

## Private & Confidential

30<sup>th</sup> January 2025

Deputy Michael Cahill Dáil Eireann, Leinster House, Kildare St, Dublin 2

Dear Deputy Cahill,

Ref PQ 46711 :

To ask the Minister for Health the stage of the development of a minor injuries clinic for Killarney to improve health services, including accident and emergency in Kerry as a whole; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Michael Cahill

The above referred Parliamentary Question on various matters at University Hospital Kerry, has been submitted to this office, for response :

## **Response provided by University Hospital Kerry:**

The HSE National Service Plan 2025 sets out Injury Units as a Government priority and includes revenue funding.

We understand from Capital and Estates, that the Kerry Local Injury Unit is proposed to be located in the grounds of St Columbanus, Killarney Co. Kerry. St Columbanus facility is currently in use as a Community Nursing Unit. When the new Killarney CNU is completed (in the grounds of the old St Finan's hospital, Killarney), the residents and staff will transfer to same. Works will then commence on site to develop the Killarney Local Injury unit.

Capital and Estates Department currently anticipate that the works to the Killarney Local Injury Unit will be completed by Q4 2025.

I trust this response is to your satisfaction; should you have any further queries however, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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