

**Deputy Denis Naughten,  
Houses of the Oireachtas,  
Kildare St.,  
Dublin 2.**

10<sup>th</sup> September 2024

**Representation Number:** 34114/24

**Representation Question:** *'To ask the Minister for Health when the new 50 bed ward block will be open at Portiuncula Hospital Ballinasloe'*

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Dear Deputy Naughten,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above parliamentary question.

I wish to advise that the new 50 bedded replacement ward will officially open on the 11<sup>th</sup> September 2024 and the transfer of the existing wards will commence on a phased basis from mid-October 2024.

I trust that this clarifies the situation.

Yours sincerely,



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**Mr. James Keane**  
General Manager