



The president of the Formentera Council and the regional secretary of social services and cooperation signed an agreement today paving the way for construction of a local residence for care-dependent individuals. Joining Jaume Ferrer and Fina Santiago at the event was Govern balear president Francina Armengol.

The residence, which will be part of the Govern's public care network, is expected to cost 1.2M€. The price tag will be split between the Govern (70%) and Formentera Council (30%). The two administrations will also share the facility's operating costs. The Palma government's per-day contribution for care for dependent individuals varies between €63 and €68, according to their degree of dependency.

The new residence, designed to accommodate 18, will have 14 single and two double rooms. Plans call for a connecting hallway allowing the neighbouring dependent care centre, or Centre de Dia, and the residence to share resources. President Ferrer hailed the agreement as an important step towards “a facility that will add a level of dignity to the lives of Formentera residents, particularly those in situations of care-dependency”. In closing, Formentera's president saluted the hard work of social welfare secretary Vanessa Parellada and her opposite number in Palma that made construction of the residence possible.

### **Transfer of authority on admissions to live-in care**

President Ferrer also took part in today's gathering of the so-called “Mixed Transfer Commission,” in which participants agreed to transfer admissions authority at residences and care centres for senior citizens, care-dependent individuals and facilities that promote personal autonomy to the island councils of Formentera, Mallorca and Menorca. The change will take effect in early 2018.