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Mr Paul McAuliffe TD Dáil Éireann Leinster House Kildare Street Dublin 2

Date: 19.09.2024

Re: PQ ref 35449/24 - Breast Cancer Services - Beaumont Hospital

Dear Mr McAuliffe,

To ask the Minister for Health for update on breast cancer services in Beaumont Hospital since 2020. Paul McAuliffe

"It was related to any improvements to the building and overall performance"

#### Symptomatic breast service activity and performance

Breast service activity and performance is reported monthly, quarterly an annually to the National Cancer Control Programme. The following are a selection of the Key Performance Indicators reflecting the activity and access to the symptomatic breast service at Beaumont hospital.

### Symptomatic Breast Service Activity





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#### **Breast Cancer Infrastructure**

The redesign of the symptomatic breast service was in planning for many years to facilitate all aspects of the breast assessment service to come together under one roof to improve the patient journey. In April 2022 Beaumont Breast Centre welcomed its first OPD patients to the Surgical Consulting rooms having opened the Radiology service in mid-March.

On the ground floor there are three mammography rooms (each with tomosynthesis capability) and two breast ultrasound rooms. The middle floor accommodates 8 consulting suites and a counselling room. There are offices for the clinical nurse specialists, clerical staff and data managers on the top floor which also accommodates the Cancer Clinical Trials unit and a boardroom.

The building costs and fit out was funded predominantly through fundraising efforts, with Beaumont Hospital Foundation, Breast Cancer Ireland, "100km in 30 days" and Beaumont Hospital Cancer Trust being the main contributors. The NCCP provided assistance in the form of new posts and mammography equipment. Sponsorship was secured to enhance the patient waiting areas. Crucially the new facility has allowed the symptomatic breast team to move towards a paper light environment thanks to an electronic patient record designed internally.

Yours sincerely

Ms Anne Coyle

Chief Executive Officer



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