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**Date of Inspection:** 3rd May 2021

**Client Information**

Address to be inspected: 23 Laingfield Terrace  
**Laingholm**

Summoned by: **David Morgan -Lea**

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Inspected by: Andrew Smith - Registered Builder

**Weather Conditions** fine

**House Description**

Estimate of house age 1989

Rooms Summary 3 bedrooms Construction Type timber

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## EXTERIOR

Category	General Comments	Comments		
		A	B	C
<b>Roof/Roofing</b>	Decramastic tin tile roof. Minor dents on the flatter pitched roof, but it is fine	x		
<b>Spouting</b>	Plastic gutters	x		
<b>Downpipes</b>	Plastic downpipes, overall good On the left side under the deck, the downpipe has a hole in it.	x		x
<b>Flashings</b>	Barge and apron flashings are doing their job fine	x		
<b>Soffits</b>	No soffits	x		
<b>Fascia, Barges</b>	Timber painted fascias are ok	x		
<b>Construction</b>	Good The roof angles are correct, a decent pitch always helps with quick runoff and lessens the risk of leaks.	x		

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<b><u>CLADDING</u></b>				
<b>Main Cladding</b>	Cedar rusticated horizontally fixed boards.	x		
			x	
<b>Secondary Cladding</b>	n/a		x	
<b>Base Cladding</b>	the garage area is not really cladd as a solid product, it's just rapped in a plastic breathable building paper.	x		
<b>Cladding Assessment</b>	Good overall, both the claddings are working well	x		

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<b><u>FOUNDATIONS, FLOORS</u></b>				
Block work	n/a			
Footings/Slab	This house is sitting on round sed poles. This is a pole house These work best on a steep sloping site.	x		
Joist	The floor joists are good, easy to see in the garage area	x		
Sub Floor Ventilations	It is pretty dry under the house.	x		
Sub Floor Construction	Overall, pretty good. Looks all ok to the eye. The area has been concreted and is a very spacious workshop garage area.	x		
Flooring	Particle board flooring	x		

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<b><u>EXTERIOR JOINERY</u></b>				
<b>Doors</b>	Exterior doors are fine aluminium french doors. Front door, the laundry has a high moisture reading from the back door needing resealing. It's down the left side looking out	x		
<b>Garage Door</b>	Sectional door Frenchdoor is locked as there is no deck to walk out onto.	x		
<b>Windows</b>	Aluminium windows	x		
<b>Hardware</b>	Overall ok, general wear and tear	x		
<b><u>EXTERIOR EXTRAS</u></b>				
<b>Decks</b>	Pine timber structures Old decking has been restrained, it looks really good however, there is the odd defect with rot showing. Easy to fix though, if you know how	x		
<b>Pergolas</b>	n/a			
<b>Fences, Walls</b>	This site does have bits of fencing and then bush parts. There are lots of retaining walls. They have been made well.	x		
<b>Chimney</b>	n/a			
<b>Handrails, Steps</b>	Handrails are solid, wood and steel rod ballusters Also hardwood stairs accessing the front door and concrete steps up to the back highest part.	x		
<b>Paintwork</b>	The paintwork has been done well. Staining etc	x		

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## INTERIOR

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<b><u>WALLS &amp; CEILINGS</u></b>				
<b>Linings, Ceilings</b>	Painted ceilings michael angelo tiles at the entrance. Sarked wooden ceilings, mostly	x x		
<b>Wet wall areas</b>	No high moisture in the bathrooms. A high reading was identified in the laundry This will dry out once the outside door facing is re sealed. This has caused the water to get in. I think it's a recent issue.	x x		x
<b><u>INTERIOR STAIRWELLS</u></b>				
<b>Handrails</b>	Wooden handrail on the leftside of the wall. The other side is nice and open, it wouldn't comply as it is.	x		
<b>Stairs</b>		x		

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<b><u>INTERIOR DOORS &amp; WINDOWS</u></b>				
Doors		X		
Windows		X		
Hardware-windows	General wear and tear Upstairs bay window handle is broken	X		
Hardware Doors	French door in the dining room needs the handset lubricated as the push button lock is seized hard.		X	
<b><u>BEDROOMS, OFFICES, STUDIES</u></b>				
General	General condition is good, good sized bedrooms. Clean and tidy condition.	X		
Wardrobes		X		

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<b><u>KITCHEN</u></b>				
<b>General</b>	Quality cabinetry	X		
	General condition is good	X		
	Tiled floor.	X		
	Paintwork.	X		
<b>Bench tops</b>	Granite benchtops.	X		
<b>Cabinets</b>	Tidy.	X		
<b>Range hood</b>		X		
<b>Cooking Appliances</b>	Quality induction hobb.	X		
	Bosch oven and microwave.	X		
<b>Waste Disposal System</b>	n/a			

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<b><u>LIVING AREAS</u></b>				
Lounge area	Open plan living	X		
	Wall and ceiling paint etc is new. However, the prep not so good			
	new overlay flooring.the floor is a little up and down from settling			
	Heatpump	X		
Family Room	As above.			
Dining Room	Overlay flooring, open plan area	X		
	Large heatpump	X		
	Ceiling fan	X		

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<b><u>BATHROOMS</u></b>				
<b>General</b>	Good sized bathroom, window lets in lots of light Tiled floor and partially tiled walls Toilet is old, I would look at replacing this sometime.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Shower</b>	Tiled shower over the bath Water pressure is good.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Bath</b>	Tidy Tiles around and over the walls surrounding the bath for the shower.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Vanity</b>	Tidy wall hung vanity.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Accessories</b>	None Fan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Ventilation</b>	Open the window to vent or turn on the fan,	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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<b><u>ENSUITE</u></b>				
<b>General</b>	Modern bathroom. Tiled floor.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Shower</b>	Large tiled shower with a stainless base. Slide rail.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Bath</b>	n/a	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Vanity</b>	Wall hung vanity.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Accessories</b>	Wall heater Fan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Ventilation</b>	Open the window to vent.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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<b><u>EXTRA ROOMS</u></b>				
<b>General</b>	Dry storage room under the basement.	x		
	Large space.	x		
	Lights and power.	x		
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<b><u>LAUNDRY</u></b>				
<b>General</b>	Built in cabinets and sink	x		
	New flooring.	x		
	Paintwork.			
	Leftside of the door has a high reading, this needs to be fixed.			x
<b>Fittings</b>	Modern.	x		
	Taps etc	x		
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<b>Ventilation</b>	Open the window to vent the room and put the dryer tube out.	x		
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<b><u>ELECTRICAL</u></b>				
Internal Distribution Board	Tidy.	x		
Fittings	New paint, old fittings, an upgrade on face plates would help a Powerpoint in the master bedroom isn't working	x		x
Lights	Old fluro lights in the garage these work well. Tidy conduit housing the wires Elsewhere	x		x
Wiring	Tidy.	x		
Alarm	n/a			
DVS/HRV		x		

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<b><u>PLUMBING</u></b>				
Hot Water Cylinders	Mains pressure cylinder is locked away, working fine.	X		
Toilets	Both toilets are good.	X		
Cisterns		X		
Pipes, Wastes	Good	X		
Taps, Mixers	Working fine, modern fittings.	X		
Exterior Taps & Connectors		X		

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<b><u>INSULATION</u></b>				
General	Ceiling and wall batts. The under insulation is done too No under floor insulation.	x		
<b><u>INTERIOR DECORATING</u></b>				
Wallpaper	n/a			
Paintwork	Good.	x		
Drapes, curtains & Blinds	Ok	x		
Carpet	Tidy.			
Other Flooring	Ceramic tiles in the bathroom New overlay flooring throughout	x x		

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<b><u>SECURITY</u></b>				
Security Hardware	Deadlocks.	X		
<b><u>ACCESSORIES or ANCILLARIES</u></b>				
Heating	Heatpump near new.	X		
Gas	n/a	X		
TV Aerials	Sky and VHF aeriels.	X		
Clothesline	Pull out clothesline	X		
Letterbox	Ok	X		
Pool or Spa	n/a			

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## OUT BUILDINGS

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<b><u>GARAGE</u></b>				
General	Garage space is large Concrete is good	x		
Joinery	n/a			
Fittings	n/a			
Cladding	The cladding is not finished however, the plastic wrap is a worthy temp option.			
Construction	Ok	x		

### **OTHER OUT BUILDINGS**

Garden Shed	Storage shed built under the house.	x		
Sleepouts	n/a			
Carports	n/a			
Granny flats	n/a			

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## SITE CONDITIONS

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<b><u>DRAINAGE</u></b>				
<b>Site Storm water</b>	I didn't see anything to really worry about. Steep site. Stepped retaining walls creating level areas where needed. These walls help with surface water control	<input type="checkbox"/> x x	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>House Storm water</b>		x	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Sewer, Vents, Gullies</b>	Ok	x	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Septic Tanks</b>	n/a	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Retaining Walls</b>	n/a	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Driveway</b>	Concrete driveway Then onto the tarseal driveway, this has plenty of grip but is looking a bit tired. Could be recoated sometime	x	<input type="checkbox"/>	x

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## GENERAL ISSUES

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<b>Evidence of rot &amp; decay</b>	Tthere is some minor decking rot easy to be cut out and replaced Also, end rot in the tops of the retaining wall posts, this happens when the builder cuts the tops off the posts. This isn't really a worry structurally, if the rot was at the bottom it would be, but its not.	x	x	
<b>Evidence of moisture &amp; mould</b>	The moisture scanner is used and there were no high readings Well, there was one in the corner of the laundry next to the door. I discussed with the owners what to do to sort.	x		
<b>Foundation Movement &amp; Slab</b>	The house is sitting well on its foundations.	x		
<b>Pest Evidence</b>	n/a Always bait for rats and mice this time of year, as they like to get dry and warm. No sign of them here though.			

**MISCELLANEOUS**

<b>Privacy/Noise Levels</b>	Quiet	x		
<b>Workmanship</b>	The original build	x		

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## OVERVIEW

Hi

This house has been built on a challenging site. The builder made a very good job of the house from the foundations up and the retaining walls, were also erected correctly and haven't shifted over time. This house has also been upgraded and maintained well and this shows. Recently, a lot of staining of the exterior areas has been done. It's all looking really good. The house is some 30 years old, there is some general wear and tear but overall, its in a good working state, I feel. Any questions, please feel free to call me.

Regards

Andrew 02429829

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**Limitations:** Any areas that are concealed, contained, inaccessible, or cannot be seen, due to walls, ceilings, floors, insulation, soils, vegetation, furniture, stored items, systems, appliances, vehicles, or any other object, will not be included in the report. The client agrees to assume all the risk, for any condition or problems that may be concealed at the time of the inspection.

Nothing will be dismantled during the inspection, and there will be no destructive testing performed.

Appliances and spa/pool equipment, special cycles or features are not inspected.

None of the appliances or equipment will be dismantled, and no determination of their efficiency will be made.

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**Important Information:** You need to be aware that it is possible for problems in a house, to be disguised to prevent detection. If you notice anything that was not visible at the time of your visit and our inspection on the day, you should contact us immediately to discuss the matter.

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- a) This is a report of a visual only, non-invasive inspection of the areas of the building, which were readily visible at the time of inspection. The inspection did not include any areas or components which were concealed or closed in behind finished surfaces (such as plumbing, drainage, heating, framing, ventilation, insulation or wiring), or which required the moving of anything which impeded access or limited visibility (such as floor coverings, furniture, appliances, personal property, vehicles, vegetation, debris or soil).
- b) The inspection did not assess compliance with the NZ Building Code including the Code's weather-tightness requirements, or structural aspects. On request, specialist inspections can be arranged or weather-tightness or structure, or of any systems including electrical, plumbing, gas or heating.
- c) As the purpose of the inspection was to assess the general condition of the building based on the limited visual inspection described in a), this report may not identify all past, present or future defects. Descriptions in this report of systems or appliances relate to existence only and not adequacy or life expectancy. Any area or component of the building or any item or system not specifically identified in this report as having been inspected, was excluded from the scope of the inspection.



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**CERTIFICATE OF INSPECTION IN ACCORDANCE  
WITH NZS 4306:2005**

**Client:** David Morgan-Lea  
**Site Address:** 23 Laingfield Terrace, Laingholm  
**Inspector – Name:** Andrew Smith  
**Inspector – Company:** ABS House Inspections  
**Inspector – Qualifications:** Certified Builder  
**Date of Inspection:** 3 May 2021

The following areas of the property have been inspected:

	YES	NO
(a) Site	X	
(b) Sub floor	X	
(c) Exterior	X	
(d) Roof exterior	X	
(e) Roof space	X	
(f) Services	X	
(g) Accessory units, ancillary spaces and buildings	X	

Any limitations to the coverage of the inspection are detailed in the written report.

**Certification:**

I hereby certify that I have carried out the inspection of the property site at the above address  
In accordance with NZS 4309:2005 *Residential property inspection* – and I am competent to  
Undertake this inspection.

Signature....Andrew Smith

Date...3 May 2021

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2. Rot or other gradual deterioration of a building or structure arising directly or indirectly, in whole or in part, from the ingress of water; or
3. Fungus, mould, mildew, yeast, rot or decay, gradual deterioration, micro-organisms, bacteria, protozoa or any similar or like forms in any building structure or any spore or toxin produced by such fungus, mould, mildew or yeast, micro-organisms, bacteria, protozoa or any similar or like forms; or
4. Any costs or expenses arising out of the abating, testing for, monitoring, cleaning up, removing, containing, treating, detoxifying, neutralising, remediating or disposal of, or in any way responding to or assessing the effects of fungus, mould, mildew, yeast, rot or decay, gradual deterioration, micro-organisms, bacteria, protozoa or any similar or like forms, in any building or structure; or
5. The failure of any building or structure to meet or conform to the requirements of the New Zealand Building Code contained in the first schedule to the Building Regulations 1992 (or any amendment or substitution thereof) in relation to:
  - i. External water or moisture; or
  - ii. Either durability or protection from external water or moisture entering that building or structure, or the effects thereof.

## NZS 4306:2005 WEATHER TIGHTNESS – RISK ASSESSMENT

<u>Wind Zone</u>	Low risk	Low wind zone as described by NZS:3604
	Medium risk	Medium wind zone as described by NZS:3604
	High risk	High wind zone as described by NZS:3604
	Very high risk	Very high wind zone as described by NZS:3604
<u>Number of Storeys</u>	Low risk	One storey
	Medium risk	Two storeys in part
	High risk	Two storeys
	Very high risk	More than two storeys
<u>Roof/Wall Intersection Design</u>	Low risk	Roof to wall intersection fully protected (e.g. hip and gable roof with eaves)
	Medium risk	Roof to wall intersection partly exposed (e.g. hip and gable roof with no eaves)
	High risk	Roof to wall intersection fully exposed (e.g. parapets or eaves at greater than 90° to vertical with soffit lining)
	Very high risk	Roof elements finishing within the boundaries formed by the exterior walls (e.g. lower ends of aprons, chimneys)
<u>Eaves Width</u>	Low risk	Greater than 600mm at first floor level
	Medium risk	450-600mm at first floor level or over 600mm at the second floor level
	High risk	100-450mm at first floor level or 450-600mm at the second floor level
	Very high risk	0-100mm at first floor level or 100-450mm at the second floor level, or 450-600mm at the third floor level
<u>Envelope Complexity</u>	Low risk	Simple rectangular, L, T, a boomerang shape with single cladding type
	Medium risk	More complex, angular or curved shapes (e.g. Y or arrowhead) with single cladding type
	High risk	Complex angular or curved shapes (e.g. Y or arrowhead) with multiple cladding types
	Very high risk	As for high risk, but with junctions not covered in C or F of this table (e.g. box window, pergolas, multi-storey re-entrant shapes etc.)
<u>Deck Design</u>	Low risk	None, timber slate deck or porch at ground level
	Medium risk	Fully covered in plan by roof, timber slate deck attached or second floor level
	High risk	Enclosed deck exposed in plan or cantilevered at first floor level
	Very high risk	Enclosed deck exposed in plan or cantilevered at second floor level or above

**NOTE:** Eaves width measured from internal face of wall cladding to outer edge of overhang including fascias and gutter/fascia combinations.  
Balustrades and parapet walls are not considered eaves of any sort.

## MOISTURE GUIDE

### Moisture Scanner readings range:

0-49 Very Good, Normal

50-99 Wet, investigation required

100+ Very Wet, investigate immediately