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PQ 11949/21 * To ask the Minister for Health when construction works on the new accident and emergency department at Mayo University Hospital will commence; the reason for the delay in commencement; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -David Cullinane

Dear Deputy Cullinane,

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.

A capital proposal has been developed to increase the overall size and capacity of the Emergency Department at Mayo University Hospital. The scope of works as envisaged would include the provision of a new extension in the courtyard area adjacent to the existing emergency department followed by works to the existing department area itself. This extension at ground floor level would provide expansion space and also enable the subsequent reconfiguration of the entire emergency department. Additionally it is intended to develop clinical space at first floor level of the new extension to accommodate a relocated Medical Assessment Unit. The exact scope of this project has been subject to review and the current proposal was submitted for approval to initiate the project in January 2021. The proposal is currently subject to further consideration at national level. Once there is formal approval in place to progress the project the next step in the process would be the procurement of a design team to progress the outline design and then obtain necessary statutory permissions for the proposed works.

Yours sincerely,

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National Director, Estates