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'To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide an update on a matter (details supplied); and if he will make a statement on the matter.' **Noel Grealish TD**

Details: Blakestown Adult Day Service, Blakestown Road, Dublin 15, how much public money they received in 2021 and why do they not provide a bus service for their adults

Dear Deputy Grealish,

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

Community Health Organisation Dublin North City and County (CHO DNCC) has a service arrangement with Avista with respect to all services in the CHO which fall under Avista's remit including Adult Day Services. In 2021 CHO DNCC Disability Services agreed a core funding amount with Avista of circa €76m. This funding is governed through the Service Level Arrangement process.

Of this funding circa €6.74m was aligned to Adult Day Services within Avista, an individual figure for Blakestown Adult Day Service is not available.

Blakestown Adult Day service is currently one of 24 Adult Day Services under the remit of Avista in CHO DNCC. The aim of Blakestown Adult Day Service is to provide person centred day opportunities that are tailored to individual need based on the interests, wishes and aspirations of each person. The service is aligned to HSE New Directions policy.

With respect to transport the HSE is not funded to provide transport services for people to access services such as Day Service or Rehabilitation Training services. We acknowledge that the provision of transport to support individuals accessing day service remains an ongoing challenge for some individuals and their families. We continually work towards providing services to individuals in their local community, which are appropriate to meet their assessed needs and reduce the requirement for transport including the Dublin 15 Area.

I trust this information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely,

Ms Olive Hanley Head of Service for Disability