**Text on screen:** Dare to Discover.

**Imagery on screen:** Gaina Morgan walks through grassy dunes, with an old house in the background.

**Female narrator:** Well I’m Gaina Morgan, and I was born here at Sker House on the Porthcawl side of the Kenfig Dunes.

**Text on screen:** Kenfig Dunes. Gaina Morgan.

**Female narrator:** It’s my ‘sgwar milltir’ as we say in Wales, it’s my green space, my square mile.

It’s a very, very special place. It’s not just special to me, it’s special in terms of the flora and fauna, the landscape, the history, just its place in a moment of time, really.

The name, Sker, is a Viking name. It evokes images of the times when the Viking raids – people would have been scared of the Vikings coming down the coast, worrying, watching, keeping a lookout.

So many tales, so many stories. The tragic story of the San Damper in modern times, where the ship went down with all hands. 39 men died. Also the stories of lovelorn maids. The Maid of Sker, Elizabeth Williams, she lived here.

She was locked up by her father because she was destined to marry a wealthy landowner and bring some cash back to this cash strapped, hungry farm here. She didn’t want to. She wanted to marry her lover, and she would skip across the dunes here to [the] Prince of Wales here in Kenfig to meet him to sing and to dance. Eventually, she had to marry her landowner and of course, predictably, she died of a broken heart. Blackmore wrote Lorna Doone and he then wrote ‘The Maid of Sker’ merely to evoke her story.

And I just think that, when you come out here with your dog or your friends or your partner somehow this space just sings to you these stories, and of course, it’s this time of the year you can stop and pick some dewberries. They’re supposed to be unique to this little part of the world. I’m not sure if they are, but certainly, the dewberries you pick here are the sweetest you’ll ever find.

**Text on screen:** My Green Space.

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