

LAUREN HOUSE

25TH JANUARY 2025Surveyed by **KRIS BOX**



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INTRODUCTION

Instruction:

Instruction was received on 20th January 2025 to undertake a snagging report of the property at Lauren House, Example Rd, GL20 7GG. The survey was carried out on 25th January 2025.

The snagging report includes a drone survey and a heat loss survey with moisture measurements and thermal imaging.

Weather:

It was dry at the time of inspection following a period of wet weather with more forecast. Outside temperature was 4 degrees Celsius.

Description:

A new build 2 bedroom property built by Jobby Homes Ltd. NHBC registered contractors.

Orientation:

All directions given in the report assume the reader is looking towards front entrance door of the building, which faces approximately southwest.

<u>Limits to the inspection:</u>

The property was unoccupied and unfurnished with builders still on site although not in this property.

<u>Issues after the survey:</u>

As new-build houses settle over the first few years, you might notice some common issues arising, including shrinkage cracks both inside and outside, nail pops, creaking floorboards, and doors that don't align properly. If these problems appear after our inspection, please reach out to the developer directly.

We also suggest checking your property under various weather conditions like heavy rain or different lighting to spot any issues that may not have been visible during our assessment.

In the rare event that you find an error or a missed concern in the report that needs to be addressed before it is sent to the developer, please get in touch with us within 3 working days of receiving the report. Keep in mind that we might not include items that we believe to be too minor or irrelevant in our report.

Disclaimer:

This report is not a structural building survey, and we cannot accept liability for any issues that arise after our visit or that fall outside the scope of our inspection. Additionally, we do



not conduct technical assessments on installations such as electrical systems, gas, heating systems, solar panels, or ventilation.

Please note that we will not be moving furniture or floor coverings during our inspection. The only potentially intrusive check we may perform inside the property is looking under the bath, which requires removing the bath panel. However, we will refrain from doing this if the panel is sealed or tiled in place.

Our aim is to raise concerns on behalf of the homeowner or client who has contracted our services. While we strive to remain impartial when identifying issues that we believe are valid, we reserve the right to decline to include any concerns that we do not feel are warranted.

We cannot guarantee that your builder will address all the issues mentioned in this report.



TERMINOLOGY

Throughout the report there may be some abbreviations or terminology use. Some of the most common examples are explained below and can also be seen in the diagram below.

"Aco" - a channel drain typically found in driveways

"Architrave" - is the decorative finish around doorframes

"Banding" - Typically in reference to brickwork or roof coverings, different batches will provide different appearance and so should be mixed to avoid obvious patches that clash

"Brickslot" - A type of channel drain typically found in front of doorways

"CO" - Carbon Monoxide

"Efflorescence" - A white appearance on brickwork. It occurs when moisture pulls the salt out of the building material. It is essential for bricks to be covered and left in pallets to minimize this being an eyesore across the whole of the building.

"Fenestration" - The installation of doors and windows

"**LHS**" - Left Hand Side

"Make Good" - The repair process which is likely done in several stages (for example sanding, filling and repainting)

"Perp" - A perpend is the vertical layer of mortar between the bricks

"Plastic Surgeon" - A specialist trade also known as Magic Man. They are able to repair surfaces that are not gloss, metal or glass.

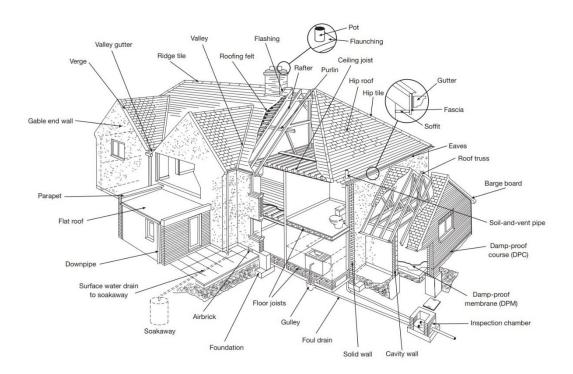
"Plumb" - whether something is a vertical upright. Being "out of plumb" means that it deviates from this.

"RHS" - Right Hand Side

"**RWDP**" - Rain Water Down Pipe

"Stringer" - (also called 'string' or 'stringer board') is the timber on either side of a flight of stairs, into which the treads and risers are fixed.

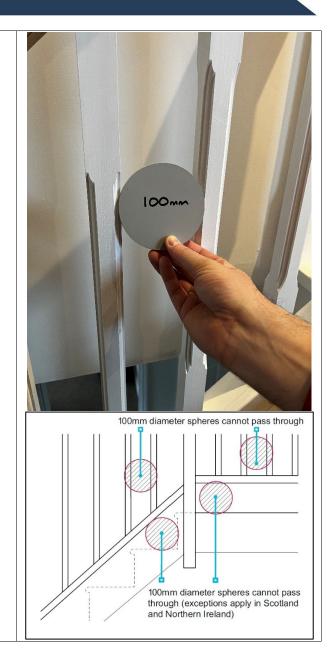
"Snots" - this typically refers to mortar or plaster/paintwork residue that needs removing.





STANDARD CHECKS

All banister gaps checked to comply with NHBC regulation 6.6





All smoke and Co2 alarms checked and working correctly



Extractor fan/s operation checked with smoke test





Every plug socket checked with a socket tester and passed





All light pendants checked for electrical safety and passed





Bath filled to check for leaks and water temperature (should be no more than 50 degrees Celsius)





Fire door safety check

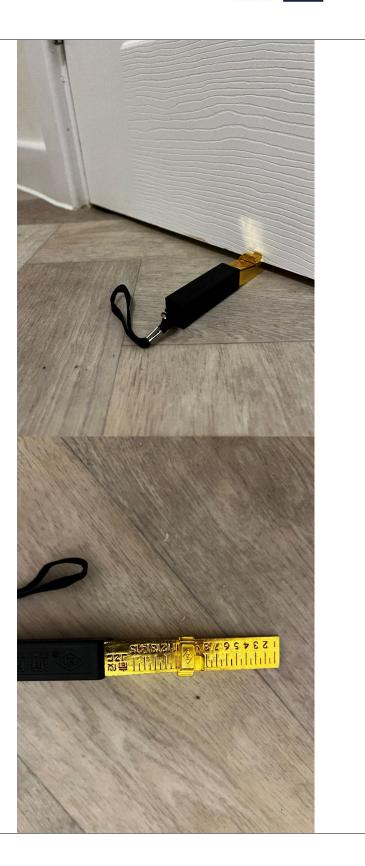
All accessible door through bolts checked





Fire door safety check continued

The fire door into the front room has a gap of 15mm which is 5mm over the allowed gap for a fire door.



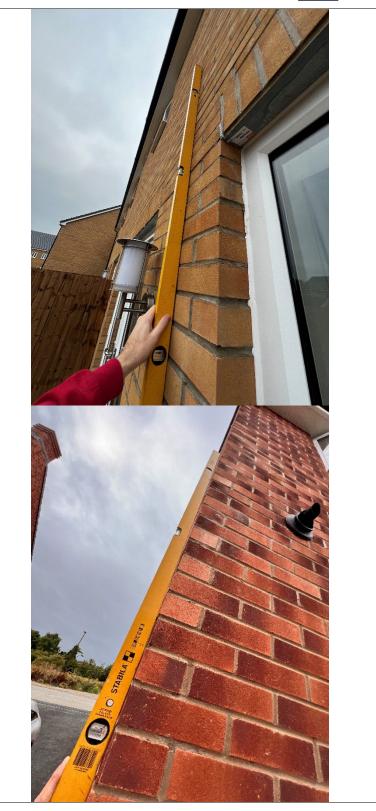


Floor and wall tolerance

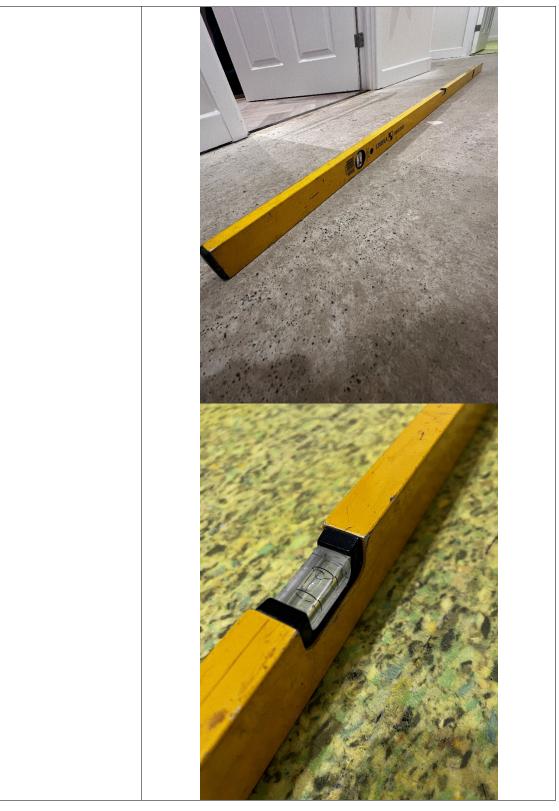
All the walls and floors checked for level, and all were within tolerance.













LIMITATIONS

All areas we available for us to inspect. No limitations encountered.



SERIOUS DEFECTS

The flooring in the kitchen has been cut too short and is visible and will ned to be replaced



The loft insulation needs to be properly installed (layered). Currently laid incorrectly.





This cable that runs from the immersion heater to the control panel will need to be installed correctly. Needs to be off the floor and clipped to the wall as a bare minimum.



This waste pipe that penetrates the floor will need to be properly fire stopped as well as the other penetrations in the photo bottom photo.





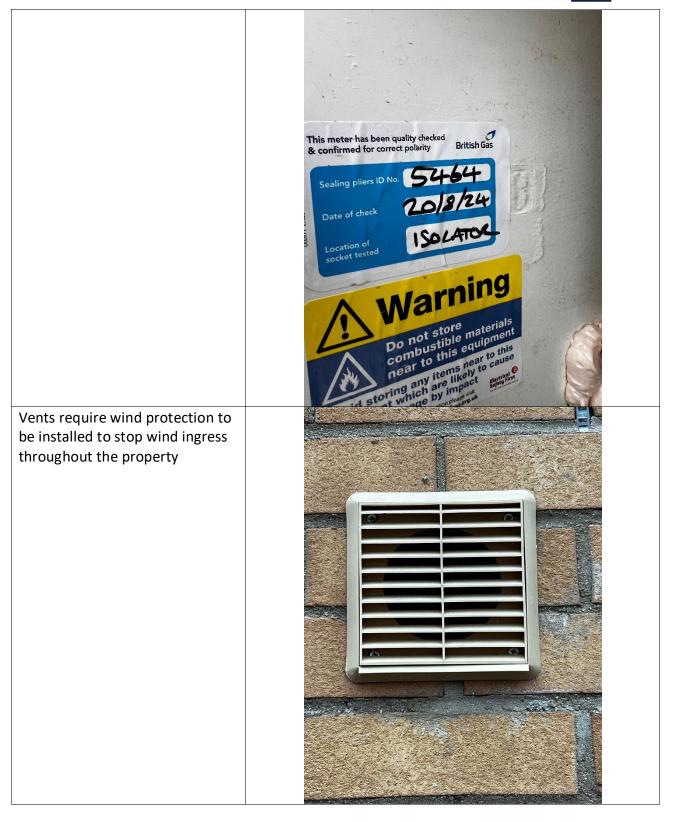


EXTERNALS

Electric cupboard

Electric meter all sealed in correctly







All weep vents need to be properly pointed in.

This is an issue throughout the property.





Pointing required





The contraband seal under the window sills needs attention.
They are all fitted badly and needs to be installed properly





Information

Heat pump for heating



The wall penetrations need to be properly sealed.





Information

Heat pump shut off switch

The outside tap will need insulating to stop it freezing in the winter









The trim onto the soffit is loose and needs properly fixing back all around the property



The window sill cover end caps are all loose and need to be glued/fixed into position







Rear garden overview



Fencing is level all around the property



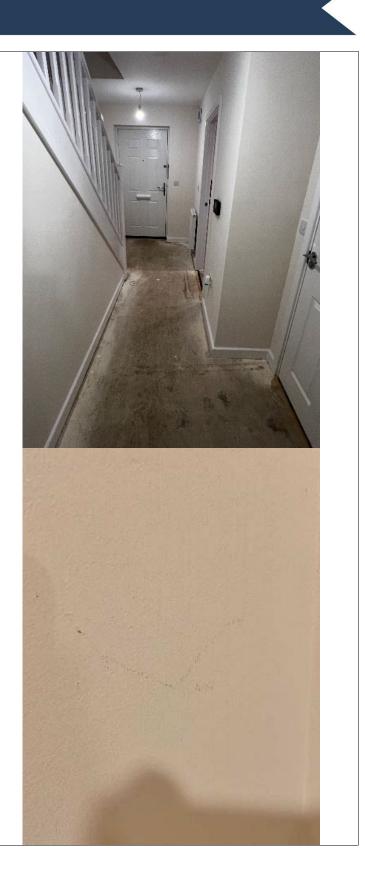






ENTRANCE

Various marks on walls that will need to be re decorated throughout this area.

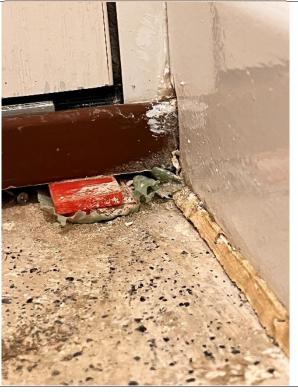




Decoration around this spur socket needs attention



Space between the cupboard and stairs will need decoration





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As above, decoration required. I advise my client to request a full re decoration within his area as localised could make the walls look patchy Decoration around the light switch needs attention



More decoration needed The decoration around the base of the newel post needs attention Property needs a spark clean before handover to my client



This area on the staircase needs further decoration. Decoration required throughout this area

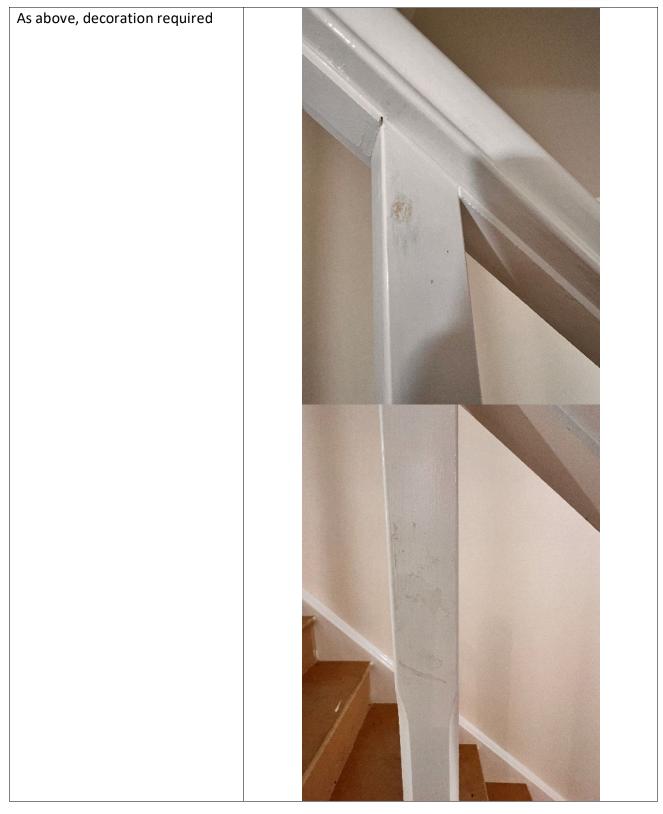


Filler on the ceiling needs to be sanded and painted properly Decoration to the front room door frame and architrave is appalling, this needs a full redecoration



The architrave on all the doors throughout the property needs to be cleaned, sanded and painted Again, more decoration is required to the stair handrail and spindles







As above









DOWNSTAIRS WC

Downstairs W/C Overview



Information

This is where the consumer unit is positioned as well as the PV shut off switch

Date of inspection 26/09/24









The decoration behind the toilet is unacceptable and needs to be addressed



Plastic needs to be removed from behind the waste pipe and properly filled and decorated





This corner needs a lot of decoration, filler, sanding and painting to make good Vinyl around the soil pipe is cut too short and need attention



Information The toilet shut off valve is located here. Decoration is required in this location More decoration issues



Sink tap flow needs to be turned down as when on full it over flows the sink



Decoration required





More decoration required More decoration is required



DOWNSTAIRS STORAGE CUPBOARD

Overview



Information

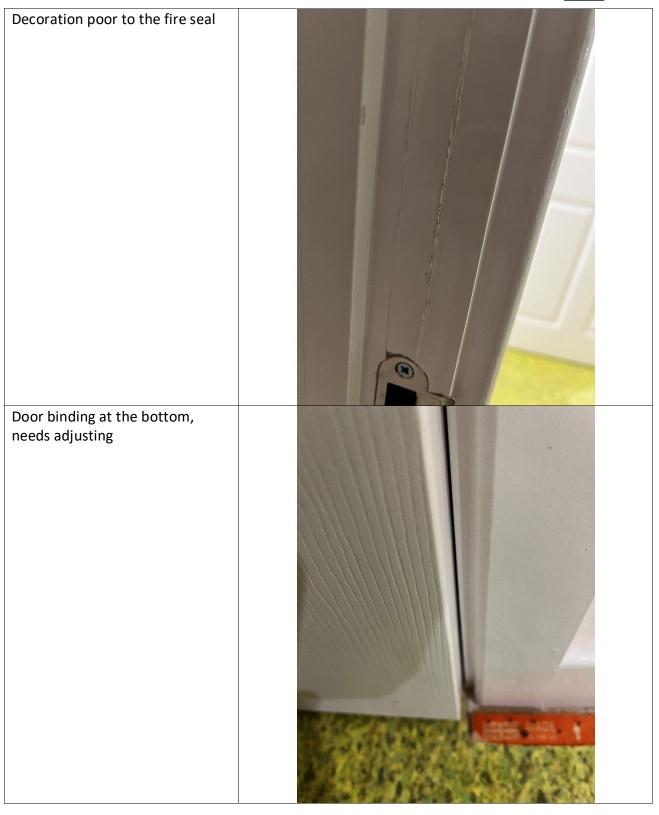
This is where the BT router is positioned





Question What is this spur for? Decoration required to architrave and wall connection and paint required to the top of the architrave

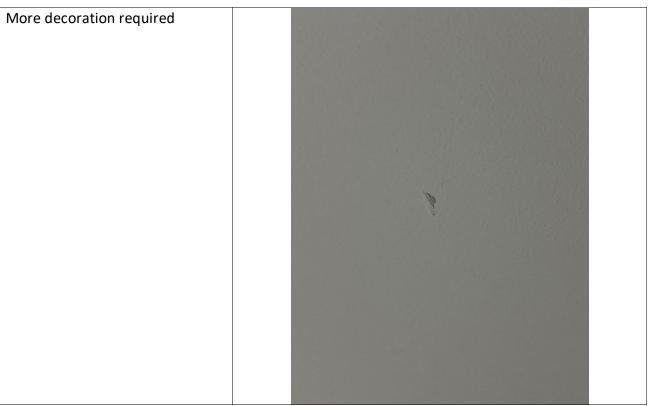






Damage to the corner need decoration Radiator bleed valve needs cleaning and checking for leaks

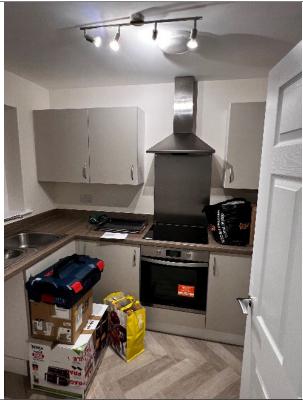






KITCHEN

Kitchen overview



No architraves have been painted throughout the property. This needs to be addressed.





Decoration around the fan isolation switch is poor Decoration required to the door frame and architrave!



Decoration around the light pendant need's decoration.



The external fan cover is scratched and dirty, this will need to be replaced.





Information

Stop tap in located in the base unit under the sink



Holes needed in the side panel so my client can plumb in his washing machine



Information

Washing machine connection and isolation valve



Burns to the base unit floor, this will need to be fixed via a magic man or a new base unit installed



Dust on the kitchen unit hinges, clearly no cleaning has been done on this property before handover. This is standard protocol Holes in the base unit reveals needs to be addressed



The plinth isn't properly fitted and missing clips to hold it securely in place



Rubbish left under the kitchen base units needs to be cleaned out





As above

Also, the water pipe needs sealing to stop air ingress



Debris under the kitchen base units needs cleaning out





The sink base unit needs cleaning and decoration required



No silicon is visible to the kitchen sink cut out; this needs to be applied to stop water destroying the worktop over time





The silicon seal on the splashback is dirty and needs to be replaced Marks on wall need to be decorated

Plastic protection has been left on the screws on the cooker splashback. Attention to detail



Information

The cooker hob was working at the time of my inspection





Ceiling needs decoration, can see the tape which will need filling, sanding and decoration Mark on the splashback



Information

The sink hasn't got an overflow, and the protective cover is still on the 1.5 bowl as shown below on the photo







The sink has a leak from the sink waste, this needs to be fixed.



Pipes loose and will need clipping to secure





Colour fill left under the worktop joint Marks on wall unit doors will need cleaning off







Marks on shelf inside base units and wall units



The plinth needs properly clipping and where are the plinth end covers?





Information

Floor heater/ ventilation requires protective film removing



Plinth needs securing properly with clips and there is rubbish behind that needs cleaning out





As above, rubbish needs cleaning out from under the base units Poorly fitted and where is the mastic seal?



Screw head popping through, needs filling and decoration Decoration is poor to the skirting and needs addressing



Poor decoration The connection between the kitchen unit is poor and the silicon seal needs to be redone, and the decoration is poor



The rear of the door architrave needs decoration Door needs decoration



This needs to be tidied up! The vinyl flooring has been cut too short and we can see the concrete screed below, this will need to be taken up and relayed fully



Various marks on the kitchen base units needs to be fixed More damage to base unit reveals needs fixing



Holes at the back of the base unit in the cupboards needs covers or filling



The cooker hood is greasy and needs cleaning. It also needs to be fitted correctly





Information

Switches for the cooker and fridge etc to the right of the cooker hob





LIVING AREA

Door binding at the bottom, needs adjusting Damage to the corner need decoration







STAIRS AND LANDING

Staircase overview



The staircase needs a lot of decoration, there are areas than need filling and decoration as you can see from the following picture













Screws are visible around the loft hatch , they need filling over , sanding and decoration Around the loft hatch needs decoration and making good.



Decoration required around the light switch The top of the architrave needs decoration, this is throughout the whole house!



MASTER BEDROOM

Overview



Storage cupboard





Decoration is poor and needs addressing Top of the door needs decoration, again this is throughout the whole property and needs to be addressed



Filler left on the floor. Builders clean hasn't been done, nor has a sparkle clean This gap in the cupboard will need decoration or architrave installed to cover. Would you have this in your house?



Information

Good to see window catches on the upstairs windows for safety



Decoration required and window frame marked





Decoration required and window frame is marked Information Ariel socket and BT point

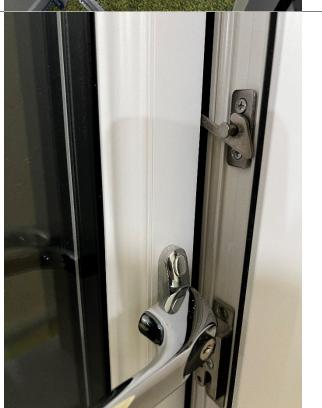


BEDROOM TWO

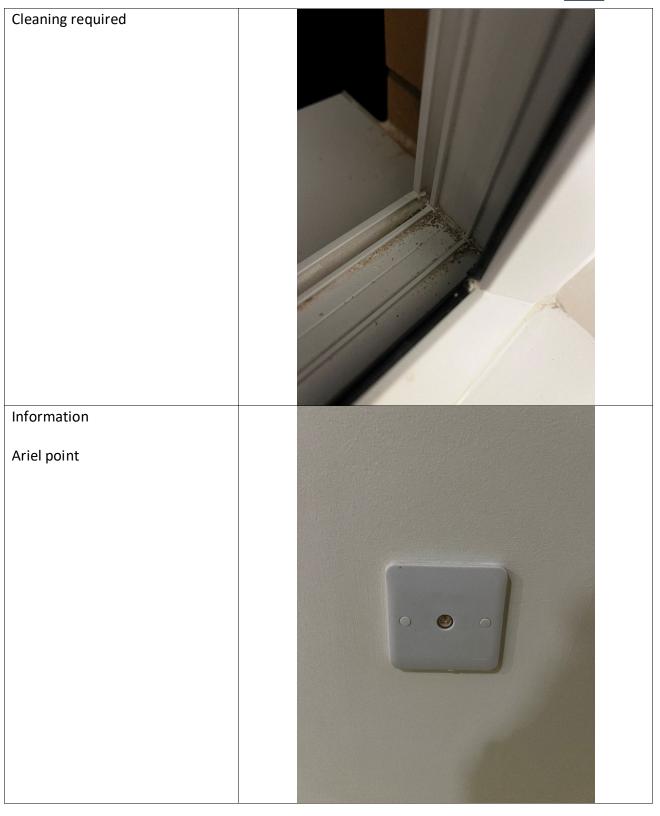
Bedroom 2 overview



Window locks









Decoration required to the top of the door and throughout the property Decoration required



MAIN BATHROOM

Bathroom overview



Decoration required to door





Decoration required to top of the door Decoration required to top of the architrave







Decoration required Decoration required and roses added to finish



Information

Toilet water shut off valve is situated here

Decoration required and roses to finish





Has this house been cleaned? This is appalling!



Silicon to bath needs replacing with fresh silicon that isn't stained and fitted incorrectly





Decoration required by the shower



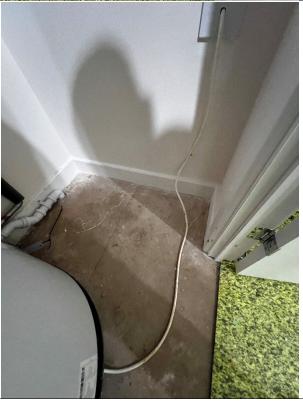


STORAGE CUPBOARD/IMMERSION TANK

Storage cupboard/ emersion tank overview



This cable will need to be installed properly





Information Heating system control panel Immersion switch



Decoration required Decoration required and cleaning.

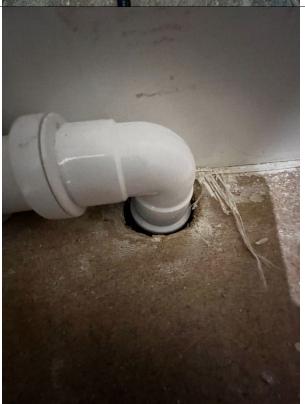


Decoration required and cleaning

Also fire stopping to floor penetrations required here



Fire stopping to floor penetrations required here





LOFT

Loft Space overview The loft insulation needs to be properly installed



Information

Ariel for the property with distribution box





Information Solar panel control box Solar panel shut off switch

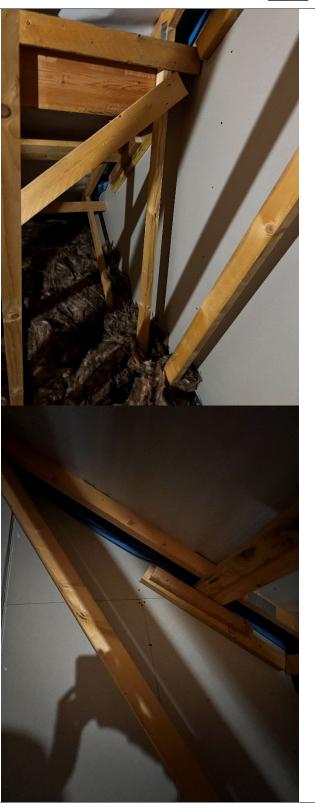


Information Vented SVP Ariel booster



Information

Fire break and fire socks present at the time of my inspection





ROOF SURVEY

Our roof survey is carried out using our drone and all footage is supplied separately to this report. The footage is annotated with any issues or concerns.



HEAT LOSS SURVEY

Our internal heat loss survey helps us identify issues such as draughts, cold air penetration behind plasterboards, and potential gaps in rigid board insulation or loft insulation. We also examine radiators and underfloor heating systems for air pockets or pressure-related concerns.

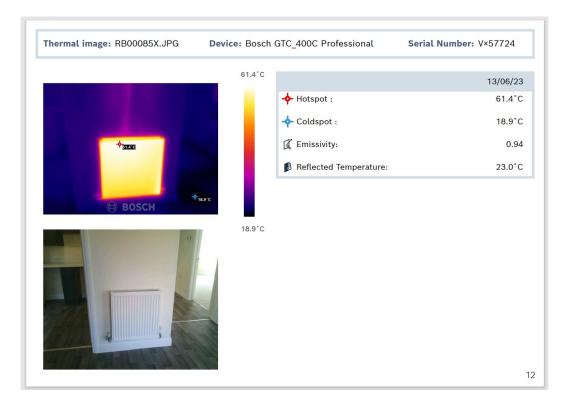


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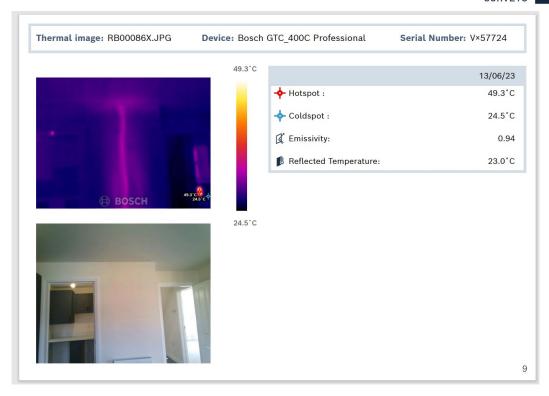


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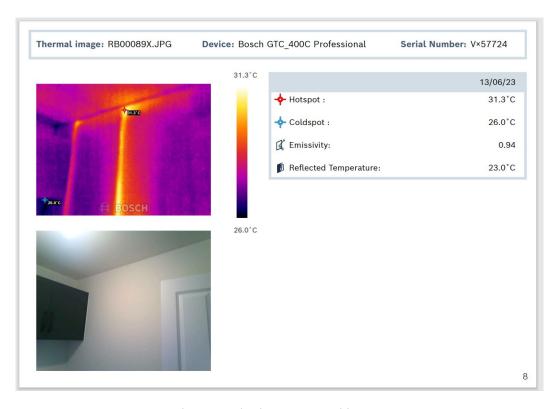


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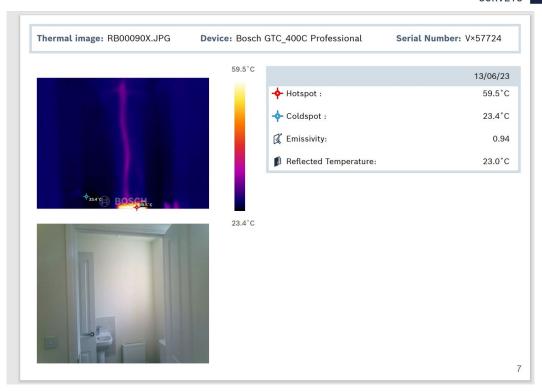


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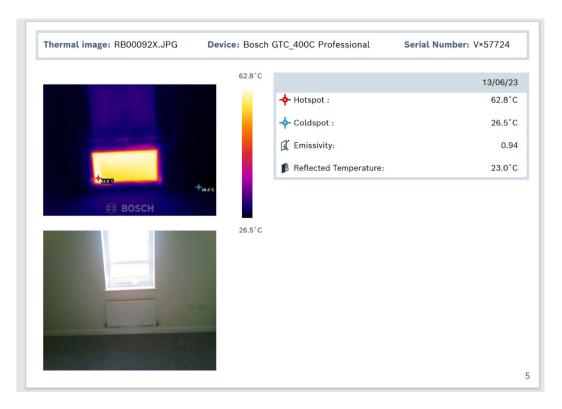


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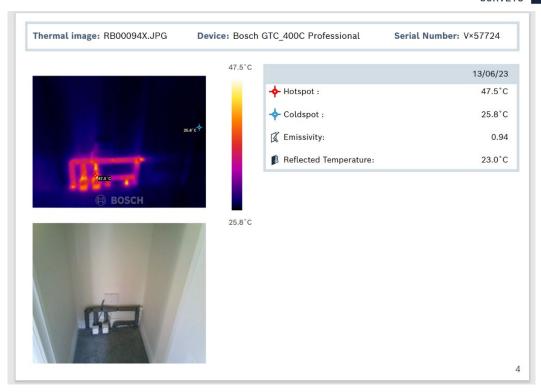


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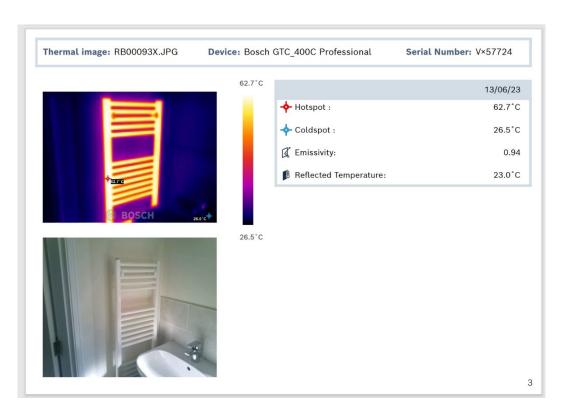


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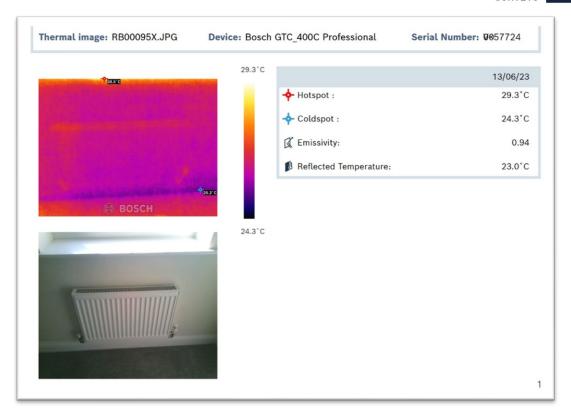
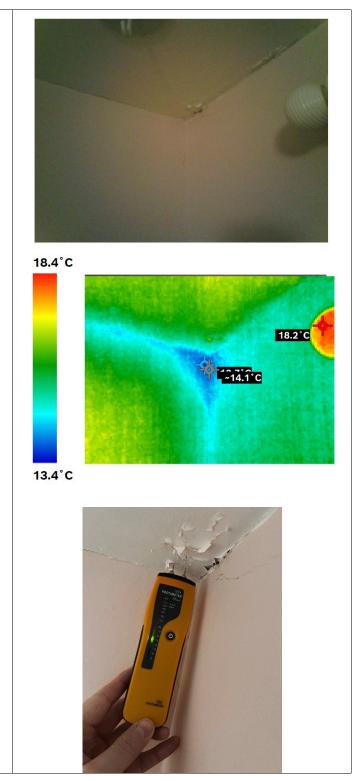


Image shows radiator not working



Client reporting cold spot in top corner of bedroom. Top image shows area overview, second image shows thermal image of cold spot. Third image shows the moisture meter not picking up any moisture. Insulation issue.





First image shows overview of internal window surround. Second image shows thermal image of cold spot. Third image shows the moisture meter picking up moister. External seals need replacing.





