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PQ 59605/21*To ask the Minister for Health the timeframe for the opening of Swords primary care centre; if he is giving consideration to directly employing general practitioners in this facility; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Louise O'Reilly

Dear Deputy O'Reilly,

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 Swords Primary Care Centre is being delivered via the HSE's Primary Care Centre Operational Lease mechanism. Swords was included on the latest National advertisement seeking expressions of interest from third Parties in the Provision of Primary Care Centre via Operational Leases.

The HSE recently sought final submissions from the interested parties that met all qualifying criteria. This selection process is complete.

The Primary Care Centre Operational Lease arrangement is conditional on GP's also operating from the Primary Care Centre, the onus is on the developer to ensure the presence of GP's. The lease cost for the GP space is not paid for by the HSE. The minimum number of GPs required for Swords Primary Care Centre is 5 and I can confirm this requirement has been provided by the developer selected.

In line with HSE project approval procedures a submission for Swords Primary Care Centre will be considered by the HSE Board at its meeting in January 2022.

Yours sincerely,

Jim Curran
National Director,
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