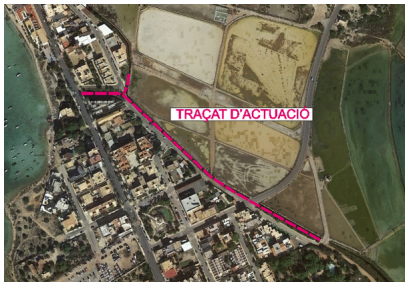
The Formentera Council environment office reports that cleaning operations will be carried out today (30 May) on a canal in la Savina near salterns called salines d'en Ferrer. The administration brought in an outside firm to oversee the work after reports that the freshwater drainage canal was in less than ideal condition due to clogged up waste. A technical study piloted by the Council determined that failure to drain properly meant that water remained stagnant, causing a foul smell and an explosion of insect numbers.

The Council has pledged to pay €1,875.50 (VAT included) for the work, which will be conducted between 8.00am to 6.00pm. The last time similar actions were taken was three years ago. As in the photo below, crews will focus on a segment of the canal which abuts the salines d'en Ferrer and lies between Gregal and Ponent streets, where the canal drains into estany des Peix.



CiF Office of Environment has pointed out the section in question is crosscut by a number of pipes, among them sewage. The Council's requests to have the pipes removed are currently being processed, an initiative which is included in a strategy to replace and upgrade the local sanitation grid that being driven by the Balearic agency for water and environmental quality, Abaqua.

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