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Ms. Louise O'Reilly, TD, Dail Eireann, Leinster House, Kildare Street Dublin 2

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PQ 18011/20 * To ask the Minister for Health the cost of construction of a temporary modular surgical theatre similar to that planned for Merlin Park Hospital; the lifespan of such a modular theatre; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Louise O'Reilly

Dear Deputy O'Reilly,

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 Orthopaedic Theatres for Merlin Park University Hospital will now be a traditional build rather than a modular build.

A planning application has been submitted to the planning authority regularising this change and other minor changes. The Fire Safety Certificate and Disability Access Certificate have been submitted on the basis of a traditional build.

The capital allocation for this project is €9.6m. The unit when constructed will have a GFA of 1026sq.m.

The project is currently cash flowed to commence construction in Q1 2021, subject to availability of funding.

Yours sincerely,

Jim Curran

National Director, Estates

