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Deputy Cathal Crowe 4 Francis St. Ennis Co. Clare

Re: PQ Ref: 32247/20 - Primary Health Centres in Co. Clare

Dear Deputy Crowe,

I refer to your Parliamentary Question in relation to the above: "To ask the Minister for Health the status of planned Primary Health Centres in Co. Clare".

I can confirm that there are a number of Primary Care Centres at various stages of development in Co. Clare. The various accommodation requirements are being delivered by the HSE's Estates Division under an Operational Lease Model.

Two new Primary Care Centres are planned for Ennis, Co. Clare. Enabling works are underway on site in respect of the planned Station Road facility and it is hoped that this new Primary Care facility will become operational in early 2022. In relation to the Tulla Road site, where it is intended that the second Primary Care Centre would be located, the issue of planning is with An Bord Pléanala (Stage 1). The design has been completed and the planning pack submitted.

Planning permission is in place for a proposed Primary Care Centre facility in Sixmilebridge. The developer received a positive decision in regard to their appeal to An Bord Pléanala on the 12th February, 2020. The developer is currently working to conclude outstanding matters and it is hoped that all will be in order to commence construction works in the coming months.

The HSE's Estates Division has recently received a number of Priced Offer Submissions in respect of Primary Care accommodation requirements in Ennistymon which will now need to be evaluated.

Finally, a number of potential sites have been shortlisted in the Kilrush area and a review of accommodation requirements for the area is currently being undertaken.

I trust this information addresses the issues raised in your representation.

Yours sincerely,

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