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Deputy Jackie Cahill, 8-9 Parnell Street, Thurles, Co. Tipperary.

RE:

PQ 33486/20

To ask the Minister for Health if funding will be made available for a facility owned by an organisation (details supplied) that provides a range of necessary community-based services to allow for necessary works to be carried out in order to make the facility fully operational; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Down Syndrome Ireland, Thurles, Co. Tipperary.

Dear Deputy Cahill,

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.

I wish to advise you that HSE Mid West Community Healthcare does provide funding to Down Syndrome, Limerick through a Grant Aid Agreement which is specifically a Limerick service.

My understanding is that the house in Thurles, Co. Tipperary is owned by Down Syndrome Ireland and is in need of refurbishment. I regret to inform you that the HSE does not have a budget to fund the refurbishment cost of houses in the community.

I trust this clarifies the situation but should you require any further information or clarification in this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

Maurice Hoare

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