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Deputy Alan Kelly, TD Houses of the Oireachtas Leinster House, Kildare Street, Dublin 2

RE: PQ 46102/19

"To ask the Minister for Health, his plans to build a new nursing home to replace Dean Maxwell Community Nursing Unit and maintain the provision of long-stay beds in Roscrea, County Tipperary; and if he will make a statement on the matter"

Dear Deputy Kelly,

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 committed to the on-going provision of services at Dean Maxwell Community Nursing Unit in Roscrea. In recent times, there has been an on-going programme of improvement works at the facility, such as the provision of additional sanitary facilities for residents, painting and decorating throughout. Future investment is also planned to upgrade some clinical and residents' areas in the unit and it is hoped to progress this next year.

Currently there are no plans developed to provide an alternative new build facility to replace the existing Dean Maxwell facility.

If you require further clarification on the above, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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