

Energy performance certificate (EPC)

4 Birchwood Avenue
BIRKENHEAD
CH41 3RT

Energy rating

D

Valid until: **23 March 2032**

Certificate number: **0380-2434-2170-2622-5421**

Property type

Semi-detached house

Total floor area

53 square metres

Rules on letting this property

Properties can be let if they have an energy rating from A to E.

You can read [guidance for landlords on the regulations and exemptions](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/domestic-private-rented-property-minimum-energy-efficiency-standard-landlord-guidance) (<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/domestic-private-rented-property-minimum-energy-efficiency-standard-landlord-guidance>).

Energy efficiency rating for this property

This property's current energy rating is D. It has the potential to be B.

[See how to improve this property's energy performance.](#)

Score	Energy rating	Current	Potential
92+	A		
81-91	B		85 B
69-80	C		
55-68	D	68 D	
39-54	E		
21-38	F		
1-20	G		

The graph shows this property's current and potential energy efficiency.

Properties are given a rating from A (most efficient) to G (least efficient).

Properties are also given a score. The higher the number the lower your fuel bills are likely to be.

For properties in England and Wales:

the average energy rating is D
the average energy score is 60

Breakdown of property's energy performance

This section shows the energy performance for features of this property. The assessment does not consider the condition of a feature and how well it is working.

Each feature is assessed as one of the following:

- very good (most efficient)
- good
- average
- poor
- very poor (least efficient)

When the description says "assumed", it means that the feature could not be inspected and an assumption has been made based on the property's age and type.

Feature	Description	Rating
Wall	Timber frame, as built, insulated (assumed)	Good
Roof	Pitched, insulated (assumed)	Good
Window	Fully double glazed	Average
Main heating	Boiler and radiators, mains gas	Good
Main heating control	Programmer and room thermostat	Average
Hot water	From main system	Good
Lighting	Low energy lighting in 75% of fixed outlets	Very good
Floor	Suspended, no insulation (assumed)	N/A
Secondary heating	Room heaters, electric	N/A

Primary energy use

The primary energy use for this property per year is 230 kilowatt hours per square metre (kWh/m²).

Environmental impact of this property

This property's current environmental impact rating is C. It has the potential to be B.

Properties are rated in a scale from A to G based on how much carbon dioxide (CO₂) they produce.

Properties with an A rating produce less CO₂ than G rated properties.

An average household produces 6 tonnes of CO₂

This property produces 2.1 tonnes of CO₂

This property's potential production 0.8 tonnes of CO₂

By making the [recommended changes](#), you could reduce this property's CO₂ emissions by 1.3 tonnes per year. This will help to protect the environment.

Environmental impact ratings are based on assumptions about average occupancy and energy use. They may not reflect how energy is consumed by the people living at the property.

Improve this property's energy performance

By following our step by step recommendations you could reduce this property's energy use and potentially save money.

Carrying out these changes in order will improve the property's energy rating and score from D (68) to B (85).

Step	Typical installation cost	Typical yearly saving
1. Floor insulation (suspended floor)	£800 - £1,200	£37
2. Solar water heating	£4,000 - £6,000	£21
3. Solar photovoltaic panels	£3,500 - £5,500	£353

Paying for energy improvements

You might be able to get a grant from the [Boiler Upgrade Scheme \(https://www.gov.uk/guidance/check-if-you-may-be-eligible-for-the-boiler-upgrade-scheme-from-april-2022\)](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/check-if-you-may-be-eligible-for-the-boiler-upgrade-scheme-from-april-2022). This will help you buy a more efficient, low carbon heating system for this property.

[Find energy grants and ways to save energy in your home \(https://www.gov.uk/improve-energy-efficiency\)](https://www.gov.uk/improve-energy-efficiency).

Estimated energy use and potential savings

Estimated yearly energy cost for this property £559

Potential saving £59

The estimated cost shows how much the average household would spend in this property for heating, lighting and hot water. It is not based on how energy is used by the people living at the property.

The potential saving shows how much money you could save if you [complete each recommended step in order](#).

For advice on how to reduce your energy bills visit [Simple Energy Advice \(https://www.gov.uk/improve-energy-efficiency\)](https://www.gov.uk/improve-energy-efficiency).

Heating use in this property

Heating a property usually makes up the majority of energy costs.

Estimated energy used to heat this property

Type of heating	Estimated energy used
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Space heating	5325 kWh per year
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Water heating	1856 kWh per year
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Potential energy savings by installing insulation

Type of insulation	Amount of energy saved
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Loft insulation	171 kWh per year
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Contacting the assessor and accreditation scheme

This EPC was created by a qualified energy assessor.

If you are unhappy about your property's energy assessment or certificate, you can complain to the assessor directly.

If you are still unhappy after contacting the assessor, you should contact the assessor's accreditation scheme.

Accreditation schemes are appointed by the government to ensure that assessors are qualified to carry out EPC assessments.

Assessor contact details

Assessor's name	Peter Fitzgerald
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Accreditation scheme contact details

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Assessment details

Assessor's declaration	No related party
Date of assessment	24 March 2022
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Type of assessment	RdSAP
