

The Office of Heritage of the Consell de Formentera has completed plans to rehabilitate Can Ramon and revamp it as a museum. The project was developed by Formentera Can Ramon, a temporary joint venture formed by Kultura Ideas and Strategies for Patrimoni SL and Inès Vidal Farré, the architect who won the tender. On securing the approval and considerations of the Consell and the Technical Advisory Committee for Urban Planning, Spatial Planning and Historical Heritage (*CTA*), the project will go out to tender in the second half of the year.

Raquel Guasch, heritage councillor, cast the project as "the definitive boost" to the Museum of Formentera. As Guasch put it, "in terms of Formentera's heritage, Can Ramon constitutes unfinished business". "Today marks the start of the project and we will continue working on future museum spaces on the island".

Project engineers envision two exhibition spaces: one on the ground floor with a surface area of 210 m2, and the other, on the second floor, of 64 m2. It also includes a new 32 m building with reception, offices and ticket counter.

As set out in plans for the future Museum of Formentera which were drafted by Carles Fargas and Antoni Garau and commissioned by the Balearic Government, Can Ramon will focus on productive and expressive farming culture and include the Formentera Ethnographic Collection, which comprises a permanent exhibition of tools, utensils, furniture and clothing that make up a representative collection of traditional everyday life on Formentera.

The future Museum of Formentera is divided into three sites: Can Ramon; a newly constructed building on Carrer Sant Joan housing an exhibition and archaeological materials; and Sa Senieta, based on reproductive and expressive culture in domestic spheres. The museum is conceived as a "local museum" with various parts scattered around the island.

€200,000 for Sa Senieta project

Councillor Guasch indicated that the Consell would direct €200,000 from the Balearic Government to start developing the museum and rehabilitating the Sa Senieta building.

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