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PQ 38097/24* To ask the Minister for Health the current status of the process, and expected delivery time, of the 97 beds for Wexford General Hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Johnny Mythen

Dear Deputy Mythen,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question which you submitted for response.

The new ward block (Somerton Wing) at Wexford General Hospital will provide 97 single rooms all ensuite.

Enabling works including a multi-storey car park & electrical diversions are required in advance of the construction of the ward block. It is envisaged that these enabling works will commence with the construction of the multistorey car park in Q4 2024 with the remaining enabling works due to be completed by Q4 2025. In parallel to the above, the detailed design of the Somerton Wing is well underway and it is expected to go to tender for main contract works in Q2 2025.

Once the contractor is appointed, the estimated construction programme is approximately 24-30 months.

Yours sincerely

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