

# 1/469 Bower Avenue, Parklands, Christchurch 8083



Prepared for

Others present during inspection

Ron Day

Vendor

**Date** 

Weather

22/09/2023

Very light rain

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# Condition key

Good	In good working order or condition for its age, functionality is better than expected.
Generally good or Typical for its age	In a condition realistically expected of the age and type, functioning as intended.
Okay	In a condition that shows some deterioration and may require future remediation. Functionality and condition have declined somewhat but still fine.
Average	Condition in which may no longer function as intended, deterioration to the point that remediation may be required soon.
Poor	Completely deteriorated and likely no longer functioning as intended

# General building elements glossary

Roofing	Bargeboard – Boards on a gable end.
	Facia – Linear metal or timber facings that run along the bottom of a roof
	line.
	Hips & valleys – Internal or external elements of a roof creating either a valle
	or a ridge.
	Ceiling cavity – Space between the ceiling and the cladded roof.
Cladding	Cavity system – The gap between two surfaces i.e. cladding to frame cavity,
	Cladding – Material fixed to the exterior of a dwelling.
	Direct fixed – Fixed directly with no cavity.
	<b>Monolithic</b> – I smooth rendered plaster finish over a selected substrate.
	<b>Vermin strip</b> – Strip used to keep airflow but stop rodents accessing.
	Soffits – Overhanging horizontal Lining under the overhanging roof.
	Eaves – Pitched section of roof overhang.
Flooring	Concrete slab – Solid concrete foundation on which something is built.
	Ring foundation – A narrow concrete perimeter around the outside of a
	dwelling.
	Piles – Vertical structural elements being the base of the foundation.
	Joists – Runs on or between bearers to create a frame for a floor.
	Bearers – Thick horizontal elements running over piles to create load support
Joinery	Joinery – Windows, doors, cabinetry
	Jam/frame – The frame around a door
	Reveal – Frame around a window
	Sill – Base of a window frame
	Hardware – Door handles, latches, mechanical elements.
	<b>Head flashing</b> – Above exterior windows and doors to prevent water ingress.
	<b>Trim</b> – A material fixed to smooth corners or cover fixings.
Appliances & Mechanical	General – Cooktops, extraction, ovens, etc.
	Sanitary – Dishwasher, toilets, sinks, etc.
Electrical	Switchboard or distribution board — A board connecting electrical circuits.
Plumbing	Water toby – A valve by the road to switch the water mains to the property
	on or off.
	Waste – Pipes or catchments that take wastewater away i.e., sinks, showers,
	etc.
	Gully trap – A ground basin that receives piped wastewater from inside the
	dwelling.
	Stormwater system – System that receives excess water from the roof and
	drainage system in the property.



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  - · Accessory units and buildings; and
  - · Site improvements; and Roof space/ceiling cavity; and
  - · Exterior wall cladding and joinery; and
  - · General Interior; and
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  - · Electrical system; and · Landscaping/hardscaping; and
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# **SUMMARY**

## **Summary**

It is our professional opinion that this property is in generally good condition for its age, type, and construction and has been maintained very well. Some areas in need of some attention are commented on in this report. There is a reasonable variation in the garage slab that looks to sit just outside of the MBIE guidelines, this may indicate thats the garage floor level needs some attention. Please consult a structural engineer regarding this.

# **ROOF OVERVIEW**

# LIMITATION(S) in this section

The assessment of the roof and its elements is limited to what can be seen for a 3.8m ladder.

#### Condition

In generally good condition for its age.

# ROOF(S)

# Roof type

Sloped

#### **Material**

Tile

# Condition

In good condition for its age.

#### **Comments**

Sufficient slope for water run off. Maintained well. No general concerns identified. One cracked tile noted in photos. This should be replaced.

















Cracked tile.

# FLASHING(S)

# Flashing type

Hips & Ridges, Valley, Penetration(s)

#### Material

Tile, Metal

#### Condition

In generally good condition for its age.

#### **Comments**

No signs of damage. Free from debris build up. Some minor maintenance required. Tile hips and ridges have some cracking to the mortar. This is typical for this product. Where cracks appear. Grind out and re point mortar as on going maintenance. Two penetration flashings are old but still look okay. Re seal them with silicone.





Cracking to mortar.







This flashing would benefit from a new bead of sealant around it.

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Push top cap on hot water boil over pipe down.

# **GUTTERS & DOWNPIPES**

#### Material

Metal gutters, Plastic/PVC downpipes

# **Condition**

In generally good condition for its age.

## **Comments**

Down pipes and gutters fixed well in place and not loose. Discharged correctly into storm water intake. Gutter guard installed to help keep storm water system clear.



# **EXTERIOR OVERVIEW**

# LIMITATION(S) in this section

The inspection of the exterior foundation walls was limited due to the exterior finished ground levels therefore an assessment of what can be seen above ground was carried out.

## Condition

In generally good condition for its age.

# **SOFFIT & FACIA**

#### Material

Fibre cement soffit, Metal facia

#### Condition

In generally good condition for its age.

#### **Comments**

Facia fixed well to structure. Facia flashed well. No fixings popped. Would benefit from a clean as on going maintenance.



















# **EXTERIOR FOUNDATION (WALLS)**

## **Type**

Concrete slab

#### Condition

In generally good condition for its age.

#### **Comments**

No concerns identified.









Corner has cracked out. Not concerning but could be patched.





# **EXTERIOR DWELLING (WALLS)**

# Type

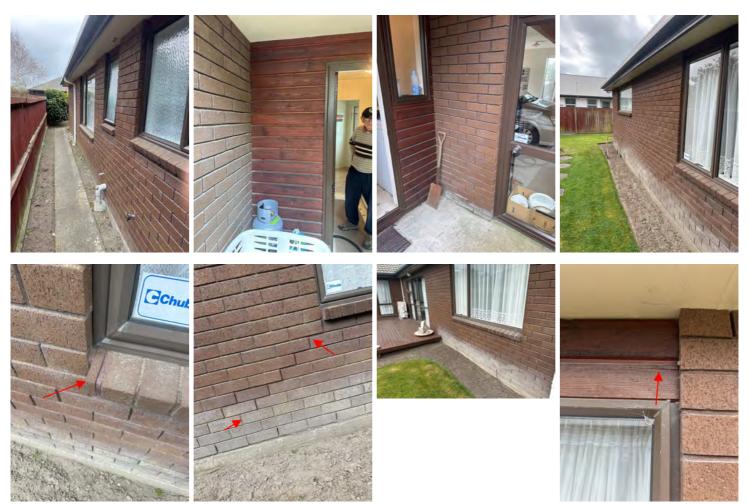
Brick masonry, Timber weatherboard

#### Condition

In generally good condition for its age.

#### **Comments**

Minor preventative maintenance needed. Some cracking in mortar noted but nothing unexpected or concerning. Re-point mortar where needed as general and ongoing maintenance of a masonry cladding. Weep holes installed in the masonry cladding to help with airflow and assist with keeping internal frames dry.



Slightly loose sill brick.

Mortar repair has re cracked slightly. This is only minor. One brick has a minor crack through it at the base.

Split to cedar weatherboard.



This board would benefit from new fixings to hold it back better.

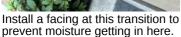


These cedar boards are fairly aged. Maintain a coat of paint or stain to help protect the product.



The gaps at this cladding transition could be filled to prevent moisture getting in these holes









# **EXTERIOR JOINERY (COSMETIC ONLY)**

#### **Material**

Aluminium

## **Condition**

In generally good condition for its age.

#### **Comments**

Comments are based off visual and cosmetic condition only function is found on the interior section of this report. Some of the windows rubber seals have shrink or are pulling out a touch. This is typical for this product. Replace the rubber seals that have perished to help maintain weather tightness.























Example of rubber seals shrinking.

# **EXTERIOR SERVICES**

# **GULLY TRAP(S)**

# Material

Plastic/PVC, Concrete

# **Condition**

In generally good condition.

## **Comments**

Traps are configured properly and do not have down pipes directing storm water into them. Grate installed on traps to prevent debris getting into the grey water system. The rim of the trap needs to be at least 25mm above a paved surface, and 100mm above an unpaved surface. Install a perimeter on trap to the front of the home.





Installed a perimeter on this trap to raise the rim to the right height.

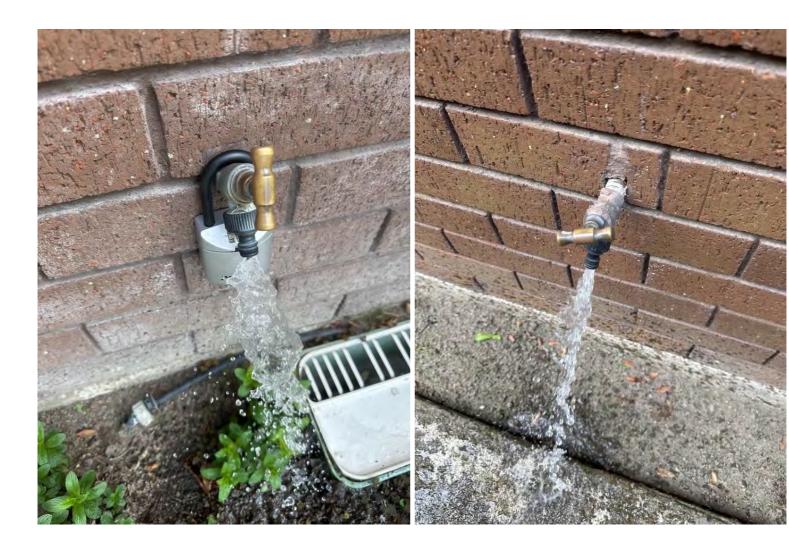
# **EXTERIOR SERVICES**

# **Type**

Taps

#### **Comments**

Taps are operating fine.



# HARDSCAPING, DECKS, BALCONIES, VERANDAS, PATIOS

# Type and material

Deck, Pathways

# **Condition**

In generally okay condition for its age.

## **Comments**

No cracks observed. Deck needs some attention noted in photos. Deck is aged but has been maintained well with paint.





Deck looks to have sunk under the weight of the A/C unit. Extra support should be installed under this section of decking.

# **GROUNDS**

## **FENCES**

## **Material**

Timber post, rail & paling, Masonry

## **Condition**

In okay condition for its age.

#### **Comments**

Some sections of fences are aged. Timber fences need a new coat of paint or stain to help protect the product and prolong its lifespan. Brick fence is in generally good condition with no maintenance required.











# **SHEDS & OUTBUILDINGS**

**Type** 

N/A

**Condition** 

**Comments** 

# POOL(S)

**Type** 

N/A

Condition

**Comments** 

# **DRIVEWAY**

## **Material**

Concrete

#### Condition

In generally good condition for its age.

## **Comments**

Proper expansion gaps have been cut to allow for movement and prevent cracking. Normal aging. No concerning or obvious cracks noted.



# STRUCTURE OVERVIEW

# LIMITATION(S) in this section

This inspection report is based on a visual assessment of accessible areas of the dwelling at the time of the inspection. While our thorough examination aims to identify visible signs of pests, it is important to note that some pests may remain hidden or undetectable during the inspection. Pests, such as birds, rodents, and borer, can often inhabit concealed spaces. This report serves as a snapshot of the property's condition at the time of the inspection and should be considered in conjunction with other specialist evaluations to obtain a complete understanding of the property's pest status. This inspection of the foundations is limited due to exterior finished ground levels and floor coverings. Therefore only an assessment of what can be seen externally was carried out.

#### Condition

In generally good condition for its age.

# **FLOOR LEVELS**

# **Foundation type**

Concrete slab

# **Inside MBIE guidlines?**

Floor levels of the main dwelling were checked randomly throughout and appear to be inside MBIE guidelines. The slope of the floor between any two points checked >2m apart is <0.5 (1 in 200), and the variation over the floor plan is <50mm. This check was done using a Technidea Zip Pro-2000. Please note that this is not a floor-level survey.

#### **Comments**

The floor levels in the garage were checked and appear to be just outside of MBIE guidelines. It is recommended you consult a structural engineer regarding this. There was a reasonable variation in the garage floor.





110mm step down to garage slab.



+46 to -14

# Test type

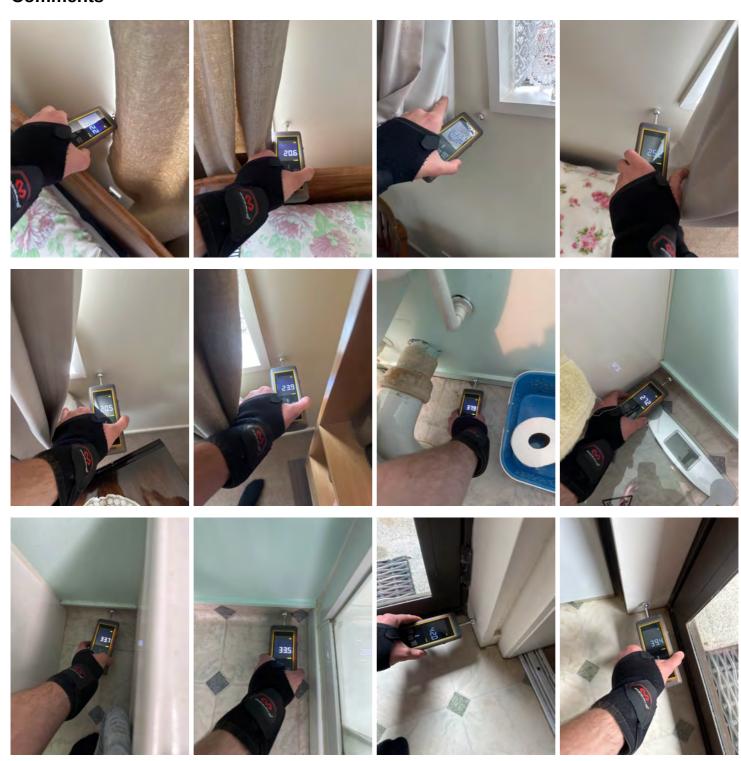
Non-invasive readings were taken using a T660 non-invasive moisture meter readings were taken internally at key locations most prone to moisture ingress. Generally speaking, moisture content readings between 0 and 50 are considered dry, 50 to 80 is considered damp, and 80+ is considered wet. However, readings will always show an element of moisture because timber framing will always retain an element of moisture even after it has been dried. Additionally, moisture content readings can get up to 3% higher than average during periods of high humidity and cooler air temperatures.

# Base reading on internal frames deemed to be dry 30

# Within acceptable moisture tolerance?

Yes

#### **Comments**





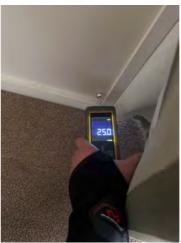












# **CEILING CAVITY**

## **CEILING CAVITY STRUCTURE**

# Framing type

Timber, Trusses

## **Condition**

In generally good condition for its age.

#### **Pests**

As on-going maintenance, all homes should be periodically checked for pests as they can cause damage to the construction material, plumbing, and electrical. No obvious signs of pest found.

#### **Comments**

Fixed well into place. No sagging identified. No signs of water damage or rot. Old-style tile roofs can be prone to moisture ingress, especially if not maintained properly. It is not uncommon to see minor signs of moisture where tiles lap with some visible signs of moisture on the underside of the tiles, during times of rainfall. To assist with minimising or preventing this ensure tiles are properly set into place and regular cleaning of the tiles is carried out. This ensures tiles are aligned properly, water channels are kept clear and assists with moving water to the guttering system preventing moisture from entering the dwelling. Maintaining a coat of paint will also help prolong the lifespan of the tile product.







# Roof underlay/sheathing

None

**Condition** 

**Comments** 

## **CEILING CAVITY INSULATION**

# **Type**

Fiber glass

## **Condition**

In generally good condition for its age.

## **Comments**

Insulation laid throughout except above the garage. Not slumped or compressed. No signs of water damage.









# **CEILING CAVITY SERVICES**

# Plumbing leaks identified

No

#### **Services**

Header tank, Plumbing, Ducting, Electrical

#### **Comments**







# **INTERIOR OVERVIEW**

# LIMITATION(S) in this section

The assessment of the floors and walls is limited due to furniture and personal items as we cannot move around personal items and large furniture to fully assess these areas. The view of the garage and foundation was limited due to personal items. Therefore we can only comment on the sections visible.

#### Condition

In generally good condition for its age.

# **FINISHES**

## **FLOORS**

# **Type**

Carpet, Vinyl, Tile

#### Condition

In generally good condition for its age.

#### **Comments**

No obvious stains. Looks to be undamaged.

## **WALLS**

## **Type**

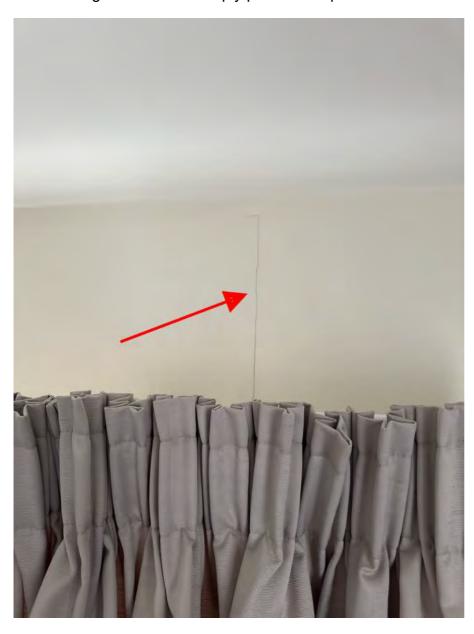
Drywall/plaster

## Condition

In generally good condition for its age.

#### **Comments**

Minimal marks or damage. Nothing more than you would reasonably expect for its age. One minor crack to wall lining in bedroom. Simply plaster and paint.



# **CEILINGS**

# **Type**

Drywall/plaster

# **Condition**

In generally good condition for its age.

## **Comments**

No obvious cracks noted. No signs of water damage.

# DOORS

#### **Condition**

In generally good condition for its age.

#### **Comments**

Door hardware is functioning well and not loose. Items in photos need attention. Otherwise all are working fine.



Internal garage door needs easing so it doesn't catch the frame.



Front door has small crack in it.

# **WINDOWS**

#### **Materials**

**Aluminium** 

# Glazing

Single

## **Condition**

In generally good condition for its age.

#### **Comments**

Window hardware fixed well in place and windows operating fine. No rotting observed on window sills and reveals. No concerns identified.

# **CABINETRY & COUNTER**

#### Condition

In generally good condition for its age.

#### **Comments**

No adjustments needed to cabinetry.

# **APPLIANCES**

# **Appliance list**

Laundry tub, Clothes washer, Refrigerator, Stove and oven, TV, Heated towel rail

#### **Comments**

No testing of appliances was performed during this inspection.

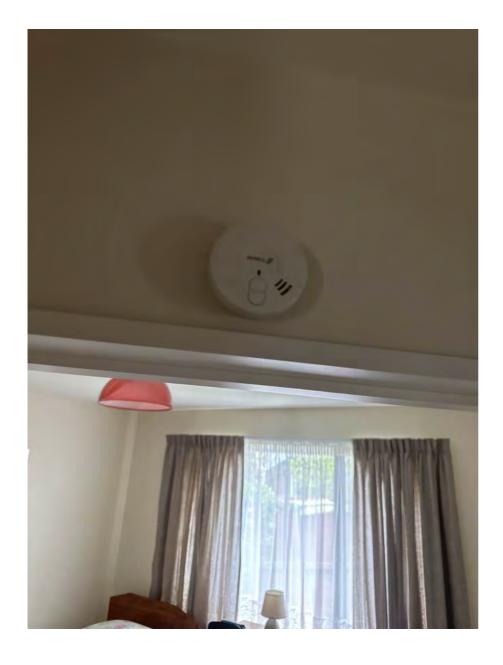
# **SAFETY SYSTEMS**

# **Type**

Smoke detectors

#### **Comments**

To comply with rental regulations and good practice, it is recommended that photoelectric smoke alarms be installed within 3 meters of every bedroom door or every room where someone sleeps. There should also be at least one on every level or storey of the home. Please use government agency online resources for further requirements to ensure you are complying with best practices. No testing was done during this inspection.



# **GARAGE**

# **Internal access?**

Yes

# **Interior linings condition**

In generally good condition for its age.

# **Comments**

Garage door electric motorised working fine. Wall linings have minimal marks or damage. Nothing more than you would reasonably expect for its age. Minor cracking noted to the slab.







Minor hairline cracking to slab. Not concerning.





# PLUMBING OVERVIEW

# LIMITATION(S) in this section

All plumbing assessments are based on what can be visually seen. We cannot confirm the condition beyond the fittings, under the ground, behind wall linings, ceilings, etc. Furthermore, we are not plumbing specialists; therefore, we cannot comment on the technical or legal compliance of the plumbing and fixtures on the property. We will however, comment on items that look to pose a concern. If plumbing or drainage is of concern to you, we recommend engaging a suitably qualified drainage or plumbing expert.

#### Condition

In generally good condition for its age.

# **WATER SUPPLY**

#### Water source

Public - Council supply

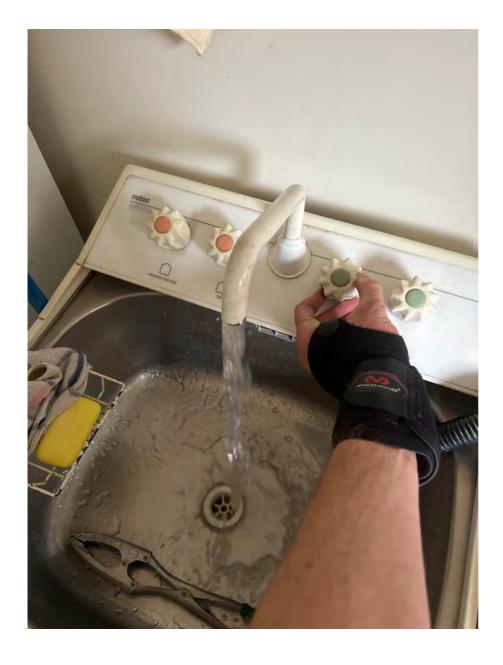
**Cold water pressure** 

Good

Hot water pressure

#### Remarks

Hot water supply under maintenance at the time of inspection.



# WATER HEATING

# Type

Hot water cylinder

# Condition

In generally good condition for its age.

## **Comments**

No leaks observed. Proper seismic restraints installed to hot water cylinder. Cylinder is currently under maintenance at the time of inspection.



# **WASTE PIPING**

# Condition

In generally good condition for its age.

# **Comments**

Taps were turned on, and no leaks were observed from the waste piping. No leaks observed from water supply under sinks.







# **TAPS**

# **Condition**

In generally good condition for its age.

## **Comments**

All taps appear to be working and functioning as intended.

# SHOWER(S)

# **Condition**

In generally good condition for its age.

How many showers?

1

Leaks from shower stall?

No

Leaks from shower fittings?

No



# TOILET(S)

# **Condition**

In generally good condition for its age.

How many toilets?

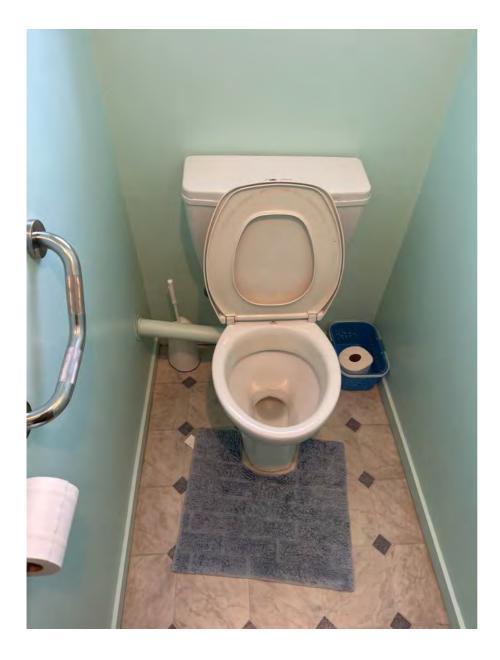
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**Leaks from toilet?** 

No

Cistern closing off water supply properly?

Yes



# BATH(S)

# **Condition**

In generally good condition for its age.

# **How many baths**

1

Leaks from tub?

No

Leaks from fittings?

No



# EXTRACTION FAN(S)

# Type

Extractor fan

# Condition

In generally good condition for its age.

# **Ducting to the exterior?**

Yes

## **Comments**

Powered on and appears to be operating fine. Bathroom fan could be cleaned to help quieten it.



# **ELECTRICAL OVERVIEW**

# LIMITATION(S) in this section

The overall electrical assessment is based on a visual inspection only and will only comment on electrical elements that are visible and reasonably accessible. We are not an electrical specialist. We cannot comment on the technical or legal compliance of electrical elements. No testing of electrical elements is undertaken. However, we will comment on signs of excess heat build-up or anything that visually poses a potential hazard. If electrical is a concern of yours, then it is strongly recommended that you engage a suitably qualified electrician.

#### Condition

In generally good condition for its age.

# MAINS DELIVERY

#### **Comments**

# **DISTRIBUTION BOARD & METER BOX**

# **Condition**

In generally good condition for its age.

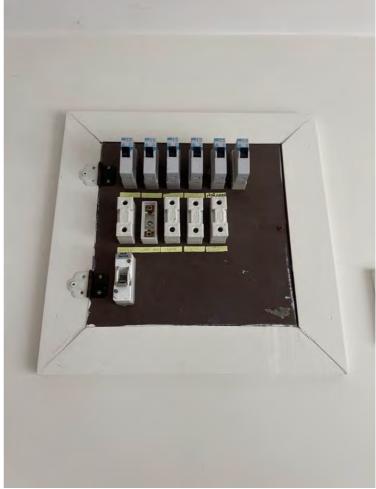
#### **Breakers**

Mix of modern & old

#### **Comments**

Modern meter box. Old distribution board. No signs of excess heat build up. Looks to have been professionally installed.





# **LIGHTS**

All interior lights work at the time of inspection?

Yes

# **HEATING/COOLING/VENTILATION OVERVIEW**

# LIMITATION(S) in this section

#### Condition

In generally good condition for its age.

# **HEATING/COOLING/VENTILATION**

# **Type**

Heat pump, DVS

## **Condition**

In generally good condition for its age.

#### **Brands**

DVS, Mitsubishi Electric

#### **Comments**

Looks to have been professionally installed. Powered on but was not thoroughly tested for functionality or electrically during this inspection.









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  - d. Remove obstructions this includes the removal of obstructions to access to the Premises and applicable opening access

doors for sub-floor and roof cavities and at the exterior for access to roof.

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  - b. Foundation and subfloor; and
  - c. Accessory units and buildings; and
  - Site improvements; and Roof space/ceiling cavity; and
  - e. Exterior wall cladding and joinery; and
  - f. General Interior; and



- g. Plumbing system; and
- h. Electrical system; and
- i. Landscaping/hardscaping; and
- j. Pest and potential hazards.
- **24. Multi-Unit Premises** Building inspection reports on multi-unit Premises **exclude** items listed at sub-clauses (a) to (e) inclusive above except for accessible parts of immediate exterior of the unit to be inspected.
- **25. Sample Components** We may report on a sample set of components only and are not an exhaustive report on all building components.
- **26. Floor Level Readings** All readings taken for the purposes of a Report are indicative only and are not warranted to be a true floor level of the Premises.
- 27. Moisture Readings. We shall use our reasonable industry knowledge to assess moisture levels at the Premises. All and any moisture testing performed as part of the Services shall be non-invasive and we do not warrant that moisture ingress is not present at the Premises. Where we identify and recommend that invasive moisture testing is required, this is subject to an additional scope of services.
- **28. Limited Inspections** Where we cannot access an area of your Premises, we shall exclude such area(s) from our final Report.
- 29. Building Inspection Report Exclusions A
  Report shall exclude inspection or reporting on
  the following (this list is not exhaustive, and
  any additional exclusions shall be stated in the
  building inspection report):
  - a. Destructive testing; and
  - Invasive testing (for example: wall opening); and
  - c. Weathertightness; and
  - d. Excavation; and
  - e. Roof areas where access exceeds use of a 3.6m ladder; and
  - f. Testing under furniture or appliances; and
  - g. Disassembly of equipment or appliances; and

- h. Asbestos testing; and
- Live borer, termites or other infestation; and
- j. Concealed, submerged, buried, camouflaged, embedded or otherwise inaccessible components or areas (including but not limited to plumbing, drainage, septic/sewerage, private water, heating, air conditioning, ducting, framing, ventilation, insulation, wiring or reticulated services); and
- commentary, reporting or analysis of minor defects or maintenance requirements (including wear and tear); and
- common areas (including at cross-lease Premises, unit titles, multi-unit dwellings); and
- m. sheds and outhouses; and
- n. solar and PV systems; and
- building code compliance or other regulatory compliance (including local or territorial consent or resource consents);
   and
- p. seismic activity; and
- **q.** any other matter we elect to limit in the Report.
- 30. Specialist Recommendations We reserve all rights to include recommendations in a Report for specialist advice or assessments to be performed in respect of matters noted for concern. The contents of our Report are not reliant on such additional independent advice, and you undertake such additional services at your own cost and discretion.

#### INTRUSIVE TESTING SERVICES

- **31. Intrusive Testing** Where we recommend intrusive testing to identify locations of water ingress or water leakage and you engage us to perform this service, the following shall apply:
  - a. You shall be required to confirm your consent on behalf of you and all other homeowners to remove core samples of framing to perform the testing; and



b. our intrusive testing shall not be relied upon as a weathertightness report, assessment or opinion in any way.

#### **HEALTHY HOMES REPORT SERVICES**

- **32. Report Compliance** Healthy homes inspection Reports are prepared in accordance with the Healthy Homes Standards.
- **33. Visual Inspection** Healthy homes inspections are based on visual inspections only and are limited to the nominated aspects of the Premises as prescribed by the Healthy Homes Standards, these being:
  - a. Heating; and
  - b. Insulation; and
  - c. Ventilation; and
  - d. Moisture Ingress and drainage; and
  - e. Draught stopping.
- **34.** Healthy Homes Report Exclusions A healthy homes inspection is limited to the five aspects listed above and does not comment or report on the following (this list is not exhaustive, and any additional exclusions shall be stated in the healthy homes Report):
  - other identifiable issues that may affect wellbeing or health of occupants of residential tenancy Premises.; and
  - b. probe or destructive testing; and
  - c. Testing under furniture or appliances; and
  - d. Disassembly of equipment or appliances; and
  - any other matter we elect to limit in the Report.

#### **USE OF REPORTS**

- 35. Reliance The information and contents of any Report is confidential and is for your exclusive use and that of any nominated additional addressee and is valid as at the date of issue only. We disclaim all responsibility and accept no liability for use of a Report by any party other than you or a specified addressee agreed as at the date of the Cost Estimate/Quote or as later agreed by us in writing.
- **36. Report-Addressee** You are prohibited from altering the addressee of a Report and must

- obtain our express consent to re-issue any Report to alternative or additional addressee. This may be subject to an additional fee.
- 37. No Future Warranty A Report provides our opinion as at the date of the applicable inspection. Any Report or assessment provided in connection with the Services is not a warranty against any issues, defects or problems which may have not been identified via a visual inspection or that may develop after the date of performance of the Services

#### **BUILDER'S WALKTRHOUGH SERVICE**

- 38. No Report Basis Our 'builder's walkthrough service' is an accompanied tour of a property nominated by the Client. Any observations of works or remedial actions made by us or our Personnel are supplied on an 'as is' basis via a visual inspection and is supplied on a 'no report basis'. You accept and acknowledge that we or our Personnel shall not supply any written report in connection with this category of service. To avoid doubt, this service is not a Building Inspection Report Service and shall not be supplied to the level of detail to meet the NZS Standard 4306:2005 Residential Property Inspection (published by Standards New Zealand).
- **39. No Reliance** We accept no responsibility for your reliance or that of any third-party in respect of our verbal comments and observations supplied during a 'builder's walkthrough' service.

#### PAYMENTS AND INVOICING

- **40. Amounts Owing Payable on Due Date** All amounts specified in an invoice will require payment on the due date specified in the invoice (**Amounts Owing**).
- 41. Invoice Payable Prior to Report Release All amounts specified in your invoice are payable in advance of release of a Report unless expressly agreed otherwise by us in writing.
- **42.** Third Party Card Handling Fees We reserve the right to on-charge any third-party transaction fees associated with online card payment to your invoice or online payments. These may be subject to change without notice and the applicable % shall be published on our website



or invoices. This shall be current as at the date of the applicable booking.

- **43.** No Set Off or Deduction Payment of Amounts
  Owing Amounts Owing which are due and payable must be made without set-off or deduction of any kind.
- 44. If You Dispute the Amount Owing If you receive an invoice and you consider you owe us a lesser amount than the sum stated as the Amount Owing, you must notify us within five (5) Business Days of receiving our invoice.
- **45. Duty to Pay Undisputed Amounts Owing** You acknowledge and agree that you will not be entitled to withhold payment in respect of any undisputed Amount Owing.
- 46. Overdue Amounts Owing If you do not pay an Amount Owing by the Due Date or any later date we have agreed in writing, this becomes an Overdue Amount Owing. After a period of 5 (five) Business Days, we shall have the right to apply late payment interest at a rate of 2.5%. This shall be calculated daily and compound monthly at that rate if we elect to do this. This applies before and after any judgment (if applicable).
- 47. Debt Collection or Recovery Costs If an Overdue Amount Owing remains unpaid for 14 (fourteen) Business Days or more, we reserve our rights to engage the services of a debt collection agency or solicitor to take proceedings to recover the Overdue Amount Owing. You will be liable for the costs incurred by us in the collection of any unpaid amounts including but not limited to legal costs, debt collection fees and internal administration fees.
- **48. Administration Fees** In the event we are obliged to perform any additional actions to recover any monies owed by you, we reserve the right to apply reasonable administrative fees for phone calls, texts, emails and in-person visits to follow up and recover any Overdue Amount Owing in addition to any costs or expenses stated in any clauses above.

#### **VARIATIONS**

**49. Variations to Price** We reserve the right to issue a Variation Order to change the price to complete the Services where an extension to

the Premises area is requested that extends the number of dwellings at the Premises on which we have provided our Quote/Cost Estimate.

# CANCELLATION AND MISSED APPOINTMENT FEES

- 50. Missed Appointment Fees Where we attend your Premises on the agreed date and time, and you fail to make the necessary arrangements or meet your Customer Obligations to enable us to perform our Services, the Missed Appointment Fee published on our Cost Estimate/Quote issued to you shall be invoiced to you.
- 51. Cancellation by You Where you request a cancellation of a Service, you must provide us with no less than forty-eight (48) hours' notice. Where such notice is not supplied, we reserve the right to deduct an amount equivalent to the Missed Appointment Fee published on our Cost Estimate/Quote issued to you and shall refund the balance to you.
- 52. Cancellation by Us Without prejudice to our other remedies at law, we reserve our rights to terminate this Contract (which includes any part the Services that remain unfulfilled) and shall not be liable to you for any delay, loss or damage suffered by you due to us exercising our rights under this clause, where:
  - a. Inability to Access Premises we are denied access to or are unable to access the Premises to carry out the Services for whatever reason and we cannot reschedule to access at a later date; and
  - b. Health and safety where we assess that the means of access to the Premises or the whole or part of the Premises is unsafe and would breach the relevant safety requirements under applicable health and safety legislation, and such safety concerns or issues cannot or will not be remedied by you.
  - c. No consent Where we cannot obtain consent from you to perform invasive testing (where applicable).
- **53. Payment of a Missed Appointment Fee** Where this clause is relied upon, we reserve the right to do one of the following:



- a. If no re-booking is made deduct an amount equivalent to the Missed Appointment Fee published on our Cost Estimate/Quote issued to you from your fee and shall refund the balance of any pre-payment to you if the service is not rebooked at a later date.; or
- b. If you re-book your appointment to issue an invoice to you for our published Missed Appointment Fee which shall become immediately due and payable prior to our attendance at your re-scheduled appointment.

#### LIMITATION OF OUR LIABILITY

- 54. Limit of Liability Our total aggregate liability to you arising out of or in connection with the Services whether in contract, any indemnity, tort (including negligence) by statute or otherwise at law or in equity is limited to an amount equivalent to the value of the applicable Services performed under these terms.
- 55. Exclusion of Our Liability To the fullest extent permitted by law, and subject to our obligations under any applicable law that imposes guarantees on us, we exclude all liability to you for any indirect claims, expenses, losses, damages and costs (including any incidental, special and/or consequential damages or loss of profits, loss of anticipated savings or loss of expenses suffered or incurred by you resulting (either directly or indirectly) in connection with the Services.
- 56. When Limitations of Liability Cannot Apply These clauses do not limit our liability to the extent that it cannot be limited at law and/or arises out of or in connection with any wilful default, fraud or criminal conduct by us.
- 57. Force Majeure We shall not be liable for any delay or failure to perform the Services due to a force majeure event. For the purposes of these terms, "force majeure" means an event or circumstance which leads to a default of either party under this Contract due to any act of God, war, terrorism, strike, lock-out, industrial action, fire, flood, storm, port closure or border closure plus any national or global pandemic effects, including, for the avoidance of doubt, any default due to any

implementation of any regulation, directive, rule or measure by any government, state or other authority under the governing law of this Contract.

#### DISPUTE

- 58. Details of the Dispute must be Supplied If you or we consider that a dispute has arisen in relation to any matter governed by this Contract, you must give us written notice outlining the basis of the dispute within ten (10) Business Days of the date of the Report.
- 59. Remedy Where we agree a remedy is available, your remedies are limited to a re-performance of the Services or a refund of the amounts payable (at our discretion).

#### **PRIVACY**

- 60. You authorise us and our agents to collect, use, retain and disclose "personal information" (as defined in Part 1, section 7 of the Privacy Act 2020) about you and your personnel that you or they provide to us for the following purposes:
  - assessing creditworthiness and exercising our rights and/or performing our obligations under this Contract; and/or
  - b. direct marketing purposes (including by email and other electronic means), unless you notify us that you do not wish to receive direct marketing from us; and/or
  - c. using the services of credit reporting and debt collection agencies and you consent to us disclosing personal information (including any information about default and repayment; and/or
  - d. history) to a credit reporter, who may hold that information and use it to provide its credit reporting services; and/or
  - registering any Security Interest under this Contract; and/or
  - f. the use or transfer of personal information to a Related Company (as such term is defined by Companies Act 1993) in connection with the performance of our obligations or exercise of our rights under this Contract.



- 61. The clause above is authority and consent from you in accordance with sections in Part 3, Part 7, subpart 1 and all other relevant sections in the Privacy Act 2020.
- 62. You (if you are an individual) have the right under sections in Part 4, subpart 1 and Part 4, subpart 2 of the Privacy Act 2020 to access, and request correction of, any of your personal information held by us and if you provide any personal information about a third party (including your Personnel) to us, you confirm that you are authorised to do so by the relevant individual and you have informed the relevant individual that they have the right to contact us to access and, if applicable, request correction of any personal information that we hold about them.

#### **GENERAL**

- 63. Governing Law This Contract shall be governed by the laws of New Zealand and the parties irrevocably submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of New Zealand.
- 64. Severability If and to the extent any provision or part of a provision is illegal or unenforceable, such provision or part of a provision will be severed from this Contract and will not affect the continued operation of the remaining provisions of this Contract.
- **65. Entire Agreement** This Contract sets out the entire agreement between the parties.
- 66. Electronic Acceptance The parties agree that any legal requirement may be met by using electronic means in accordance with the Contract and Commercial Law Act 2017. In this clause the term "legal requirement" has the meaning given to it by section 219(2) of the Contract and Commercial Law Act 2017.

END OF TERMS