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## **Website for Jersey's green lizard project**

A new website has been launched to raise awareness about Jersey's endangered green lizard. [www.greenlizard.org.je](http://www.greenlizard.org.je) aims to get Islanders more involved in the protection of this indigenous species.

The website has been created through a partnership between Walkers law firm and the Jersey Amphibian and Reptile Group (JARG) to promote the conservation of the Island's green lizard population. It will provide an educational resource, with regular updates and information about ways in which people can get involved, including tips on identifying green lizards and the best places to find them. The website also has an area where people can record sightings of green lizards and upload photos.

Advocate Julie Melia, Managing Partner of Walkers, said: "As the first champions of the Environment Division's Green Lizard Bio-Diversity Action Plan, we decided to set up the Green Lizard Project to raise money and to prevent further decline to Jersey's lizard population.

"I'm delighted at the progress the project has made and I hope the website proves to be a useful resource for Islanders wanting to find out more about the protection of this species."

Walkers launched the Green Lizard Project last November when they produced 300 toy lizards to be sold to raise money for JARG. More than £1,300 has so far

been raised through the sale of the toys at Les Ormes, Durrell, Discovery Pier, Kempt Tower and Hallmark Card shops around the Island.

The Green Lizard Project supports the work of JARG who are **an independent and non-profit group who conserve through study and direct action, the native reptiles and amphibians of Jersey.**

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**Notes to Editors:**

Two photos of green lizards are attached. Please note they are named with the person to whom the image should be credited to.

For more information or to arrange an interview, please contact Ana Carvalho on 01534 735253 or email: [ana@directinput.je](mailto:ana@directinput.je)

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