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**PQ ref 55864/23\* To ask the Minister for Health the progress to date in providing new and additional health care facilities (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter.**

Dear Deputy Smith,

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.

I refer to the above parliamentary question regarding the progress to date in providing new and additional health care facilities.

#### **Ballyconnell**

There are currently plans to develop a new Primary Care Centre in Ballyconnell on the HSE grounds beside the existing health centre. HSE Capital & Estates have recently appointed a design team and will be commencing the preliminary design stage in Q2 2024.

#### **Virginia**

Virginia Primary Care Centre is been proposed to be delivered via the Operational Lease Model. Following the completion of the tendering process, HSE Capital & Estates have identified a preferred provider and are currently at the early stages of the preliminary design process.

#### **Cavan Town**

The development of the Primary Care Children's Centre in Cavan Town is currently on site with construction works expected to be complete in Q2 2024.

Yours sincerely,

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