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Mr. Paul Kehoe T.D.  
Minister with responsibility for Defence  
Dáil Éireann  
Leinster House  
Dublin

**PQ 12446/19**

**To ask the Minister for Health the status of a building project (Arden House Mental Health Centre, Wexford) and if he will make a statement on the matter.**

Dear Minister Kehoe,

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 position:*

The Arden House Project is currently in the tendering phase with the successful contractor expected to commence the renovations of the property by May 2019. The duration of the works is estimated at approximately 8 weeks. There is an additional two weeks built into the schedule for both contingency and occupation with the expected completion of the project for August 2019 - at which point the property should be suitable for service provision.

Should you require any further information in relation to same, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "David Heffernan".

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**David Heffernan**  
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