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Mr Brendan Smith T.D.,
Dáil Éireann,
Leinster House,
Kildare Street,
Dublin 2.

Re: PQ ref 3758/20 - To ask the Minister for Health if additional respite places for children and adults will be provided in counties Cavan and Monaghan in 2020; and if he will make a statement on the matter. - Brendan Smith - DSPQ19079(20)

Dear Deputy Smith,

I refer to your recent correspondence in relation to the provision of additional respite places for children and adults in counties Cavan and Monaghan in 2020. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position;

I can advise that there was no respite service provided in Annalee View Respite Centre Cavan and Monaghan in 2019 due to the closure as a result of an environmental issue. Alternative supports were put in place such as day respite and additional home support.

As a result of the closure of Annalee View Respite Centre, Killygowan Respite Centre opened on 17th February 2020. To date 14 children have been taken off the waiting list for respite and 12 introductions to the respite service have been made. It is planned to introduce a further 8 children from the waiting list in June 2020.

Killygowan will be operating on a child/adult alternate week basis. Approximately 65 adults and 30 children will avail of this respite service throughout 2020. With regards to additional respite, families are supported as and when requested on an individual basis.

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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