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Mr. Brian Stanley, T.D., Dáil Éireann Leinster House Dublin 2

Re PQ 15956/24

To ask the Minister for Health for an update on the plans for the Erkina House, HSE mental health residence in Rathdowney, County Laois; his plans on the refurbishment and the upgrade of the facility; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

-Brian Stanley

Dear Deputy Stanley

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.

I wish to advise that no decision has been made to date regarding the future of Erkina House.

I trust the above is in order but please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any further queries in this regard.

Yours sincerely,

Claire Donnelly

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