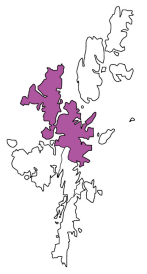




Shetland North



Shetland North, located north of Girda, takes in three areas: Delting, Northmavine and Nesting & Lunnasting. There are 2 health centres, as well as a multitude of community groups and businesses. Rural shops can be found throughout the areas.

Each hamlet has unique identities, with infrastructure and facilities varying throughout. The main settlements are: Nesting, Vidlin, Voe, Brae, Muckle Roe, Mossbank, North Roe, Ollaberry, Sullom, Eshaness and Hillswick. There is a school in Brae for primary and secondary pupils, and primary schools in Lunnasting, Mossbank, Nesting, North Roe, Ollaberry and Urafirth. Shetland North is vital to the oil and gas industries, with crofting, fishing and aquaculture also playing an important part.

Brae is the largest village in the area which comprises many facilities such as a supermarket, leisure centre, hotels and restaurants and the UK's most northerly chip shop. The North Mainland has a caravan park, wildlife sanctuary, and lays claim to the oldest kirk in Shetland, Lunna Kirk, and Ronas Hill, Shetland's highest hill.

1% decrease in population over 10 years, the Shetland population overall has declined by 1%



3,251 people live in Shetland North, 14% of Shetland's population



10.7% of children are living in poverty, lower than the Shetland average of 11.6%



19.4% of the population are aged 65 and over, lower than the Shetland average of 21.8% and 5.8% more than 10 years ago



The cost of living is up to 8% higher than the Shetland average and up to 55% higher than the UK average



18 Sites of Special Scientific Interest



19.1% of the population are under 16 years old, higher than the Shetland average of 17.9% and 0.1% less than a decade ago





8 sites considered the best for Wildlife in Europe (international designations)

47% of the population report growing and eating their own produce, the Shetland average is 30%



13 Local Nature Conservation Sites



8.3% of the population claim out of work benefits, the Shetland average is 8.8%

The school roll is 505



49% of the population report being physically active on 5+ days per week, the Shetland average is 58%



98.9% of 16-19 year olds are in education, training or employment, the Shetland average is 97.4%

Median income is 6.6% lower than the Shetland average and 3.4% less than the Scottish average



18% of the population report feeling lonely, the Shetland average is 17%



13.6% of the population report drinking alcohol at a harmful or hazardous level; the Shetland average is 17.7%



The average house price is £160,333, the Shetland average is £178,000



Locality Profiles are intended to be useful for both communities and partners to provide detailed information at a local level, for purposes including service redesign, local plans and maximising opportunities to seek external funding to support community development. Profiles have been created for each of the 7 localities in Shetland. Statistics should be treated with caution due to small numbers, and figures can fluctuate significantly.

Data Sources: CACI Paycheck 2022; Highlands and Islands Enterprise - Minimum Income Standard 2016; Improvement Service 2023; National Records Scotland (NRS) Population estimates 2021; NHS Shetland Population Health Survey 2021; Scottish Government: House Prices - Residential Properties Sales and Price 2022; Shetland Islands Council Local Development Plan 2014 Appendix III Environmental Baseline; Shetland Islands Council 2023; Skills Development Scotland, Annual Participation Measure 2023. Definitions, full details and links can be found on the Shetland Partnership website.