



Bressay

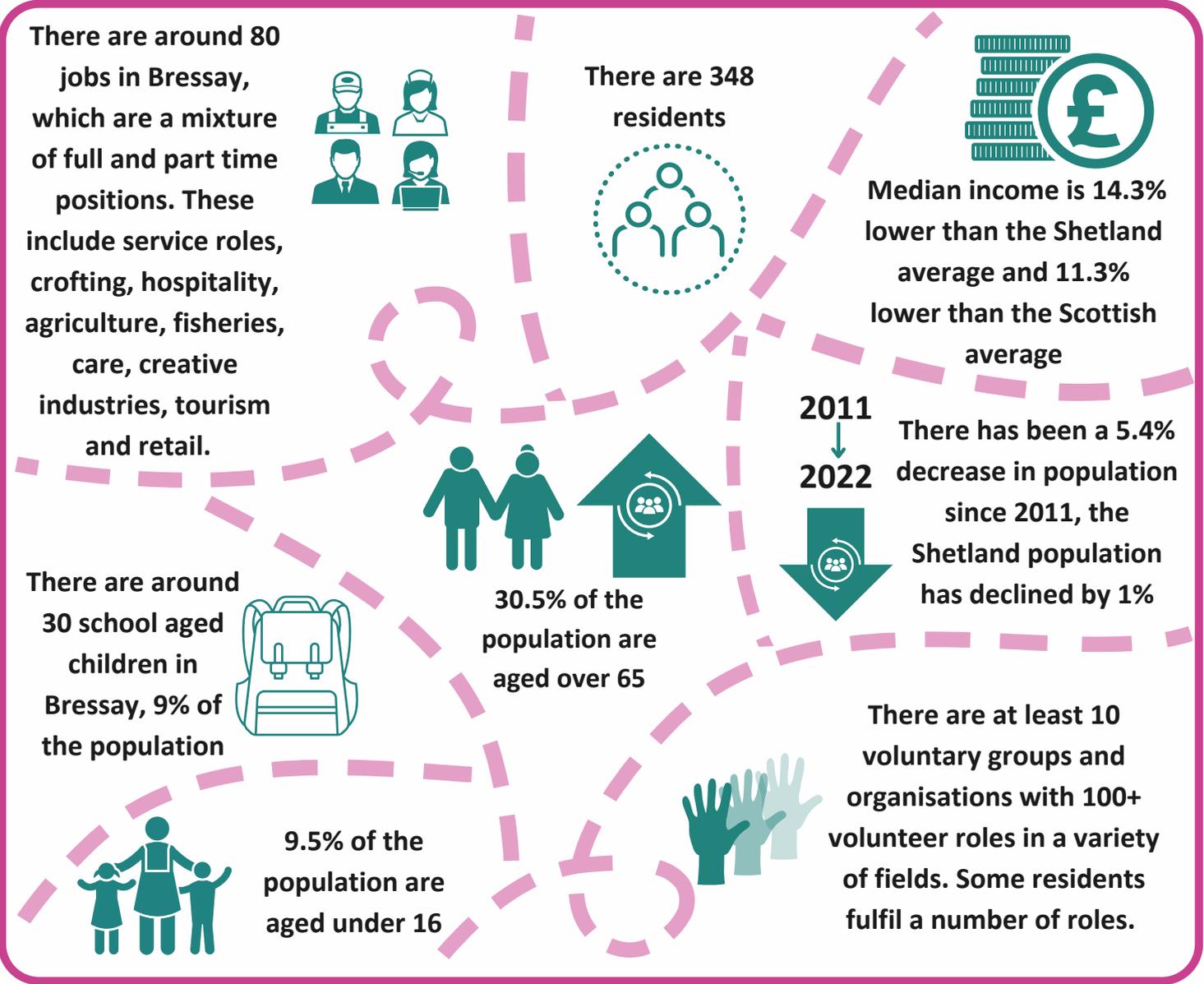


The island of Bressay lies on Shetland's east side, a 7-minute ferry journey from Lerwick.

Bressay's croft-dotted landscape has areas of wild bird, seal and otter populations, beaches and sites of geological and historical interest. From the island there are views across Bressay Sound of Lerwick, especially from the Bressay Lighthouse, which has stood at the entrance to the 'Sooth Mooth' for over 150 years. To the east coast of Bressay lies the island of Noss, a National Nature Reserve and one of the most important seabird colonies in Europe.

The community puts on events throughout the year and facilities include: a community hall, marina and caravan park, woodland at Brough Loch, football pitch, playpark and heritage centre. The Speldiburn Community Hub, run by Bressay Development Limited, houses a café, Good as New Shop and studio spaces. A fortnightly Healthcare Support Worker Service and a weekly Living Well Hub also run from the building. There is a shop and post office at Mail, and a licensed hotel and restaurant with a bar, situated close to the Bressay ferry terminal at Maryfield. The island is ideal for walking and cycling and Bressay hosts the UK's most Northerly Parkrun every week, welcoming visitors from all over the world.

There is a weekly shopper bus and another service which runs on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Bressay comes under the Lerwick North and Bressay Ward and has its own Community Council.



Data Sources: CACI Paycheck 2022; Scottish Census 2022; Scottish Census 2011; Community data is provided to the Council by the Bressay community (through Bressay Development Limited) in response to engagement with them, 2024. Population data is produced by using the Scottish Census 2022. As this is only repeated every 10 years, future profiles may use data gathered by the Bressay Community. Population estimates for 2024, from the Bressay Community are 328; this may be used as the figure for comparison should community estimates be gathered for future profiles.

Bressay Community Survey Data

10%



Percentage of respondents who said public services listened well to their community.

57%



Percentage of respondents that rated their broadband service as 'very adequate' or 'adequate'.

78%

Percentage of respondents who agreed that Bressay is a community where they could have a good quality of life.

68%



Percentage of respondents who expressed a sense of belonging to their community.



42%

Percentage of respondents who feel optimistic about the future of their community.



Percentage of respondents who rated their community as a 'Very Good' or 'Fairly Good' place to live.



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.

Data Sources: Shetland Islands Council - Bressay Community Survey (March - April 2024)