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Hoteliers welcome the exodus of “yob” tourism from Magalluf

China, Britain just good friends, says Premier

CHINESE President Xi Jinping lauded the close ties with Britain during a speech to the Westminster parliament yesterday, saying the two countries were increasingly interdependent.

“It is fair to say that China and the UK are increasingly interdependent and are becoming a community of shared interests,” he said in a speech on the first full day of his state visit to London.

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THE President of the Palmanova and Magalluf hotel association, Sebastian Darder, said yesterday that Magalluf had said farewell to the so-called “yob tourism” and was now welcoming far more families to the resort.

Quoting official figures Darder said that there had been a three percent increase in family tourism and a 2.6 percent fall in youth tourism. “We have turned a corner,” Darder said, adding that there had been a major reduction in the number of incidents. He went on to say that while British tourism was still the principal market there had been a decline and Magal-



The Mayor of Calvia, Alfonso Rodriguez, with the Palmanova and Magalluf hoteliers yesterday.

luf was now welcoming a growing number of other nationalities. The Mayor of Calvia, Alfonso Rodriguez, said that he was confident that “the bad old days of Magalluf were over” and the resort could look forward to a bright future.

Rodriguez will be heading to London today to champion the new look Magalluf and hold talks with the British travel industry ahead of the World Travel Market fair in London at the start of next month. The *Bulletin* is producing a 40 page extra on the new look Magalluf, a full local what’s on guide and an insight into local cuisine which will be distributed at the fair.