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PQ 23265/24 "To ask the Minister for Children; Equality; Disability; Integration and Youth if he will outline the plans to develop new residential places for persons with a severe disability; and if, in particular, new developments will occur in a body (details supplied)" **Richard Bruton, TD DETAILS SUPPLIED**: St Michaels House

Dear Deputy Bruton,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you with information in the context of the above Parliamentary Question which you submitted for response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

Community Healthcare Organisation Dublin North City and County (CHO DNCC) Disability Service provides significant levels of supports for persons with disabilities in residential care settings and supported independent living accommodation. Residential services comprise the largest part of the budget for disability services in CHO DNCC and we continue to provide these supports for persons with disabilities in appropriate circumstances. It is acknowledged increases in demographics of persons living with a disability, coupled with increases in life expectancy and changing needs, the requests for residential care has increased. CHO DNCC continue to proactively engage with all stakeholders in efforts to respond to the high demand for residential places within available resources which are finite. It is also important to note reside

St Michaels House currently provides a large number of funded residential places to individuals with a Moderate to Severe Intellectual Disability. The development of any additional residential placement is subject to individual business cases outlining the capital and revenue requirements for the service and subject to successful HIQA registration and available resources.

I am pleased to confirm CHO DNCC Disability Services fund new and increased numbers of residential places every year ongoing for persons with disabilities.

I trust this information clarifies this matter for you.

Yours sincerely,

Ms Olive Hanley Head of Service for Disability