

10<sup>th</sup> May, 2021

Mr. Sean Fleming T.D., Minister of State, Dept of Finance, Dáil Eireann, Leinster House, Kildare Street, Dublin 2. Oifig an Príomhoifigeach, Eagraíocht Cúram Sláinte Pobail, Lár Tíre, An Lú, An Mhí Feidhmeannacht na Seirbhíse Sláinte, Oifig Cheantair, Bóthar Ardáin, An Tulach Mhór, Co. Uíbh Fhailí.

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Re: Parliamentary Question - 18404/21

To ask the Minister for Health the position regarding approval for a project (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Sean Fleming

(Details) - New Primary Care Centre in Rathdowney, Co. Laois

Dear Minister Fleming,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question which you recently submitted to the Minister for Health for response, In advance of preparing this response I have liaised with the relevant Service Manager.

Detailed costed submissions were sought from the qualifying developers for Stage 3 of the Rathdowney Primary Care Centre Expression of Interest process. Upon review of the said submissions none of the submissions received were deemed economically viable. The HSE is currently reviewing the next steps in terms of progressing the project.

I trust the above is in order but please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any further queries in this regard.

Yours sincerely,

Des O'Flynn Chief Officer

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