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**Deputy David Cullinane,
Dáil Éireann
Kildare Street
Dublin 2**

PQ 49507/21: To ask the Minister for Health the planned additional hospital beds to be delivered between 2022 to 2026 by location and bed type; and if he will make a statement on the matter

Dear Deputy Cullinane,

I refer to the above Parliamentary Question which the Minister for Health has referred to the Health Service Executive for direct response.

The HSE Capital Plan currently plans for a total of 1,951 acute beds to be delivered between 2022 and 2026. This is broken down by:

- a) No. of additional bed spaces (952) and;
- b) No. of replacement bed spaces (999)

A summary of beds by location and bed type (referred to as 'Sub-Programme') and projected timelines can be found in the attached document. However, it should be noted that the times lines are very much subject to funding availability and other factors. I would also like to advise that the process of approval and funding of capital projects in on an annual basis and therefore further beds may be added to these developments during the period in question.

I trust the above information is of assistance to you, however, should you require any further details please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

**Yvonne Goff
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