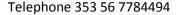
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19th December 2019

Mr. James Browne T.D. Dáil Éireann Leinster House Dublin 2

PQ 51678/19

To ask the Minister for Health the rent paid to date on a building (Arden House Mental Health Centre, Wexford) and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Browne,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question, which was submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

I have reviewed that matter and the following is the current position:

I have received confirmation from HSE Estates that the main capital works required to deliver services at Arden House have been undertaken and were completed in November 2019. The overall works will be required to be signed off pursuant to Health and Safety requirements following which the premises will be available for use by the CAMHS South Wexford Team. To enable HSE to occupy the premises and complete the necessary works, a lease was entered into between the respective parties. I can confirm that rent to the value of €225,000 has been paid in relation to Arden House.

I trust that this is of assistance. Should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact this office.

Yours sincerely,

David Heffernan

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