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Deputy Danny Healy-Rae T.D.,  
Dáil Éireann  
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**PQ ref 48830/21**

**“To ask the Minister for Health the position regarding the reopening of a day care centre (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter.”**

**Details Supplied: The Daycare Centre in Millstreet is still closed, what are the plans for reopening this centre?**

Dear Deputy Healy Rae,

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.

In line with Public Health recommendations, Day Services (both Day Care Centres and Social Centres) began to wind down their services from March 16<sup>th</sup> 2020. Day Care Services across the Cork and Kerry region are currently resuming on a phased basis after individual unit plans were completed by each unit to facilitate their phased safe re-opening.

While these Day Care Centres were closed, resources including Day Care Centre staff were redeployed to Covid related services. This included the staff based at Millstreet Day Care Centre. The HSE is working to restore the staff to Millstreet Day Care Centre. All efforts are currently underway to release staff to their substantive posts and backfill any vacant posts. Once the required number of staff are in place in line with Public Health and Infection Prevention and Control guidelines, Millstreet Day Care Centre will in a position to reopen, initially on a phased basis.

I trust this clarifies the position. If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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Jackie Daly  
Head of Service for Older People

