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PQ 15009/20 * To ask the Minister for Health the extent to which comparable replacement public hospital bed provision has been provided following the closure of St. Brigid's Hospital, Crooksling; the current or proposed use of the premises and lands at Crooksling; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Bernard J. Durkan

Dear Deputy Durkan,

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 existing HIQA registered beds in St. Brigid's Hospital were decanted to a new purpose built 100 bed community nursing unit in Tymon North.

The HSE owns St. Brigid's Hospital, Crooksling. Under the Protocol for the Intra State Transfer of State Property Assets and the Protocol for the Intra State Sharing of Property Assets, and as advised by the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform (DPER), the HSE has invited expressions of interest from relevant State Bodies/Stakeholders and Local Authorities. The Land Development Agency (LDA) has also been advised. Pending the outcome from this process, the intent would be to dispose of the asset in line with the HSE Property Protocol.

Yours sincerely,

Jim Curran Head of Estates

