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PQ 24098/20 \* To ask the Minister for Health the extent to which consideration is being given to the provision of alternative community-based health facilities or accommodation at St. Bridget's Hospital, Crooksling; and if he will make a statement on the matter. - Bernard J. Durkan

Dear Deputy Durkan,

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.

The existing HIQA registered beds in St. Brigid's Hospital were decanted to a new purpose-built 100 bed Community Nursing Unit (CNU) in Tymon North. Under the Protocol for the Intra State Transfer of State Property Assets and the Protocol for the Intra State Sharing of Property Assets, and as advised by the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform (DPER), the HSE invited expressions of interest from relevant State Bodies/Stakeholders and Local Authorities. The Land Development Agency (LDA) was also advised. This process has concluded and the HSE intend to dispose of the asset with an appointed agent in line with the HSE Property Protocol.

Yours sincerely,

Jim Curran

**National Director Estates** 

