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### More Amenities for the Macaques

The Minister for the Environment today unveiled the works that have recently been carried out in selected areas of the Gibraltar Nature Reserve to improve access to freshwater resources and foraging habitat for Gibraltar's macaques along with other wildlife in the reserve. The works include the clearing of undergrowth to increase foraging grounds, the provision of shaded feeding areas as well as the creation of five natural ponds in key sites within the reserve at Apes' Den, Prince Phillip's Arch, Middle Hill, Royal Anglian Way and Rock Gun.

The measures form part of the wider Macaque Management Plan that will be published later this year and are intended to improve the macaques' natural foraging behaviour whilst at the same time reducing the chances of the animals venturing into urban areas. Increased resources have also been provided to the Macaque Management Team to help implement these measures as well as encouraging the macaques to forage within the Gibraltar Nature Reserve.