

Energy performance certificate (EPC)

Orchard Cottage  
Station Road  
Sawbridgeworth  
CM21 9JY

Energy rating  
**F**

Valid until:  
21 July 2034

Certificate number:  
4800-5261-0022-6094-3343

Property type  
Detached house

Total floor area  
175 square metres

Rules on letting this property

**! You may not be able to let this property**

This property has an energy rating of F. It cannot be let, unless an exemption has been registered. 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).

Properties can be let if they have an energy rating from A to E. You could make changes to [improve this property's energy rating](#).

Energy rating and score

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

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

Score	Energy rating	Current	Potential
92+	A		
81-91	B		
69-80	C		70 C
55-68	D		
39-54	E		
21-38	F	30 F	
1-20	G		

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

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## 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	Timber frame, as built, no insulation (assumed)	Very poor
Roof	Pitched, no insulation (assumed)	Very poor
Roof	Roof room(s), no insulation (assumed)	Very poor
Window	Single glazed	Very poor
Main heating	Boiler and radiators, mains gas	Good
Main heating control	Programmer, room thermostat and TRVs	Good
Hot water	From main system, no cylinder thermostat	Poor
Lighting	Low energy lighting in all fixed outlets	Very good
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 495 kilowatt hours per square metre (kWh/m<sup>2</sup>).

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## How this affects your energy bills

An average household would need to spend **£5,414 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 £2,826 per year** if you complete the suggested steps for improving this property's energy rating.

This is **based on average costs in 2024** when this EPC was created. People living at the property may use different amounts of energy for heating, hot water and lighting.

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### Heating this property

Estimated energy needed in this property is:

- 36,539 kWh per year for heating
- 5,360 kWh per year for hot water

## Impact on the environment

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

Properties get a rating from A (best) to G (worst) on how much carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) they produce each year.

## Carbon emissions

An average household produces 6 tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub>

This property produces 15.0 tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub>

This property's potential production 6.1 tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub>

You could improve this property's CO<sub>2</sub> 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. Room-in-roof insulation	£1,500 - £2,700	£1,171
2. Condensing boiler	£2,200 - £3,000	£1,419
3. Solar water heating	£4,000 - £6,000	£78
4. Replace single glazed windows with low-E double glazed windows	£3,300 - £6,500	£159
5. Solar photovoltaic panels	£3,500 - £5,500	£523

## Advice on making energy saving improvements

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

## Help paying for energy saving improvements

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

- Insulation: [Great British Insulation Scheme \(www.gov.uk/apply-great-british-insulation-scheme\)](https://www.gov.uk/apply-great-british-insulation-scheme)
- Heat pumps and biomass boilers: [Boiler Upgrade Scheme \(www.gov.uk/apply-boiler-upgrade-scheme\)](https://www.gov.uk/apply-boiler-upgrade-scheme)
- Help from your energy supplier: [Energy Company Obligation \(www.gov.uk/energy-company-obligation\)](https://www.gov.uk/energy-company-obligation)

## 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	Kate Tanfield
Telephone	07899756069
Email	<a href="mailto:kate@inscope-imaging.com">kate@inscope-imaging.com</a>

### Contacting the accreditation scheme

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

Accreditation scheme	Elmhurst Energy Systems Ltd
Assessor's ID	EES/028939
Telephone	01455 883 250
Email	<a href="mailto:enquiries@elmhurstenergy.co.uk">enquiries@elmhurstenergy.co.uk</a>

### About this assessment

Assessor's declaration	No related party
Date of assessment	16 July 2024
Date of certificate	22 July 2024
Type of assessment	<a href="#">RdSAP</a>