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# HINTERLAND Vitality Check

## Examples from typology : type Nr. 6 *Viešvilė* locality

Name of locality: *Viešvilė*

Number of inhabitants : 1400

Name of Municipality: **Jurbarkas, Tauragė region**

Vorderland distance:

**25 km to Jurbarkas,**

**26 km to Tauragė**



Estate of Riedelsbergas



A voice from *Viešvilė*:



**A. Liudaitis** was speaking in writer Paul Brock words: “Who do not know Viešvilė, may inculpate me going overboard, but those who were here any time approve me – this place act in glamorous way in it’s own charm“

*Swish Stream  
And forest sough.  
And eyes see  
Real beauty here.*  
By Albina Danisavičiūtė



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## We are type Nr. 6 !

What does it mean for our village and what do we have to do?

### Strengthen the strengths!

#### Demography

*Positive population*

#### Economy

*There are small enterprises – lumber mill, shops. 15 farmers has registered farms; there are 3 wood wards in locality area, arboretum, “Viešvė” company produce furniture. Strong German material support from emigration from Viešvilė.*

#### Social life

*Recreation potential is very high - international meaning territory „Natūra 2000“;*

*Acting village community organization.*

*Plenty resources of material cultural heritage: XX century beginning age germanies buildings, protected graves;*

### Reduce the risks!

#### Demographic risk

High emigration ; lack of qualified working resources; there are increasing number of social supporting persons.

#### Economic risk.

Weak industry and because of raising requests there is no country tourism homesteads any more;

Soil is nor suitable for intensive agriculture producing; lack of motivation to work because of getting social support.

Part of inhabitants are not active; there are illegal imports from Russia; No public transport connected with Tauragė.



Way towards Riedelsbergas estate



Park in town center