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## PQ 42938/19

'To ask the Minister for Health the reason beds in the Sacred Heart Hospital, County Roscommon are being left empty at present despite the general bed crisis nationally; and if he will make a statement on the matter'.

Dear Deputy Fitzmaurice,

I refer to PQ 42938/19 uploaded on the PAD System on 17<sup>th</sup> October 2019 and due for response on 6<sup>th</sup> November 2019 regarding representations that you have made to the Minister for Health concerning 'the reason beds in the Sacred Heart Hospital, County Roscommon are being left empty at present despite the general bed crisis nationally; and if he will make a statement on the matter'. The HSE has been requested to reply directly to you on this matter. The following response outlines the position.

I can confirm that there are two Long Term Care beds currently closed in the Sacred Heart Hospital, Roscommon. These beds are closed for fire safety reasons. There are also two Rehab beds currently closed in the Sacred Heart Hospital. Please be advised that these two Rehab beds come under the clinical governance of the Consultant Geriatrician at Roscommon University Hospital.

Please be advised that there is no one on a waiting list for a Long Term Care bed at present in the Sacred Heart Hospital, Roscommon.

I trust that this response has clarified the matter that you have raised in this instance.

Yours sincerely,

Siobhan O'Sullivan, General Manager,

Community Healthcare West.