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Leinster House,
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PQ 22700-21* To ask the Minister for Health the proposed commencement date for construction to commence on the new Cath laboratory at Waterford; the scheduled completion date based on the start date provided; the proposed commissioning date and handover date envisaged once building works is completed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Matt Shanahan

Dear Deputy Shanahan,

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 Contractor for the construction of the new Cath Lab at University Hospital Waterford (UHW) was formally appointed on 25th March 2021. The project commenced on 17th May 2021 with a 13 month works programme. The project could not commence earlier due to levels of Covid Infection presenting at UHW.

It is expected the main Contractor will hand over the project by the end of June 2022. Equipping and commissioning will follow for a period of 2 months and the Cath Lab will be available for operational use from September 2022 onwards.

Construction is located in the core of the working Hospital and therefore progress of the project will at all times be subject to Infection Control requirements and any other Hospital Operational requirements.

Yours sincerely,

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