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Mr. Mattie McGrath T.D. Dail Eireann Leinster House Dublin 2

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To ask the Minister for Health the status of the development of a mental health crisis house at a location (Glenconnor, Clonmel, Co. Tipperary); the date on which this development will go to tender; the cost of this development; if the funds have been allocated; the date on which the crisis house will open; the number of patients the facility will accommodate; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy McGrath,

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

I have reviewed the matter and the following is the current position.

1. The status of the development of a mental health crisis house at a location;

The enabling works which involves the new road, diverting electrical and building services and clearing the site for the Crisis House is well underway. It is expected that this work should be sufficiently completed in January 2021 to allow the main Crisis House project work to commence.

2. Date on which this development will go to tender;

It is expected that this project will go to tender before the end of the year.

3. Cost of this development;

The estimated figure of €1.75m for 2021 and a further €300k in 2022, figures will be subject to review.

4. If the funds have been allocated;

The funding has been allocated.

5. The date on which the crisis house will open;

Estimated opening date is March 2022

6. Number of patients the facility will accommodate;

The facility will accommodate 10 patients.

I trust this information is of assistance to you. Should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

David Heffernan,

Head of Mental Health Services, South East Community Healthcare