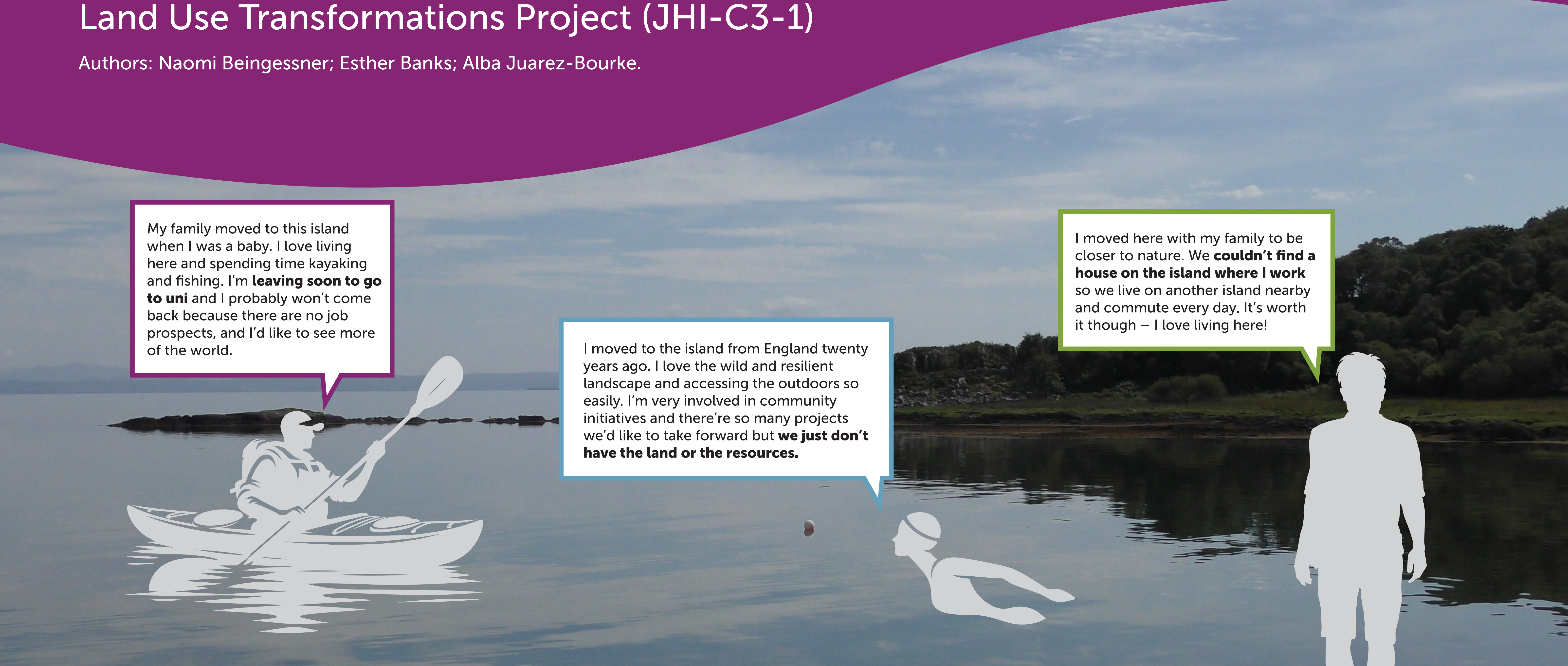


Alternative Land-Use Narratives

Video interviewee sample Land Use Transformations Project (JHI-C3-1)

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My family moved to this island when I was a baby. I love living here and spending time kayaking and fishing. I'm **leaving soon to go to uni** and I probably won't come back because there are no job prospects, and I'd like to see more of the world.

I moved to the island from England twenty years ago. I love the wild and resilient landscape and accessing the outdoors so easily. I'm very involved in community initiatives and there're so many projects we'd like to take forward but **we just don't have the land or the resources**.

I moved here with my family to be closer to nature. We **couldn't find a house on the island where I work** so we live on another island nearby and commute every day. It's worth it though – I love living here!



I had never been here until two years ago, and now, as a ranger, I feel a real need to protect the site and educate people to look after the environment. I think **young people like me** think more about the bigger picture because our futures really are at stake.



I didn't really discover the adventure I could have in the outdoors till I went to uni. When I first got into climbing, accessing nearby places by public transport was really key. I now run my own business helping people to feel comfortable **accessing the outdoors** and learn the skills they need to be in them.



I moved to the countryside twenty-five years ago with my husband – we always knew we wanted to live closer to nature. I started foraging as a child with my gran and continued on that learning journey. Now I teach people to **forage wild foods responsibly**.

I've always loved nature and worked in outdoor jobs. When I became a mum, I wanted to bring those two worlds together, to nurture nature connection in children. I now work for a non-profit, facilitating time outdoors for all ages. **We don't have a site, so our operations are nomadic.**

I grew up in a city and we weren't that outdoorsy, but when I had my own children I began to understand the importance of time outdoors for their health, wellbeing, and development. I now run my own outdoor nursery on **community-owned land**, supporting children and their families into nature.

I'm a wood-carving artist and source my materials from folks needing trees removed. I work right here in the woods carving art pieces and teaching other people. I'm lucky that the **landowner allows me to do all this on the land!**