

## **Zurgena - Los Llanos de Perle**

AUAN, February 28th 2008

The AUAN has confirmed that residents of Los Llanos de Perle in Zurgena have received letters from their council advising them that the Junta has referred the cases of the legality of their homes to the courts. Zurgena council has stated that it is 100% confident that the Juntas' cases will not be successful and further claims that the action is politically motivated.

Jim Simpson (Zurgena councillor) is keeping his constituents informed on his [blog](#).

## **Albox - 11 illegal properties threatened with demolition**

As reported by Richard Torné, Costa Almería News, February 2008

There are currently 11 illegal properties in Albox belonging to expats which are threatened with demolition, and although 10 of these are temporarily safe due to court appeals, the mayor of the town, José Navarro, said he was “very concerned” about one home in particular, adding that it could be demolished at any time because “virtually all appeals have been exhausted”.

Speaking to Costa Almería News, Sr Navarro also revealed that all the properties in question were given the necessary permits by the previous council administration, adding that the circumstances were very similar to those which resulted in the demolition of the Priors' home a month ago.

## **Nationwide**

AUN, Weekly Report 29.02.2008

High charges on owners of illegal houses in Catral

Owners of illegal houses in the Municipality of Catral have been asked to pay up to 5 Euros per square meter per building as a contribution to the new urban plan which may legalize their homes. Additional charges can also be expected when the infrastructure is provided. The Regional Government has so far started proceedings against 148 owners and is demanding the demolition of 34 houses.

## **Gata town hall finish urbanization**

The Municipality of Gata (Alicante) has decided to complete the lacking infrastructure in the 'Gata Residencial' development. They will use the guarantees paid by the bankrupt promoter to provide the 740 bungalows with drainage, street lighting and pavements.

## **Arrested for selling farm land as building plots**

The Guardia Civil have arrested a man who bought 3 pieces of farm land in Benicarlo (Castellon) which he subdivided into 39 plots of 400 meters, advertised them as building plots and sold, mainly to Germans, making a profit of 400,000 Euro.

## **The Costa Dream that Turned Sour**

As reported by Paul Hamilos, [The Guardian, February 6th 2008](#)