

The Formentera Council's office of environment is offering local farmers Posidonia oceanica seagrass from island beaches to encourage traditional applications like reusing it as a fertiliser for crops, bedding for animals and ceiling isolation in country homes. Islanders keen to benefit from the programme should contact the environment office—l'àrea de Medi Ambient—in person, by phone (971.32.12.10) or via email (mediambient@conselldeformentera.cat). Delivery is provided free of charge.

The Council's removal of the seagrass happens in coordination with the Spanish coastal authority. Environment chief Daisee Aguilera said crews were at beaches in Cala Saona and es Ca Marí, where residents had requested the service specifically. The material piled up this winter and particularly during recent days of rough weather.

Four hundred cubic metres of the seagrass have been hauled off to date. Aguilera said beaches had also been combed for plastics and pollutants that wash up on the shoreline in winter—part of an effort not only to improve the image that greets the island's early summer visitors, but especially to care for the local environment. The councillor also saluted the non-profits and volunteers that took part in clearing washed up rubbish from beaches and the shoreline.

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