	tank?			[]Don't know	
	(ii) Do you have a maintenance contract for your se	ptic tank?		[]YES[]NO	
	If you have answered yes, please give details of the company with which you have a maintenance contract:				
11.	1. Responsibilities for shared or common areas				
а	Are you aware of any responsibility to contribute to the cost of anything used jointly, such as the repair of a shared drive, private road, boundary, or garden area?		ng	[]YES [x]NO	
	If you have answered yes, please give details:			[]Don't know	
b	Is there a responsibility to contribute to repair and maintenance of the roof, common stairwell or other common areas? If you have answered yes, please give details: Roof repairs shared 4 ways		[x]YES []NO []N/A		
С	Has there been any major repair or replacement of any part of the roof during the time you have owned the property?		[]YES [x]NO		
d	Do you have the right to walk over any of your neighbours' property- for example to put out your rubbish bin or to maintain your boundaries? If you have answered yes, please give details:		[]YES [x]NO		

е	As far as you are aware, do any of your neighbours have the right to walk over your property, for example to put out their rubbish bin or to maintain their boundaries? If you have answered yes, please give details:	[]YES [x]NO	
f	As far as you are aware, is there a public right of way across any part of your property? (public right of way is a way over which the public has a right to pass, whether or not the land is privatelyowned.)	[]YES [x]NO	
	If you have answered yes, please give details:		
12.	Charges associated with your property		
а	Is there a factor or property manager for your property? If you have answered yes, please provide the name and address, and give details of any deposit held and approximate charges:	[]YES [x]NO	
b	Is there a common buildings insurance policy?	[]YES [x]NO	
		[]Don't know	
	If you have answered yes, is the cost of the insurance included in your monthly/annual factors charges?		
С	Please give details of any other charges you have to pay on a regular basis for the upkeep of common areas or repair works, for example to a residents' association, or maintenance or stair fund.		
	N/A		
13.	Specialist works		
а	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?	[x]YES []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.		
	done before I owned 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?	[x]YES []NO	
	If you have answered yes, please give details:		
	Chemical damp course was done before I owned the property		
С	If you have answered yes to 13(a) or (b), do you have any guarantees relating to this work?	[]YES [x]NO	
	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		
а	Are there any guarantees or warranties for any of the following:		
(i)	Electrical work	[]NO []YES [x]Don't know []With title deeds []Lost	
(ii)	Roofing	[]NO []YES [x]Don't know []With title deeds []Lost	
(iii)	Central heating	[x]NO []YES []Don't know []With title deeds []Lost	
(iv)	National House Building Council(NHBC)	[x]NO []YES []Don't know []With title deeds []Lost	
(v)	Damp course	[]NO []YES [x]Don't know []With title deeds []Lost	
(vi)	Any other work or installations? (for example, cavity wall insulation, underpinning, indemnity policy)	[x]NO []YES []Don't know []With title deeds []Lost	
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):		
С	Are there any outstanding claims under any of the guarantees listed above?	[]YES [x]NO	
	If you have answered yes, please give details:		

15.	Boundaries		
	So far as you are aware, has any boundary of your property been moved in the last 10 years?	[]YES [x]NO	
		[]Don't know	
	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:			
а	advising that the owner of a neighbouring property has made a planning application?	[]YES [x]NO	
b	that affects your property in some other way?	[]YES [x]NO	
С	that requires you to do any maintenance, repairs or improvements to your property?	[]YES [x]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.				
Signature(s):	James Easson			
Capacity:	[x]Owner			
Capacity.	[]Legally Appointed Agent for Owner			
Date:	16/11/2023			