

THE GOOD	THE BAD	THE UGLY
Distinctive character/identity Proximity to UK and Europe It's a 'real' place Uniqueness-laws and customs Island mentality Very democratic/egalitarian and tolerant Freedom of choice Less red-tape than UK Not part of EU Preserve French links Stable government without political parties Accessible politicians Petite-ness Summer climate Cleanliness Clarity and intensity of light Fresh air Mostly quiet Herm and Sark on doorstep Views Beautiful town Not too much concrete Undeveloped areas are a treasure Natural beauty The sea Coastline – bays and beaches The lanes Cliff paths Wild flowers Agriculture Local produce – milk, veg, fish, blackberries Availability of work Low unemployment Very professional finance industry Heritage Archaeology Visible history Stone circles and dolmens Standard of living Quality/Pace of life Multicultural/varied people Friendly community vibe Great place to bring up children Safe/honest Low crime Pub opening hours Restaurants Parties Local music and arts scene Outdoor life – public spaces, parks Sports facilities Everything is close Short commutes Public transport Filter system Education Health care Untapped sustainable energy	Too close to Jersey Fog Island mentality Press not good at critical comment Ignorant external politicians Not a true democracy Right wing agendas – not enough focus on social inequality Over regulation Antiquated laws Indecision – lack of boldness, close mindedness, backwardness Lack of accountability in government Neglect of infrastructure over last 30 years No co-ordination of strategies No interest in environmental issues Lack of Gov action on energy efficiency Lack of perceived consistency and unhelpful planning decisions An ageing population No incentive for young people to return Misogynistic attitudes Endemic racism - xenophobia Divided society - intolerant to other ways of life, them and us culture, haves/have nots Disability not on agenda Soft penalties on badly behaved kids on streets Rowdy town centre at weekends A serious drinking culture problem Housing habitual criminals Cost of living - house prices and rents, price of food and clothes, expensive travel off island, delivery charges, High recycling charges for companies Too much traffic Too many cars – too big Impatient drivers/aggressive driving – anti cyclist Road works Too much development – built environment has ruined scenery Built-up – ribbon development Too many high rise buildings along the front Too many phone masts Poor housing design Plastic windows on lovely old buildings Waste disposal – landfill sites Sewage in the sea Litter on beaches Lack of decent public art Long way from specialised cultural activities Lack of entertainment/cultural opportunities Not enough spent on arts and culture Laziness about supporting local events Lack of activities for children (other than sport) Lack of shopping variety Lack of wild green spaces Public access to green spaces Decline of local food production Lack of career diversity Loss of Guernsey French	Politicians who don't adhere to their manifestos Old boys network – secret handshakes Young people don't have a voice Ignorance, intolerance, lack of awareness of social diversity Lack of equality – no Disability Discrimination Act Exclusion and segregation of disabled people Racism – integrating foreign workers Sex discrimination Stale way of thinking - creative thinking required to tackle problems Misuse of public funds/bad project management Health and social security funding – especially mental health Petty regulations/laws, excessive legislation in most areas of life – red tape Housing restrictions – license system Monopolies Poor planning decisions on new devpmt Non-local law breakers Non-local contractors Population control/limits No real encouragement for young people to stay Attitude to education - 11+ High university fees Binge drinking on Friday nights Intimidation of people smoking outside pubs on pavements, bored teenagers congregating in groups All night life concentrated around the Pollet Attitude of police towards young people Sewage disposal/treatment Overflowing recycling bins – unsightly in some locations, reclamation site Lack of proper facilities for re-use and recycling - no kerbside recycling Dog litter Buses too big Inadequate public transport Lack of cycle lanes Noise pollution - noisy motorcycles, street cleaning machines at early hours Not enough protection of natural environment Not enough trees Disused greenhouse sites Insensitive development on coast – new buildings should harmonize with those existing Boring new architecture Internet facilities Over reliance on financial sector to the exclusion of other business Lack of variety in employment opportunities Lack of support for small businesses Lack of arts for all – public art More creative centres – gallery, recording studio, skate park