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Deputy Aengus Ó Snodaigh
Dáil Eireann
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Dear Deputy Ó Snodaigh

I refer to your recent PQ which has have been forwarded to me for attention.

PQ: To ask the Minister for Health when a decision will be made on the purpose and future use of the construction supply depot for the new national children's hospital on Davitt Road, Dublin 12 when work on the hospital concludes; the future plans for the site of Our Lady's Children's Hospital, Drimnagh Road, Dublin 12, when the hospital facilities and staff move to the new national children's hospital in St. James's Hospital, Dublin; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

On completion of the new national children's hospital on the campus shared with St James's Hospital, acute paediatric services in Dublin will move from the existing hospital locations at Crumlin, Temple Street and Tallaght. The new paediatric outpatient and urgent care centre at Connolly Hospital (opened in 2019) and the outpatient and emergency care centre at Tallaght University Hospital (opened in 2021) will continue to provide the ambulatory services they are currently commissioned for. Therefore, paediatric services will no longer be provided at Crumlin, Temple Street and in the Tallaght University Hospital facilities when the new children's hospital opens.

Children's Health Ireland (CHI) leases the facilities in Temple Street and Tallaght. Future uses for the Crumlin facilities have not yet been determined by the Board of CHI. The HSE has entered into Memoranda of Understanding with CHI to ensure that the State's investment to date in these hospitals is protected when paediatric services are transferred to the new children's hospital.

I trust this is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely

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