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PQ 35367/20: To ask the Minister for Health when a service (details supplied) will resume; and if he will make a statement on the matter. – David Cullinane

DETAILS: Keltoi Rehabilitation Unit. This is a Rehab Unit operating from the Phoenix Park in Dublin. It was closed during the first phase of the pandemic to be used for COVID related activities but was never reopened.

Dear Deputy Cullinane,

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.

At present the Keltoi building provides a specific Social Inclusion response to the management of Covid-19 in the area that cannot be met within other services that have been set up by the HSE. The requirement for the use of Keltoi as a Covid-19 response will be continually reviewed but it is anticipated that Keltoi would be required for the foreseeable future.

The Keltoi counselling staff are now based in the HSE Stanhope Centre, where the Keltoi Aftercare programme had been moved to in advance of the closure where they continue to provide the appropriate support services.

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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