

The third session of the 2022 Participatory Budgets initiative took place in the Consell de Formentera assembly hall at 8.30pm yesterday. Attendees of the session were briefed on how local associations voted on 20 projects presented as part of the initiative, known in Catalan as Pressupostos Participatius.

Ana Juan, President of the Consell de Formentera, praised associations' efforts to participate in this process and described the selection of projects as "a reflection of our local society". For her part, Vanessa Parellada, Councillor of Citizen Participation, stressed that the projects in health, social inclusion, environment and culture demonstrate the importance of solidarity for the people of Formentera.

Presenter associations and winning projects:

- -Formentera chapter of the Spanish Cancer Association (AECC)
 Materials for the comprehensive oncologic disease care programme. Approximate budget:
 €5.000.
- -Cosmitos and Formentera Residents' Association (AVIF)

Water fountains in parks, squares and sports areas. Approximate budget: €80,000.

- -Surf Club Formentera
- Floating ramp for individuals with reduced mobility. Approximate budget: €3,000.
- -Association of People with Special Needs of Eivissa and Formentera (APNEEF) Inclusive furniture in play areas. Approximate budget: €25,000.
- -Obra Cultural Balear (OCB)

Non-structural refurbishment of the cinema. Approximate budget: €250,000.

The 2022 Participatory Budgets of the Consell d'Entitats are endowed with €325,000 in funding. Although the forecasted budgets exceed this amount, Councillor Parellada made assurances that no project would be stalled due to lack of financing.

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