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To ask the Minister for Health the status of the construction of the two orthopaedic theatres with ancillary accommodation for the provision of elective procedures in Merlin Park University Hospital; if he expects construction to be complete by the end of 2021 as previously planned; and if he will make a statement on the matter. Catherine Connolly

Dear Deputy Connolly,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply to you directly in the context of the request for information referenced above, the following outlines the situation

Construction work commenced 8th March 2021 on the building of 2 Orthopaedic theatres with the necessary ancillary accomodation.

The anticipated building works completion timeline is the end of Q1 2022 and we are awaiting a timeline update from Estates as the impact of Brexit has resulted in materials supply delays.
We will keep same under review.

I trust this clarifies the matter.

Yours sincerely,



Chris Kane
General Manager
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