

13th October 2020

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

Re: Forwarded PQ ref 30362/20 - DSREP19142(22) - Bóthar Oiriaila Group Home, Carrickmacross, Co Monaghan - B Smith

Details

RESIDENTIAL GROUP HOME FOR PERSONS WITH A DISABILITY AT CARRICKMACROSS, CO MONAGHAN

To ask the Minister for Health if services will commence at an early date at a proposed health facility (details supplied); if the centre will be operational at an early date in view of the need to provide services in the area; and if he will make a statement on the matter. – B Smith

Dear Deputy Smith,

I refer to your recent correspondence in relation to Bóthar Oiriaila Group Home, the residential Group Home for persons with a disability at Carrickmacross, Co. Monaghan, I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position;

I can advise that Bothar Oiriaila Group Home, Carrickmacross, Co. Monaghan developed by Respond Housing Agency will provide five residential placements to people with a physical and sensory disability. The HSE provides supports and services within the context of the National Service Plan and within a defined budget allocation. The funding required to operate this Group Home is not within our current budget allocation. Carrickmacross Group Home has been included in the HSE Estimates process for 2021. A letter of determination leads to the standard process around agreeing what will be included in the National Service Plan for 2021 and this process takes place between the Department of Health and the HSE.

The Group Home required completion of remedial works which have been identified and costed. Due to the impact of COVID-19 on Property Management and Estates Department these remain outstanding, however, the works have been identified for consideration.

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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