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Mr. Michael Moynihan, T.D.,
Dáil Éireann,
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PQ ref 33220/19

“To ask the Minister for Health the status of the progress of the establishment of a primary care centre in Millstreet, County Cork; and if he will make a statement on the matter.”

Dear Deputy Moynihan,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question, which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

The stages involved in the development of a Primary Care Centre from inception to opening are as follows:


1. Expressions of interest sought
2. Applications assessed
3. Application to HSE Property Committee to approve
4. Letter of intent to proceed issued
5. Planning permission sought
6. Legal agreements finalised
7. Consultation with staff re layout
8. Build commences
9. Handover to HSE
10. Commissioning i.e. equipping, services, IT etc.
11. Phased opening

HSE Estates advertised in national newspapers on May 3rd 2019, inviting expressions of interest (Stage 1) for a number of Primary Care Centres including Millstreet. All bids received further to this advertisement including those for Millstreet will follow a standard assessment process. Should a bid of an acceptable level be received the Estates Department of the HSE will engage with the proposed developer as outlined in the steps above.

The development of all primary care centres is subject to GP commitment and completion of the build to HSE specification

If I can be of any further assistance please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,



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