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PQ:

“To ask the Minister for Health the number of service users that will be able to be accommodated in the new building of Monasterevin day care; if investment will be made to enable the service to open for more than two days; and if he will make a statement on the matter.”

“Patricia Ryan”

Response:

Dear Deputy Ryan,

At a minimum the Day Care will be able to provide the same level of service previously provided at the Drogheda Street site. The space available to Day Care will enable additional places to be available per day. This is subject to public health guidance on social distancing, which is currently at 1 meter social distancing in Day Care Centres for Older People. Daily attendance numbers will be confirmed nearer to the completion of the refurbishment works with the Day Care provider and in line with any remaining public health guidelines at that time.

Monasterevin Day Care Service is operated by a Section 39 agency. The Board of Monasterevin Day Care have not made any approaches to HSE Older Persons Services to extend the Day Care Service beyond 2 days per week. As a result, no additional budget for Monasterevin Day Care has been sought to change operations in 2023.

The HSE is open to discussing potential expansion of the Day Care service with the Board of Monasterevin Day Care during 2023, taking into consideration additional funding requirements and the ability of the Section 39 agency to implement and deliver an extended service.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely,

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