



Mobility secretary Rafael González has today offered his review of the pilot test regulating the access of motor vehicles, cars and motorcycles, to the Cap de Barbaria lighthouse that was carried out for the first time this summer. Rafael González beamed about the implementation of a test that has achieved the two main objectives, "first, avoid traffic jams, and then, preserve this natural place and the tranquility that surrounds us".

### **Assistance**

On average, as they have been counted from the Office of Mobility, more than 500 people have visited daily. In the moments of maximum influx, there has been an average visit of 280 people simultaneously, although there have been peaks in which up to 400 people have taken a walk at the same time for this place. The preferred time for tourists has been the days of sunshine during sunset, and the cloudy days during the morning.

In this regard, the director pointed out that the influx of visitors has been similar to that of recent years. Hence, González explained, in addition to achieving the initial objectives, "we have moved the feeling that the measure has had a good acceptance among residents and tourists who have understood perfectly that this regulation became necessary in this emblematic place of Formentera".

### **Upcoming performances**

Looking ahead, the secretary has said that given the positive results, the measure will be applied again next season. Once the period of regulation has been finalized, some of the requests that have been made will be studied, such as the possibility of extending the application period or offering some services such as a supply area or a bicycle dispenser.

We recall readers that the pilot test for access regulation to Es Cap de Barbaria was made between July 1 and September 15, when a barrier located at km 6.5 of the road from Cap de Barbaria. In its contours, a car park with capacity for 60 cars and 100 motorcycles was enabled to allow visitors to leave vehicles, and from there on foot or by bicycle to the lighthouse.

## **Taking stock of effort to regulate access to Es Cap de Barbaria**

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Secretary González has taken the opportunity to present this stock-taking on 22 September, as World No Car Day is being held, included in the European Week of Sustainable Mobility.