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## PQ 19588/24\*To ask the Minister for Health to provide details on the funding allocation for the 97 bed block extension at Wexford General Hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Verona Murphy

Dear Deputy Murphy,

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 project to develop a new 97 bed ward block at Wexford General Hospital is included in the Capital Plan, and funding has been allocated this year to progress it. A design team was appointed in September 2022. The application for planning permission was submitted on 19th December 2023, with the decision of Final Grant of Planning Permission issued on 6th March 2024.

Funding in the HSE Capital Plan has been allocated this year to ensure the timely progression of the development. The detailed design stage of this project is near completion. It is anticipated that a contractor will be appointed this year, with the enabling works (including the multi-storey car park & electrical diversions) associated with the ward block likely to commence on site by year end.



The total project cost will be determined upon completion of the tender process.

Yours sincerely

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