

APPENDIX B: Bressay Link Study - Questionnaire



As you may be aware a study is being undertaken *'To identify a means of providing sustainable efficient transport links between Bressay and Mainland Shetland for the long-term and to identify the most appropriate measures to carry forward to implementation for the benefit of Shetland as a whole¹.'* More information on this study and other ways you can get involved is covered in the enclosed information sheet.

In order to assist with this, you are invited to answer the questions below and return in the freepost envelope provided. All Bressay residents aged 18 and over are invited to respond in this way. Those attending primary and secondary school will be invited to respond through their school. Those under 18 in employment or further education are asked to phone for an additional questionnaire. If you do not receive sufficient questionnaires for the number of adults in your household, please phone (01595) 744868. The closing date for responses to the questionnaire is the 12th October 2007. Thank you for your time.

The purpose of the questionnaire is to understand what problems, issues, opportunities and constraints you feel the transport link between Bressay and Mainland Shetland should address or take into account.

Gender: Male Female

Age: 11-19 20-29 30-44 45-59
60-74 75+

Employment Status:
(please tick ALL that apply)

Employee Full-time Employee Part-time
Student Full-time Student Part-time
Self-employed Retired

Other, please specify:

¹ Agreed by Bressay Link Group, including representatives of Bressay Community Council, Shetland Islands Council, the Lerwick Port Authority and ZetTrans.

Please tick if you are registered disabled:

There is space at the end and extra sheets are welcome if you need more space to answer any questions.

1. What do you use the ferry for and how often (return trip) in an average week? (please tick ALL rows)

	More than once a day	Daily/ almost daily	2-3 times a week	Weekly	Monthly	Occasionally	Never
Commute to work							
Business meetings							
Participate in sports and leisure activities							
Access childcare							
Education and learning							
Health care							
Visit family and friends							
Shopping							
Other, please specify.....							
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2. What do you like about the service?

3a. Are there any improvements you could recommend to its operation, in terms of timings of sailings, links with other transport services, affordability, for example?

Yes No

b. If Yes, please detail.

c. And what difference(s) would these changes make to you and the wider community?

4a. Are there any opportunities that you miss out on as a direct result of the current ferry service? For example, for travel, access to leisure activities, healthcare or business.

Yes No

b. If Yes, please detail:

5. The ferry currently serving the Bressay to Mainland Shetland service will be 20 years old in 2012, requiring a replacement option to be identified. Infrastructure will need to be significantly upgraded or replaced. Even a simple like for like replacement has significant capital and revenue costs, so now is an opportunity to fully review the situation.

Although this exercise is starting from a “clean sheet” with this stage focussing on *problems, opportunities and constraints*, we are interested in any views held on the various ideas that have been given consideration in the past including continued ferry service, a bridge and a tunnel. We would welcome, therefore, any thoughts on the various concepts that have previously been discussed. When answering this, could you consider the alternatives and what you think the advantages and disadvantages would be to you and the wider community of Bressay.

a. A continued ferry service

What do you think would be the advantages and disadvantages to you and the wider community of Bressay?

b. An altered ferry service, explaining what you think would work

What do you think would be the advantages and disadvantages to you and the wider community of Bressay?

c. Bridge

What do you think would be the advantages and disadvantages to you and the wider community of Bressay?

d. Tunnel

What do you think would be the advantages and disadvantages to you and the wider community of Bressay?

e. Other options

Please provide details of any other options you think may be worth exploring:

What do you think would be the advantages and disadvantages to you and the wider community of Bressay?

Please make any more comments on this study here, on the back of this page or on a separate sheet

If you would like to discuss this questionnaire about the Bressay Link, would like further information, or would like a copy of this in large font or an alternative language, please phone ZetTrans on (01595) 744868 or email bressaylinkconsultation@shetland.gov.uk

Data protection:

Each of these questionnaires has a reference number for the purposes of analysis. The questionnaires have been randomly distributed so cannot be used to identify individual households. Upon submission, the information you have provided will be collated and held by Shetland Islands Council (SIC) and will be held securely in line with the Data Protection Act 1998.

Please be assured that the information collected will only be used to create anonymous reports.