

A progress check that showed the builder what was still outstanding

Progress and snagging check · Roof works under scaffold, north Manchester · 12 minutes of flying



The new box dormer on the day of the check, not yet clad or weathertight (inspection photo, shown with the owner's permission).

15

items recorded and rated

5

unfinished items still to complete

7

items to put right, whatever the stage

A building contractor was part-way through roof works on a house in north Manchester: a new box dormer, new rooflights, re-flashing and new windows, all under scaffold. They needed to know how far the works had got and what was still missing.

Twelve minutes of flying and 34 photographs later, every item was rated. Five were simply unfinished work still to complete. Seven needed putting right whatever the stage: water standing on the new dormer's flat roof, lead at the foot of the dormer cheek not dressed in, a small hole in new lead, old flashings on the rear extension near the end of their life, and a gutter outlet with no downpipe.

The insight that mattered: the standing water. A new flat roof that ponds has too little fall, and that is far cheaper to correct before the covering is finally dressed than after the scaffold has gone. The report also listed the jobs worth doing while the scaffold was still up.

The check was carried out with the owner's permission.

What was delivered

- Annotated progress report: 15 items, each photographed, located and rated (C1/C2/C3)
- Unfinished work separated from items needing correction, so the snag list was clear
- A priority list of actions, including the jobs to do while the scaffold was up
- Indicative repair-cost guidance, explicitly not a quotation

Why aerial Dormer flat roofs and cheek flashings cannot be seen from the ground and are awkward to inspect even from a scaffold. A drone records them in minutes, without anyone standing on new work.

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