

The Formentera Department of Environment reports that since Wednesday, a collaborative effort has been under way with local cleaning contract-holder Ferrovial to sanitise and pressure-wash the busiest areas on the island. Department chief Antonio J Sanz pointed out that the undertaking is happening "in compliance with ministry recommendations and in the interest of the public good".

The following measures are already being deployed:

-Backpack sprayer application of liquid disinfectant on street furniture in island's main urban centres. Often low-concentration solution of bleach.

-As is periodically done, local squares are being pressure-washed according to recommendations on water-diluted liquid disinfectant. (Similar actions will be replicated in high-footfall points such as ATMs and supermarkets in urban areas.)

Cleaning crews will be outfitted in special suits, gloves and masks.

The Department of Environment also announces that the woodchipper service for garden clippings has been suspended.

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