

The Social Welfare and Equality departments of the Consell de Formentera have added their names to "*No i punt*". With a title translating roughly as "No means no", the campaign is part of a joint effort by the Palma and Mallorca administrations to assure safety from sexual assault on nights out.

"Our priority to promote egalitarian and safe leisure spaces for everyone", said equality councillor Vanessa Parellada, "spaces that are free from sexist violence and sexual or homophobic violence". "Sexual assault must be taken seriously", said Parellada. "The idea is that, through education and awareness, we can either prevent sexual assault outright, or catch it in time and stop it".

Islanders can stop by a booth in la Savina this afternoon and evening (16 July) to pick up information about the ongoing festes del Carme holiday. A stand will be mounted on Saturday (20 July), too, ahead of Sant Francesc's "flower power" party: la Festa Flower.

Visitors can get information about sexual assault prevention and response as well as better practices, not to mention take an "anti-assault" test and check out "No i punt" stickers, bracelets and a banner. Volunteers will be on hand to field questions.

#nosiguisase

For the third year, the social welfare and youth offices of the Consell de Formentera are partnering in support of the "Balearic Islands' Strategy on Addictions and Drug Dependency" (PADIB) to launch the third annual *#nosiguisase* ("don't be dumb") outreach campaign.

Social welfare councillor Rafael Ramírez said the drive was "designed to urge sensible drinking, especially among youth, at our festival days in the Balearics, and build awareness about the dangers of alcohol abuse".

Staff from a project of the NGO Bienestar y Desarrollo called Energy Control will be manning the stand on 20 July and handing out material like rucksacks, buttons, educational postcards, posters and water bottles with educational straps.

The Consell de Formentera will use banners to share information about the campaign on the administration's website.

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