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Description

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The authority's concerns about the compliance of the building work relate primarily to the weathertightness and durability of the exterior cladding, given the building's age.

The matter to be determined is therefore whether the authority was correct to refuse to issue the code compliance certificate.

In deciding this matter, consideration was given to:

- Whether the external building envelope of the house complies with Clause B2 Durability and Clause E2 External moisture
 of the Building Code that was in force at the time the consent was issued. The building envelope includes the components
 of the systems (such as the monolithic wall cladding, the brick veneer, the windows and the roof cladding) as well as the
 way the components have been installed and work together;
- Whether other items identified by the authority comply with relevant Building Code clauses: namely Clauses B1 Structure, G9 Electricity, G12 Water supplies, and G13 Foul Water. And whether items noted by the expert and the property inspection company during their inspections comply with Clauses E3 Internal moisture, and H1 Energy efficiency.

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