

# Home Report



**7 Railway Terrace, Port Elphinstone**  
Inverurie, AB51 3RL



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Port Elphinstone, Inverurie, AB51 3RL

Price Over  
**£135,000**

 2  1  1   62m<sup>2</sup> EPC **D** Council tax band **C**



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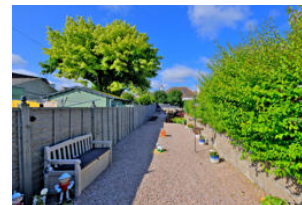
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**Features**  Garden  Self contained  Off street parking

**Description**

We offer for sale this well presented **self contained 2 bedroom first floor flat** benefitting from a lovely open outlook at the front and located on a quiet residential street. Tastefully decorated throughout, the accommodation comprises of an entrance staircase, landing, main hallway which gives access to the bathroom, kitchen, 2 double bedrooms and a lounge/diner. The property benefits from a beautiful new modern kitchen, good amount of storage space throughout, gas central heating and double glazing. Outside, there is 2 parking spaces at the front and to the rear there is a large exclusive garden which is fully enclosed and low maintenance, along with a stone built outhouse and communal bin storage area. 7 Railway Terrace would make an ideal first time purchase or great for a couple looking to downsize. Viewing is recommended to appreciate all this property has to offer.

**Location** Located in Port Elphinstone in a lovely residential part of the town of Inverurie but still within easy commuting distance of the industrial estates at Dyce, Bridge of Don and Westhill and only 16 miles from Aberdeen City Centre. Inverurie boasts a wide selection of shops, restaurants and amenities and the rail link means Aberdeen is just a short train ride away. There are several Primary Schools and Inverurie Academy provides Secondary education in the new Inverurie Campus which

also includes a new swimming pool and community facilities. There is an excellent health centre and several large supermarkets nearby as well as golf, tennis, bowling and hillwalking.

## Directions

Travelling from Aberdeen, at the BP roundabout take the third exits into Inverurie. Continue past the petrol station and just after the pedestrian crossing turn right into Ladeside Road. Continue to the bottom of the Road and veer to the left onto Railway Terrace. Number 7 is located on the left-hand side and is clearly identified by Peterkins For Sale Sign.



## Accommodation comprises

**Entrance:** Part glazed door at the side of the building gives access to the property. Carpeted stairs lead up to the landing. Walk in storage cupboard at the top houses the central heating boiler, gas meter and a standalone fridge freezer currently. Coat hooks and part glazed door into main hallway.

**Hall:** The hallway gives access to all accommodation. Ceiling light fitments; smoke alarm; wooden laminate flooring. Hatch to partially floored loft.

**Bathroom:** Fitted with a 3 piece white suite comprising of toilet, wall mounted wash hand basin and bath with glass screen and electric shower head. Aqua paneling to dado height and full height around bath. Benefitting from a deep built in shelved cupboard. Opaque window with roller blind. Wall mounted mirrored storage unit. Ceiling light fitment; ladder heated towel rail; shaver point and tiled flooring.

**Bedroom 1:** 3.32m x 3.22m (10'11" x 10'7") approx. Located to the front with lovely open views and ample space for a king size bed along with a range of freestanding furniture. Built in wardrobe with hanging rail and shelving. Window with curtains. Telephone point. Ceiling light fitment and wooden laminate flooring.

**Kitchen:** 2.94m x 2.28m (9'8" x 7'6") approx. Benefitting from a beautiful modern kitchen that is just one year old, with base and wall units, coordinating worktops and splashback tiling. Stainless steel sink with drainer and mixer tap. Range of integrated appliances including fridge, washing machine, single oven with electric hob and chimney style extractor hood above. Window with roller blind overlooking the rear garden. Spot lights and wood effect flooring.

**Lounge/Diner:** 4.97m x 3.22m (16'4" x 10'7") approx. Spacious bright room located to the front of the property with large picture window providing open country views. Ample space for a dining table and chairs along with lounge furniture. Window with curtains. Television point and telephone point. Ceiling light fitment and wooden laminate flooring.

**Bedroom 2:** 3.22m x 2.54m (10'7" x 8'4") approx. Completing the accommodation is the second good sized bedroom. Again with ample space for a double bed along with a range of freestanding furniture. Window with curtain overlooking the rear garden. Ceiling light fitment; smoke alarm and carpet.

### (Outside)

At the front, the property benefits from 2 parking spaces.

A wooden gate at the rear of the property gives access into the communal area of the garden where the bin storage and exclusive stone shed is located.

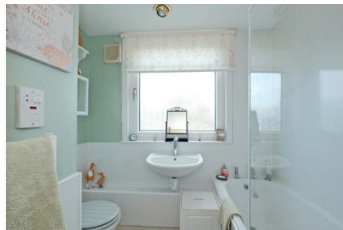
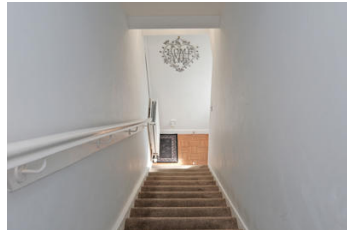
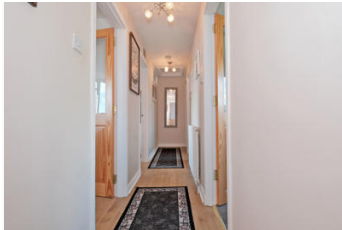
Further along, another wooden gate opens into the properties exclusive area of garden. Fully enclosed and low maintenance with a lovely patio area ideal for outdoor entertaining. The rest is mainly laid with stone chips along with an area of established plants and bushes. Rotary clothes dryer.

### Floorplan

7 Railway Terrace



Photo gallery



**View this property on [aspc.co.uk](https://www.aspc.co.uk):**

<https://www.aspc.co.uk/search/property/418478/7-Railway-Terrace/Inverurie/>

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# Property Questionnaire



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**Property address:** 7 Railway Terrace  
Port Elphinstone  
Inverurie  
United Kingdom  
AB51 3RL

**Seller:** Kenneth Thom

**Date completed:** 25/07/2023

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## 1. Length of Ownership

How long have you owned this property?

## 2. Council Tax

Which Council Tax band is your property in?

## 3. Parking

What are the arrangements for parking at your property?

## 4. Conservation Area

Is your property in a designated Conservation Area?

## 5. Listed Buildings

Is your property a Listed Building, or contained within one?

## 6. Alterations / Additions / Extensions

### Structural Alterations

During your time in the property, have you carried out any structural alterations, additions or extensions?

No

### Replacement Windows and Doors

Have you had replacement windows, doors, patio doors or double glazing units installed in your property?

Yes

Were the replacements the same shape and type as the ones you replaced?

Yes

Did this work involve any changes to the window or door openings?

No

Please describe the changes which you have made (with approximate dates)

Front door Jan 2019

## 7. Central Heating

Is there a central heating system in your property?

Yes

Is it full or partial?

Full

What kind of central heating is it?

Gas

When was it installed?

Unknown

Do you have a maintenance contract for the central heating?

Yes

**Contract details?**

Bosch

**When was it last renewed?**

Boiler serviced end of June

## 8. Energy Performance Certificate

**Does your property have an Energy Performance Certificate which is less than 10 years old?**

No

## 9. Issues that may have affected your property

**Structural Damage**

**Has there been any storm, flood, fire or other structural damage to your property while you have owned it?**

No

**Asbestos**

**Are you aware of the existence of asbestos in your property?**

No

## 10. Services

**Connected services**

**Gas/Liquid Petroleum Gas**

Yes

**Supplier**

EDF

**Water mains/private water**

Yes

**Supplier**



**Electricity**

Yes

**Supplier**

EDF

**Mains Drainage**

Yes

**Supplier**

Scottish Water

**Telephone**

Yes

**Supplier**

Shell energy

**Cable TV/Satellite**

No

**Broadband**

Yes

**Supplier**

She'll energy

**Septic Tanks**

**Is there a septic tank system at your property?**

No

## ◉ ◀ 11. Responsibilities for Shared or Common Areas

### Joint responsibilities

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?

Yes

Please give details

Shared bin area

### Common Areas

Is there a responsibility to contribute to repair and maintenance of the roof, common stairwell or other common area?

Yes

Please give details

Roof with down stairs Neighbours

### Major Repairs to the Roof

Has there been any major repair or replacement of any part of the roof during the time you have owned the property?

No

### Rights of Access to Neighbouring Property

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?

Yes

Please give details

Communal area

### Maintenance Access Rights of Neighbours

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?

Yes

Please give details

Communal area

## Rights of Way

As far as you are aware, is there a Public Right of Way across any part of your property?

No

## ◉ ◀ 12. Charges Associated With Your Property

Is there a factor or property manager for your property?

No

Is there a common buildings insurance policy?

No

Are there any other charges you have to pay on a regular basis for the upkeep of common areas or repair works?

No

## ◉ ◀ 13. Specialist Works

### Treatment

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

### Preventative Work

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

### Guarantees

Do you have any guarantees relating to the treatment or preventative work described above?

No



## ◉ ◀ 14. Guarantees

Select those applicable

**Electrical work**

No

**Roofing**

No

**Central heating**

No

**NHBC (National House-Building Council)**

No

**Damp Course**

No

**Any other work or installations (e.g. cavity wall insulation, underpinning, indemnity policy)**

No

**Outstanding claims**

**Are there any outstanding claims under any of the guarantees listed above?**

No

## ◉ ◀ 15. Boundaries

**So far as you aware, has any boundary of your property been moved in the last 10 years?**

No

## ◉ ◀ 16. Notices that affect your property

In the last 3 years have you ever received a notice:

**Advising that the owner of a neighbouring property has made a planning application?**

No

**That requires you to do any maintenance, repairs or improvements to your property?**

No

**That affects your property in some other way?**

No

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**Comments**

# Single Survey

survey report on:

<b>Property address</b>	7 RAILWAY TERRACE, PORT ELPHINSTONE, INVERURIE, AB51 3RL
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<b>Customer</b>	Mr Kenneth Thom
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<b>Prepared by</b>	DM Hall LLP
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<b>Date of inspection</b>	28th July 2023
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## PART 1 - GENERAL

### 1.1 THE SURVEYORS

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

### 1.2 THE REPORT

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

## 1.3 LIABILITY

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

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

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

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

## 1.4 GENERIC MORTGAGE VALUATION REPORT

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

## 1.5 TRANSCRIPT MORTGAGE VALUATION FOR LENDING PURPOSES

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

## 1.6 INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

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

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

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they assign the same to any other party in writing.

## 1.7 PAYMENT

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

## 1.8 CANCELLATION

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

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

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

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

## 1.9 PRECEDENCE

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

## 1.1 DEFINITIONS

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

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

## PART 2 - DESCRIPTION OF THE REPORT

### 2.1 THE SERVICE

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

### 2.2 THE INSPECTION

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

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

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

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

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

## 2.3 THE REPORT

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

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

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

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

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

## 2.4 SERVICES

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

## 2.5 ACCESSIBILITY

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

## 2.6 ENERGY REPORT

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

## 2.7 VALUATION AND CONVEYANCER ISSUES

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

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



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

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

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

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

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

## 1. Information and scope of inspection

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

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

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

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

<b>Description</b>	The subjects comprise a SELF CONTAINED FIRST FLOOR FLAT.
<b>Accommodation</b>	FIRST FLOOR - LOUNGE, KITCHEN, BATHROOM, AND TWO BEDROOMS.
<b>Gross internal floor area (m<sup>2</sup>)</b>	Approximately 62 sqm.
<b>Neighbourhood and location</b>	The property is situated within an established area within Port Elphinstone which is a suburb on the outskirts of the town of Inverurie. The River Don and former canal is in close proximity. Within the town of Inverurie, there is a wide range of shopping, educational, and social facilities available. The City of Aberdeen is also within commuting distance.
<b>Age</b>	In excess of 100 years.
<b>Weather</b>	Dry but overcast following a mixed spell of weather.
<b>Chimney stacks</b>	<b>Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.</b> The chimney stacks are of a stone construction, rendered externally.
<b>Roofing including roof space</b>	<b>Sloping roofs were visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.</b> <b>Flat roofs were visually inspected from vantage points within the property and where safe and reasonable to do so from a 3m ladder externally.</b> <b>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.</b> <b>If this is not possible, then physical access to the roof space</b>

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<b>Roofing including roof space</b>	<p><b>may be taken by other means if the Surveyor deems it safe and reasonable to do so.</b></p> <p>The roof is of pitched timber frame design, incorporating timber sarking, overlaid with slates. Both the front and rear roof pitches incorporate flat platform roof dormer projections which are clad with bituminous felt.</p> <p>Access to the roof space came from a ceiling hatch in the hall Insulation material has been laid at joist level within this area.</p>
<b>Rainwater fittings</b>	<p><b>Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.</b></p> <p>Gutters are of half round design, with round downpipes, formed in PVC.</p>
<b>Main walls</b>	<p><b>Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.</b></p> <p><b>Foundations and concealed parts were not exposed or inspected.</b></p> <p>The main walls are of traditional solid stone construction, rendered externally.</p>
<b>Windows, external doors and joinery</b>	<p><b>Internal and external doors were opened and closed where keys were available.</b></p> <p><b>Random windows were opened and closed where possible.</b></p> <p><b>Doors and windows were not forced open.</b></p> <p>The windows are of double glazed UPVC.</p> <p>The entrance door is of composite/UPVC design, incorporating double glazed inserts.</p> <p>Fascias and soffits are formed in a mixture of timber and PVC.</p>
<b>External decorations</b>	<p><b>Visually inspected.</b></p> <p>Painted finishes and low maintenance PVC.</p>
<b>Conservatories / porches</b>	<p>There are no conservatories or porches.</p>
<b>Communal areas</b>	<p><b>Circulation areas visually inspected.</b></p> <p>To the rear there are some communal areas comprising of pathways mainly surfaced in stone chip.</p>

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<b>Garages and permanent outbuildings</b>	<b>Visually inspected.</b> The property includes an exclusive garden store of stone and block construction, with an asbestos cement roof.
<b>Outside areas and boundaries</b>	<b>Visually inspected.</b> The property includes an exclusive area of garden to the rear surfaced in concrete slab and stone chip.
<b>Ceilings</b>	<b>Visually inspected from floor level.</b> The ceilings are of plasterboard.
<b>Internal walls</b>	<b>Visually inspected from floor level.</b> <b>Using a moisture meter, walls were randomly tested for dampness where considered appropriate.</b> Internal walls are of stud construction, with plasterboard finish.
<b>Floors including sub floors</b>	Floors are of suspended timber joist design, and of solid concrete. No access could be gained to any sub floor areas.
<b>Internal joinery and kitchen fittings</b>	<b>Built-in cupboards were looked into but no stored items were moved.</b> <b>Kitchen units were visually inspected excluding appliances.</b> Internal joinery finishes are formed in timber. Interior doors are of timber panel design, with some incorporating glass inserts. The kitchen consists of a modern range of fitted floor and wall mounted units with laminate worktops, incorporating stainless steel sink unit.
<b>Chimney breasts and fireplaces</b>	There are no chimney breasts or open fireplaces.
<b>Internal decorations</b>	<b>Visually inspected.</b> Walls and ceilings are generally painted with emulsion throughout. Some areas incorporate textured coatings.
<b>Cellars</b>	There are no cellars.
<b>Electricity</b>	<b>Accessible parts of the wiring were visually inspected without removing fittings. No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances. Visual inspection does not assess any services to make sure they work properly and efficiently and meet modern standards. If any services are turned off, the surveyor will state that in the report and will not turn them on.</b> Mains electricity supply, with the meter located within the ground

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<b>Electricity</b>	<p>floor hall. Visible wiring is of PVC coated cabling, and sockets are generally of a 13 amp variety.</p>
<b>Gas</b>	<p><b>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.</b></p> <p>Mains gas supply. The meter is located within the landing cupboard.</p>
<b>Water, plumbing, bathroom fittings</b>	<p><b>Visual inspection of the accessible pipework, water tanks, cylinders and fittings without removing any insulation.</b></p> <p><b>No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances.</b></p> <p>Mains water supply. Visible plumbing is formed in copper and PVC materials.</p> <p>The bathroom comprises of WC, wash hand basin, and panelled bath with electric slide rail shower over. There is a sink to the kitchen.</p> <p>An outside water tap has been provided to the external gable.</p>
<b>Heating and hot water</b>	<p><b>Accessible parts of the system were visually inspected apart from communal systems, which were not inspected.</b></p> <p><b>No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances.</b></p> <p>There is a gas fired 'Worcester' combination boiler within the landing cupboard, and this serves a series of radiators throughout the property and also provides domestic hot water. Central heating radiators are generally equipped with thermostatic valves.</p> <p>The seller has advised that the central heating boiler is serviced regularly.</p>
<b>Drainage</b>	<p><b>Drainage covers etc were not lifted.</b></p> <p><b>Neither drains nor drainage systems were tested.</b></p> <p>Drainage is to the main public sewer.</p>
<b>Fire, smoke and burglar alarms</b>	<p><b>Visually inspected.</b></p> <p><b>No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances.</b></p> <p>There are smoke alarms and a carbon monoxide alarm present within the property. Legislation by the Scottish Government, which took effect from February 2022, requires all residential properties to have a system of inter-linked smoke alarms and heat detectors. Carbon monoxide detectors are also required where appropriate.</p>

<b>Fire, smoke and burglar alarms</b>	Purchasers should appraise themselves of the requirements of this legislation, and engage with appropriately accredited contractors to ensure compliance.
<b>Any additional limits to inspection</b>	<p><b>For flats / maisonettes</b></p> <p><b>Only the subject flat and internal communal areas giving access to the flat were inspected.</b></p> <p><b>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.</b></p> <p><b>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.</b></p> <p>At the time of inspection, the property was occupied, fully furnished, and all floors were covered. Cupboard accommodation contained personal belongings and household items.</p> <p>The inspection of the roof space was limited to a head and shoulder inspection. Insulation materials have not been disturbed in accordance with health and safety guidelines. No access could be gained to any sub floor areas, due to the lack of suitable access points.</p> <p>Concealed areas beneath and around bath/shower trays were not visible. Water spillage in these areas can often be discovered unexpectedly with resultant damage to concealed parts of the fabric.</p> <p>Random testing for dampness was undertaken internally with the use of a moisture meter where accessible and considered appropriate.</p> <p>Parts of the property, which are covered, unexposed or inaccessible, cannot be guaranteed to be free from defect.</p> <p>The report does not include an asbestos inspection. However asbestos was widely used in the building industry until around 2000, when it became a banned substance. If the possibility of asbestos based products has been reported within the limitations of the inspection and you have concerns you should engage a qualified asbestos surveyor. Any such materials should not be drilled or disturbed without prior advice from a licensed specialist.</p> <p>I have not carried out an inspection for Japanese Knotweed and unless otherwise stated, for the purposes of the valuation I have assumed that there is no Japanese Knotweed or other invasive plants within the boundaries of the property or in neighbouring properties.</p> <p>The inspection is not a fire or life safety risk assessment and should not be relied on as a risk assessment inspection. Further advice should be sought if a specific risk assessment of the property and building that it forms part of is required.</p> <p>Where repairs are required at height compliance with Health and Safety legislation often requires the use of scaffolding which can</p>

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<b>Any additional limits to inspection</b>	significantly impact on the cost of repair. Pricing repairs is out with the remit of this report but it would be prudent to consider costs and budgeting before offering. The various trades can advise further.
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## Sectional Diagram showing elements of a typical house



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





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## 2. Condition


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


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

 Structural movement	
<b>Repair category</b>	1
<b>Notes</b>	The property has been affected by previous movement but within the limitations of the inspection there was no evidence to suggest that this is ongoing.

 Dampness, rot and infestation	
<b>Repair category</b>	1
<b>Notes</b>	No obvious evidence of significant dampness, rot or wood boring insect infestation.

 Chimney stacks	
<b>Repair category</b>	1
<b>Notes</b>	No significant defects evident. The seller has advised that the original flues have been capped.

 Roofing including roof space	
<b>Repair category</b>	1
<b>Notes</b>	The roofs incorporate flat platform dormer projections, clad with bituminous felt. It should be appreciated that such roofs can have a limited life span. A competent roofing contractor would be able to inspect the roofs at close quarters.

 Rainwater fittings	
<b>Repair category</b>	2
<b>Notes</b>	Sections of the guttering would benefit from realignment.



## Main walls

<b>Repair category</b>	1
<b>Notes</b>	No significant defects evident.



## Windows, external doors and joinery

<b>Repair category</b>	2
<b>Notes</b>	Localised decay was noted to sections of the timber fascias. A competent joiner would be able to inspect and carry out repairs. Random windows and doors are opened but not all and inspections can be restricted by window blinds, curtains, ornaments etc. Handles, locks and opening mechanisms can deteriorate through usage and repair or replacement can be anticipated on an ad hoc basis.



## External decorations

<b>Repair category</b>	2
<b>Notes</b>	There are some weathered areas of external paint work, and early upgrading will be required.



## Conservatories/porches

<b>Repair category</b>	-
<b>Notes</b>	There are no conservatories or porches.



## Communal areas

<b>Repair category</b>	1
<b>Notes</b>	No significant defects evident.



## Garages and permanent outbuildings

<b>Repair category</b>	2
<b>Notes</b>	Pointing to the stone work of the outbuilding would benefit early attention. A damaged chimney pot was noted.



## Outside areas and boundaries

<b>Repair category</b>	1
<b>Notes</b>	No significant defects evident.



## Ceilings

<b>Repair category</b>	1
<b>Notes</b>	Minor shrinkage cracking was noted to plasterboard ceilings.



## Internal walls

<b>Repair category</b>	1
<b>Notes</b>	Slight unevenness was noted in parts.



## Floors including sub-floors

<b>Repair category</b>	1
<b>Notes</b>	No significant defects evident. It is not unusual to discover areas of past water spillage when floor coverings are removed in kitchen and bathroom compartments, revealing the need for further repair and maintenance work.



## Internal joinery and kitchen fittings

<b>Repair category</b>	1
<b>Notes</b>	No significant defects evident.



## Chimney breasts and fireplaces

<b>Repair category</b>	-
<b>Notes</b>	There are no open fireplaces within the property.



## Internal decorations

<b>Repair category</b>	1
<b>Notes</b>	No significant defects evident.



## Cellars

<b>Repair category</b>	-
<b>Notes</b>	There are no cellars.



## Electricity

<b>Repair category</b>	2
<b>Notes</b>	<p>It is recommended that all electrical installations be checked every five years or on change of ownership to keep up to date with frequent changes in Safety Regulations. Further advice will be available from a qualified NICEIC/SELECT registered Contractor. It should be appreciated that only recently constructed or rewired properties will have installations which fully comply with IET regulations.</p> <p>The seller has advised that an electric shaver point within the bathroom is to be repaired, and the mechanical extractor fan is to be replaced.</p> <p>The electrical supply serving the outbuilding may not entirely conform to current day standards.</p>



## Gas

<b>Repair category</b>	1
<b>Notes</b>	Trade bodies governing gas installations currently advise that gas appliances should be tested prior to change in occupancy and thereafter at least once a year by a Gas Safe registered contractor. It is assumed that gas appliances comply with relevant regulations.



## Water, plumbing and bathroom fittings

<b>Repair category</b>	1
<b>Notes</b>	No significant defects evident.



## Heating and hot water

<b>Repair category</b>	1
<b>Notes</b>	<p>It is assumed that the heating and hot water systems have been properly serviced and maintained on a regular basis and installed in accordance with the relevant regulations.</p> <p>Boilers and central heating systems should be tested and serviced by a Gas Safe registered contractor on an annual basis to ensure their safe and efficient operation.</p>



## Drainage

<b>Repair category</b>	1
<b>Notes</b>	<p>Drains have not been inspected or tested, and covers have not been lifted. There is no obvious surface evidence of chokage or leakage.</p>

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

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

## Category 3

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

## Category 2

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

## Category 1

No immediate action or repair is needed.

### Remember

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

### Warning

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

## 3. Accessibility information

### Guidance notes on accessibility information

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

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

*Unrestricted parking within 25 metres:*

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

<b>1. Which floor(s) is the living accommodation on?</b>	First floor
<b>2. Are there three steps or fewer to a main entrance door of the property?</b>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>3. Is there a lift to the main entrance door of the property?</b>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>4. Are all door openings greater than 750mm?</b>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>5. Is there a toilet on the same level as the living room and kitchen?</b>	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
<b>6. Is there a toilet on the same level as a bedroom?</b>	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
<b>7. Are all rooms on the same level with no internal steps or stairs?</b>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>8. Is there unrestricted parking within 25 metres of an entrance door to the building?</b>	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

## 4. Valuation and conveyancer issues

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

### Matters for a solicitor or licensed conveyancer

The property has been altered in the past, involving the conversion of a former house into two separate properties, and the creation of dormer projections. These works would now be considered historic, however it can be advantageous to obtain any relevant documentation in this regard for future reference.

The full extent of the site, including all exclusive and communal areas should be confirmed with reference to the titles.

The subjects comprise a flat and it is assumed that the maintenance/repair costs of the common parts of the building will be shared on an equitable basis with the adjoining proprietor. It is therefore assumed that the cost of the common repairs detailed within the report will be apportioned accordingly, although exact liability should be confirmed.

### Estimated reinstatement cost for insurance purposes

£190,000 (ONE HUNDRED AND NINETY THOUSAND POUNDS).

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

### Valuation and market comments

Market value as at the 28 July 2023 - £130,000 (ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY THOUSAND POUNDS).

Against a backdrop of changing economic circumstances and increasing interest rates, it is not possible to predict how the market will perform in the coming months although market conditions continue to be stable at present

<b>Signed</b>	Security Print Code [344205 = 7980 ] Electronically signed
<b>Report author</b>	GREIG G BAXTER
<b>Company name</b>	DM Hall LLP
<b>Address</b>	64 Market Place, Inverurie, Aberdeenshire, AB51 3XN



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<b>Date of report</b>	3rd August 2023
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# Mortgage Valuation Report



## Property Address

Address 7 RAILWAY TERRACE, PORT ELPHINSTONE, INVERURIE, AB51 3RL  
Seller's Name Mr Kenneth Thom  
Date of Inspection 28th July 2023

## Property Details

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

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

Does the surveyor believe that the property was built for the public sector, e.g. local authority, military, police?  Yes  No

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

Approximate Year of Construction

## Tenure

Absolute Ownership  Leasehold Ground rent £  Unexpired years

## Accommodation

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

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

Residential Element (greater than 40%)  Yes  No

## Garage / Parking / Outbuildings

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

Permanent outbuildings:

Garden store.

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## Construction

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

## Special Risks

Has the property suffered structural movement?  Yes  No

If Yes, is this recent or progressive?  Yes  No

Is there evidence, history, or reason to anticipate subsidence, heave, landslip or flood in the immediate vicinity?  Yes  No

If Yes to any of the above, provide details in General Remarks.

## Service Connection

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

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

Brief description of Central Heating:

Gas fired radiator system.

## Site

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

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

## Location

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

## Planning Issues

Has the property been extended / converted / altered?  Yes  No

If Yes provide details in General Remarks.

## Roads

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

# Mortgage Valuation Report

## General Remarks

The property is situated within an established area within Port Elphinstone which is a suburb on the outskirts of the town of Inverurie. The River Don and former canal is in close proximity. Within the town of Inverurie, there is a wide range of shopping, educational, and social facilities available. The City of Aberdeen is also within commuting distance.

The property has been altered in the past, involving the conversion of a former house into two separate properties, and the creation of dormer projections. These works would now be considered historic, however it can be advantageous to obtain any relevant documentation in this regard for future reference.

The full extent of the site, including all exclusive and communal areas should be confirmed with reference to the titles.

The subjects comprise a flat and it is assumed that the maintenance/repair costs of the common parts of the building will be shared on an equitable basis with the adjoining proprietor. It is therefore assumed that the cost of the common repairs detailed within the report will be apportioned accordingly, although exact liability should be confirmed.

Generally, the property was found to be in a sound order for its age and type. There are no repairs considered necessary as a condition of a mortgage advance.

## Essential Repairs

None apparent.

Estimated cost of essential repairs £  Retention recommended?  Yes  No Amount £

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## Comment on Mortgageability

Subject to our comments contained within this report, and any mortgage lenders specific criteria, we would confirm the property will form suitable security for mortgage purposes.

## Valuations

Market value in present condition	£	<input type="text" value="130,000"/>
Market value on completion of essential repairs	£	<input type="text" value="N/A"/>
Insurance reinstatement value (to include the cost of total rebuilding, site clearance, professional fees, ancillary charges plus VAT)	£	<input type="text" value="190,000"/>
Is a reinspection necessary?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

## Buy To Let Cases

What is the reasonable range of monthly rental income for the property assuming a letting on a 6 month Short Assured Tenancy basis?	£	<input type="text"/>
Is the property in an area where there is a steady demand for rented accommodation of this type?		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

## Declaration

Signed	Security Print Code [344205 = 7980 ] Electronically signed by:-
Surveyor's name	GREIG G BAXTER
Professional qualifications	BSc (Hons) MRICS
Company name	DM Hall LLP
Address	64 Market Place, Inverurie, Aberdeenshire, AB51 3XN
Telephone	01467 624393
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Report date	3rd August 2023



# Energy Performance Certificate (EPC)

# Scotland

Dwellings

7 RAILWAY TERRACE, PORT ELPHINSTONE, INVERURIE, AB51 3RL

**Dwelling type:** Top-floor flat  
**Date of assessment:** 28 July 2023  
**Date of certificate:** 03 August 2023  
**Total floor area:** 62 m<sup>2</sup>  
**Primary Energy Indicator:** 314 kWh/m<sup>2</sup>/year

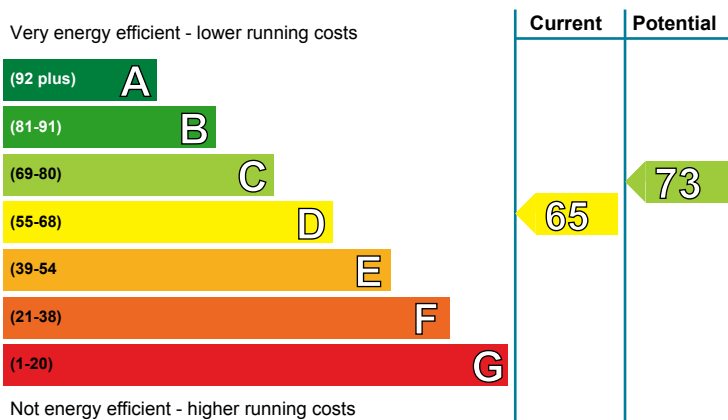
**Reference number:** 1600-2888-0622-7129-1373  
**Type of assessment:** RdSAP, existing dwelling  
**Approved Organisation:** Elmhurst  
**Main heating and fuel:** Boiler and radiators, mains gas

## 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

<b>Estimated energy costs for your home for 3 years*</b>	<b>£5,469</b>	See your recommendations report for more information
<b>Over 3 years you could save*</b>	<b>£1,374</b>	

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

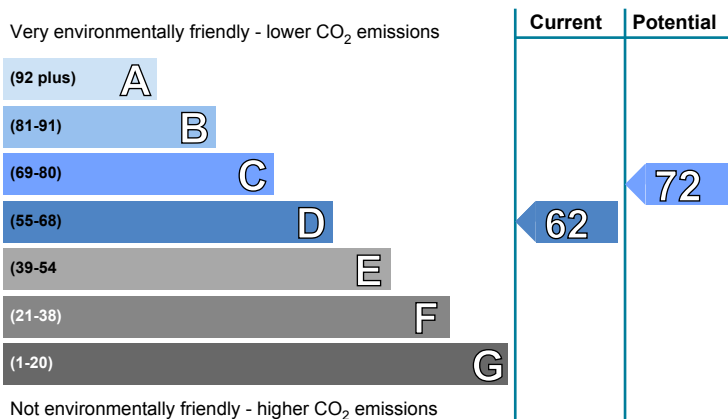


## Energy Efficiency Rating

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 (65)**. 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<sub>2</sub>) emissions. The higher the rating, the less impact it has on the environment.

Your current rating is **band D (62)**. 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 Increase loft insulation to 270 mm	£100 - £350	£267.00
2 Internal or external wall insulation	£4,000 - £14,000	£723.00
3 Low energy lighting	£35	£189.00

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](http://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	Timber frame, as built, no insulation (assumed)	★☆☆☆☆	★☆☆☆☆
	Granite or whinstone, as built, no insulation (assumed)	★★☆☆☆	★★☆☆☆
Roof	Pitched, 100 mm loft insulation	★★★★☆☆	★★★★☆☆
Floor	(another dwelling below)	—	—
Windows	Fully double glazed	★★★★★☆☆	★★★★★☆☆
Main heating	Boiler and radiators, mains gas	★★★★★☆☆	★★★★★☆☆
Main heating controls	Programmer, TRVs and bypass	★★★★☆☆☆	★★★★☆☆☆
Secondary heating	None	—	—
Hot water	From main system	★★★★★☆☆	★★★★★☆☆
Lighting	Low energy lighting in 30% of fixed outlets	★★★★☆☆☆	★★★★☆☆☆

## The energy efficiency rating of your home

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

As we all use our homes in different ways, the energy rating is calculated using standard occupancy assumptions which may be different from the way you use it. The rating also uses national weather information to allow comparison between buildings in different parts of Scotland. However, to make information more relevant to your home, local weather data is used to calculate your energy use, CO<sub>2</sub> 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 3.5 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 1.0 tonnes per year. You could reduce emissions even more by switching to renewable energy sources.




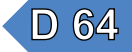






## Estimated energy costs for this home

	Current energy costs	Potential energy costs	Potential future savings
Heating	£4,245 over 3 years	£3,096 over 3 years	
Hot water	£678 over 3 years	£678 over 3 years	
Lighting	£546 over 3 years	£321 over 3 years	
<b>Totals</b>	<b>£5,469</b>	<b>£4,095</b>	

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

## Recommendations for improvement

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

Recommended measures	Indicative cost	Typical saving per year	Rating after improvement	
			Energy	Environment
1 Increase loft insulation to 270 mm	£100 - £350	£89		
2 Internal or external wall insulation	£4,000 - £14,000	£241		
3 Low energy lighting for all fixed outlets	£35	£63		
4 Upgrade heating controls	£350 - £450	£64		

## 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](http://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 Loft insulation

Loft insulation laid in the loft space or between roof rafters to a depth of at least 270 mm will significantly reduce heat loss through the roof; this will improve levels of comfort, reduce energy use and lower fuel bills. Insulation should not be placed below any cold water storage tank, any such tank should also be insulated on its sides and top, and there should be boarding on battens over the insulation to provide safe access between the loft hatch and the cold water tank. The insulation can be installed by professional contractors but also by a capable DIY enthusiast. Loose granules may be used instead of insulation quilt; this form of loft insulation can be blown into place and can be useful where access is difficult. The loft space must have adequate ventilation to prevent dampness; seek advice about this if unsure. Further information about loft insulation and details of local contractors can be obtained from the National Insulation Association ([www.nationalinsulationassociation.org.uk](http://www.nationalinsulationassociation.org.uk)).

### 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](http://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 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>).

### 4 Heating controls (room thermostat)

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

## 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)	10,288	(743)	N/A	(2,003)
Water heating (kWh per year)	1,969			

## 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](http://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](http://www.scottishepcregister.org.uk) and entering the report reference number (RRN) printed at the top of this page.

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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 [greener-scotland.org](https://www.greener-scotland.org) or contact Home Energy Scotland on 0808 808 2282.

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