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Deputy David Staunton, T.D.,
Dáil Éireann
Dublin 2

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“To ask the Minister for Health his plans, if any, to establish a day care centre for older persons in Youghal, County Cork; the timelines for same; and if he will make a statement on the matter”.

Dear Deputy Staunton,

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.

Day Care Centres provide a valuable service for older people in the Cork Kerry Healthcare region through delivery of a planned program of activities for older people in a professional care setting and provision of supervised care during the day. The service offers family carers respite from caregiving duties while knowing that their family member is in a safe place.

Youghal does not currently have a Day Care Centre for older people but plans have been proposed to develop this service for the area. A proposal has been drafted and an order of magnitude cost has been produced for re-development of the St Raphael's Health Care Campus. This proposal includes plans for a Day Care Centre to be incorporated into the refurbished main building. At this early stage, it is not possible to determine a timeline in relation to establishment of a Day Care Centre in Youghal until capital funding has been sanctioned for same.

I trust this clarifies the position. If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

Jackie Daly
Head of Service for Older People

