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PQ 60904/21\* To ask the Minister for Health the status of the provision of a new community hospital for Ennis, County Clare; 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 Question which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

The HSE have sale agreed lands comprising 5.09 acres at Diocesan lands located near the Turnpike in Ennis, Co. Clare for the new 100 bed community nursing unit. The sale of the site is subject to planning permission for the development of a Community Nursing Unit.

The Project will see a new state-of-the-art facility providing a 100 bed HIQA Compliant Community Nursing Unit for long stay residents including 88 single, 4 twin rooms and 4 palliative care facilities. A full design team were appointed in March 2021 following a tender and evaluation process. The design team have been developing the scheme for the new development and engaging with stakeholders.

The HSE are intending to lodge a planning permission application in quarter 1 2022. The funding associated with the design fees for the project are prioritised within the capital plan for 2022.

Yours sincerely.

National Director, Capital & Estates