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### Government plants over 60 new trees

In line with the Government's commitment to enhance greenery in Gibraltar, the Ministry for the Environment has been carrying out works to provide more trees around Gibraltar.

So far, sixty five trees and many shrubs have been planted around Gibraltar since the 9th of December 2011. The species used are a mix of Mediterranean and exotic species, helping both to beautify urban areas with ornamentals and increase their biodiversity value with native species. There are still a number of trees to be planted to complete the project, taking the number close to one hundred new trees.

Some areas where planting has already taken place are:

- Glacis Estate – twenty three Leyland Cypress (*Cupressus leylandii*)
- Waterport, opposite Bahia bar – two White Silk Floss Trees (*Ceiba insignis*)
- Rosia road - eleven Rosewood trees (*Tipuana tipu*)
- Queensway car park – one Tamarisk (*Tamarix gallica*)
- Small flowerbed opposite Ocean Village – one Weeping Figs (*Ficus benjamina*)
- Lower Red Sands Estate – four English Oaks (*Quercus robur*)
- Gun embrasures Waterport – ten Holm Oaks (*Quercus ilex*)
- Laguna Estate – four Pyramid Trees (*Lagunaria patersonia*)
- Edinburgh Estate – three False Acacia (*Robinia pseudoacacia*)
- Outside St Bernard's Hospital – four Monterey Cypress (*Cupressus macrocarpa*)
- Bishop Fitzgerald car park – one Council Tree (*Ficus altissima*)
- Saluting Battery – one Chinese Poplar (*Populus simonii*)
- Isle at Evacuation Roundabout – Hawthorn Tree (*Crataegus Monogyna*)

It is Government's aim to make Gibraltar a more pleasant place to live and work by providing more greenery, as well as reducing Gibraltar's carbon footprint, which this programme helps with. The aim will continue to be to introduce as much greenery as possible whenever possible.