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**PQ Question: To ask the Minister for Health if he will ensure that funds generated from the sale of the now vacated Dundrum Hospital site will be reinvested in mental health services; and if he will make a statement on the matter – Nessa Hourigan**

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Dear Deputy Hourigan,

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. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

The Dundrum site is in the process of being transferred from the HSE to the Office of Public Works (OPW). The Land Development Agency (LDA) commenced planning permission process for housing for the site in recent years and this process is ongoing. The HSE will not receive any funding from the transfer of the site from HSE to OPW as this is a public owned site.

The HSE has substantially invested in Mental Health Services and the development of the National Forensic Mental Health Service at Portrane in recent years with the relocation of the Central Mental Hospital from a 94 bed facility to 130 bedded hospital, development of 30 bed Intensive Care and Rehabilitation Unit (ICRU) and further development for a 10 bedded forensic child and adolescent mental health unit highlights this position.

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,

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