

Oifig an tUas. Pat Bennett, Príomhoifigeach, Eagraíocht Cúram Sláinte Pobail, Lár Tíre, An Lú, An Mhí Feidhmeannacht na Seirbhíse Sláinte, Oifig Cheantair, Bóthar Ardáin, An Tulach Mhór, Co. Uíbh Fhailí. **t: 057 9359787/774 *D:** CHO8@hse.ie Office of Mr. Pat Bennett, Chief Officer, Midlands Louth Meath Community Health Organisation, Health Service Executive, Area Office, Arden Road, Tullamore, Co. Offaly **(: 057 9359787/774 *D:** CHO8@hse.ie

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Mr. Brian Stanley T.D., Dáil Eireann, Leinster House, Kildare Street, Dublin 2.

Re: Parliamentary Question - 10045/20

To ask the Minister for Health the progress made to date in the provision of primary care centres in counties Laois and Offaly; and his plans to provide them in each municipal district of the two counties - Brian Stanley.

Dear Deputy Stanley,

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.

Following consultation with relevant colleagues I outline requested details of Primary Care Centres in Laois/Offaly in below table:

Location	Project Summary	Current Status	Completion Date
Offaly			
Tullamore	New PCC on greenfield site delivered as operational lease model	Project complete and facility operational	Q3 2018
Banagher	New PCC on greenfield site to be delivered as operational lease model	Project currently at construction stage; Expected completion date adjusted due to COVID 19 shutdown	Q1 2021
Birr	New PCC to be developed	Part of recent national advertisement seeking expressions of interest. Ongoing discussions taking place with Offaly Co Co & GPs in relation to site in Birr	ТВС
Edenderry	New PCC to be developed	Part of recent national advertisement seeking expressions of interest to provide PCCs. Review of site currently in progress	ТВС

Laois				
Portlaoise, Co Laois	New PCC to be developed on greenfield site on the grounds of St Fintan's Hospital: SOA & operational Brief agreed.	On capital Plan. Design Team to be appointed Q3/4 2020	ТВС	
Rathdowney, Co Laois	New PCC on greenfield site to be delivered as operational lease model	Part of recent national advertisement seeking expressions of interest to provide PCCs in various locations across the country. Stage 3 letter to be issued to qualifying developers in coming weeks	TBC	
Portarlington, Co Laois	Phase 1 - New PCC on brownfield site delivered as operational lease model Phase 2 - Development of GF of existing PCC for Tusla services	Phase 2 - Plans being reviewed with Service. Legals being worked through with both parties. Programme for works to issue/ Statutory applications in progress.	Phase 1 - Q3 2011 Phase 2 - TBC	
Mountmellick, Co Laois	New PCC on greenfield site delivered as operational lease model	Project complete and facility operational	Q3 2011	

Notes * PCC = Primary Care Centre

I trust the above is in order and please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any further queries in this regard.

Yours sincerely, Pat Bernet

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