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Deputy Cormac Devlin Dáil Eireann, Dublin 2.

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To ask the Minister for Health the status of and the reason for the delays in advancing the provision of a primary healthcare centre in Lucan, County Dublin over the past five years; the current status of this project; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

-Cormac Devlin

Dear Deputy Devlin

The Health Service Executive (HSE) has been requested to reply directly to you in regard to your parliamentary question which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

The HSE previously entered into an Agreement for Lease to provide a Primary Care Centre at Ballyowen Shopping Centre in Lucan. This development was refused planning permission by An Bord Planeala on appeal in 2016. As a result the HSE withdrew the Agreement for Lease. Following a review of primary care needs in the area, the location was re-advertised in 2017. The preferred provider which was selected from the competition process decided not to proceed with the project and it was necessary to withdraw the Letter of Intent and re-advertise again. The provision of a Primary Care Centre in Lucan was included as part of a national advertisement for the provision of primary care centres in 2019 under the HSE's Primary Care Operational Lease Mechanism. This advertisement sought submissions of interest from parties who are developing or planning to develop Primary Care health facilities. A number of Expressions of Interest were received and a preferred provider and site has been selected. The matter is now being considered by the HSE's Executive Management Team prior to submission to the HSE Board.

I trust this information is of assistance to you but if you have any queries or require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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