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To ask the Minister for Health when funding will be provided for the provision of a meaningful respite services attached to a centre (Moorehaven Centre); and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Lowry,

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

I have reviewed the matter and the following is the current position.

I am advised that representatives from Moorehaven Centre submitted a funding request at national level for €333k per annum for the running costs for the provision of a four night respite service provision for Moorehaven service users.

South East Community Healthcare (SECH) sought a Provider to work in partnership with the HSE to develop a Regional Residential Respite Service for Adults with a Disability (ID, Physical and Sensory, Complex Care needs and/or Autism) from across the SECH area. This was developed through the e-tenders process with a closing date of the 26th of July 2021. Full-year costs for the development of SECH Regional Respite Service was €490k. The Respite Service is open to referrals from across the SECH area including Waterford, Wexford, Carlow, Kilkenny and South Tipperary (SECH area). Delta Services in Carlow were successful in this campaign and the service will be operational in December 2021. Moorehaven service users have the option of accessing this service.

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

Yours sincerely,

Ms. Anne Ennis
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