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Mr Joe Carey TD,  
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RE: PQ 60903/21

**\* To ask the Minister for Health if he will report on works to provide a new local injuries unit at Ennis General Hospital; when the additional staff necessary to run this new facility will be recruited; when he expects that it will come into operation; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Joe Carey**

Dear Deputy Carey,


The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Questions which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

The new Injury Unit in Ennis Hospital was handed over to the HSE on the 15<sup>th</sup> December 2021. We are awaiting the delivery of new equipment such as IT infrastructure and trolleys to support this unit. In relation to staffing, I am pleased to let you know that the workforce from the existing Injury Unit will adequately staff this new facility. There are currently some support staff deficits such as hygiene attendants which are being addressed.

It is envisaged that the new Injury Unit will become operational in Q1 2022, this will dependent on the arrival of the new equipment.

I trust this clarifies the position, please contact me if you have any further queries.

Yours sincerely,



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**Chief Executive Officer**  
**UL Hospitals Group**