

The Formentera Council's Office of Patrimony has embarked on a restoration of *pou d'en Marienet*, a

stone well given level A protection in Formentera's catalogue of cultural heritage sites. The move came as part of a deal signed by the CiF and the owner of the land on which the well sits. Under the agreement and pursuant to Formentera subsidiary regulations on cultural patrimony, the Council committed to overseeing an archaeological and historical study of the site as well as issuing building permits and executing the well's restoration.

The operations consisted in clearing surrounding vegetation, resetting numerous stone bricks, reapplying lime mortar and treating the wood components of the well. Work crews' guiding principle was to respect the original characteristics of the well and exercise the least possible intervention. Documenting and restoration work was carried out by Antiquarium, specialists in preserving historical heritage sites. The project had a cost of 5,929 euros which was met by the Formentera Council.

Though the well's basic structure was intact, the team that restored pou d'en Marianet was faced with the challenge of erosion and a previous lack of regular maintenance. To avoid continued deterioration, the Council opted to seek preventive action. The administration noted the well's location beside the old la Mola highway (camí Vell de la Mola), a fact which guarantees accessibility.

Agreements between the Council and owners of historical heritage sites is called for under Formentera's cultural heritage site management directive, a two-year pact for 2015-2016.