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Leinster House
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PQ 46278/24*To ask the Minister for Health if he plans to develop an overflow carpark for Galway University Hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter. - Mairéad Farrell

Dear Deputy Farrell,

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.

The HSE is in the process of completing a Development Control Plan (DCP) for the University Hospital Galway Campus which will describe the long term redevelopment needed to meet future healthcare demand. Medium and long term parking requirements on the hospital campus will be considered as part of the Hospital's Development Control Plan and a revised Mobility Management Plan for the Hospital is in the early stages of development.

All future car parking proposals for the campus are being developed to align with the overall strategy set out in the Hospital's Development Control Plan. Overall car parking provision at University Hospital Galway is capped by Galway City Council in the Galway City Development Plan. It is the intention of the HSE to provide the maximum amount of onsite car parking permissible under this plan. The provision of onsite car parking is supplemented by a number of initiatives included in the campus Mobility Management Plan, such as a park and ride service currently operational between the Merlin Park Hospital Campus and the University Hospital Galway Campus.

Yours sincerely

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