



NATIONAL TRUST *for* SCOTLAND

Island communities and the National Trust for Scotland – working together to create a sustainable future

27th September 2022



We take care of

245

miles of mountain footpaths

We look after

76,000

hectares of countryside

We preserve

300,000

precious artefacts

We protect

EIGHT

National Nature Reserves

We tend to

100,000

plants in our gardens

We maintain

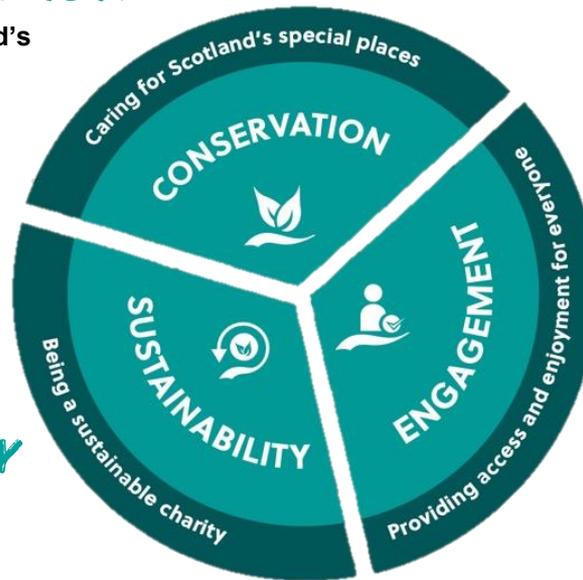
10,000

archaeological sites

Our core pillars

CONSERVATION

Caring for Scotland's special places



SUSTAINABILITY

Being a sustainable charity

ENGAGEMENT

Providing access and enjoyment for everyone



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Canna –
working in
partnership



Caring for our islands



NTS management of islands is different from other properties.

‘This is our home, we are not a museum’

Planning for the future focuses on –

- Synergy between conservation/preservation and community opportunities
- Working partnerships with a clear outline and decision making process
- Encouraging public access/research whilst not over stimulating demand and traffic
- Environmentally sustainable outset criteria for all physical initiatives both small and large

The Isle of Canna







A sustainable future – the Canna decarbonisation plan



The community and the Trust would like Canna to be an exemplar for sustainable small island living in the 21st century



The Canna decarbonisation plan is a roadmap for how the community and the Trust can progressively reduce our reliance on fossil fuels in an island context.



The community want to grow Canna's population to a more stable and sustainable level but want their regeneration to be based on sound environmental principles, ensuring they stay within the island's ecological footprint.

Starting point....

In 2020 the community undertook a comprehensive study of the local generation and supply capacity to prepare for Net-Zero.

They wanted to understand the potential to decarbonise heat on Canna. Currently we rely on fossil fuels for the majority of space heating, which will become increasingly untenable in future.

We all need to work towards a decarbonisation pathway, both for heat and transport. Switching the farm vehicles from diesel to EVs is also part of the long-term plan.



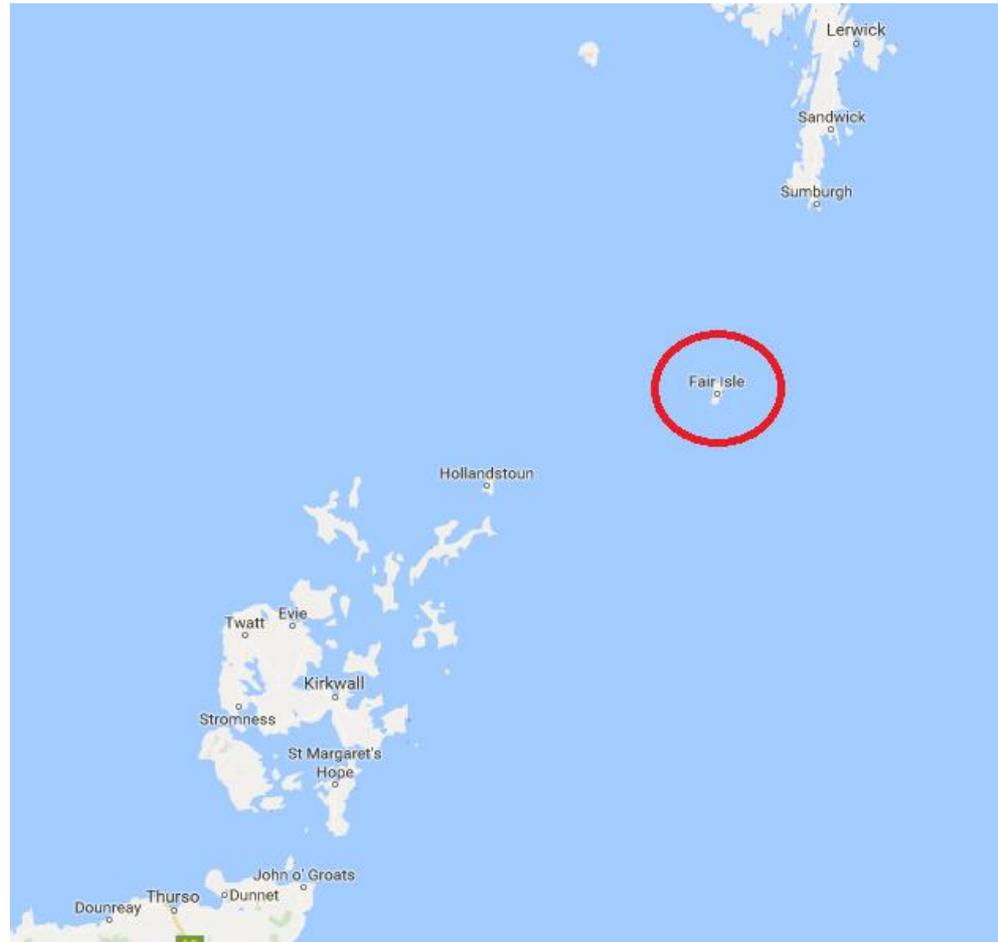
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Fair Isle –

**Pioneers of
renewable
energy**



A remote community



Remote access – off grid





RE VIEW

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the impact of wind power

COLIN MOYNIHAN:
The renewables today

NEW ZEALAND:
Fertile ground for renewables

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