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PQ 20905/19 * To ask the Minister for Health the status of the development of a primary care centre in Arklow, County Wicklow; and if he will make a statement on the matter. - John Brady

Dear Deputy Brady,

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 proposed Primary Care Centre at Arklow is being developed via the HSE's Operational Lease mechanism. The developer of Arklow Primary Care Centre has just received a full grant of planning and initial design is commencing. HSE Estates are currently discussing timeframes with the developer.

Action Health Enterprises (AHELP) has recently confirmed they are not in a position to progress with the development of the Primary Care Centre in Arklow. The site remains in the ownership of the original property owner and the benefit of the recent grant of planning remains with the site.

The HSE will enter into the agreed form of Agreement for Lease (AFL) for this site with a suitable third party interested in developing the Primary Care Centre. The HSE understands that the owner of the site has agreed Heads of Terms with a new purchaser who is interested in developing the Primary Care Centre. This interested party has contacted the HSE to confirm our intention to lease. The HSE has confirmed our intention to proceed with the Primary Care Centre lease and expects to be in a position to enter into an AFL in the near future.

Yours sincerely,

Jim Curran
Head of Estates