



Papa Stour

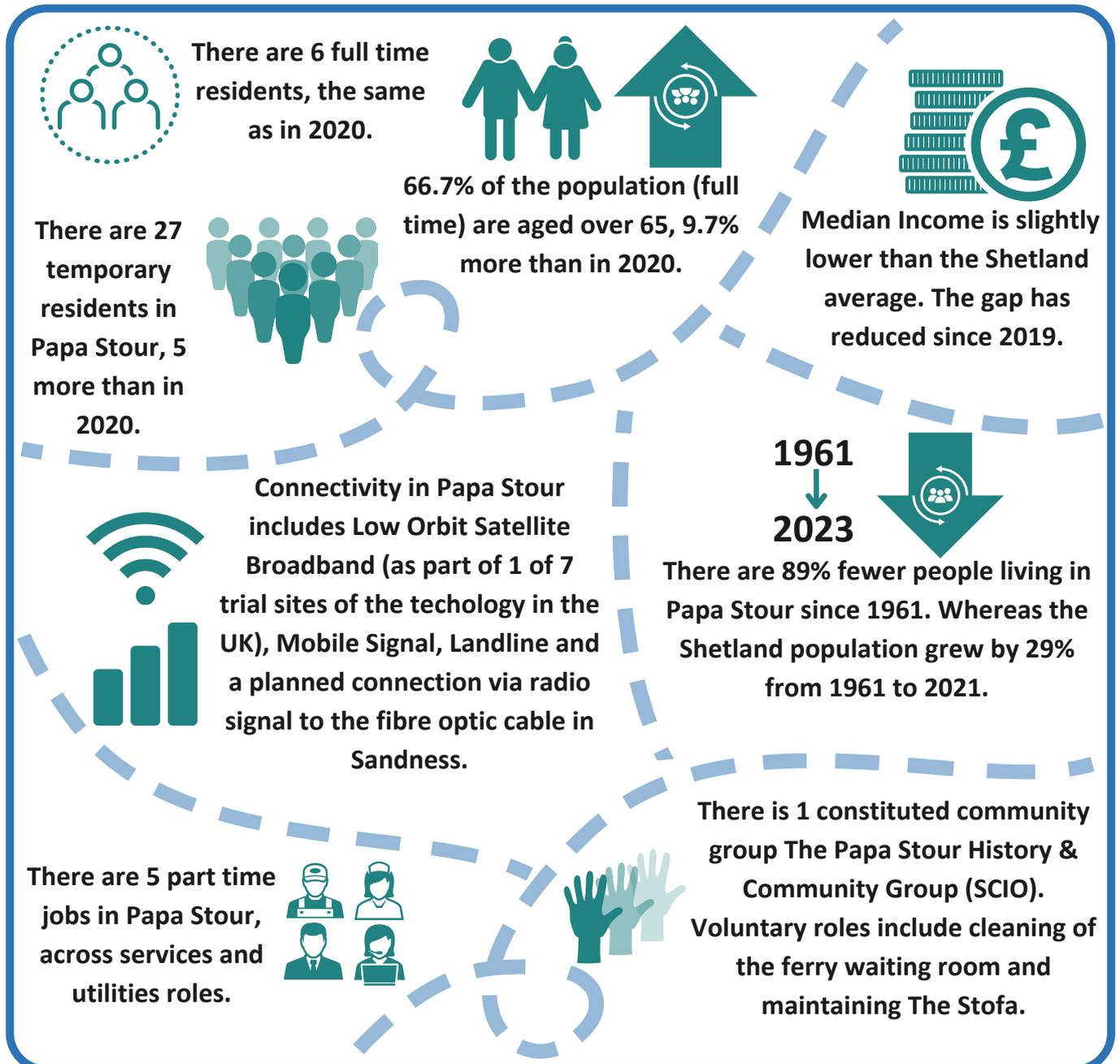


Papa Stour lies 1 mile off the west coast of the Shetland Mainland. Papa Stour's coastline, sculpted by the Atlantic Ocean, has an unrivalled spectacle of cliff scenery, stacks, arches and caves, all supporting a range of marine flora and fauna.

Home to 6 permanent residents, the ground here is low lying and fertile. For most islanders crofting is the main way of life. Popular with kayakers and divers (with numerous shipwrecks), the island also has plentiful birdlife, wild flowers, seals, and the elusive otter.

Papa Stour is in the Sandness and Walls Community Council area and has a Community Owned Kirk, Ferry Waiting Room and Harbour. It can be reached by ferry from West Burrafirth pier, taking about 45 minutes to reach Housa Voe on the east side of Papa Stour. With no shops on Papa Stour the island is reliant on these transport links for everything.

Crofting is an important way of life for residents along with various paid roles for the public sector. Levels of volunteering are high.



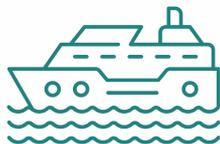
Data Sources: Community data is provided to the Council by each community in response to engagement with them, 2023; Median Income, CACI 2019-2022; Shetland in Statistics (Census data). Caution should be taken when interpreting these figures due to the small numbers involved.

Islands Survey Data: results from all islands



68%

Percentage of respondents satisfied with public transport provision, 13% more than in 2020.



74%

Percentage of respondents who rated their community as a 'Very Good' or 'Fairly Good' place to live, 17% more than in 2020.

Percentage of respondents satisfied with education provision, 11% less than in 2020.

16%



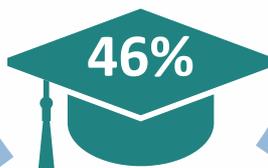
Percentage of respondents with access to super-fast broadband (300MBps+), 14% more than in 2020.

29%



Percentage of respondents who said public services listened well to their community, 1% more than in 2020.

46%



57%

Percentage of respondents satisfied with healthcare provision, 17% more than in 2020.



57%



Percentage of respondents felt optimistic about the future of their community, 6% more than in 2020.

78%



Percentage of respondents expressed a sense of belonging to their community, 10% more than in 2020.

72%



Percentage of respondents with access to 4G coverage, the same as in 2020.