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Re: PQ Ref 22307/22 - Psychiatrist in Kilbarrack Dublin North East Mental Health Area

Dear Deputy Mitchell,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Representation which you submitted for response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

I am pleased to advise that a permanent Consultant Psychiatrist is scheduled to take up appointment with Kilbarrack East Community Mental Health Services with effect from 30th May 2022. This appointment was made in line with the HSE's approval process for the appointment of permanent Consultant staff following competition organized by the Public Appointments Service who act as the centralized provider of recruitment. The interviews for this and other Consultant Psychiatrist posts within North Dublin Mental Health Services were held in December 2021. As in all cases the appointment is subject to pre-employment clearances and availability of successful candidates to take up post.

The post has been filled by a number of Locum Consultant Psychiatrists since the previous potholder retired from the service in late 2020. All of these post holders were suitably qualified and highly experienced clinicians who acted as clinical lead to the wider multi-disciplinary team and ensured a continued delivery of service provision to service users.

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

Yours sincerely,

Angela Walsh

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