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Mr Duncan Smith, TD Dail Eireann, Leinster House, Kildare Street Dublin 2

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PQ 27170/24* To ask the Minister for Health the nature of refurbishment works that were carried out at Kilcreene Orthopaedic Hospital, Kilkenny, in 2023 and to date in 2024, in tabular form. -Duncan Smith

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.

HSE Capital & Estates completed the following refurbishment works at Kilcreene Orthopaedic Hospital in 2023.

Project	Details	Cost (incl VAT)
Car Park	Upgrade of car park lighting at Kilcreene Hospital. This project included the re-lamping or replacing of 37 external light fittings with LED types, resulting in annual electricity savings of 6,693 kWh.	€13,205
Link Corridor	Refurbishment of the Link Corridor at Kilcreene Hospital which connects the orthopaedic wards to the Operating Theatres. Originally constructed in the 1950s, it is a crucial route for transporting patients within the hospital. This project included the replacement of existing wall panels with Part L compliant insulated ones, upgrade of windows and personnel doors to triple-glazed units, and upgrade of the main doors to automated ones with controlled access. The roof was insulated externally, and a fall arrest system was installed, along with new fascia, soffits, and gutters. Internally, a new insulated ceiling and LED light fittings with sensor controls were installed. Leading to an estimated annual energy saving of approximately 60,000 kWh.	€294,170

Both of the projects noted above were funded by the HSE Sustainable Infrastructure Office through the local South East Energy Office budget, part funded through the SEAI Public Sector Energy Programme.

The provision of new additional operating theatre in Kilcreene Orthopaedic Hospital is being progressed this year.

The project brief for the new additional theatre was recently reviewed and finalised with both HSE Capital & Estates and University Hospital Waterford.

Subsequently, the procurement process for a design team has commenced. The first step involves issuing an Expression of Interest, with responses from potential design team consultants expected this week. Once these responses are received and evaluated, it is anticipated that a design team will be appointed by Q4 of 2024.

It will be possible to give a more definitive timeframe for this project when the preliminary design stage for this project is complete.

Yours sincerely

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