

**JAVEA MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS**  
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**ELECTION MANIFESTO**  
**PODEMOS JAVEA**



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## Introduction

From our political group, we want to differentiate three ideals that we consider fundamental when developing our election manifesto. These are: Breathing Jávea, Living Jávea and Working Jávea. Breathing Jávea considers all those actions directly or indirectly related to the environment. Living Jávea includes measures related to housing and the general welfare of citizens. Finally, Working Jávea puts forward our proposals aimed at optimizing all things related to the work environment.

## Breathing Jávea

In this section, our proposals related to the care of the environment will be developed.

## Mobility

As in any town or city, transportation is one of the main causes of pollution. Effective improvements can be made. Our proposal includes:

- Optimization of the current urban transport system with a project of municipalization of the service.
- Installation of a network of electric buses (minimum 3), with complementary and more frequent routes.
- Establish a network of electric bicycles.
- Functional network of bicycle lanes, which implies the extension, connection and reform of the existing lanes. Also, the creation of interurban bike lanes.
- Revindication of the extension of the railway network and the bus to/from Gata coordinated with the train (when it returns).

## Environment

Other measures related to the care and preservation of our environment are:

- Curb real estate speculation by protecting urbanizable spaces.
- Protection of green spaces. For example, the Gorgos River as a "vía verde" for leisure, sport and connection of towns.
- Use of mobile shredders for farmers and individuals to avoid the burning of remains.
- Solve sound pollution problems related to the cobblestoning of many streets in the old town.
- Construction of a biomass plant in the industrial estate (and installation of special collection containers) which will generate electricity for municipal use. Caloric energy production to be studied. With this plant the problem of fires in the Ramblars tip would also be solved.

## Living Jávea

This section lists the proposals related to housing and welfare. Areas such as housing, feminism, culture and youth are taken into account.

### Housing

If we consider that housing is one of the most significant problems for our citizens, due to excessive rental and/or sale price, we propose:

- Study the possibility of introducing differentiated IBI rates between habitual dwellings and empty dwellings or those used for tourist rental. In this way, the supply of habitual rental properties will increase and rental rates will drop.
- Creation of a public housing stock.
- Promote the reform and use of existing houses as opposed to new construction, speeding up the corresponding permits.
- Promote and publicize the PROA as a mediating agent between owners and potential tenants.

### Feminism

Bearing in mind that gender violence is an increasingly acute problem in our society, we must consider it in our program as a fundamental part of the well-being of our population and we consider it very important to promote:

- A network of secure houses.
- The creation of a WhatsApp group: Eixim Junes (a group made up of women and for women who want or need to develop a safe social life, administered by the Town Council).
- Puntos de ayuda a la mujer obligatorios en cada fiesta.

### Culture

From our group we consider cultural development as vital for the development and welfare of a society. As such, we propose:

- The creation of a School of Music.
- The creation of a cultural initiative fund.
- Convert the Council of Culture into a governing body.

## **Festivities and Leisure**

The development of festive and leisure activities can be a good opportunity to get citizens involved:

- Increase citizen participation in relation to the organization and selection of themes of festivities.
- Encourage the development of leisure activities for weekends and holidays, in different areas of Javea, focused on all ages.

## **Youth**

Young people are a fundamental part of our society and we believe it is vital to give them our support for their sociocultural development.

- Job counseling for young people in order to reduce the number of “junk” contracts.
- Lower the rental price by encouraging rentals for habitual residence.
- Encourage dignified work, as detailed in the section ‘Economy’.
- Provide financial support for travel to university.

## **Working Jávea**

It is well known to all citizens of Javea that most jobs are low skilled, seasonal and involve precarious working conditions. Our young people cry out, above all, for employment and development opportunities. To provide these things, we focus on the following areas:

## **Old Town**

All the following proposals have the objective of reactivating the centre of the Old Town, with its market, its commerce and its neighbourhood streets:

- 100% use of the car park.
- Allow short term parking in the Old Town.
- Reduce the need for parking with an efficient public transport system.
- Encourage the rental of empty homes.
- Dynamize the market and the riu-rau as commercial and cultural spaces.
- Creation of play parks.

## **Economy**

Although we live in a prosperous city, there are too many citizens who do not enjoy a dignified economic condition, perhaps due to the mismanagement and abuse of our resources. To achieve an improvement in this situation, we need to:

- Remunicipalize services to save costs, eliminate intermediary companies and subcontracts, to provide and guarantee more stable and higher quality working conditions.
- Deseasonalise tourism with the promotion of activities related to sports, culture and agriculture. Give more scope and diffusion to the triathlon. Encourage the creation of cooperatives for the use of products from the land. Disseminate the use and exploitation of different renewable energies as a viable economic activity.
- Creation of a quality seal of contracts (I am legal, + than legal, ++ than legal, +++ than legal) to distinguish the many companies that do offer legal working conditions (or more than just legal), so that consumers can choose between responsible companies and exploitative companies.
- Promote UTEs (Temporary Union of Companies) in major construction work, which will introduce a coefficient of repercussion in the local economy. In this way, the union of small businesses can opt for large contracts.

## Tourism

As tourism is the engine of our economy, it is essential to work on it to achieve a balance in our general economy. Therefore we propose:

- Create and promote a network of roads (interurban network) to travel around Javea and La Marina walking and cycling, with rest points at strategic points.
- Control of tourist rentals (IBI).
- Encourage guided visits to the Old Town with tastings included.
- Deseasonalize tourism by promoting activities related to sport, culture and agriculture.
- Introduction of an Ecotax of 1 euro per person per day to mitigate the negative effects of mass tourism.

With this catalogue of measures we are sure to be able to build a modern, exciting and integrating Javea. A Javea that protects its environment, its traditions and its people. A Javea that breathes, lives and works.

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