

**Uibhist mu Thuath**

Tha Uibhist mu Thuath cho luachmhor sealladh 'S nach urrainn dhomh luaidh san uair le m' theangaidh, Na suidhe sa chuan 's mu chuairt dhi bearraidhean Stuagh a' carachd 's a' cròiceadh.

Tha machraichean fhèin fo dhèis 's fo thoradh, A' cumail na sprèidh gun èis bhith orra; Tha raontaichean rèidh 's gach ceum fo onair 'S gach geug air monadh a mòintich.

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Dùthchas spoke to 300 people, throughout the villages and townships which make up North Uist, to ask them what they valued about this island. Here the communities from Bayhead, Berneray, Carinish, Grimsay, Lochmaddy and Sollas tell us in their own words what makes this island so special for them.

**"Wide open space as far as the eye can see ... at night it seems as if you can see every star in the galaxy."**

**"It is better to stay here than any other corner in the world. The crofters are more kindly to help each other than in any other corner."**

**"I can live by myself and not worry that anyone will bother me."**

**"The crofters are more kindly to help each other than in any other corner."**



The Dùthchas Project is promoting sustainability in remote rural areas. If you would like to hear more about Dùthchas or have ideas for the future wellbeing of North Uist, please contact us:

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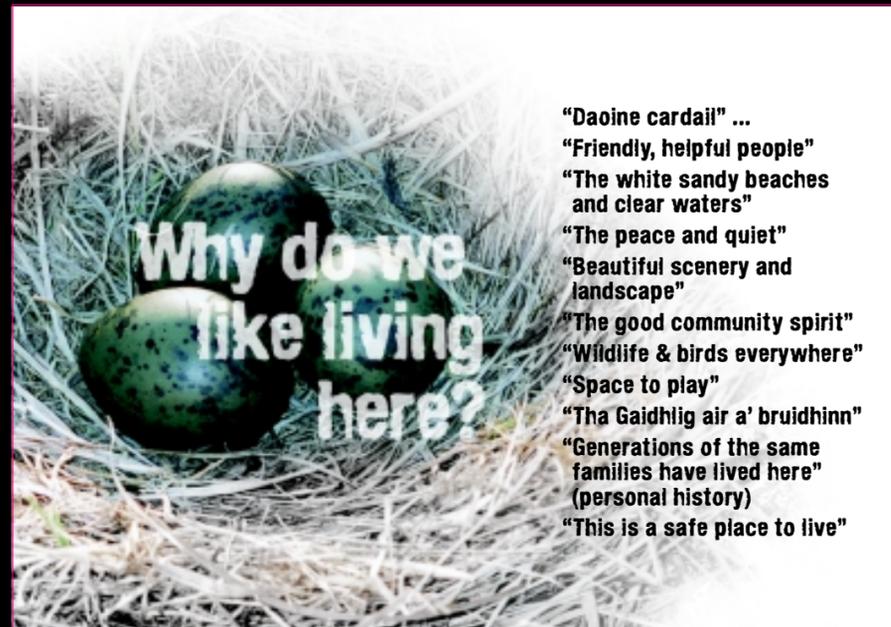


**North Uist**  
our place in the future

looking forward without forgetting our past



and know how to have fun  
people here are good crack



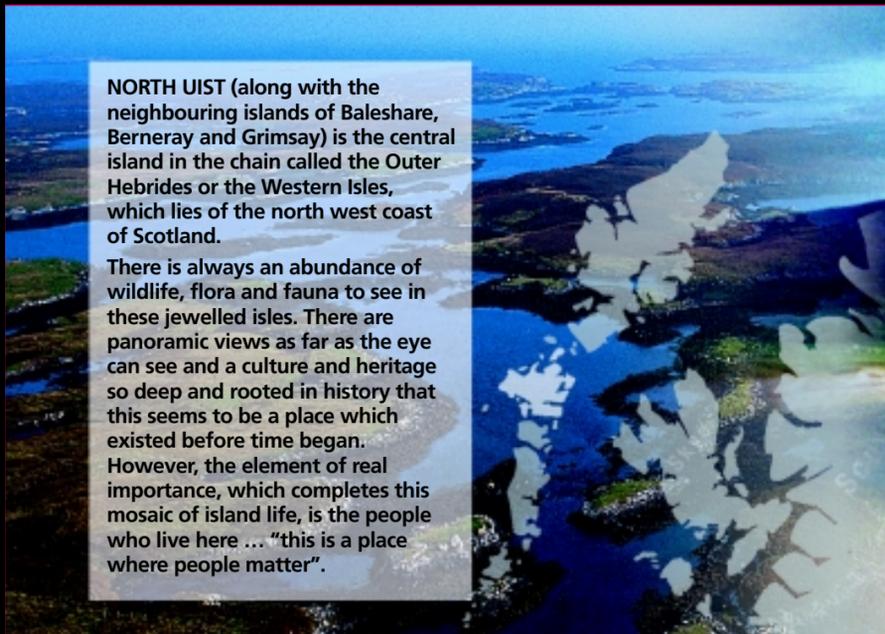
Why do we like living here?

- "Daoine cardail" ...
- "Friendly, helpful people"
- "The white sandy beaches and clear waters"
- "The peace and quiet"
- "Beautiful scenery and landscape"
- "The good community spirit"
- "Wildlife & birds everywhere"
- "Space to play"
- "Tha Gaidhlig air a' bruidhinn"
- "Generations of the same families have lived here" (personal history)
- "This is a safe place to live"

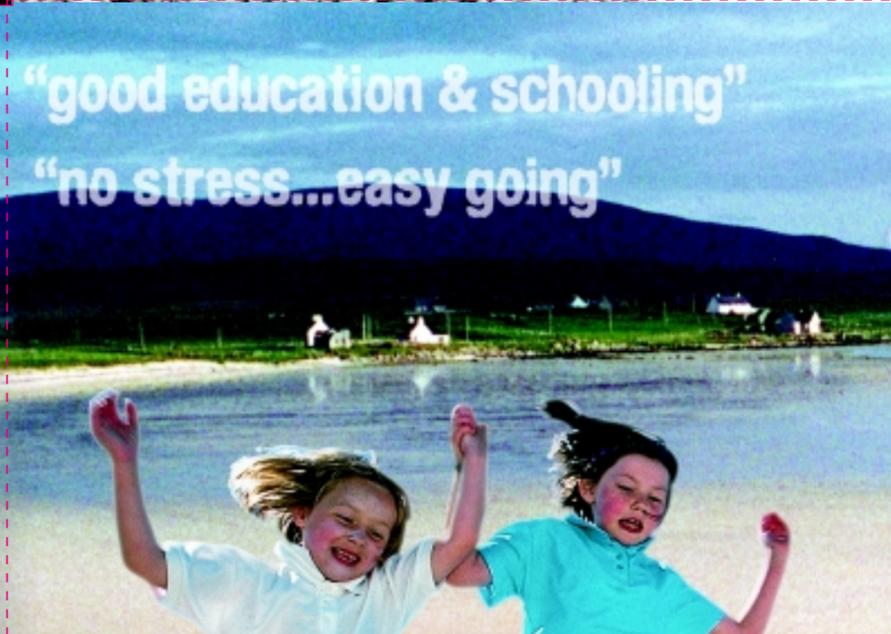


ideas for the future

- "Market local natural resources and produce"
- "Tourism based on unique features of North Uist"
- "Community facilities"
- "More environmentally friendly practices on machair and beaches"
- "Interpretation of historic sites"



NORTH UIST (along with the neighbouring islands of Baleshare, Berneray and Grimsay) is the central island in the chain called the Outer Hebrides or the Western Isles, which lies of the north west coast of Scotland.  
There is always an abundance of wildlife, flora and fauna to see in these jewelled isles. There are panoramic views as far as the eye can see and a culture and heritage so deep and rooted in history that this seems to be a place which existed before time began.  
However, the element of real importance, which completes this mosaic of island life, is the people who live here ... "this is a place where people matter".

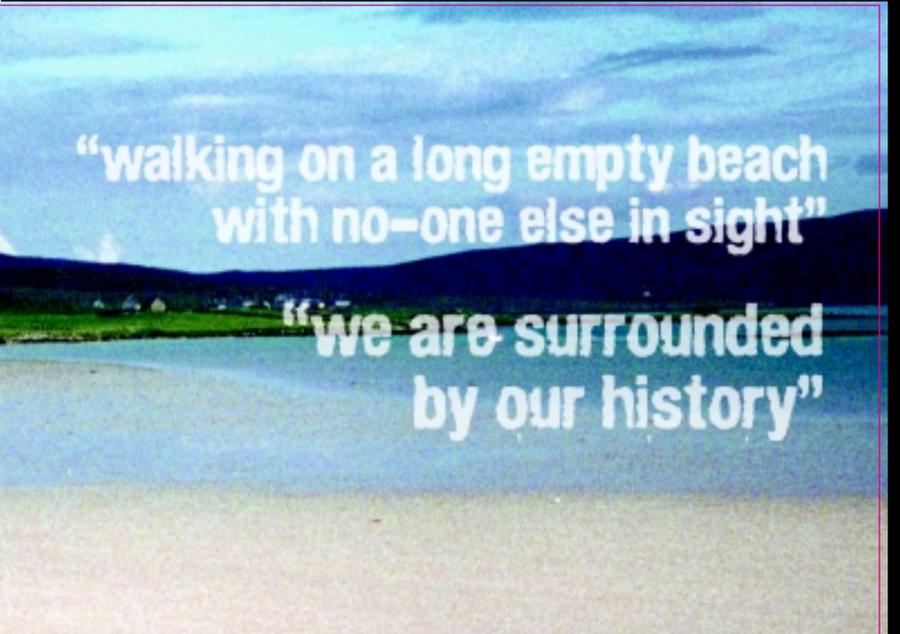


"good education & schooling"  
"no stress...easy going"

"I can go out for the day without my mum worrying about me"

what do our children like?

- "I can go out for the day without my mum worrying about me"
- "People are nice to me"
- "You can go sailing and swimming in the lochs"
- "There is lots of space to play"
- "The view from my window"



"walking on a long empty beach with no-one else in sight"  
"we are surrounded by our history"