

18th November 2020

Deputy Pdraig O'Sullivan,
Dáil Éireann,
Dublin 2

PQ Number: 36458 / 20

"To ask the Minister for Health the status of the feasibility study on St. Stephen's Hospital, Glanmire, County Cork; and if he will make a statement on the matter."

Dear Deputy O'Sullivan,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question, which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

As you will be aware, the Health Service Executive has and continues to prioritise its attention to responding to the current and emerging crisis arising from the spread of Covid 19 internationally and in Ireland. As the situation evolved both nationally and internationally considerable work has been underway and continues across all parts of the health system.

For that reason, I can confirm that this project was paused with the onset of the coronavirus global pandemic. The service is hopeful that it will be in a position to recommence in 2021 however I am unable to confirm a date due to the uncertainty around Covid.

I trust this clarifies the query raised.

Kind regards,



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