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# Building and Timber Pest Inspection Report

Inspection Date: Fri, 6 Mar 2026

Property Address: 11 President St, Croydon Park NSW 2133,  
Australia



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## The Parties

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## Special conditions or instructions

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This report is valid only as at the date of inspection. Any defects arising after this date cannot be accounted for. The inspection was non-invasive and subject to limitations and obstructions noted in the report, which may have restricted access to certain areas e.g. roof void and subfloors. As a result, concealed defects may exist that could not be identified without further invasive investigation.

Due to these limitations, the risk of undetected defects is higher in areas with restricted access such as

roof voids, subfloors, and behind fixed linings, insulation, or stored goods. A further invasive inspection is recommended where significant limitations were noted.

Inspection may be restricted to the manhole due to size of manhole, ducting and/or truss obstructions. To enable a more comprehensive inspection of concealed roof areas, the installation of an additional manhole or access point is recommended.

For timber pest inspections, the property remains at risk where no chemical or physical termite management system is present. Annual inspections in accordance with AS 3660.2:2017 are strongly advised, and installation of a termite management system by a licensed pest controller is recommended.

Severe weather events common in NSW can overwhelm roof coverings, flashings, skylights, and gutters, leading to water ingress that may not be evident under normal rainfall. No guarantee can be given against future leaks. Regular inspection and maintenance of all roof and drainage systems is essential.

Safety hazards and major defects should be rectified immediately. Licensed trades, including a roofer, plumber, electrician, and pest controller, should be engaged as recommended in this report to reduce ongoing risk and protect the property.

This report is not a guarantee of future condition and should not be relied upon as a certificate of compliance. The client is responsible for ongoing maintenance, monitoring, and obtaining specialist reports where recommended.

## Section A Results of Inspection - summary

A summary of your inspection is outlined below; please also refer to the Report.

	Found	Not Found
<b>Safety Hazard</b>		✓
<b>Major Defect</b>	✓	
<b>Minor Defect</b>	✓	
<b>Live Timber Pest Activity</b>		✓
<b>Timber Pest Damage</b>		✓
<b>Conditions Conducive to Timber Pest Activity</b>	✓	
<b>Evidence of fungal decay activity and/or damage</b>	✓	
<b>Evidence of wood borer activity and/or damage</b>		✓
<b>Evidence of a previous termite management program</b>		✓

### Overall Condition (Building)

In summary, the building, compared to others of similar age and construction is in Is in Poor condition with number of major, minor defects, maintenance items and observations under section D significant items (for your information) requiring attention. For further information refer to the body of the report.

### Overall Condition (Timber Pest)

In summary, the building, compared to others of similar age and construction is Highly susceptible to timber pest. Given the property's susceptibility to timber pests and the risk factors identified in this report, it is recommended to implement a post-construction termite management system, particularly as none is currently in place. Additionally, regular timber pest inspections are recommended at 12 month intervals to monitor and manage potential activity.

A further invasive inspection is highly recommended by a licensed timber pest technician to check for concealed termite activity.

## Section B General

### General description of the property

Building Type	Residential, Detached
Company or Strata title	No
Floor	Carpet and vinyl flooring , Masonry Piers
Furnished	Furnished
No. of bedrooms	3
Occupied	Occupied
Orientation	South
Other Building Elements	Fence - Fabricated Metal Fence, Pergola, Shed, Retaining Walls
Other Timber Bldg Elements	External Joinery, Fascias, Internal Joinery, Landscaping Timbers and Construction, Eaves, Doors, Door Frames, Architraves, Architectural Trims, Skirting Boards, Timber Wall Panelling, Weatherboards, Window Frames
Roof	Corrugated Iron (e.g. Colourbond), Timber Framed, Pitched
Storeys	Single
Walls	Light Weight Wall Clad, Fibre Cement Sheets
Weather	Fine

## Section C Accessibility

### Areas Inspected

The following areas were inspected. As documented in your Pre-Inspection Agreement, obstructions and limitations to the accessible areas for inspection are to be expected in any inspection. Refer also to our listing of obstructions and limitations.

- Interior
- Exterior
- Roof Exterior - Part
- Roof Void - Part
- Subfloor - Part
- Wall Exterior

The inspection excludes areas which are affected by obstructions, where access is limited or unsafe. We do not move obstructions and defects, timber pest activity or conditions conducive to these may not be obvious unless they are removed.

### Inaccessible Areas

The following areas were inaccessible:

- Areas of low roof pitch preventing full inspection.
- Areas of skillion or flat roof - no access
- Ceiling Cavity - Part.
- Roof Exterior - Part
- Subfloor due to lack of access.
- Wall exterior due to obstructions.

Any areas which are inaccessible at the time of inspection present a high risk for undetected defects and timber pest activity and conditions conducive to these. The client is advised to make inaccessible areas accessible wherever possible for re-inspection.

### Obstructions and Limitations

Building defects, termite and timber pest activity as well as conditions conducive to both, may be concealed by the following obstructions which prevented full inspection:

- Chimney vents and flues
- Ceiling linings
- Areas of skillion or flat roof - no access
- Areas of low roof pitch preventing full inspection
- Appliances and equipment
- Above safe working height
- External concrete or paving
- Debris or rubbish
- External finished ground level
- Fixed ceilings
- Fixed Furniture - Built-in Cabinetry
- Furniture
- Insulation
- Lack of clearance - subfloor
- Floor coverings
- Landscaping
- Mould - Health Hazard
- Old disused HWS in roof cavity incl associated plumbing
- Overhanging vegetation
- Pipework
- Sarking
- Stored items
- Vegetation
- Wall linings
- Wallpaper or Wall Coverings

The presence of obstructions increases the risk of undetected building defects, timber pest activity and conditions conducive to these. The client should make arrangement to remove obstructions where

ever possible and re-inspect these areas urgently.

### Undetected defect risk (Building)

A risk rating is provided to help you understand the degree to which accessibility issues and the presence of obstructions have limited the scope of the inspection

The risk of undetected defects is: **High**

When the risk of undetected defects is medium or high we strongly recommend further inspection once access is provided or if the obstruction can be removed. Contact us for further advice.

### Undetected defect risk (Timber Pest)

A risk rating is provided to help you understand the degree to which accessibility issues and the presence of obstructions have limited the scope of the inspection

The risk of undetected defects is: **High**

When the risk of undetected defects is medium or high we strongly recommend further inspection once access is provided or if the obstruction can be removed. Contact us for further advice.

## Section D Significant Items

### Safety Hazard

No evidence was found

### Major Defect

#### Finding 2.01

Building: Main Building  
Location: All External Areas and subfloor  
Finding: Brickwork - Cracking noticeable  
Information: There were several cracks and or crack repairs evident to external brickwork.

Noticeable cracks are a common occurrence in external brickwork and are a likely result of age expected building movement, general expansion, and/or contraction of building materials in different weather conditions. Noticeable cracks in brickwork may develop if left unattended, with potential for necessitating major remedial works or replacement of the brickwork.

It is highly advised that a qualified bricklayer be appointed to provide necessary works to cracked brickwork to prevent any further damage. Such works should be conducted as soon as possible.

Always monitor these cracks and contact a building inspector should cracks widen, lengthen, or become more numerous.







## Finding 2.02

Building:	Main Building
Location:	All External Areas
Finding:	Retaining wall - Defective - Cracking , leaning , step cracking left side
Information:	The retaining wall in this are was found to be defective at the time of inspection. Generally, defective retaining walls are caused by poor original design or material use. However, deteriorated retaining walls may also be a result of substandard construction, poor site drainage or unmanaged stormwater flows.

If left unmanaged, the retaining wall may become a safety hazard if it continues to destabilise. Where retaining walls further rot and decay, an environment is created that is conducive to termite and pest infestation.

Significant repair and replacement should be expected. Where retaining walls are considered structural walls, a structural engineer / surveyor should be consulted regarding required remedial works. Otherwise, a landscaper or retaining wall installer may be appointed to repair or replace the wall, at the discretion of the client.



Finding 2.03

Building:	Main Building
Location:	All Internal Areas
Finding:	Mould - Present - Ceilings in poor condition with holes and sagging
Information:	Where evidence of mould growth was noted, there may be environmental, biological or health issues associated with the report. A specialist inspection by a suitably qualified environmental health inspector is warranted, where mould is extensive or where any queries regarding air quality spores or other related issues apply.

Generally, the client is advised to ensure that the general environment is free of moisture and humidity to aid in the prevention of mould formation and development. Any mould found during the inspection should be cleaned immediately by a cleaning contractor or the homeowner as applicable.

Please note that severely affected building elements may require replacement by a registered builder or qualified carpenter.



### Finding 2.04

Building:	Main Building
Location:	All Internal Areas
Finding:	Ceiling - Water damaged multiple areas
Information:	Water damage to the ceiling lining is generally an indication of excessive moisture being present in the roof void, usually via a leak to the roof covering.

Where water damage is evident to the ceiling, the primary requirement is to identify and rectify the source of the leak. A roofing plumber should be appointed as soon as possible to identify the leak and perform rectification works as necessary, ensuring the water damage is restricted.

Once the leak is repaired, consultation with relevant tradespeople, including plasterers and painters, is advised. Rectification works may include replacement of ceiling lining or minor repainting, depending on the extent of the damage.



### Finding 2.05

Building:

Main Building

Location: All Internal Areas  
Finding: Ceiling - Sagging - multiple areas  
Information: Sections of the ceiling were found to be sagging at the time of inspection. Sagging to the fixed ceiling structure generally indicates that the building materials have swollen, due to contact with water, or that fixings (e.g. nails or glue) have become loose and require reattachment.

Where minor sagging is evident, comparatively minor works, such as re-gluing of ceiling sheets, may be required. Such works may be performed by relevant tradespeople, such as plasterers and painters. Where excessive moisture has caused the roofing structure to swell and sag, the source of the water leak should primarily be identified prior to any remedial works being performed.

In some cases, sagging ceiling linings may also indicate that there are structural issues, causing surfaces to warp, twist or sag. Where sagging appears to be major, appointment of a structural engineer is advised to further inspect the property and identify the source and rectification works required.

The appropriate action should be taken by the client as soon as possible to ensure that any potential further damage is limited.





### Finding 2.06

Building:	Main Building
Location:	Bedroom
Finding:	Bathroom Deteriorated condition
Information:	The bathroom appears to be in poor and deteriorated condition, with several defects observed including cracked and missing wall tiles, deteriorated grout and sealant joints, damaged tile sections, and visible gaps in the tiled wall lining. These conditions may allow water penetration behind the wall and bath structure, increasing the risk of concealed moisture damage, timber decay, and deterioration of surrounding building materials. The overall presentation suggests the bathroom is aged and nearing the end of its serviceable life, and the waterproofing system is likely outdated or compromised.

Given the extent of deterioration observed, comprehensive repairs or full renovation of the bathroom should be expected, including replacement of damaged tiles, reinstatement of waterproofing, and rectification of associated plumbing and finishes by suitably licensed trades.



### Finding 2.07

Building:	Main Building
Location:	All External Areas
Finding:	Wood rot to some areas (Also refer to D 3.1 & 6.1)
Information:	This building element shows evidence of wood rot. Wood rot, also known as Fungal Decay, occurs when timbers and other cellulose building materials are exposed to damp conditions on an ongoing basis. This could be the result of exposure to weathering over a prolonged period of time, or the attraction of excessive moisture from other abutting building materials. Contributing factors also include poor air ventilation in the area.

Wood rot is often associated with general damp problems and is evidenced by a

'musty' smell or mould and mildew occurring on surfaces. If left unmanaged, damp conditions can lead to further health problems and the decay of timbers will continue.

Early intervention and regular maintenance, particularly of exterior timbers, will prolong the useful life of these building elements. Prior to any works being performed, the cause of the moisture that has created the visible wood rot should be identified and addressed in a suitable manner. Replacement of affected timbers may then be a necessary step in protecting surrounding building elements from such deterioration.

A qualified plumber may be appointed to assess the cause of excessive moisture and to provide advice on any remedial works as required. A qualified carpenter or registered builder may also be required to replace affected building materials.

Even though Liverpool termite activity was not visible. A further invasive inspection by a licensed termite technician its also highly recommended to eliminate possibility of potential termite activity.





## Minor Defect

### Finding 3.01

Building:	Main Building
Location:	All External Areas
Finding:	Fascias - Wood rot (Also refer to D 6.1)
Information:	Wood rot was found to be affecting fascias and barges in this area, evidenced by the presence of mould on the surface in some areas. Wood rot, also known as Fungal Decay, occurs when timbers and other cellulose building materials are exposed to damp conditions on an ongoing basis.

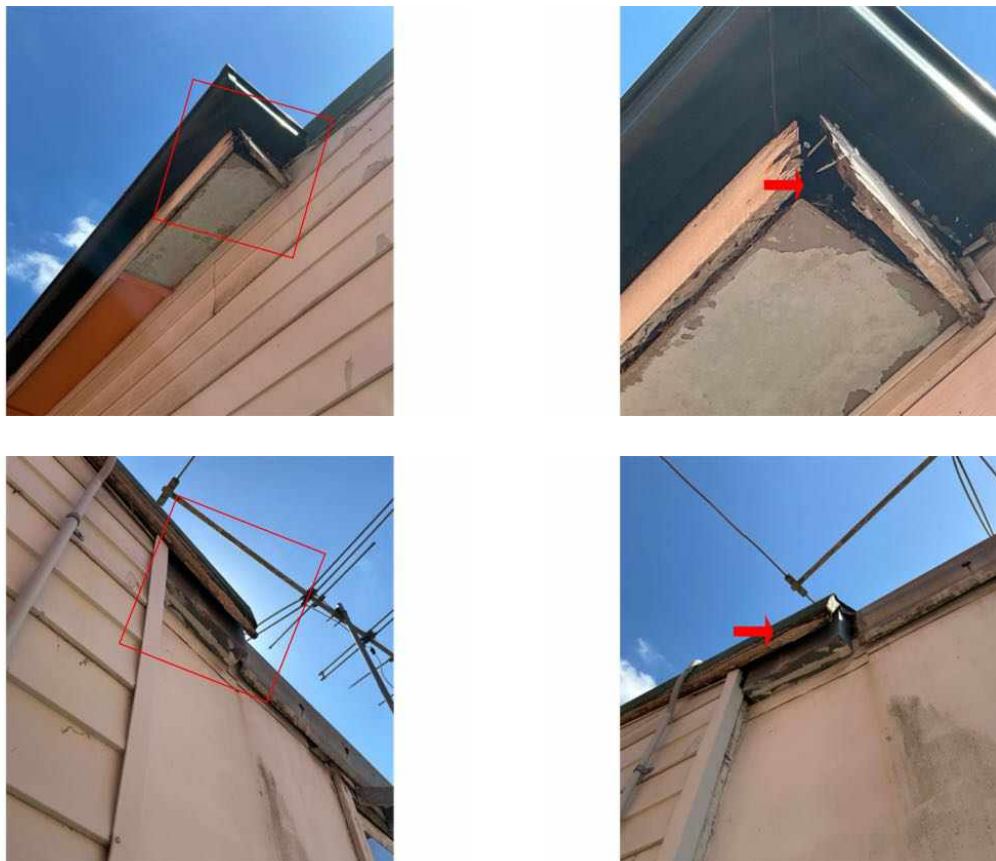
It is likely that this wood rot has developed as a result of faults in the roof plumbing, creating excessive moisture in this areas. Frequent exposure to rain and other weather conditions also make fascias and barges susceptible to accelerated deterioration.

Early intervention and regular maintenance will prolong the useful life of these building elements. Prior to any works being performed, the cause of the moisture that has created the visible wood rot should be identified and addressed in a suitable manner.

It is advised that a roof plumber be appointed to inspect all roof plumbing and subsequently identify the cause of the wood rot. Replacement of affected fascias and barges may then be a necessary step in protecting surrounding building elements from

such deterioration.

A qualified plumber may be appointed to assess the cause of excessive moisture and to provide advice on any remedial works as required. A qualified carpenter or registered builder may also be required to replace affected building materials.



### Finding 3.02

Building:	Main Building
Location:	Lounge Room
Finding:	Ceiling Lining – Sagging - Further investigation required
Information:	Ceiling lining installed between exposed ceiling beams show visible sagging. This condition is commonly associated with ageing hardboard or fibre-cement ceiling sheets and loosening of fixings over time. While no structural failure of the supporting beams was evident, the lining panels appear to have deteriorated and may require refixing or replacement to restore a flat and secure ceiling surface. Further assessment by a carpenter or licensed builder is recommended to check for structural adequacy of the horizontal member.



### Finding 3.03

Building:	Main Building
Location:	Bedroom
Finding:	Wall Out of Plumb / Separation at Wall–Ceiling Junction - Further investigation required
Information:	The wall surface appears to be out of plumb, with a visible separation gap noted at the junction between the wall and ceiling lining in the bedroom corner. Walls that are not vertically aligned can occur due to building movement, framing distortion, settlement, or previous structural alteration. The separation at the ceiling junction is likely a result of this misalignment and movement within the wall structure.

While no immediate structural failure was evident at the time of inspection, walls that are noticeably out of plumb may indicate movement of the wall framing or supporting structure and should be further assessed. A licensed builder should inspect the wall to determine the cause of the misalignment and whether rectification works are required.



### Finding 3.04

Building: Main Building

Location: Subfloor

Finding: Subfloor Timber Staining – Moderate Condition

Information: Subfloor was only inspected from outside limited viewing space, Discolouration and surface fungal growth were noted on several subfloor timbers, likely due to historic moisture exposure. Although not classified as a major defect, ongoing monitoring is recommended, and a licensed plumber should be engaged to check for any slow leaks or past water ingress contributing to staining.

Although no visible signs of termites was evident at the time of inspection however due to presence of conducive conditions a further invasive inspection by a licensed termite specialist is recommended in the areas where access was limited due to obstructions and limited or no crawl space.





### Finding 3.05

Building:	Main Building
Location:	All Internal Areas
Finding:	Floors - bouncy
Information:	The internal flooring in this area was identified as being bouncy at the time of inspection. A bouncy floor surface generally presents as a discernible change in level as they are walked across, in noisy or creaking flooring, or in consequent movement of surrounding furniture and fixtures.

Bouncy floors generally indicate that the floorboards or the subfloor structures are coming loose from the joists that they are installed on. Bouncy flooring may also be the result of gaps between flooring and stumps or joist structures, which require packing.

The client is advised to seek quotations for required repairs from a Registered Builder specialising in re-stumping. The potential resolution may range from packing gaps in subfloor structures through to replacement of subfloors stumps and refixing of flooring.



### Finding 3.06

Building:	Main Building
Location:	All Internal Areas
Finding:	Flooring - Uneven
Information:	The internal flooring in this area is out of level and uneven. Uneven flooring is likely to indicate minor defects such as expected movement of the foundations of the property, but may also indicate subsidence of the associated subfloor stumps.

It is advised that the flooring be closely monitored to identify any further movement. Where flooring remains relatively unchanged for an extended period of time (i.e. several months), it is likely that this defect has been caused by expected movement of the foundations of the property.

However, where flooring is uneven further, potentially invasive inspection of the subfloor structures and stumps in this area is required. In this case, works to repair are likely to be required, and would be carried out by a registered builder specialising in re-stumping.



### Finding 3.07

Building:	Main Building
Location:	All External Areas
Finding:	Site drainage - Inadequate
Information:	The site drainage in this area was found to be inadequate at the time of inspection, creating potential for subsequent water damage to associated building elements.

It is important that water does not lie against the base of walls; surrounding paths and ground levels should be sloped to drain water away from walls. Downpipes should not discharge stormwater onto lower walls or plinths. Stormwater should be carried away by large, regularly cleaned drains. Ground levels may need to be lowered to expose a buried DPC.

Where site drainage is inadequate, installation of an Agricultural (Aggie) Drain may be required. A qualified plumber should be appointed to further inspect the property and perform any remedial works as necessary. Water damage and secondary defects are likely to occur if left unmanaged.





**Finding 3.08**

Building: Main Building  
Location: Roof Void  
Finding: Aged Timber and moisture staining – Roof Void  
Information: Visible decay was noted to some areas , consistent with age-related shrinkage and general weathering. The affected areas also exhibited localised surface darkening, which may indicate past moisture exposure. These conditions appear typical for a dwelling of this age and construction, but ongoing monitoring is recommended. A licensed builder or licensed carpenter should be consulted if there is further deterioration or leaks. A further invasive inspection by a licensed timber pest technician is highly recommended to check for concealed termite activity



### Finding 3.09

Building:	Main Building
Location:	All External Areas
Finding:	Cracking - External Concrete Paving Damage Category 4 - Gaps in Slab (4mm - 10mm +)
Information:	Gaps in the slab were identified in external concrete paving. Gaps in the slab are significant and are likely to lead to the development of safety hazards and secondary defects if left unmanaged, such as the creation of a trip hazard.

General age and expected deterioration of the paved areas is a common cause of this type of cracking. However, expansion and contraction of the slab may also have occurred due to environmental factors. Such factors include variable moisture and weather conditions, the presence of trees and their roots having a settling or lifting affect on the soil, or the effect of load bearing, e.g. heavy vehicles over a sustained period of time.

Cracking to this degree may also be due to poor original installation of the concrete. Factors such as poor compaction of the sub surface and/or inadequate reinforcing of the slab may create cracking and other secondary defects. Gaps in the concrete paving may also have a more significant structural cause, such as subsidence of soils.

Where gaps in the concrete paving are adjacent to structural elements of the building, the advice of a Structural Engineer is advisable before undertaking repairs. Significant repair and likely replacement of the concrete paving is probable.

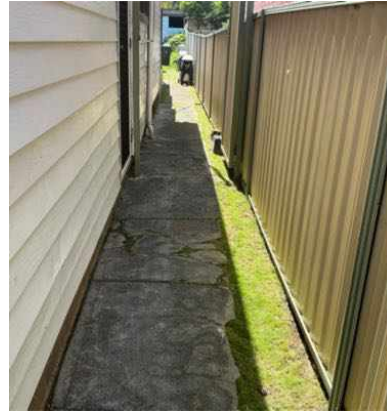


### Finding 3.10

Building:	Main Building
Location:	All External Areas
Finding:	Paving - Uneven
Information:	Sections of the external paved area are uneven, creating a potential trip hazard. It appears as though the area has been subject to rough installation, or that paving sections have lifted due to movements in the foundation of the property.

Where paving creates a trip hazard, personal injury may ensue if due caution is not taken by all persons within this area.

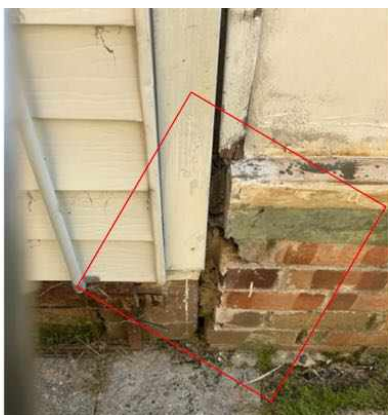
Re-paving of the area is required as soon as possible to remedy this situation. Further consultation with a specialist concreter is advised.



### Finding 3.11

Building:	Main Building
Location:	All External Areas
Finding:	Installation - substandard or incomplete - Poor joint detail
Information:	The installation of this building element appears to have been completed to a substandard level of workmanship or is incomplete. Generally substandard repairs or installation are related to poor workmanship, the use of inappropriate materials, or a failure to complete installation to a suitable standard.

Where installation is substandard and/or incomplete, the client should contact the responsible trade to undertake rectification. Unfinished and substandard building works are likely to degrade more quickly and may create potential for secondary defects to associated building elements.





**Finding 3.12**

Building: Main Building  
 Location: All External Areas  
 Finding: External painting deteriorated to some areas  
 Information: Whilst incomplete or missing paint finish is generally an appearance defect, it can also lead to the development of secondary building defects over time. Incomplete areas of paint finish expose the area to moisture, potentially accelerating the deterioration of underlying building materials.

Degraded paint finishes should be sanded back, filled, leveled and painted, as applicable. Where inadequate or missing paint protection has led to the deterioration of the associated building element, repair and/or replacement of this building element may be required.

A painting contractor should be appointed as soon as possible to perform necessary works to aid the appearance of the affected area and to ensure the area is protected against further deterioration. Alternatively, the homeowner following manufacturer instructions may perform these works.



**Finding 3.13**

Building: Main Building  
 Location: All External Areas

Finding: Brickwork - Deteriorated mortar to some areas  
 Information: Mortar, or 'bedding', is the material which fills joints and intersections between bricks in masonry walls and structures. Sections of mortar in this brickwork were identified as having deteriorated, which is generally expected for a property of this age and condition.

Mortar may deteriorate as a result of age of building materials, minor movement of bricks, or frequent exposure to weathering. Mortar should be replaced to ensure that bricks remain in their intended location and to prevent gaps, which would allow water or moisture ingress and secondary damage as a result.

Mortar deterioration can be addressed by a bricklayer where areas of deterioration are localised and easily accessible. Alternatively, appointment of a registered builder is advised, to repoint large areas of decaying mortar. Where secondary structural defects have become evident, consultation with a structural engineer may be required.



### Finding 3.14

Building: Main Building  
 Location: All External Areas  
 Finding: Building element - Damaged- Trim and weatherboards damaged , eaves damaged  
 Information: Breakage occurs generally when the building materials have either aged and decayed, or as a result of damage (accidental or deliberate).

Repair and/or replacement of broken elements is advised to ensure that additional secondary defects do not arise as a consequence. Such works are necessary, as all building elements play a key role in the operation and function of the overall structure and its performance.

A relevant tradesperson should be appointed to repair or replace the affected building element prior to any subsequent damage being caused.



**Finding 3.15**

Building: Main Building  
 Location: All Internal Areas  
 Finding: Shed Condition - Poor  
 Information: The detached shed is considered to be in a poor and potentially non-serviceable state. Extensive repairs or replacement may be required. If retained, professional assessment and reconstruction in accordance with current NCC Volume Two and AS 1684 (Residential Timber Framing Code) is recommended. Advanced wood rot , debris, potential asbestos containing material was also found at the time of inspection. A further invasive inspection by a termite technician is highly recommended to check for concealed termite activity





### Finding 3.16

Building: Main Building

Location: Kitchen

Finding: Tiles - Cracked or damaged and drummy in poor condition

Information: Cracking was evident to the tiling in this area at the time of inspection. While the cracking appears to be minor, this area is frequently exposed to water, allowing potential for water penetration into adjoining sections of walls or flooring.

If left unmanaged, water penetration to these areas may lead to subsequent water damage, which is likely necessitate repair work to affected building elements.

A tiling contractor should be appointed to ensure that no further water damage occurs. The re-application of silicone and grouting throughout remaining tile work is also advised, to further protect the area against water penetration.

Where water penetration has led to water damage, appointment of a relevant tradesperson may be required to repair damaged building elements.



### Finding 3.17

Building:	Main Building
Location:	All Internal Areas
Finding:	Building element - Rusted or corroded - Plumbing rusted
Information:	This building element shows evidence of rusting and corrosion, which is likely to have developed as a result of excessive exposure to moisture and or inadequate coatings.

As surface rust provides no protection to the underlying iron, the deteriorating condition is likely to worsen if not addressed in the short-term future.

Where possible, the use of galvanized (treated) metals or aluminium coated metals aid in rust prevention, as does regular general maintenance. Rust formation can be controlled with coatings, such as paint, that isolate the iron from the environment.

Rusting and corrosion should be managed by ideally removing or limiting the affected surface from exposure to moisture. A registered builder may be appointed to replace any building elements that have been severely affected by rust or water damage.



### Finding 3.18

Building:	Main Building
Location:	All Internal Areas
Finding:	Paint Finish & Hairline Cracking - To some areas
Information:	The paint finish in this area was identified as being incomplete or substandard at the time of inspection including some hairline minor cracking/separation. Monitoring is recommended where cracking and separation is evident.

Whilst incomplete or missing paint finish is generally an appearance defect, it can also lead to the development of secondary building defects over time. Incomplete areas of paint finish expose the area to moisture, potentially accelerating the deterioration of underlying building materials.

Incomplete paint finishes should be sanded back, filled, leveled and painted, as applicable. Where inadequate or missing paint protection has led to the deterioration of the associated building element, repair and/or replacement of this building element may be required.

A painting contractor should be appointed as soon as possible to perform necessary works to aid the appearance of the affected area and to ensure the area is protected against further deterioration. Alternatively, the homeowner following manufacturer instructions may perform these works.







### Finding 3.19

Building:	Main Building
Location:	All Internal Areas
Finding:	Building element - Damaged - Door coming off hinges bedroom , wall panelling damaged or loose
Information:	Breakage occurs generally when the building materials have either aged and decayed, or as a result of damage (accidental or deliberate).

Repair and/or replacement of broken elements is advised to ensure that additional secondary defects do not arise as a consequence. Such works are necessary, as all building elements play a key role in the operation and function of the overall structure and its performance.

A relevant tradesperson should be appointed to repair or replace the affected building element prior to any subsequent damage being caused.





### Finding 3.20

Building:	Main Building
Location:	All Internal Areas
Finding:	Building element - Damaged - Carpet poor condition
Information:	Breakage occurs generally when the building materials have either aged and decayed, or as a result of damage (accidental or deliberate).

Repair and/or replacement of broken elements is advised to ensure that additional secondary defects do not arise as a consequence. Such works are necessary, as all building elements play a key role in the operation and function of the overall structure and its performance.

A relevant tradesperson should be appointed to repair or replace the affected building element prior to any subsequent damage being caused.



### Finding 3.21

Building:	Main Building
Location:	All Internal Areas
Finding:	Building element - Damaged - vinyl flooring in poor condition
Information:	Breakage occurs generally when the building materials have either aged and decayed, or as a result of damage (accidental or deliberate).

Repair and/or replacement of broken elements is advised to ensure that additional secondary defects do not arise as a consequence. Such works are necessary, as all building elements play a key role in the operation and function of the overall structure and its performance.

A relevant tradesperson should be appointed to repair or replace the affected building element prior to any subsequent damage being caused.



### Finding 3.22

Building:	Main Building
Location:	Roof Exterior
Finding:	Building element - Rusted or corroded - Roof to some areas
Information:	This building element shows evidence of rusting and corrosion, which is likely to have developed as a result of excessive exposure to moisture and or inadequate coatings.

As surface rust provides no protection to the underlying iron, the deteriorating condition is likely to worsen if not addressed in the short-term future.

Where possible, the use of galvanized (treated) metals or aluminium coated metals aid in rust prevention, as does regular general maintenance. Rust formation can be controlled with coatings, such as paint, that isolate the iron from the environment.

Rusting and corrosion should be managed by ideally removing or limiting the affected surface from exposure to moisture. A registered builder may be appointed to replace any building elements that have been severely affected by rust or water damage.



### Finding 3.23

Building:	Main Building
Location:	Roof Exterior
Finding:	Building element - Damaged - roof sheeting lifting to some areas
Information:	Breakage occurs generally when the building materials have either aged and decayed, or as a result of damage (accidental or deliberate).

Repair and/or replacement of broken elements is advised to ensure that additional secondary defects do not arise as a consequence. Such works are necessary, as all building elements play a key role in the operation and function of the overall structure and its performance.

A relevant tradesperson should be appointed to repair or replace the affected building element prior to any subsequent damage being caused.



### Finding 3.24

Building:	Main Building
Location:	Roof Void
Finding:	Gravity-Fed HWS - Disconnected
Information:	It was noted at the time of inspection that a disconnected gravity-fed hot water system (HWS) remains in this area.

Despite this plumbing structure being unused, it is likely to be storing residual water, and is therefore susceptible to rust and corrosion. If allowed to continue, rust and corrosion is likely to lead to damage to adjoining building elements, and may also make the area susceptible to termite or timber pest activity.

While it is a costly exercise to remove the disused gravity-fed HWS, it is advisable in the short-term future to prevent any further damage to the area. Further consultation with a licensed plumber is required to gain further advice on removal of the structure.



### Finding 3.25

Building:	Main Building
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Location: Roof Void

Finding: Building element - Damaged - Roof members loose/twisted/splitting (Further investigation required)

Information: Breakage occurs generally when the building materials have either aged and decayed, or as a result of damage (accidental or deliberate).

Repair and/or replacement of broken elements is advised to ensure that additional secondary defects do not arise as a consequence. Such works are necessary, as all building elements play a key role in the operation and function of the overall structure and its performance.

A relevant tradesperson should be appointed to repair or replace the affected building element prior to any subsequent damage being caused.





### Finding 3.26

Building:	Main Building
Location:	Subfloor
Finding:	Subfloor ventilation - Inadequate
Information:	Adequate subfloor ventilation aids in preventing excessive moisture wood rot and termite activity by ensuring a dry subfloor environment.

Where ventilation is substandard it is usually caused by factors such as failure to install adequate vents during construction subsequent building works or earth and vegetation covering over vents low subfloor clearance and items or debris in the subfloor restricting airflow.

Subfloor ventilation can be improved in most cases by addressing the causes such as exposing subfloor vents installing additional new vents installing mechanical (forced airflow) ventilation and removing debris from the subfloor.

A registered builder should be appointed as soon as possible to perform these works as necessary.





### Finding 3.27

Building:	Main Building
Location:	Laundry
Finding:	Water staining - timbers
Information:	Water staining was evident in this area at the time of inspection. Water staining indicates that surfaces have been exposed to excessive moisture over time. The minerals and other elements in the water lead to staining, which may graduate to corrosion and deterioration if left unmanaged.

While mostly an appearance defect, water staining can be indicative of more serious defects, which may be currently concealed by other building elements.

Where water staining is active, a licensed plumber must be consulted to identify the cause of the staining and to provide advice on any reparation works that may be required. Replacement of any broken or damaged structures is advised.

Conversely, where water staining is old and inactive, affected building materials may be repaired or replaced at client discretion. A qualified carpenter or registered builder may be appointed to perform these works.



### Live Timber Pest Activity

No evidence was found

## Timber Pest Damage

No evidence was found

## Conditions Conducive to Timber Pest Activity

### Finding 6.01

Building:	Main Building
Location:	All External Areas
Finding:	Termite Management System - no evidence of a chemical installation
Information:	The application of a post-construction chemical termite barrier is highly recommended for all properties, particularly if live termite activity has been found on the site previously. Such barriers are highly effective in preventing termite attack on any timber building elements throughout the property.

A durable notice should be placed in the switchboard unit to indicate current termite barriers. At the time of inspection, it appeared as though no termite management system has been installed, with no evidence to suggest preventative works taking place.

The client may consider gaining further advice from a pest controller as to the costs and procedures involved with this application. It is recommended that obtaining such advice be a short-term priority.



### Finding 6.02

Building:	Main Building
Location:	All Internal Areas - Lounge
Finding:	Elevated moisture - identified - Further invasive inspection required to check for concealed termite activity
Information:	Elevated moisture can attract termites and produce conditions that promote fungal

growth and wood decay.

Elevated moisture is generally caused by deteriorated, inadequate or missing roof drainage, leaking plumbing pipes or fixtures, poorly plumbed HWS overflows or condenser units and poor site drainage.

If mould growth has been found there may be environmental biological or health issues involved. In these cases an appropriately qualified inspector should also be contacted.

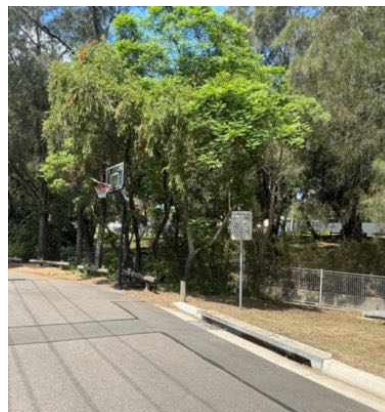
Prior to any remedial works being performed a qualified plumber should be appointed to further inspect the property and to identify the cause of the excessive moisture. Works to remove affected building elements may then be necessary and should be performed by an appropriate tradesperson.

A further invasive inspection by a licensed timber pest technician is highly recommended to check for concealed activity.



### Finding 6.03

Building:	Main Building
Location:	All External Areas
Finding:	Trees within 50m
Information:	Trees within 50m of the property can be conducive to termite activity. It is recommended an invasive inspection of all trees with 50m to the property be carried out by a qualified pest control expert.



### Finding 6.04

Building:	Main Building
Location:	All External Areas
Finding:	In ground contact - Timber
Information:	Any timbers in direct ground contact provide opportunity for concealed termite entry and are likely to be subject to premature rot and decay as the soil retains moisture or damp conditions against the timbers.

Remove untreated timber that is in direct contact with external grounds. Consider replacement with more durable materials i.e. treated timber or non timber elements. Frequent pest inspections are advised to readily identify any termite activity in these areas.



### Finding 6.05

Building:	Main Building
Location:	All External Areas
Finding:	HWS Overflow - Not Connected
Information:	The Hot Water System (HWS) overflow was found to be disconnected from storm water drainage and is creating excessive moisture in the surrounding area.

These damp conditions can lead to secondary defects such as rot, rust or corrosion

of associated building elements, the formation of fungal decay, or even the creation of potential slip hazards. When coupled with poor site drainage, pooling of water may also attract termite activity to this area.

It is highly recommended that a licensed plumber be appointed to connect the HWS overflow in order to prevent such an environment from being created. These minor works should be carried out as soon as possible.



### Finding 6.06

Building:	Main Building
Location:	All External Areas
Finding:	Bridging - Vegetation
Information:	Where vegetation obstructs inspection of building elements, also known as bridging as it provides a bridging point for the access of termites, full inspection can not be achieved. Consequently moisture or dampness may be present and the areas becomes conducive to termite activity. Plants against or very close to buildings provide cover, shade and can provide an environment that is attractive to termite infestation.

The removal and replanting of species that do not provide "cover" or cutting back of existing vegetation will assist greatly in preventing Bridging from occurring.

The removal of any such materials that may be conducive to termite activity should be carried out as soon as possible and arrange re inspection to minimize the risk of termite attack.



### Finding 6.07

Building:	Main Building
Location:	Subfloor
Finding:	Subfloor ventilation - Inadequate
Information:	Adequate subfloor ventilation aids in preventing excessive moisture wood rot and termite activity by ensuring a dry subfloor environment.

Where ventilation is substandard it is usually caused by factors such as failure to install adequate vents during construction subsequent building works or earth and vegetation covering over vents low subfloor clearance and items or debris in the subfloor restricting airflow.

Subfloor ventilation can be improved in most cases by addressing the causes such as exposing subfloor vents installing additional new vents installing mechanical (forced airflow) ventilation and removing debris from the subfloor.

A registered builder should be appointed as soon as possible to perform these works as necessary.





## Evidence of fungal decay activity and/or damage

### Finding 7.01

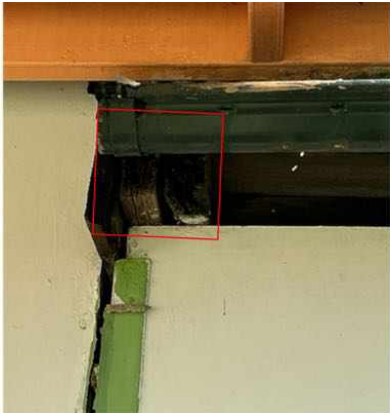
Building:	Main Building
Location:	All External Areas - Laundry
Finding:	Fungal decay - present to numerous areas
Information:	Fungal decay also known as wood decay or wood rot generally refers to the deterioration of timber elements when in contact with excessive levels of moisture for a prolonged period of time.

The development of fungal decay is accelerated by temperatures in the range of 5degreeC to 40degreeC as well as the presence of oxygen. Generally fungal decay develops on timber elements that are in use in an external environment which are exposed to rain penetration.

In this case although the affected timber element is in a decaying state the extent of any visible damage appears to be localised to a specific area and is yet to spread to other parts of the building element or affect adjoining structures. The fungal decay is therefore likely to be of a relatively superficial nature with minimal impact on the structural integrity or tensile strength of the timber element.

A further invasive inspection by a licensed timber pest technician is highly recommended to check for concealed activity.





**Evidence of wood borer activity and/or damage**

No evidence was found

## Section D Significant Items

### D4 Further Inspections

We advise that you seek additional specialist inspections from a qualified and, where appropriate, licensed

- As identified in summary and defect statements
- Licensed Electrician
- Licensed Plumber
- Registered/Licensed Builder
- Mould Remediation Specialist
- Registered Roofing Contractor
- Structural Engineer
- Sub Floor Ventilation Specialist
- Termite and Timber Pest Technician / Licensed Pest Controller

Jim's Building Inspections can put you in contact with qualified and licensed providers of these and other trades services. Please contact your inspector for recommendations, or visit [www.jims.net](http://www.jims.net).

### D5 Conclusion - Assessment of overall condition of property

- The building compared to others of a similar age and construction appears to be in poor condition. It does have a number of major defects, minor defects including numerous maintenance issues and observations under for your information section D significant items that will require attention ,remedial maintenance and further investigation. Left unmanaged some of these defects may become costly in the future and develop into more major defects over time.

This inspection was visual and non-invasive only and subject to access limitations, including areas of the roof void, subfloor and concealed building elements which were partially or fully inaccessible at the time of inspection. As a result, concealed defects may exist that were not visible during the inspection.

Prospective purchasers should allow for significant repairs, ongoing maintenance and further specialist investigation where recommended prior to purchase, particularly in relation to structural movement, moisture related defects, roofing, subfloor conditions and timber pest.

It is recommended to attend to the safety hazards and major defects immediately to prevent further issues where applicable.

Refer to report for details

Please be aware that limitation's did affect the inspection and areas of low clearance and poor access meant a complete inspection of the roof space was not possible and areas of furniture, stored items, insulation and garden vegetation meant some areas was obstructed.

#### Definition of a Major Defect (AS 4349.1-2007)

A major defect is a defect of significant magnitude where, in the inspector's opinion Rectification has to be carried out in order to avoid unsafe conditions, loss of utility, or further deterioration of the property.

The following items are highly recommended where applicable:

- Remove any debris and/or stored items from the subfloor to assist in good subfloor ventilation.
- Improve the subfloor ventilation &/or drainage.
- Clear any debris, garden beds, or soil covering vent or weep holes (to prevent concealed termite entry). If this is not possible, then the installation of a Chemical Termite management system is even more highly recommended. Consult a suitably qualified termite expert for further advice.
- Repair and monitor any water leaks and areas of excessive moisture.
- Connect all downpipes & guttering adequately to the stormwater (or well away from the edge of the building).
- A roofing contractor or use of a drone is advised to review the areas of the roof where the building inspector was not able to access at the time of the inspection and action any shortfalls identified within the report.
- Treat, repair, or replace any wood rot found on the property.
- Clean and flush out blocked guttering regularly.
- Connect the HWS & A/C overflows to storm water or away from the edge of the building (minimum 1m).
- Consultation with a timber pest contractor is advised.

Obstructions are as follows but not limited to and where applicable:

- Insulation to the roof space
- Gravity Fed HWS
- Furniture.
- Fixed joinery.
- Vegetation.
- Floor coverings.
- Blinds/Curtains.
- Soft Furnishings.
- Pictures/Art/Frames to walls.
- Bins.
- Fixed ceilings to Lean to Roofs.
- Stored goods.
- Bee activity

It is recommended to install a second appropriately sized manhole at a suitable location to allow for full inspection of the roof space.

The photographs included in this report are provided as visual evidence of observed conditions at the time of inspection. They are intended to be representative only, highlighting typical examples of defects or areas of concern.

## TIMBER PEST

Regular inspections will not prevent timber pest infestation, however, they will reduce the extent of potential damage by ensuring the infestation is detected at an early stage. Due to the significant risk of subterranean termite infestation, it is strongly recommended that a full chemical termite management system be installed at the property and that inspections in accordance with AS 4349.3 or AS 3660.2:2017 are carried out at intervals not exceeding 12 months, or as otherwise recommended by the pest control company installing the system.

In an effort to identify hidden timber pest activity, a range of techniques were employed, including moisture meter readings in susceptible areas, sounding of accessible timber elements using a tapping device, and visual assessment for signs such as moisture staining, deformities, mud trails, bridging constructed by termites, and irregular or regular shaped holes in timber elements. Termite activity often generates heat and elevated moisture levels, and where these irregularities are identified, further invasive investigation is recommended.

It should be noted that termite evidence may be concealed by wall panelling, wallpaper, carpets, and fixed cabinetry, and that damage to concealed or inaccessible timbers would only be revealed by invasive means, which was outside the scope of this inspection. It is generally very difficult to locate termite nests underground, and when nests occur in trees they are usually well concealed. For this reason, it is strongly recommended that trees and stumps on site are test-drilled for the presence of termite colonies.

The following actions are considered highly important where applicable:

- No evidence of annual inspections was identified, and these should be implemented without exception.
- Remove any debris, garden beds, or soil that obstruct subfloor ventilation openings or weep holes to reduce the risk of concealed termite entry. Where clearance cannot be achieved, the installation of a chemical termite management system is strongly advised, and further guidance should be sought from a suitably qualified pest control company.
- Remove, replace, or treat all untreated timbers in direct contact with the ground.
- Repair and monitor all plumbing leaks and areas of excessive moisture.
- Ensure all downpipes and guttering are connected directly to stormwater drainage, with discharge occurring well clear of the building perimeter.
- Clean and maintain all guttering to prevent blockages and pooling water.
- Connect hot water system and air conditioning overflows into stormwater drainage or direct them at least one metre away from the building.
- Undertake regular timber pest inspections at intervals not exceeding 12 months, or as otherwise directed by the termite management system installer.

Additionally, trees located on neighbouring properties could not be inspected and may also present a potential source of termite activity.

For further information, advice and clarification please contact Sheraz Rasool on: 0414614553

## Section D Significant Items

### The following items were noted as - For your information

#### Noted Item

Building:	Main Building
Location:	All Areas interior/exterior
Finding:	Asbestos - Suspected ACM Identified on Site
Information:	Reporting on Asbestos is outside the Scope of this Report. This suspected defect is highlighted as a caution only. We suspect that there is a higher risk of the identified building element containing asbestos.

As Asbestos Reporting is outside the scope of this report, we advise that you consider a separate Asbestos Inspection and Condition Audit, which can include the taking of samples for definitive confirmation of the presence of Asbestos.

In the interim, the client is advised to act with caution, especially when considering any damage to building materials general wear and tear renovations extensions demolition and general maintenance activities due to the suspected presence of Asbestos.





### Noted Item

Building:	Main Building
Location:	All External Areas
Finding:	Electrical switchboard - Old ceramic fuses
Information:	The electrical switchboard while appearing to have adequate safety switches installed has old ceramic fuses in place.

While this on its own on is not considered a defect it is noted for the clients consideration that a switchboard upgrade may be required in the short to mid term to improve the functionality of the electrical system. A licensed electrician could be appointed to provide quotation for the works at the client's discretion which may in turn expose other required works to bring the system up to a compliant state.



**Noted Item**

Building: Main Building  
Location: All External Areas  
Finding: Additional Photos - Obstructions and Limitations  
Information: These photographs are an indication of the obstructions and limitations which impeded full inspection of the property at the time of inspection. These obstructions can hide an array of defects and should be removed to allow full inspection to be carried out. A re-inspection is recommended once the areas are made accessible.

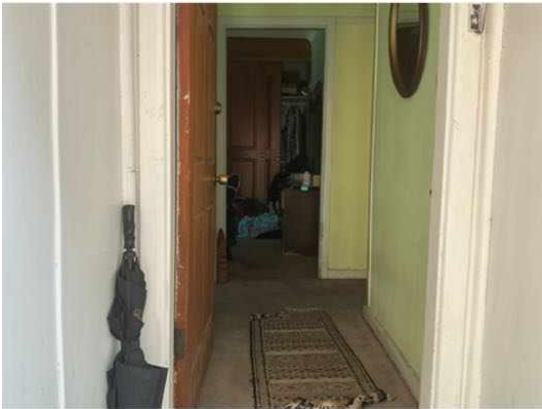






### Noted Item

Building:	Main Building
Location:	All Internal Areas
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**Noted Item**

Building: Main Building  
Location: Roof Exterior  
Finding: Additional Photos - Obstructions and Limitations  
Information: These photographs are an indication of the obstructions and limitations which impeded full inspection of the property at the time of inspection. These obstructions can hide an array of defects and should be removed to allow full inspection to be carried out. A re-inspection is recommended once the areas are made accessible.





**Noted Item**

Building: Main Building  
Location: Roof Void  
Finding: Additional Photos - Obstructions and Limitations  
Information: These photographs are an indication of the obstructions and limitations which impeded full inspection of the property at the time of inspection. These obstructions can hide an array of defects and should be removed to allow full inspection to be carried out. A re-inspection is recommended once the areas are made accessible.





### Noted Item

Building:	Main Building
Location:	Subfloor
Finding:	Additional Photos - Obstructions and Limitations
Information:	These photographs are an indication of the obstructions and limitations which impeded full inspection of the property at the time of inspection. These obstructions can hide an array of defects and should be removed to allow full inspection to be carried out. A re-inspection is recommended once the areas are made accessible.



## Section D Significant Items

### Undefined Defects

#### Noted Item

Building:

Location:

Finding:

Information:

## Definitions to help you better understand this report

Access hole (cover)	An opening in flooring or ceiling or other parts of a structure (such as service hatch, removable panel) to allow for entry to carry out an inspection, maintenance or repair.
Accessible area	An area of the site where sufficient, safe and reasonable access is available to allow inspection within the scope of the inspection.
Appearance defect	Fault or deviation from the intended appearance of a building element.
Asbestos-Containing Material (ACM)	Asbestos-containing material (ACM) means any material or thing that, as part of its design, contains asbestos.
Building element	A portion of a building that, by itself or in combination with other such parts, fulfils a characteristic function. NOTE: For example supporting, enclosing, furnishing or servicing building space.
Client	The person or other entity for whom the inspection is being carried out.
Conditions Conducive to Termite Activity	Noticeable building deficiencies or environmental factors that may contribute to the presence of Termites.
Defect	Fault or deviation from the intended condition of a material, assembly, or component.
Detailed assessment	An assessment by an accredited sampler to determine the extent and magnitude of methamphetamine contamination in a property.
Inspection	Close and careful scrutiny of a building carried out without dismantling, in order to arrive at a reliable conclusion as to the condition of the building.
Inspector	Person or organisation responsible for carrying out the inspection.
Instrument Testing	Where appropriate the carrying out of Tests using the following techniques and instruments: (a) electronic moisture detecting meter - an instrument used for assessing the moisture content of building elements (b) stethoscope - an instrument used to hear sounds made by termites within building elements (c) probing - a technique where timber and other materials/areas are penetrated with a sharp instrument (e.g. bradawl or pocket knife), but does not include probing of decorative timbers or finishes, or the drilling of timber and trees and (d) sounding - a technique where timber is tapped with a solid object. (e) T3I - an instrument used to detect movement, moisture and changes in temperature within timber
Limitation	Any factor that prevents full or proper inspection of the building.
Major defect	A defect of sufficient magnitude where rectification has to be carried

	out in order to avoid unsafe conditions, loss of utility or further deterioration of the property.
Methamphetamine	An amphetamine-type stimulant that is highly addictive. Methamphetamine is a controlled substance, classified as a Class A (very high-risk) drug under the Misuse of Drug Act. This term is used as a grouping term to include all substances screened for, specifically: Ephedrine, Pseudoephedrine, Amphetamine, Methamphetamine, MDA and MDMA.
Methamphetamine contamination	A property or part of a property where the level of methamphetamine has been tested in accordance with this standard and found to exceed 0.5 micrograms/100 cm <sup>2</sup> (Residential) or 10 micrograms/100 cm <sup>2</sup> (Commercial).
Methamphetamine production/manufacture	The manufacture of methamphetamine, including processing, packaging, and storage of methamphetamine and associated chemicals.
Minor defect	A defect other than a major defect.
Roof space/Roof void	Space between the roof covering and the ceiling immediately below the roof covering.
Screening assessment	An assessment by a screening sampler to determine whether or not methamphetamine is present.
Serviceability defect	Fault or deviation from the intended serviceability performance of a building element.
Significant item	An item that is to be reported in accordance with the scope of the inspection.
Site	Allotment of land on which a building stands or is to be erected.
Structural defect	Fault or deviation from the intended structural performance of a building element.
Structural element	Physically distinguishable part of a structure. NOTE: For example wall, columns, beam, connection.
Subfloor space	Space between the underside of a suspended floor and the ground.
Subterranean Termite Management Proposal	A written proposal in accordance with Australian Standard AS 3660.2 to treat a known subterranean termite infestation and/or manage the risk of concealed subterranean termite access to buildings and structures.
Termites	Wood destroying insects belonging to the order 'Isoptera' which commonly attack seasoned timber.
Tests	Additional attention to the visual examination was given to those accessible areas which the consultant's experience has shown to be

particularly susceptible to attack by Termites. Instrument Testing of those areas and other visible accessible timbers/materials/areas showing evidence of attack was performed.

Timber Pest Activity	Tell-tale signs associated with 'active' (live) and/or 'inactive' (absence of live) Timber Pests at the time of inspection.
Timber Pest Attack	Timber Pest Activity and/or Timber Pest Damage.
Timber Pest Damage	Noticeable impairments to the integrity of timber and other susceptible materials resulting from an attack by Timber Pests.
Urgent and Serious Safety Hazards	Building elements or situations that present a current or immediate potential threat of injury or disease to persons.

## Terms on which this report was prepared

This report is based on the condition of the property at the time of inspection. We strongly recommend re-inspection 30 days after this report is issued as the general condition of the property is likely to have changed, including the extent of defects described and instance of potential undetected defects.

This report has been prepared in accordance with and subject to the pre-inspection agreement in place between the parties, which forms part of this Report.

*This Report is prepared for the client identified above and may not be relied on by any other person without our express permission or by the purchase of this Report on our website.*

SPECIAL ATTENTION SHOULD BE GIVEN TO THE SCOPE, LIMITATIONS AND EXCLUSIONS IN YOUR PRE-INSPECTION AGREEMENT AND THIS REPORT

Any of the exclusions or limitations identified for this Report may be the subject of a special-purpose inspection which we recommend being undertaken by an appropriately qualified inspector

### RELIANCE AND DISCLOSURE

This report has been prepared based on conditions at the time of the report.

We own the copyright in this report and may make it available to third parties.

If your Property is in the Australian Capital Territory, you acknowledge we will make certain information about this Report available to the ACT Government for inclusion in the building and pest inspections public register if required under the *Civil Law (Sale of Residential Property) Act 2003*. This will include the fact the report has been prepared, the Property street address, date of the inspection, the name of the person who prepared the report and (if applicable) the entity that employs them.

### UNDETECTED DEFECT RISK RATING

If this Report has identified a medium or high-risk rating for undetected defects, we strongly recommend a further inspection of areas that were inaccessible. This may include an invasive inspection that requires the removal or cutting of walls, floors or ceilings.

*If the Property has been vacant for a period of time, moisture levels or leaks may not be detectable at the time of the inspection because often only frequent use of water pipes (showers, taps etc) result in a leak being identifiable. We advise further testing on pipes and water susceptible areas (such as the bathroom and laundry) after more frequent use has occurred.*

### IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION:

**This is not a report by a licensed plumber or electrician.** We recommend a special-purpose

report to detect substandard or illegal plumbing and electrical work at the Property

**This is not a smoke alarm report.** We recommend all existing detectors in the Property be tested and advice sought as to the suitability of number, placement and operation.

**This is not an asbestos report.** There are potential products in the Property containing asbestos that will not be identified in this report. In order to accurately identify asbestos, we recommend performing an asbestos inspection, particularly for buildings built prior to 1988.

**This is not a report on safety glass.** Glazing in older homes may not reflect current standards and may cause significant injury if damaged. Exercise caution around the glass in older homes.

**This is not a report on window opening restrictions.** We have not inspected window opening restrictors. Window openings in older buildings may not reflect current standards and can be a potential risk. Window opening restrictors are advised for all second story or above windows with sill heights below 900mm. Some states make this a mandatory requirement. Owners should enquire of their local and state requirements to ensure compliance.

**This is not a report on pool safety.** If a swimming pool is present it should be the subject to a special purpose pool inspection.

**External Timber Structures - Balcony and Decks.** It is strongly recommended that a Structural Engineer is required to assess distributed load capacity of external timber structures such as balconies and decks, alerting users of the load capacity. Regular maintenance and inspections by competent practitioners to assess the ongoing durability of exposed external timber structures are needed.

**This is not a Group Titled Property Report as per AS4349.2.** If you require a report for a Group Titled Property as per this standard, please seek a separate inspection for Group Titled Properties.

## MOISTURE

The identification of moisture, dampness or the evidence of water penetration is dependent on the weather conditions at the time an inspection. The absence of dampness identified in this Report does not necessarily mean the Property will not experience some damp problems in other weather conditions or that roofs, walls or wet areas are watertight.

Where the evidence of water penetration is identified we recommend detailed investigation of waterproofing in the surrounding area monitoring of the affected area over a period of time to fully detect and assess the cause of dampness.

## MAINTENANCE OF THE PROPERTY

This Report is not a warranty or an insurance policy against problems developing with the Property in the future. Accordingly, a preventative maintenance program should be implemented which includes systematic inspections, detection and prevention of issues. Please contact the inspector who carried out this inspection for further advice.

It is strongly advised that appropriate steps be taken to remove, rectify or monitor any evidence of

conditions conducive to timber pest activity. Undertaking thorough regular inspections at intervals not exceeding twelve months (or more frequent inspections where the risk of timber pest attack is high or the building type is susceptible to attack). To further reduce the risk of subterranean termite attack, implement a management program in accordance with Australian Standard AS3660. This may include the installation of a monitoring and/or baiting system, or chemical and/or physical barrier. However, AS3660 stresses that subterranean termites can bridge or breach barrier systems and inspection zones and those thorough regular inspections of the building are necessary.

### **NO CERTIFICATION**

- a) The Property has been compared to others of a similar age, construction type and method that had an acceptable level of basic maintenance completed.
- b) We don't advise you about title, ownership or other legal matters like easements, restrictions, covenants and planning laws. None of our inspections constitutes approval by a Building Surveyor, a certificate of occupancy or compliance with any law, regulation or standard, including any comment on whether the Property complies with current Australian Standards, Building Regulations or other legislative requirements.

### **RECTIFICATION COSTS**

We don't provide advice on the costs of rectification or repair unless specifically identified in the scope of the Report. Any cost advice provided verbally or in this report must be taken as of a general nature and is not to be relied on. Actual costs depend on the quality of materials, the standard of work, what price a contractor is prepared to do the work for and may be contingent on approvals, delays and unknown factors associated with third parties. No liability is accepted for costing advice.