PROPERTY CONDITION SURVEY - RESIDENTIAL

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PROJECT:
3B Smalls Road
RYDE NSW 2112

SITE SURVEYED:
14 Lavarack Street
RYDE NSW 2112

INSPECTION DATE:
16 November 2018

JOB REFERENCE:
AD2583K

INSPECTOR:
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WEATHER:
Cloudy, 17°C

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BRIEF

Australian Dilapidations was commissioned by Richard Crookes to carry out pre-construction condition inspection and report in accordance with AS.4349.1 for the 3B Smalls Road project.

PURPOSE OF THIS REPORT

This visual pre-construction inspection in accordance with AS. 4349.1 and is intended to record the pre-construction condition of the property inspected and the surrounding areas. This is not a structural report; however it does include a photographic record of the main defects visible at the time of the inspection.

LIMITATIONS

In accordance with AS.4349.1 clause 2.5:
1. ‘Visual only’ inspections are not recommended. A visual only inspection may be of limited use to the Client. In addition to a visual inspection, to thoroughly inspect the Readily Accessible Areas of the property requires the Consultant to carry out when ever necessary appropriate Tests.
2. This Report does not include the inspection and assessment of items or matters outside the scope of the requested inspection and report. Other items or matters may be the subject of a Special-Purpose Inspection Report, which is adequately specified (see Exclusions below).
3. This Report does not include the inspection and assessment of items or matters that do not fall within the Consultant's direct expertise.
4. The inspection only covered the Readily Accessible Areas of the property. The inspection did not include areas, which were inaccessible, not readily accessible or obstructed at the time of inspection. Obstructions are defined as any condition or physical limitation which inhibits or prevents inspection and may include – but are not limited to – roofing, fixed ceilings, wall linings, floor coverings, fixtures, fittings, furniture, clothes, stored articles/materials, thermal insulation, sarking, pipe/duct work, builders debris, Vegetation, pavements or earth.
5. Australian Standard Inspection of Buildings. Part 1: Property Inspections – Residential Buildings recognises that a standard property inspection report is not a warranty or an insurance policy against problems developing with the building in the future.
6. This Report was produced for the use of the Client. The Consultant is not liable for any reliance placed on this report by any third party.

EXCLUSIONS

The Client acknowledges that this Report does not cover or deal with:
(i) any ‘minor fault or defect’, i.e. a matter, in view of the age, type and condition of the building being inspected, does not require substantial repairs or urgent attention and rectification;
(ii) solving or providing costs for any rectification or repair work;
(iii) the structural design or adequacy of any element of construction;
(iv) detection of wood destroying insects such as termites and wood borers;
(v) the operation of fireplaces and chimneys;
(vi) any services including building, engineering (electronic), fire and smoke detection or mechanical;
(vii) any swimming pools and associated pool equipment or spa baths and spa equipment or the like;
(viii) any appliances such as dishwashers, insinkerators, ovens, stoves and ducted vacuum systems;
(ix) a review of occupational, health or safety issues such as asbestos content, or the provision of safety glass or swimming pool fencing;
(x) a review of environmental or health or biological risks such as toxic mould;
(xi) whether the building complies with the provision of any building act, code regulation(s) or by-laws; and
(xii) whether the ground on which the building rests has been filled, is liable to subside, swell or shrink, is subject to landslip or tidal inundation, or if it is flood prone.
Any of the above matters may be the subject of a special-purpose inspection report, which is adequately specified and undertaken by an appropriately qualified inspector.
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Important Information Regarding the Scope and Limitations of Inspection and this Report: Any person who relies upon the contents of this report does so acknowledging that the following clauses, which define the Scope and Limitations of the inspection, form an integral part of the report.

1. **This report is not an all encompassing report dealing with the building or property from every aspect.** It is a reasonable attempt to identify any obvious or significant defects apparent at the time of the inspection. Whether or not a defect is considered significant or not, depends, to a large extent, upon the age and type of the building or property inspected. This Report attempts to assist in judging a building or property according to its age and level of maintenance and in providing relative comparisons. It is unrealistic to expect comment on minor defects or imperfections in the Standard Property Report. If this is required, a Special Purpose Property Report is recommended. This report is not a Certificate of Compliance with the requirements of any Act, Regulation, Ordinance or By-law or, as a warranty or an insurance policy against problems developing with the building or property in the future. It is not a structural report. Should you require any advice of a structural nature you should contact a structural engineer.

2. **Only areas to which reasonable access is available were inspected.** The Australian Standard 4349.1 defines reasonable access as “areas where safe, unobstructed access is provided and the minimum clearances specified below are available, or where these clearances are not available, areas within the inspector’s unobstructed line of sight and within arm’s length. Reasonable access does not include removing screws and bolts to access covers.” Reasonable access does not include the use of destructive or invasive inspection methods nor does it include cutting or making access traps or moving heavy furniture, floor coverings or stored goods.

3. **This Report does not and cannot make comment upon:** defects that may have been concealed; the assessment or detection of defects (including rising damp and leaks) which may be subject to the prevailing weather conditions; whether or not services have been used for some time prior to the inspection and whether this will affect the detection of leaks or other defects (eg. In the case of shower enclosures the absence of any dampness at the time of the inspection does not necessarily mean that the enclosure will not leak); the presence or absence of timber pests; gas-fittings; common property areas; environmental concerns; the proximity of the property to flight paths, railways, or busy traffic; noise levels; health and safety issues; heritage concerns; security concerns or systems; fire protection; site drainage (apart from surface water drainage); swimming pools and spas (non-structural); detection and identification of illegal building work; detection and identification of illegal plumbing work; durability of exposed finishes; neighbourhood problems; document analysis; electrical installation; free or pay television cables or reception systems; any matters that are solely regulated by statute; any area(s) or item(s) that could not be inspected by the consultant. Accordingly this Report is not a guarantee that defects and/or damage does not exist in any inaccessible or partly inaccessible areas or sections of the property. (Such matters may upon request be covered under the terms of a Special-purpose Property Report.)
4. **ASBESTOS, LEAD AND MOULD DISCLAIMER:** No inspection for asbestos lead or mould was carried out at the property and no report on the presence or absence of them is provided. If during the course of the Inspection asbestos or materials containing asbestos happened to be noticed then this may be noted in the Additional Comments section of the report. Buildings built prior to 1982 may have wall and/or ceiling sheeting and other products including roof sheeting that contains Asbestos. Even building built after this date up until the early 90s may contain some Asbestos. Sheetings should be fully sealed. If concerned or if the building was built prior to 1990 you should seek advice from a qualified asbestos removal expert as to the amount and importance of the asbestos present and the cost of sealing or removal. If asbestos is noted as present within the property then you should seek advice from a qualified asbestos removal expert as to the amount and importance of the asbestos present and the cost sealing or of removal. Drilling, cutting or removing sheeting or products containing Asbestos is a high risk to peoples’ health. You should seek advice from a qualified asbestos removal expert. Lead based paints may be present in the building or property. Further investigation would be required to determine if lead based products are present. Special precautions need to be taken where lead products are disturbed and further advice should be sought from suitable experts. Mildew and non-wood decay fungi is commonly known as Mould. However, Mould and their spores may cause health problems or allergic reactions such as asthma and dermatitis in some people. No inspection for Mould was carried out at the property and no report on the presence or absence of Mould is provided. If in the course of the Inspection, Mould happened to be noticed it may be noted in the Additional Comments section of the report. If Mould is noted as present within the property or if you notice Mould and you are concerned as to the possible health risk resulting from its presence then you should seek advice from your local Council, State or Commonwealth Government Health Department or a qualified expert such as an Industry Hygienist.

5. **Estimating Disclaimer:** This report does not provide any estimates on repair or remedial works. We recommend you consult a licenced builder to give an estimate on any works required.

6. **DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY:** No Liability shall be accepted on an account of failure of the Report to notify any problems in the area(s) or section(s) of the subject property physically inaccessible for inspection, or to which access for Inspection is denied by or to the Inspector (including but not limited to or any area(s) or section(s) so specified by the Report). No responsibility can be accepted for defects which are latent or otherwise not reasonably detected on a visual inspection without interference with or removal of any of the structure including fixtures or fittings within the building.

7. **DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY TO THIRD PARTIES:** This Report is made solely for the use and benefit of the client named on the front of this report. No liability or responsibility whatsoever, in contract or tort, is accepted to any third party who may rely on the Report wholly or in part. Any third party acting or relying on this Report, in whole or in part does so at their own risk.

**DEFINITIONS**

- **Acceptable** - The item or area inspected appears to be in sound condition without any significant visible defects taking into account the apparent age of the structure and those aspects capable of visual inspection without purporting to comment on aspects not visible to the inspector.
- **Above Average** - All items and areas appear to be very well maintained and show good quality building work, finishes and fittings, when compared with structures of similar age and construction.
- **Average** - There may be components requiring repair or maintenance consistent with dwellings of similar age or construction. There were no significant items or problems that were not consistent with structures of similar age or construction.
- **Below Average** - The building and its parts are poorly maintained, show roughly executed workmanship, neglect or lack of repairs and maintenance. There may be repairs or defects leading to substantial repair or remedial work required.
- **Fair** - The item or area inspected exhibits some minor defects, minor damage or deterioration and may require some minor repairs of maintenance.
- **Poor** - The item or area inspected may be in a badly neglected state of repair, finished in an un-tradesman like manner or deteriorated due to age or lack of maintenance.
PROPERTY DESCRIPTION

Property Type:

Single family, residential property.

Building type:

Multi-storey, render building.

Overall Condition:

Noted to be in average condition.

Important Note: The building and/or property rating noted above is only a generalisation taking into account numerous factors and should be read in conjunction with the notable items and main report.

SUMMARY OF AREAS INSPECTED

Location:

14 Lavarack Street
RYDE NSW 2112

Important Note: The areas listed above are a broad indication of the areas inspected. Within these areas, some further restrictions may have been present restricting or preventing our inspection. If any recommendation has been made within this report to gain access to areas, gain further access to areas, or any area has been noted as being at “High Risk” due to limited access then further access must be gained. We strongly recommend that such access be gained to enable a more complete report to be submitted.

Summary of Areas considered to be High Risk that were Not Inspected/Not Accessible or Inspection Impaired and where access should be gained:

None noted at this time.

Important Note: Damage and or defects may be present and not detected in areas where inspection was limited, obstructed or access was not gained.

GENERAL INSPECTION RESTRICTIONS

Description of Restrictions:

1. None noted at the time of the inspection.
PROPERTY SITES INSPECTED

Internal Elements:
Type & Condition:
- Minor separation between the ceiling cornice and the rear right corner in the bathroom. See photo 81.
- Cracking in the front wall in the bathroom. See photo 82.
- Separation in the front left corner in the bathroom. See photo 83.
- Separation in the ceiling cornice joint in the shower in the bathroom. See photo 84.
- Separation between walls, adjacent to the sky light. See photo 86, 87.

External Building Elements:
Type & Condition:
- Fine cracking in the front wall of the house, adjacent to the second window from left. See photo 5.
- Cracking in the windowsill in the front wall of the house, on the right side of the entrance. See photo 13.
- Gapping between the rear wall of the house and stairway. See photo 37.
- Peeling paint in the underside of the eves on the rear side of the house. See photo 39.
- Fine cracking in the rear wall of the rear verandah. See photo 43.
- Damage in the stairway to the rear verandah. See photo 44.
- Cracking in the left wall of the house. See photo 89, 91.

Garage/Carport:
Type & Condition:
- Noted to be in average condition

Yard/Landscaping Elements:
Type & Condition:
- Noted to be in average condition

Fences /Gates/Boundary Walls:
Type & Condition:
- Dent in the right boundary fence. See photo 30.
- Damage in the left boundary fence. See photo 92, 100.
- Damage in the rear boundary fence, left side. See photo 102.

Paths/Paved Areas Inside the Property Boundary:
Type & Condition:
- Cracking in the paving at the rear right corner of the house. See photo 28.
- Unevenness in the paving on the rear side of the house. See photo 47, 48.
- Cracking in the paving on the rear side of the house. See photo 55, 56, 58.

Swimming Pool and Surrounds:
Type & Condition:
- Not applicable

Driveway/Crossover:
Type & Condition:
- Cracking in the driveway crossover. See photo 111.
- Cracking in the paving in the driveway. See photo 112.

Kerbs/Gutters/Footpaths:
Type & Condition:
- Not applicable
Roadway:
Type & Condition:
• Not applicable

Drainage - Surface Water:
Type & Condition:
• Not inspected

Important Notes: The site should be monitored during heavy rain to determine whether the existing drains can cope. If they cannot cope, then additional drains may be required.

Services:
Type & Condition:
• Not inspected.

Important Notes: In regard to plumbing or electrical, it should be noted that we are not plumbers or electricians and no comments are made to electrical or plumbing. We recommend that a qualified contractor be engaged to make comment on any matter dealing with plumbing or electrical issues.

DEFECT ASSESSMENT

MINOR DEFECTS:

1. Fine cracking in the front wall of the house, adjacent to the second window from left. See photo 5.
2. Cracking in the windowsill in the front wall of the house, on the right side of the entrance. See photo 13.
3. Cracking in the paving at the rear right corner of the house. See photo 28.
4. Dent in the right boundary fence. See photo 30.
5. Gapping between the rear wall of the house and stairway. See photo 37.
7. Fine cracking in the rear wall of the rear verandah. See photo 43.
8. Damage in the stairway to the rear verandah. See photo 44.
10. Cracking in the paving on the rear side of the house. See photo 55, 56, 58.
11. Minor separation between the ceiling cornice and the rear right corner in the bathroom. See photo 81.
12. Cracking in the front wall in the bathroom. See photo 82.
13. Separation in the front left corner in the bathroom. See photo 83.
14. Separation in the ceiling cornice joint in the shower in the bathroom. See photo 84.
15. Separation between walls, adjacent to the sky light. See photo 86, 87.
16. Cracking in the left wall of the house. See photo 89, 91.
17. Damage in the left boundary fence. See photo 92, 100.
18. Damage in the rear boundary fence, left side. See photo 102.
19. Cracking in the driveway crossover. See photo 111.
20. Cracking in the paving in the driveway. See photo 112.

Important Note: Per AS.4349.1 clause 4.2.4.2, minor defects are common to most properties and may include minor blemishes, corrosion, cracking, weathering, general deterioration, unevenness, and physical damage to materials and finishes, such as de-silvering of mirrors. It is expected that defects of this type would be rectified as part of a normal ongoing maintenance.

MAJOR DEFECTS:

1. None noted at the time of the inspection.
Important Note: Per AS.4349.1 clause 4.2.4.1, where a major defect is mentioned in the report, it should be clearly described, including a general statement as to any observed minor defects arising from that major defect, and an explanation given as to why it is a major defect, along with its specific locations. This will allow the client and others, as necessary, to locate the major defect and its consequent minor defect, to be aware of the justification for it being reported as a major defect and to be able to estimate the extent of the repairs likely to be required.

SAFETY ISSUES:

1. None noted at the time of the inspection.

Important Note: Per AS.4349.1 Clause 4.2.4.3, the report shall identify any observed item that may constitute a present or imminent serious safety hazard.

Yours faithfully

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Figure: 0001
14 LAVARACK STREET, RYDE
EXTERNAL

Figure: 0002
General view of the front side of the house.

Figure: 0003
Front wall of the house, left side.
Figure: 0004
Front wall of the house.

Figure: 0005
Fine cracking in the front wall of the house, adjacent to the second window from left.

Figure: 0006
Front wall of the house at the entrance.
Figure: 0007
Front wall of the house at the entrance.

Figure: 0008
Front wall of the house, right side.

Figure: 0009
General view of the eves at the front left side of the house.
Figure: 0010
General view of the awning at the front right corner of the house.

Figure: 0011
General view of the front patio.

Figure: 0012
General view of the front patio.
Figure: 0013
Cracking in the windowsill in the front wall of the house, on the right side of the entrance.

Figure: 0014
Front right corner of the house.

Figure: 0015
Front right corner of the house.
Figure: 0016
Front wall of the house on the upper level.

Figure: 0017
Front wall of the house on the upper level.

Figure: 0018
General view of the carport.
Figure: 0019
General view of the driveway.

Figure: 0020
General view of the driveway.

Figure: 0021
Right boundary fence.
Figure: 0022

Right wall of the house.

Figure: 0023

Right wall of the house.

Figure: 0024

Right wall of the house.
Figure: 0025
Right wall of the house.

Figure: 0026
Right wall of the house, rear side.

Figure: 0027
Right wall of the house, rear side.
Figure: 0028
Cracking in the paving at the rear right corner of the house.

Figure: 0029
Right boundary fence.

Figure: 0030
Dent in the right boundary fence.
Figure: 0031
General view in the backyard.

Figure: 0032
General view in the backyard.

Figure: 0033
Rear wall of the house, right side.
Figure: 0034
Rear wall of the house, right side.

Figure: 0035
Rear wall of the house.

Figure: 0036
Rear wall of the house.
Figure: 0037
Gapping between the rear wall of the house and stairway.

Figure: 0038
General view of the stairway to the rear verandah.

Figure: 0039
Peeling paint in the underside of the eves on the rear side of the house.
Figure: 0040
General view of the rear verandah.

Figure: 0041
General view of the rear verandah.

Figure: 0042
Rear wall of the rear verandah.
Figure: 0043
Fine cracking in the rear wall of the rear verandah.

Figure: 0044
Damage in the stairway to the rear verandah.

Figure: 0045
Paving on the rear side of the house.
Figure: 0046
Paving on the rear side of the house.

Figure: 0047
Unevenness in the paving on the rear side of the house.

Figure: 0048
Unevenness in the paving on the rear side of the house.
Figure: 0049
Pathway on the left side of the house.

Figure: 0050
Rear left corner of the house.

Figure: 0051
Rear left corner of the house.
Figure: 0052
Left boundary fence.

Figure: 0053
Right wall of the laundry.

Figure: 0054
Rear wall of the laundry.
Figure: 0055
Cracking in the paving on the rear side of the house.

Figure: 0056
Cracking in the paving on the rear side of the house.

Figure: 0057
Paving on the rear side of the house.
Cracking in the paving on the rear side of the house.

Left boundary fence in the backyard.

Left boundary fence in the backyard.
Figure: 0061
Rear boundary fence.

Figure: 0062
Rear boundary fence.

Figure: 0063
Right boundary fence.
Figure: 0064
Right boundary fence.

Figure: 0065
Right boundary fence.

Figure: 0066
INTERNAL
Rear wall in the living room.
Figure: 0067
Rear wall in the living room.

Figure: 0068
Rear wall in the living room.

Figure: 0069
Left wall in the living room.
Figure: 0070
Right wall in the living room.

Figure: 0071
Rear wall in the living room.

Figure: 0072
Rear wall in the living room.
Figure: 0073
Tile floor in the living room.

Figure: 0074
Tile floor in the living room.

Figure: 0075
General view in the bathroom.
Figure: 0076
General view in the bathroom.

Figure: 0077
General view in the bathroom.

Figure: 0078
General view in the bathroom.
Figure: 0079
General view in the bathroom.

Figure: 0080
General view in the bathroom.

Figure: 0081
Minor separation between the ceiling cornice and the rear right corner in the bathroom.
Figure: 0082
Cracking in the front wall in the bathroom.

Figure: 0083
Separation in the front left corner in the bathroom.

Figure: 0084
Separation in the ceiling cornice joint in the shower in the bathroom.
Figure: 0085
General view of the tile floor in the bathroom.

Figure: 0086
Separation between walls, adjacent to the sky light.

Figure: 0087
Separation between walls, adjacent to the sky light.
EXTERNAL

Left wall of the house, front side.

Figure: 0089

Cracking in the left wall of the house.

Figure: 0090

Left wall of the house.
Figure: 0091
Cracking in the left wall of the house.

Figure: 0092
Damage in the left boundary fence.

Figure: 0093
Left boundary fence.
Figure: 0094
Left boundary fence.

Figure: 0095
Left wall of the rear verandah.

Figure: 0096
Left boundary fence.
Figure: 0097
Left boundary fence.

Figure: 0098
Left boundary fence.

Figure: 0099
Left boundary fence.
Figure: 0100
Damage in the left boundary fence, rear side.

Figure: 0101
General view of the pathway on the rear side of the property.

Figure: 0102
Damage in the rear boundary fence, left side.
Figure: 0103
Rear boundary fence.

Figure: 0104
Rear boundary fence.

Figure: 0105
Rear boundary fence.
Figure: 0106

Rear boundary fence, right side.

Figure: 0107

General view of the nature strip on the rear side of the property.

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General view of the nature strip on the rear side of the property.
Figure: 0109
General view of the nature strip on the rear side of the property.

Figure: 0110
General view of the front side of the house.

Figure: 0111
Cracking in the driveway crossover.
Cracking in the paving in the driveway.