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Deputy Costello  
Dáil Eireann,  
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**To ask the Minister for Health the way that the HSE funding for a service in Hesed House in Inchicore was reallocated after its closure in 2021 to other services locally; and if he will make a statement on the matter. –Patrick Costello**

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Dear Deputy Costello,

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in regard to your parliamentary question, which you submitted to the Minister for Health for response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

The funding for Hesed House, through the HSE Addiction Services, was specific, to provide services to those, in the area, who were affected by drug misuse. The HSE did not provide mainstream counselling services through its funding arrangements.

The funding, which was provided by the HSE, was redirected into three other local projects in the Dublin 8 area. A portion of this funding was also provided to the Canal Communities Local Drugs Task Force to be used in 2022, as part of their overall strategic plan for the area, to examine the current needs of the community.

There was also funding provided in 2021, to provide a wind down service to existing service users of Hesed House and to facilitate their transfer to other appropriate services.

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

**Yours sincerely,**

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