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PQ 61378/22\* To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 250 of 19 October 2022, the status of the development of a primary care centre on Inisbofin; for a status update on the land transfer process; for details of the HSE's engagement with Galway County Council and the Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht and Sport since the beginning of November 2022 with regard to progressing the project; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Catherine Connolly

Dear Deputy Connolly,

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.

As previously communicated, the transfer of land at Airfield, Middlequarter, Inishbofin for the purpose of constructing a healthcare facility on the island, is dependent on a land transfer process which is currently underway between Galway County Council and the Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media.

In November 2022, the Chief State Solicitor's Office informed the legal representative of the HSE that the Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media is in the process of reviewing a second draft of the map of lands from Galway County Council. The HSE is assured that there is a willingness to advance this matter as swiftly as possible.

Yours sincerely,

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