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**PQ 29591/24**

**To ask the Minister for Health the total number of staff carpark spaces available at University Hospital Limerick for each year from 2014 to 2024 to date, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Pearse Doherty**

Dear Deputy Doherty,

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.

Please see below the number of staff car parking spaces available at University Hospital Limerick for the years requested:

<b>Year</b>	<b>Staff car parking spaces UHL</b>
2014	860
2015	860
2016	860
2017	860
2018	860
2019	860
2020	860
2021	816
2022	816
2023	816
2024	806

Parking for staff is a major challenge for any public service body, and we continue to provide significant staff parking facilities onsite at UHL and the further measures set out below to meet additional demand for parking and to provide more sustainable transport solutions.

We also provide three off-site staff parking locations served by a daily park-and-ride bus service. These sites which provide an additional 180 car parking spaces, open 7am-9pm, chiefly facilitate our clinical staff whose working days are rostered between 8am and 8pm, as well as administrative staff who wish to avail of the service.

The pressure on parking capacity at UHL has been further alleviated in recent times by the relocation of significant numbers of administrative staff to sites in Raheen Business Park.

We have also endeavoured to facilitate staff who wish to cycle to UHL by providing six secure bicycle bays onsite, with one further bay in planning. We are also in early stage discussions with Limerick City and County Council around the provision of a bike rental service in collaboration with Transport for Ireland.

I trust this clarifies the position, please contact me if you have any further queries.

**Yours sincerely,**



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