



### **Single Survey**

158 East Clyne Brora Sutherland KW9 6LS





### survey report on:

Customer	Executry of Mrs Julia Bonita Goodge
Customer Address	158 East Clyne Brora Sutherland KW9 6LS
Date of Inspection	4 <sup>th</sup> March 2024
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### **SINGLE SURVEY TERMS AND CONDITIONS (WITH MVR)**

### PART 1 - GENERAL

### 1.1 THE SURVEYORS

The Seller has engaged the Surveyors to provide the Single Survey Report and a generic Mortgage Valuation Report for Lending Purposes. The Seller has also engaged the Surveyors to provide and 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 inspected 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 amending 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 last two years with the Seller or Sellers Agent or relative to the property, they will be obliged to indicate this by ticking this 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.

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 of 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 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 is should not be assumed that the Property is free of other minor defects.

<sup>&</sup>lt;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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### 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) 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 that the Seller and 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 for information contained with 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, is 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 the 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.

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





### 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 the 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 and Energy Report as required by Stature 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 <u>Category 1:</u> 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 of both the market value of the property and the reinstatement 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 arms'-length transaction after proper marketing wherein the parties had each acted knowledgeably, prudently and without compulsion. In arriving at the opinion of Market Value the Surveyor can also make 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 overall 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.

"Reinstatement cost" is an estimate for insurance purposes of the current cost of rebuilding the Property in its present form unless otherwise stated. This includes the cost of rebuilding the garage and permanent outbuildings, site clearance and professional fees, but exclude 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 subjects comprise a detached single storey cottage with attached outbuilding providing further accommodation and garage area. We understand the property is set in an area of approximately 2.23 acres or thereby of owner occupied croft and a decrofted area of 0.24 acres or thereby.
Accommodation	Entrance hallway, living room, shower room, kitchen, dining room and bedroom.
Gross internal floor area (m²)	59 or thereby.
Neighbourhood and location	The subjects are located in a rural crofting area on the periphery of Brora affording open views to the surrounding countryside and coastline. The property is within easy distance by road to the nearby village of Brora in which limited local facilities are available.
Age	Approximately 160 years.
Weather	Dry and bright.
Chimney stacks	Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.
	2 No. masonry chimney stacks are provided.
Roofing including roof space	Sloping roofs were visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate. Flat roofs were visually inspected from vantage points within the property and where safe and reasonable to do so from a 3m ladder externally.  Roof spaces were visually inspected and were entered where there was safe and reasonable access, normally defined as being from a 3m ladder within the property. If this is not possible, then physical access to the roof space may be taken by other means if the surveyor deems it safe and reasonable to do so.  The roof areas we assume are timber framed and finished with boxed profile roof sheeting. The main loft space area of the subjects has been floored, fully lined out and provided with two Velux roof lights. This attic area is accessed by a fold down loft ladder within the main living room.
Rainwater fittings	Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate.
	Rainwater fittings are of PVC manufacture.
Main walls	Visually inspected with the aid of binoculars where appropriate. Foundations and concealed parts were not exposed or inspected.  Main walls to the property appear of traditional solid stone construction with a predominantly painted render finish externally which has been painted. Internal finishes being of various timber and plasterboard.
Windows, external doors and joinery	Internal and external doors were opened and closed where keys were available. Random windows were opened and closed where possible. Doors and windows were not forced open.
	Windows to the property are of double glazed UPVC design. The front and bedroom doors are of double glazed UPVC design. Localised areas of external joinery are provided which are of a timber finish.





External decorations	Visually inspected.
	External decoration has various paint and stained finishes.
Conservatories/porches	Visually inspected.
	N/A
Communal areas	Circulation areas visually inspected.
	N/A
Garages and permanent	Visually inspected.
outbuildings	An attached steading building is provided to the side of the property. This is of masonry stone construction with rendered finishes and finished with box profile sheeting over.
	A small animal shelter is provided within the croft grounds. This building falls outwith the Home Report remit.
Outside areas and boundaries	Visually inspected.
	Areas of garden ground are provided to the front, side and rear. We understand that the area of decrofted garden ground extends to 0.24 acres or thereby. Some sections of boundaries are unfenced.
Ceilings	Visually inspected from floor level.
	Of timber and plasterboard design.
Internal walls	Visually inspected from floor level. Using a moisture meter, walls were randomly tested for dampness where considered appropriate.
	Of plaster and plasterboard design with areas of timber cladding.
Floors including sub-floors	Surfaces of exposed floors were visually inspected. No carpets or floor coverings were lifted.  Sub-floor areas were inspected only to the extent visible from a readily accessible and unfixed hatch by way of an inverted "head and shoulders" inspection at the access point.  Physical access to the sub-floor area may be taken if the surveyor deems it safe and reasonable to do so and subject to a minimum clearance of 1m between the floor joists and the solum as determined from the access hatch.  Flooring is of various concrete construction with some areas of timber over.
Internal joinery and kitchen	Built-in cupboards were looked into but no stored items were moved.
fittings	Kitchen units were visually inspected excluding appliances.
	Internal joinery appears consistent with a property of this age and style. The kitchen is provided with fitted units and work surfaces.
Chimney breasts and fireplaces	Visually inspected. No testing of the flues or fittings was carried out.
срівсео	One open fireplace is provided in the living room with multi fuel stove.
Internal decorations	Visually inspected.
	Internal decoration comprises of paint finishes which are consistent with a property of this age and style.
Cellars	Visually inspected where there was safe and purpose-built access.
	N/A





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 report this in the report and will not turn them on.  Mains supply. The electric switchgear is located at high level in the entrance hallway area along
	with a battery back up storage system.
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 report this in the report and will not turn them on.
	No mains supply.
Water, plumbing and bathroom fittings	Visual inspection of the accessible pipework, water tanks, cylinders and fittings without removing any insulation. No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances.
	Mains supply. The plumbing installation appears to be of PVC and copper pipework. The shower room fittings appear of standard pattern with electric shower, wc and wash hand basin
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.
	Heating is by way of electric storage heaters to the main living room and kitchen with further panel heaters to the bedroom and dressing area. Hot waster is provided from dual immersion hot water cylinder located within the loft space area.
Drainage	Drainage covers etc were not lifted. Neither drains nor drainage systems were tested.
	Connected we assume to a private septic tank system. We understand the septic tank is within the curtilage of the croft and discharges out with. We assume the system is registered with SEPA.
Fire, smoke and burglar alarms	Visually inspected. No tests whatsoever were carried out to the system or appliances.
	Various smoke detection was noted.
	Fire Safety legislation effective from February 2022 requires 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 detecting alarm must be installed in every kitchen area and all smoke and heat alarms must be ceiling mounted and interlinked. Where there is a carbon-fuelled appliance, e.g. central heating boiler, open fire, wood burning stove, etc. a carbon monoxide detector is also required. The purchaser(s) should appraise themselves of the requirements of this legislation and engage with appropriately accredited contractors to ensure compliance.

### Any additional limits to inspection

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

Access throughout the property was restricted due to floor coverings. No access was gained to any sub floor areas. Access to the roof space was limited to head and shoulders. The attic space is fully lined and framed out. No other access to roof space areas could be made at the time of inspection.

All properties 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 a specialist to undertake an appropriate test.

We have not made checks to ascertain whether the property lies within a Radon area. Further advice should be sought from the





National Radiological Protection Board.

We have not been able to ascertain whether safety glass has been installed to glazing where required.

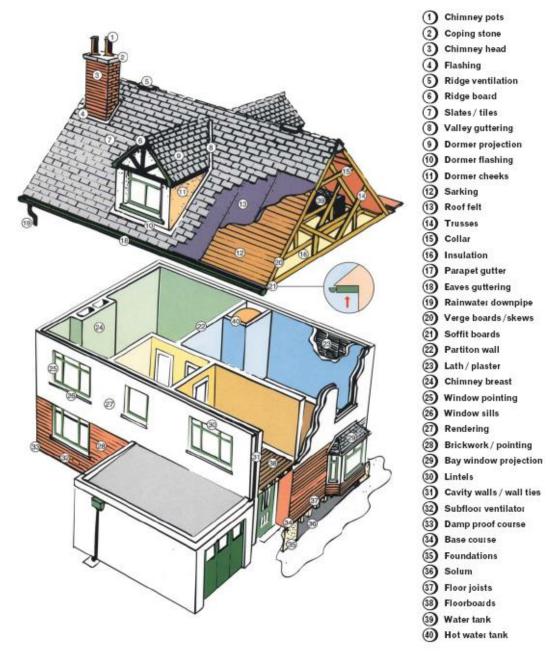
No checks have been made with regard to flood risk.

We have not carried out an inspection for Japanese Knotweed or other invasive plant species and unless otherwise stated for the purposes of this report we have assumed that there is no Japanese Knotweed or other invasive plant species within the boundaries of the property or in neighbouring properties. The identification of Japanese Knotweed or other invasive plant species should be made by a Specialist Contractor.





### Sectional Diagram showing elements of a typical house



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





### 2. CONDITION

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

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



### **Structural movement**

Commence of	
Repair Category	1
Notes	Various movement and settlement cracking was noted which appears typical for a building of this age and type. Ongoing repairs and monitoring will be required in future.



### Dampness, rot and infestation

Repair Category	3
Notes	Evidence of penetrating damp was noted both to ceiling line, external walls and floor areas as well as chimneys. Further investigation, checks and remedial works under long term guarantee will be necessary by a Timber and Damp Specialist as appropriate.
	Evidence of localised rot/decay to timbers was noted as well as mice infestation within the loft space area.

Chimney stacks	
Repair Category	2
Notes	The chimneys show signs of heavy weathering. All disused flues should be capped and vented.

Roofing including roof space	
Repair Category	2
Notes	The roof coverings show signs of wear and tear with corrosion to box profile sheeting noted. Arrangements of flashings around Veluxes and skews were noted to be poor. A degree of vegetation/debris build up was noted. We assume that the original roof structure remains in situ although this is heavily covered and paneled over by current arrangements. Various roof undulation was noted.

Rainwater fittings	
Repair Category	2
Notes	The rainwater goods show signs of heavy weathering. A degree of vegetation/debris build up was noted to guttering. Not all sections of downpipes would appear to be discharging clear of the property. One end cap was noted to be missing to the rear section of guttering.  It should be noted that a full assessment of the rainwater fittings can only be made during heavy rainfall.







### Main walls

Repair Category	2
Notes	Evidence of bossed (loose) rendering was noted which will require further attention and maintenance.



### Windows, external doors and joinery

Repair Category	1
Notes	Windows and doors show signs of normal wear and tear. We assume replacement windows and/or doors have been installed in line with relevant regulations and guidelines. The Velux window was noted to be of an older pattern. We would point out that we have not tested all windows and doors.



### **External decorations**

Repair Category	2
Notes	External decoration shows signs of weathering requiring further redecoration as appropriate.



### Conservatories/porches

Repair Category	N/A
Notes	



### **Communal areas**

Repair Category	N/A
Notes	



### Garages and permanent outbuildings

Repair Category	2
Notes	The attached outbuildings are of rudimentary construction in keeping with that of the main property. Ongoing attention and maintenance will be required in future.



### **Outside areas and boundaries**

Repair Category	2
Notes	Outside areas are largely unkept with high ground levels noted in relation to finished internal floor level. A degree of vegetation/debris build up was noted near the drainage system to the rear of the property. Boundary fencing is heavily weathered.







### Ceilings

Repair Category	2
Notes	Undulation staining and timber decay was noted to sections of ceiling paneling.



### **Internal walls**

Repair Category	2
Notes	Internal walls show signs of wear and tear together with localised timber decay, damp staining and softening of timbers.



### Floors including sub-floors

Repair Category	3
Notes	Sections of flooring were noted to be uneven with cracking noted. Checks should be made with regards to a damp proof course/membrane. Some sections of flooring were covered by polythene at the time of inspection.  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.

Intern	al joinery and kitchen fittings
Repair Category	2
Notes	Internal joinery and kitchen fittings are of age showing signs of wear and tear. Further updating could be considered to personal preference in future.  We note the uneven regular step arrangement throughout the property. Such arrangements could be considered a trip hazard.

Chimn	ney breasts and fireplaces
Repair Category	2
Notes	Further checks of chimney and stove should be made prior to resumption of use. We assume the multi stove has been installed in line with the manufacturer's guidelines. It is good practice to have flues routinely checked/swept. All disused flues would best be capped and vented. Flues should be checked prior to resumption of use.

Internal decorations	
Repair Category	2
Notes	Internal decoration is in poor condition showing signs of age and heavy wear and tear. A degree of damp staining and condensation was also noted which should be checked and cleaned down during redecoration as appropriate in future.







### **Cellars**

Repair Category	N/A
Notes	



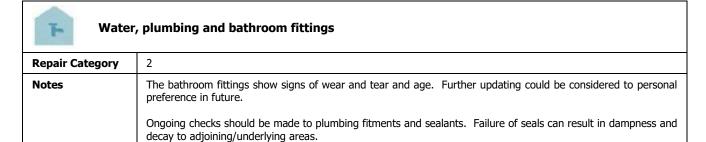
### **Electricity**

Section 2 Section 2	
Repair Category	1
Notes	The electrical system appears to have been rewired and updated in the more recent past with provision of battery system. Further checks should be made to satisfaction. We assume test certification can be made available.
	The Institution of Engineering and Technology recommends that inspection and testing is undertaken at least every 10 years and on change of occupancy. It should be appreciated that only the most recently constructed or rewired properties will have installations which fully comply with present IET regulations.



### Gas

Repair Category	N/A		
Notes			





### **Heating and hot water**

Repair Category	1
Notes	The storage and panel heaters appear to have been updated in the more recent past together with provision of a hot water cylinder within the loft space area.
	We assume the heating and hot water appliances have been installed and maintained in line with the manufacturer's guidelines.



### Drainage

Repair Category	1
Notes	No significant defects were noted from our visual inspection. We assume that the system has been registered with SEPA. We assume legal consents are in place for the septic tank and soakaway system being outwith the curtilage of the decrofted area.





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

Structural movement 1 Dampness, rot and infestation 3 Chimney stacks 2 Roofing including roof space 2 Rainwater fittings 2 Main walls 2 External decorations 2 Conservatories/porches N/A Communal areas N/A Garages and permanent outbuildings 2 Ceilings 2 Ceilings 2 Internal walls 2 Floors including sub-floors 3 Internal joinery and kitchen fittings 2 Internal decorations 2 Cellars N/A Cell			
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### Repair Categories

### 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 replacements 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.

<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 coin-operated 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 ?	Yes
3	Is there a lift to the main entrance door of the property ?	No
4	Are all door openings greater than 750mm ?	No
5	Is there a toilet on the same level as the living room and kitchen ?	No
6	Is there a toilet on the same level as the bedroom ?	No
7	Are all rooms on the same level with no internal steps or stairs ?	No
8	Is the unrestricted parking within 25 metres of an entrance door to the building ?	Yes





### 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

We assume a clear Property Enquiry Certificate shall be provided in due course and that the property has a clear Title. We further assume that any necessary statutory consents for the property in its current state are in place. If any works did require consent, then it has been assumed they meet the standards required by the Building Regulations or are exempt.

The Solicitor must also ensure that any prospective purchaser fully understands the nature, criteria and basis of a Home Report and in particular what a Home Report is and what it is not (an exhaustive Condition Report) and this should be done before any prospective purchaser makes an offer for this property based on the content of this report. If the Solicitor or purchaser requires any clarification in relation to this, they must contact the surveyor or familiarise themselves with the nature and criteria of this type of report.

It should be checked/confirmed that the tenure is absolute ownership and that there are no unduly onerous conditions or restrictive servitudes contained in the Title.

Advice should be sought with regard to the exact extent of ground pertaining to the subjects.

Where defects or repairs have been identified within this Home Report, regardless of whether reported as category 1, 2 or 3 (please read category definitions), it is always best practice to obtain detailed competitive estimates from reputable contractors or specialists prior to entering into any legally binding contract.

We understand the lands directly surrounding the subjects are decrofted with the rest being owner occupied croft land.

We understand the property has undergone woodworm treatment in the past however further attention by a Timber and Damp Specialist as appropriate is required.

### **Estimated re-instatement cost for insurance purposes**

£225,000

This figure is an opinion of an appropriate sum for which the property and outbuilding should be insured against total destruction on a reinstatement basis assuming reconstruction of the property in its existing design and materials. Furnishings and fittings have not been included. No allowance has been included for inflation during the insurance period or during reconstruction and no allowance has been made for VAT, other than on professional fees. Further discussions with your insurers is advised. The figure should be reviewed annually and in the light of any future alterations or additions.

### Valuation and market comments

The market value of the property as described in this report is £170,000 (One Hundred and Seventy Thousand Pounds).

This figure assumes vacant possession and that the property is unaffected by any adverse planning proposals, onerous burdens, Title restrictions or servitude rights.

Following buoyant market conditions over a prolonged period through the COVID19 pandemic there are now indications of a return to a more balanced level of supply and demand.





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Date of report:	20 <sup>th</sup> March 2024



### **Mortgage Valuation Report**



Property Address: Seller's Name(s): Date of Inspection:		Brora, Sutherland, KW9 6LS Julia Bonita Goodge	Re	f <b>No</b> : 18047
Property Details Property Type	House $\Box$	Detached ⊠	If Flat/Maisonette	Purpose Built
	Bungalow 🛛	Semi Detached	ii i laviviaisonette	Converted
	Flat	Mid Terrace	Floor of subject p	
1	Maisonette	End Terrace	No of floors in blo	
(	Other*	*Specify under General Comments	ral No of	Flats in block
Type of Construction (	*Specify under G	eneral Comments)	Traditional	
Tenure Absolute Owner ⊠	Lease	hold	0 years approximate	ely
Accommodation - (s			_	_
Living Rooms 2	Bedrooms 1	Kitchens 1 Ba	throoms 1	WCs 0 Other 0 (Specify in General
Gross Floor Area (exc	cluding garages 8	outbuildings) Inte	ernal 59 m²	Remarks)  External 72 m <sup>2</sup>
Garage(s) / Outbuildir			rking Space 🏻	Garden Yes ⊠ No □
Residential Element -	_		о	
Construction				
Construction				
	☐ Stone ⊠	Concrete  Timber-f	framed  Other	(specify in General Remarks)
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### **Mortgage Valuation Report**



Planning issues					
Has the property been extended / converted / altered?		Yes	$\boxtimes$	No	
If yes, please comment in General Remarks					
General Remarks					
The subjects comprise a traditional single storey croft house with attached store. We under decrofted area of ground extending to approximately 0.24 acres or thereby. The property is loon the periphery of Brora and affords ready access to the nearby limited local facilities within the open views to the surrounding countryside. We note the property has had alteration works doorway to the adjoining room used as a bedroom. We assume all necessary permissions were decreased as a property of the surrounding countryside.	cated in a rune village.	ural cro The pro in the	fting to perty be past	wnship enefits	area from
At the time of inspection the property was noted to be in below average condition for one of it and home improvement works throughout.	ts age requi	ring ge	neral re	efurbish	ment
Drainage to a private septic tank system which we understand to be registered with SEPA. The of the croft.	soakaway I	ies out	with the	e bound	laries
Roof - box profile sheeting.					
Access is over an unmade track from the nearly adopted roadway. We assume access permissio	ns are in pla	ce.			
1. Timber and Damp Specialist requires to check and make good the property throughout.					
Estimated cost of essential repairs £ Retention recommended Yes 🖂	No 🗆	,	Amour	t £10,	000
Comment on Mortgageability					
The main cottage and immediate decrofted garden ground are suitable for mortgage purposes land beyond. Further checks should be made by your lender as appropriate with advice sought f					croft
Estimates should be sought prior to submission of an offer.					
Valuations (Assuming Vacant Possession)					
Market value in present condition	£ <b>155,000</b>				
Market value on completion of essential repairs	£ <b>165,000</b>				
Insurance Reinstatement value	£225,000				
(to include the cost of total rebuilding, site clearance, professional fees, ancillary charges plus VAT)					
Is a Reinspection necessary?	Yes	1	No 🛚		





## **Energy Report**



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

**Dwellings** 

### **Scotland**

### EAST CLYNEKIRKTON, 158, BRORA, KW9 6LS

Dwelling type: Detached bungalow
Date of assessment: 04 March 2024
Date of certificate: 07 March 2024

Total floor area: 59 m<sup>2</sup>

Primary Energy Indicator: 1018 kWh/m²/year

**Reference number:** 0190-2094-2270-2004-8225 **Type of assessment:** RdSAP, existing dwelling

Approved Organisation: Elmhurst

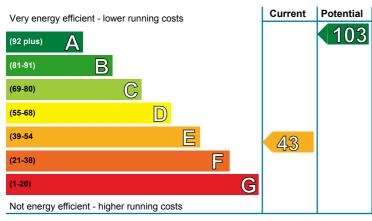
Main heating and fuel: Electric storage heaters

### You can use this document to:

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

Estimated energy costs for your home for 3 years*	£9,198	See your recommendations
Over 3 years you could save*	£2,958	report for more information

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

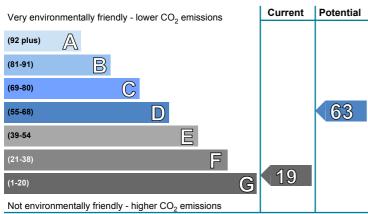


### **Energy Efficiency Rating**

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

Your current rating is **band E (43)**. The average rating for EPCs in Scotland is **band D (61)**.

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



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

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

Your current rating is **band G (19)**. 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	£1857.00
2 Floor insulation (solid floor)	£4,000 - £6,000	£615.00
3 Low energy lighting	£10	£81.00

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

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

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

### Summary of the energy performance related features of this home

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

Element	Description	Energy Efficiency	Environmental
Walls	Granite or whinstone, as built, no insulation (assumed)	***	***
Roof	Pitched, no insulation (assumed)	****	****
Floor	Solid, no insulation (assumed)	_	_
Windows	, ,		<b>★★★★</b> ☆
Main heating			***
Main heating controls	Controls for high heat retention storage heaters	<b>★★★</b> ☆	<b>★★★★</b> ☆
Secondary heating Room heaters, dual fuel (mineral and wood)  Hot water Electric immersion, off-peak		_	_
		***	***
Lighting	Low energy lighting in 67% of fixed outlets	<b>★★★★</b> ☆	<b>★★★</b> ☆

### The energy efficiency rating of your home

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

As we all use our homes in different ways, the energy rating is calculated using standard occupancy assumptions which may be different from the way you use it. The rating also uses national weather information to allow comparison between buildings in different parts of Scotland. However, to make information more relevant to your home, local weather data is used to calculate your energy use, CO<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 175 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 10 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 5.7 tonnes per year. You could reduce emissions even more by switching to renewable energy sources.

### Estimated energy costs for this home

	Current energy costs	Potential energy costs	Potential future savings
Heating	£7,854 over 3 years	£5,418 over 3 years	
Hot water	£951 over 3 years	£528 over 3 years	You could
Lighting	£393 over 3 years	£294 over 3 years	save £2,958
Total	£9,198	£6,240	over 3 years

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

### **Recommendations for improvement**

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

Recommended measures		Indicative cost	Typical saving	Rating after improvement	
		indicative cost	per year	Energy	Environment
1	Internal or external wall insulation	£4,000 - £14,000	£619	E 54	F 28
2	Floor insulation (solid floor)	£4,000 - £6,000	£205	D 58	F 32
3	Low energy lighting for all fixed outlets	£10	£27	D 58	F 33
4	Solar water heating	£4,000 - £6,000	£135	D 61	F 36
5	Solar photovoltaic panels, 2.5 kWp	£3,500 - £5,500	£545	C 75	E 43
6	Wind turbine	£15,000 - £25,000	£1250	A 103	D 63

### Choosing the right improvement package

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



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

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

### 1 Internal or external wall insulation

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

### 2 Floor insulation (solid floor)

Insulation of a floor will significantly reduce heat loss; this will improve levels of comfort, reduce energy use and lower fuel bills. Insulating solid floors can present challenges; insulation laid on top of existing solid floors may impact on existing doors and finishes whilst lifting of a solid floor to insert insulation below will require consideration of the potential effect on both structural stability and damp proofing. It is advised to seek advice from a Chartered Structural Engineer or a registered Architect about this if unsure. Further information about floor insulation is available from many sources including www.energysavingtrust.org.uk/scotland/Insulation/Floor-insulation. Building regulations generally apply to this work and may also require a building warrant so it is best to check with your local authority building standards department.

### 3 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 Solar water heating

A solar water heating panel, usually fixed to the roof, uses the sun to pre-heat the hot water supply. This can significantly reduce the demand on the heating system to provide hot water and hence save fuel and money. Planning permission might be required, building regulations generally apply to this work and a building warrant may be required, so it is best to check these with your local authority. You could be eligible for Renewable Heat Incentive payments which could appreciably increase the savings beyond those shown on your EPC, provided that both the product and the installer are certified by the Microgeneration Certification Scheme (or equivalent). Details of local MCS installers are available at www.microgenerationcertification.org.

### 5 Solar photovoltaic (PV) panels

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

### 6 Wind turbine

A wind turbine provides electricity from wind energy. This electricity is used throughout the home in the same way as the electricity purchased from an energy supplier. Wind turbines are not suitable for all properties. The system's effectiveness depends on local wind speeds and the presence of nearby obstructions, and a site survey should be undertaken by an accredited installer. Planning permission might be required and building regulations generally apply to this work and a building warrant may be required, so it is best to check these with your local authority. The assessment does not include the effect of any Feed-in Tariff which could appreciably increase the savings that are shown on this EPC for a wind turbine, provided that both the product and the installer are certified by the Microgeneration Certification Scheme (or equivalent). Details of local MCS installers are available at www.microgenerationcertification.org.

### Low and zero carbon energy sources

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

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

### Your home's heat demand

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

Heat demand	Existing dwelling	Impact of loft insulation	Impact of cavity wall insulation insulation		
Space heating (kWh per year)	18,194	(5,885)	N/A	(4,358)	
Water heating (kWh per year)	1,782				

### **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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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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Seller(s) Executry Of Mrs J B Goodge Property Address 158 East Clyne Brora KW9 6LS

### Note for sellers

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

Q1: Length of Ownership					
How long have you owned the property?					
Q2: Council Tax					
Which council tax band i	s your property in?(Please Select)		Α		
Q3: Parking					
Garage	✓	Allocated Parking Space	*		
Driveway	×	Shared Parking	*		
On Street	×	Resident Permit	*		
Metered Parking	×				
Other (Please Specify)					
Q4: Conservation Area					
Is your property in a designated Conservation Area (that is an area of special architectural or historical interest, the character or appearance of which it is desirable to preserve or enhance)?			No		
Q5: Listed Building					
	Building or contained within one(that is a build tural or historical interest)	ing recognised and approved as	No		

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Q6: Alterations/Additions/Extensions

work was completed)

a(i)	
During your time in the property, have you carried out a structural alteration, additions or extensions(for example, provision of an extra bath\shower room, toilet, or bedroom)?	No
Please describe the changes you made	N/A
a(ii)	
Did you obtain planning permission, building warrant, completion certificate and other consents for this work?	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:	N/A
b(i)	
Have you had replacement windows, doors, patio doors or double glazing installed in your property?	No
b(ii)	
Were the replacements the same shape and type as the ones your replaced?	N/A
b(iii)	
Did the work involve any changes to the window or door openings?	N/A
b(iiii)	

Please give any guarantees which you received for this work to you solicitor or estate agent.

Please describe the changes made to the windows doors, or patio doors (with approximate dates when the

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Please give Details?

Q7: Central Heating	
a(i)	
Is there a central heating system in your property?	Yes
(Note: a partial central heating system is one which does not heat all the main rooms of the property - the main living room, the bedroom(s), the hall and bathroom).	
a(ii)	
What kind of central heating is there? (Example: gas-fired, solid fuel, electric storage heating, gas warm air).	Electric storage and solid fuel stove
a(iii)	
When was your central heating system system or partial heating system installed?	Don't know
a(iiii)	
Do you have a maintenance contract for the central heating system?	No
Please give details of the company with which you have a maintenance contract?	Don't know
a(iiiii)	
When was your maintenance agreement last renewed? please provide month and year	Don't know
Q8: Energy Performance Certificate	
Does your property have an Energy Performance Certificate which is less than 10 years old?	No
Q9: Issues that may have affected your property	
a(i)	
Has there been any storm, flood, fire or other structural damage to your property while you have owned it?	No
is the damage the subject of any outstanding insurance claim?	N/A
b(i)	
Are you aware of the existence of asbestos in your property	No

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N/A

Q10: Services

a(i)

Please tick which services are connected to your property and give details of the supplier

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	Connected	Supplier
Gas or Liquid Petroleum	×	N/A
Water mains or private water supply	✓	Don't know
Electricity	✓	Don't know
Mains Drainage	×	N/A
Telephone	×	N/A
Cable TV or Satellite	×	N/A
BroadBand	×	N/A
b(i)		
Is there a septic tank at the property?		Yes
b(ii)		
Do you have appropriate consents for the discharge from your septic ta	nk?	Don't Know
b(iii)		
Do you have a maintenance contract for your septic tank?		No
Please give Details?		N/A

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Q11: Responsibilities for shared OR Common Areas

a(i)	
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?	No
Please give details?	N/A
b(i)	
Is there a responsibility to contribute to repair and maintenance of the roof, common stairwell or other common areas?	No
Please give details?	N/A
C(i)	
Has there been any major repair or replacement of any part of the roof during the time you have owned the property?	No
d(i)	
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?	No
Please give details?	N/A
e(i)	
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 boundary?	No
Please give details?	N/A
f(i)	
As far as you are aware, is there a public right of way across your any part of your property? (public right of way is a way over which the public las a right to pass, whether or not the land is privatly owned).	No
Please give details?	N/A

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shown in the original estimate.

Guarantees are held by:

Q12: Charges associated with your property a(i) Is there a factor or property manager for your property? No Please provide the name and address, and give details of any deposits held and approximate charges: N/A b(i) Is there a common buildings insurance policy? No Is the cost of insurance included in your monthly/annual factor's charges? N/A Please give details of any other charges you have to pay on a regular basis for the upkeep of common N/A areas or repair works, for example to a residents' association, or maintenance or stair fund. Q13: Specialist Works a(i) As far as you are aware, has treatment of dry rot, wet rot, damp or any other specialist work ever been No carried out to your property Please say what the repairs were for, whether you carried out the repairs (and when) or if they were done N/A before you bought the property. b(i) As far as you are aware has any preventative work for dry rot, wet rot, or damp ever been carried out on No your property? Please give details: N/A c(i) Do you have guarantees relating to this work? N/A 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

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N/A

Q14:	Guarantees
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Are there any guarantees or warranties for any of the following:

Electric Work No Roofing No

Central Heating Don't Know National House Building Council (NHBC) Don't Know

Damp Course Don't Know Any other work or installations? Don't Know

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Please give any details of the work or installations to which the guarantee(s) relate(s)

N/A

С

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

No N/A

Please give details:

Q15: Boundaries

As far as you are aware, has any boundary of your property been moved in the last 10 Years?

Don't Know

please give any details.

N/A

Q16: Notices that affect your property

In the past three years have you ever received a notice:

a(i)

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

No

b(i)

That affects your property in some other way?

No

c(i)

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

No

if you have answered yes to any 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

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.

Agreed Signature(s) Arthur & Carmichael

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