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Deputy Thomas Gould, T.D.,
Dáil Éireann
Dublin 2

PQ ref 8455/24:

"To ask the Minister for Health when the proposed nursing home in a facility (details supplied) will be open."

Details Supplied: Blarney Hotel and Golf Resort

Dear Deputy Gould,

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 former Blarney Golf and Leisure Resort was acquired by the HSE in 2021 to provide 50 Community beds which will deliver high quality care and enhance capacity in the region.

Conversion of the hotel into a healthcare facility has been ongoing since the property was acquired and the project is substantially completed with the unit at commissioning stage. Workforce planning is underway to ensure adequate staffing ratios and optimal delivery of care.

As this property has not functioned as a public healthcare facility in the past, the HIQA registration process is comprehensive and significant inputs are required in order to ensure that the unit achieves compliance when inspected by the Regulator.

In addition, planners at Cork City Council have issued a request to the HSE for further information in relation to this development. Therefore at this stage it is not possible to confirm a date for opening of beds within the unit.

I trust this clarifies the position. If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

Jackie Daly
Head of Service for Older People

