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Deputy James O'Connor, T.D. Dáil Éireann, Dublin 2

PQ 23071/21

"To ask the Minister for Health if he will report on the use of a pop-up Covid-19 testing facility in Youghal, County Cork following a community outbreak of Covid-19; and if he will make a statement on the matter."

Dear Deputy O'Connor,

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

An additional "pop-up" walk-in Covid-19 testing was available at Youghal GAA club from May 3rd (Bank Holiday Monday) for three days.

The pop-up test-site offered testing without appointment on Monday May 3rd; Tuesday May 4th and Wednesday May 5th.

The testing was available to those aged 16 and over who do not have Covid-19 symptoms. We are very grateful to Youghal GAA club for their support in providing locations for this temporary testing.

This was part of a planned roll-out of walk-in testing in several parts of the region in recent months, and was planned by the Department of Public Health (HSE South), the National Ambulance Service and was supported by Cork Kerry Community Healthcare.

I trust this clarifies the position.

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Yours sincerely,

Kathleen O'Mahony General Manager