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Deputy Darren O'Rourke,
Leinster House,
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Re: PQ 36773/24 - To ask the Minister for Children; Equality; Disability; Integration and Youth further to Parliamentary Question No. 102 of 29 February 2024, where these facilities are located; what capacity they will have in terms of staff and beds, and so on; and if he will make a statement on the matter – Darren O'Rourke

Dear Deputy O'Rourke,

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. I have examined the matter and outlined the position as follows.

HSE Meath Disability Services are delighted to report that sufficient funding was secured to proceed with the tendering process for both the new Children's and Adult Respite services. The tender outcome letters were issued to the successful providers on Thursday 4th July 2024. Contracts have been finalised and issued to providers.

Meath Disability Services are engaging with the successful providers. The tender is for 5 adult beds and 5 children's beds, and I can confirm that Castlewood Children's Respite Service located in Trimble's Town, Trim, Co. Meath opened on Thursday 24th October 2024. The plan is for adult respite services to open in Quarter 1 2025.

This is a fantastic and much needed development for service users and their families which will greatly enhance respite capacity in the County Meath area.

I trust the above is in order but please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any further queries in this regard.

Yours sincerely,

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