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PQ 26593/22 * To ask the Minister for Health the progress that is being made with the new facility for older people at the community nursing unit, Merlin Park; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Patricia Ryan

Dear Deputy Ryan,

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.

A new 60 bed Community Nursing Unit (CNU) for the Merlin Park Campus, comprising of two 25 bed households and a 10 bed dementia specific household, is currently on the HSE Capital Plan.

A Stage 2c (Acceptance of Detailed Design & Proceed to Tender) Report is expected to be submitted for approval in early July and, subject to approval and to availability of funding, the project could proceed to tender in Quarter 4, 2022.

Considerable enabling works are required to clear and make safe the proposed site for the CNU. These works are currently under construction and are expected to be complete by August 2022

Yours sincerely,

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