

Energy performance certificate (EPC)

3, Wensleydale Avenue
HOUGHTON LE SPRING
DH4 7PA

Energy rating

C

Valid until: 2 March 2029

Certificate number: 0544-2849-6379-9701-8195

Property type Semi-detached house

Total floor area 88 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 rating and score

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

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

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

Properties get a rating from A (best) to G (worst) and a score. The better the rating and score, the lower your energy bills are likely to be.

For properties in England and Wales:

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

Score	Energy rating	Current	Potential
92+	A		
81-91	B		85 B
69-80	C	70 C	
55-68	D		
39-54	E		
21-38	F		
1-20	G		

Breakdown of property's energy performance

Features in this property

Features get a rating from very good to very poor, based on how energy efficient they are. Ratings are not based on how well features work or their condition.

Assumed ratings are based on the property's age and type. They are used for features the assessor could not inspect.

Feature	Description	Rating
Wall	Cavity wall, filled cavity	Average
Roof	Pitched, 200 mm loft insulation	Good
Window	Fully double glazed	Average
Main heating	Boiler and radiators, mains gas	Good
Main heating control	Programmer, TRVs and bypass	Average
Hot water	From main system	Good
Lighting	Low energy lighting in 14% of fixed outlets	Poor
Floor	Solid, no insulation (assumed)	N/A
Secondary heating	None	N/A

Primary energy use

The primary energy use for this property per year is 209 kilowatt hours per square metre (kWh/m²).

How this affects your energy bills

An average household would need to spend **£743 per year on heating, hot water and lighting** in this property. These costs usually make up the majority of your energy bills.

You could **save £142 per year** if you complete the suggested steps for improving this property's energy rating.

This is **based on average costs in 2019** when this EPC was created. People living at the property may use different amounts of energy for heating, hot water and lighting.

Heating this property

Estimated energy needed in this property is:

- 8,685 kWh per year for heating
 - 2,188 kWh per year for hot water
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Impact on the environment

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

Properties get a rating from A (best) to G (worst) on how much carbon dioxide (CO₂) they produce each year.

Carbon emissions

An average household produces 6 tonnes of CO₂

This property produces 3.2 tonnes of CO₂

This property's potential production 1.7 tonnes of CO₂

You could improve this property's CO₂ emissions by making the suggested changes. This will help to protect the environment.

These ratings are based on assumptions about average occupancy and energy use. People living at the property may use different amounts of energy.

Steps you could take to save energy

Step	Typical installation cost	Typical yearly saving
1. Floor insulation (solid floor)	£4,000 - £6,000	£37
2. Low energy lighting	£30	£48
3. Heating controls (room thermostat)	£350 - £450	£27
4. Solar water heating	£4,000 - £6,000	£31
5. Solar photovoltaic panels	£5,000 - £8,000	£293

Advice on making energy saving improvements

[Get detailed recommendations and cost estimates \(www.gov.uk/improve-energy-efficiency\)](http://www.gov.uk/improve-energy-efficiency)

Help paying for energy saving improvements

You may be eligible for help with the cost of improvements:

- Heat pumps and biomass boilers: [Boiler Upgrade Scheme \(www.gov.uk/apply-boiler-upgrade-scheme\)](http://www.gov.uk/apply-boiler-upgrade-scheme)
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Who to contact about this certificate

Contacting the assessor

If you're unhappy about your property's energy assessment or certificate, you can complain to the assessor who created it.

Assessor's name	Barry Wilson
Telephone	07751649836
Email	barrytwilson@aol.com

Contacting the accreditation scheme

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

Accreditation scheme	Stroma Certification Ltd
Assessor's ID	STRO031154
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About this assessment

Assessor's declaration	No related party
Date of assessment	1 March 2019
Date of certificate	3 March 2019
Type of assessment	RdSAP
