

GERMANS IN MALLORCA

German residents of dream settlement in Mallorca: "Our road has been washed away and no one is doing anything"

His president of the residents' association repeatedly called on the municipal administration to do remediation work. Then she acted herself ...



The president of the neighborhood association of Costa de Canyamel, Eva Jung-Gohlke, calls for repair work on the roads of the settlement | Photo: private



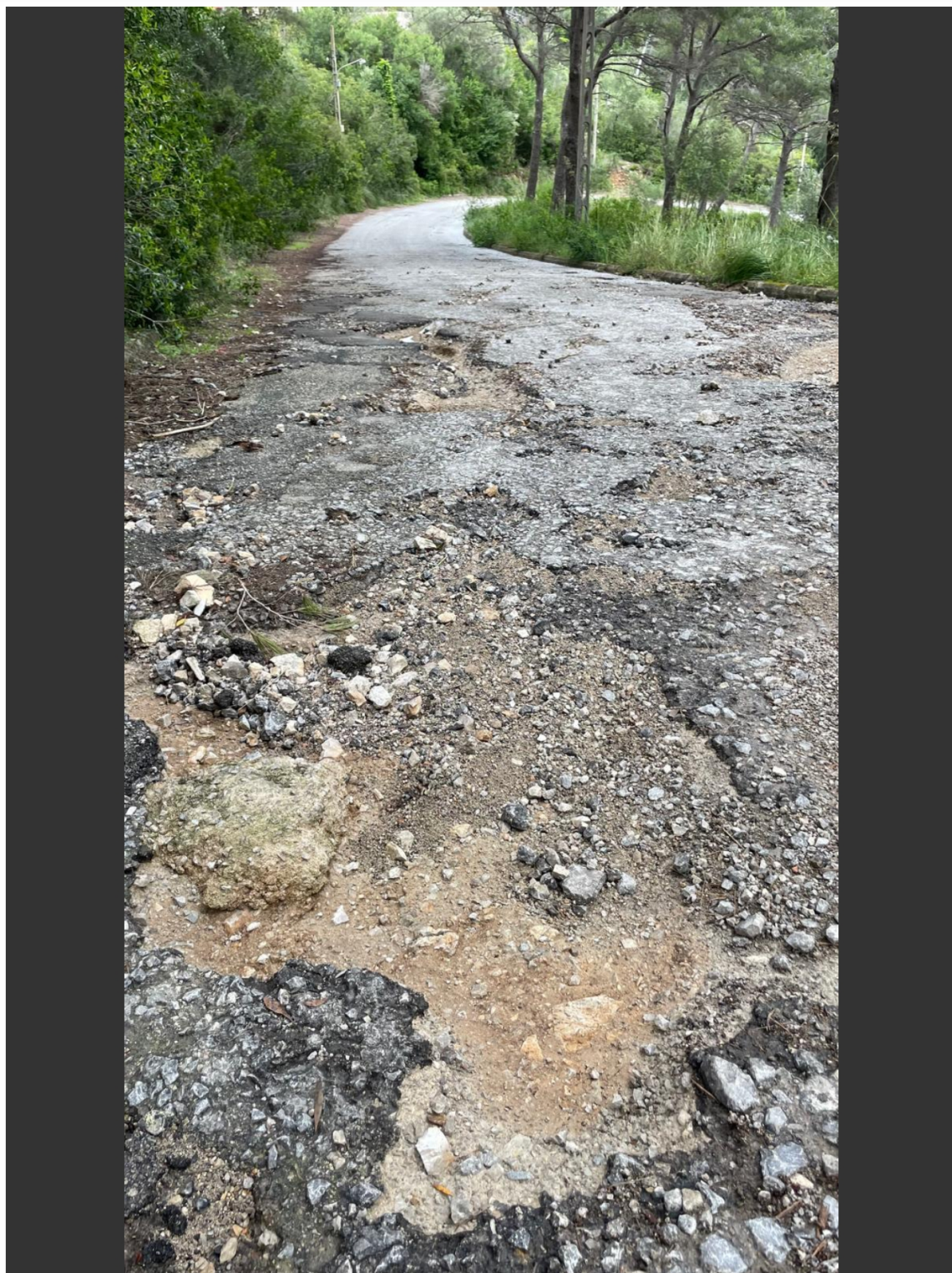
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A German MM reader and president of the neighborhood association of the settlement Costa de **Canyamel** (ASO) of the municipality of **Capdepera** in Mallorca, Eva Jung-Gohlke, drew attention to considerable road damage in the settlement area. "Potholes up to 25 centimeters deep and road flushing have formed in the streets," says Jung-Gohlke. Several requests by the association to the municipal administration to repair the roads have not been met so far. **"Only once did we take money into our own hands and commission a road construction company with repair work."**

The urbanization Costa de Canyamel in the municipality of Capdepera extends near the coast over a mountain range. It has an extension of 100 hectares and has more than 700 plots of land. "Since the heavy rains of the 15th. October 2023, the Vía Muntanya is very damaged," says a request for repair work that Jung-Gohlke submitted to the town hall in September 2024.

The said road runs down the mountain to the coast and at its upper end was the central garbage dump of the settlement. **After the storm, the police temporarily closed the road and in the meantime the containers of the collection point were removed because the garbage trucks could no longer reach the place because of the damage to the subsoil.**



An example of the state of the roads in the settlement Costa de Canyamel near Capdepera.

"For some time now, the **residents** of Costa de Canyamel have been calling on the municipality to comply with their duty of care and to repair at least the worst danger points, but there is no reaction," says MM reader and association president Eva Jung-Gohlke. **After Easter 2024, the residents' community therefore decided to commission and finance the renovation from the local road construction company on its own initiative.**

More than 91 tons of asphalt were applied. The costs for the asphalt and the work carried out amounted to an average five-digit amount and the ASO deducted from membership fees and donations. In addition, the association had to pay an amount of several hundred euros to the municipality for the permit to renovate the public roads. Further repair measures that the ASO is willing to have carried out are not allowed, according to their lawyer.

MM asked the municipal administration of Capdepera for a statement on the matter. "At present, some essential services such as sidewalks, street lighting, drinking water supply and, above all, sewerage, are not yet available in the area. This means that the plots cannot receive the status of building plots," said the municipal councilor for estate, contracts, roads and construction work, Núria Garcia i Caballeria.

"It is important to point out that the municipal council cannot take direct action in this area until this situation is settled and no progress is made towards full consolidation. However, work is being done to find a solution that provides Costa de Canyamel with the necessary services."