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Mr. Fergus O'Dowd, TD, Dail Eireann, Leinster House, Kildare Street Dublin 2

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PQ 53782/23* To ask the Minister for Health for an update on the site plan at the St. Mary's hospital in Drogheda, including more detailed plans of the proposed enhanced community care facility; and if he will make a statement on the matter. - Fergus O'Dowd

Dear Deputy O'Dowd,

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. Due to the recent industrial action by management and administrative grade staff in Forsa union in the HSE, there were delays in the processing and answering of Parliamentary Questions. We apologise for any inconvenience this may have caused.

The HSE has relocated the residents from the existing Boyneview House at St Mary's Hospital, Drogheda to the new 30 Bed Facility that has recently been delivered on the hospital campus.

Design work is underway to convert this recently vacated long stay residential unit, Boyneview House into an Enhanced Community Care (ECC) facility to serve the people of South Louth.



An application for planning permission has been lodged with Louth County Council for a change of use for this property to be converted to a new ECC facility. Subject to a decision to grant planning permission, a tender will issue with an anticipated timeline of a contractor being appointed to complete the full refurbishment and upgrade works later in 2024.

Yours sincerely

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