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Deputy Smith Dáil Eireann, Dublin 2.

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To ask the Minister for Health when the Bray local drugs and alcohol taskforce co-ordinator position will be filled given the position has been empty since August 2021; if he will provide a full-time co-ordinator in order to deal with the high-volume of work that needs to be carried out in an area that has a population of over 40,000 persons; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Smith,

The Health Service Executive 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.

There was an agreement reached following a discussion with Bray Local Drug and Alcohol Task Force, to employ the current administrator as the Interim Co-ordinator. This arrangement has been in place since the vacancy occurred. The recruitment process has commenced, and it is expected that this post will be filled by the 2nd Quarter of 2022.

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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