

Four boats removed from hard to access S'Estufador and S'Espalmador locations

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In recent days the Office of Environment of the Consell de Formentera has removed four boats which had reached the coast of Formentera after being used by migrants and which had remained in difficult to access areas of S'Estufador and S'Espalmador.

While the Consell de Formentera is not responsible for cleaning these parts of the coast, work by the Office of Environment was key to finding a necessary solution in response to islanders' demands that the vessels be cleared from the coast in an effort to avoid the risks that abandoned craft represent. A specialised company was brought in to remove the remains and various waste in these areas.

Water bottles, clothes left on nearby rocks, three boats and an engine located underwater 20 metres from the shore were removed from the area of Pesqueres Altes. The remains were transported to Es Copinar, where they were hauled off by Consell de Formentera trucks. From the east coast of S'Espalmador, crews also removed a boat and bottles that had been discarded along the shore. The dive team included six professional divers, an auxiliary boat and a platform to remove the material.

In easy to access areas the Consell typically collaborates in removing boats that are then sent to be destroyed.

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