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**PQ 40447/20: To ask the Minister for Health the timeline for reopening of the Keltoi facility in the Phoenix Park – Thomas Gould**

Dear Deputy Gould,

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. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

The Keltoi counselling staff are now based in the HSE Stanhope Centre where the Keltoi Aftercare programme had been moved to in advance of the closure. The Keltoi counselling staff continue to provide the appropriate support services at this location.

An external review of the Keltoi Residential Service has recently completed its work and Community Healthcare Organisation – Dublin North City and County (DNCC) are in the process of setting up an implementation team to action the recommendations from the review. At present the Keltoi building provides a specific Social Inclusion response to the management of Covid-19 in an area that cannot be met within other services set up by the HSE. The requirement for the use of Keltoi as a Covid-19 response will be continually reviewed but it is anticipated that Keltoi would be required for the foreseeable future.

The HSE remain committed to enhancing the residential addiction services provided within CHO DNCC, this includes the reopening of the Keltoi facility once it is no longer required as part of the Covid-19 response.

I trust this information is of assistance to you but should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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