

Appendix D

ENGINEER'S INSPECTION CONDITIONS AND LIMITATIONS



1. The report is a record of a visual inspection carried out by, or under the direction of a Chartered Structural Engineer and must not be misinterpreted as a Structural Survey such as would be carried out by a Chartered Surveyor. The report is not a Valuation Survey.
2. The inspection is strictly limited to the items requested and these will be detailed in the report. No consideration will be given to any other aspects or parts of the building.
3. The report is confidential to the Client(s) and has been prepared to their instructions for their own purposes only and it is not permitted to disclose this report to any other parties (except the Clients own Solicitors, Surveyors, Building Societies or Estate Agents) without the prior consent of Aqua Callidus Consulting Ltd.
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6. Unless specifically stated otherwise:-
 - a) Trial holes will not be excavated prior to the preparation of the report and the depth and construction of the foundations and type of sub-soil will not be inspected.
 - b) All external observations will be carried out by eye from the ground level only. Internal inspection is made within the limits of ready accessibility and it is not normal practice to lift floor coverings or floor boards, remove fixtures, panels or plaster, or move heavy items of furniture or bulky goods or materials.
 - c) No inspection will be made of any roof voids, floor joists, wall cavities, drainage pipework or any other hidden or inaccessible parts.
 - d) No timbers will be checked for damp, rot, infestation by wood-boring insects or other defects.
 - e) It should not be construed that any parts of the construction comply with the requirements of the Building Regulations Act or standard practice either current or as current at the time of original construction. No enquiries to any Authorities will be made.
 - f) No testing or enquiries into the presence of or susceptibility to pollution, contamination, radiation, methane, radon or other gases or hazardous substances has been carried out.
7. Unless specifically stated otherwise in the report, any recommendations for works given in the report are outline only and are to be confirmed or modified as appropriate at detailed design stage.
8. Where trial holes are specifically included in our instructions the condition of the footing and the founding soil relates only to the point of excavation and does not necessarily confirm a continuation of the same conditions throughout the non-inspected areas of the structure. Whilst such trial pits will usually provide a reasonable indication as to the general state of the foundations and ground conditions, these can not be determined with complete certainty.
9. Under the Construction (Design & Management) Regulations latest edition, the Client has obligations for ensuring Health and Safety arising from any construction work. If it is proposed to proceed with construction work based upon information or recommendations contained in this report, these regulations apply. Further details of any issues arising from our report or the Clients obligations generally are available on request.
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