



Ms Jennifer Murnane O'Connor, TD  
Dail Eireann,  
Leinster House,  
Kildare Street  
Dublin 2

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**PQ 57699/22\*To ask the Minister for Health the capital investment proposals at St. Luke's General Hospital Kilkenny in order to enlarge the footprint to support new and increased services; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Jennifer Murnane O'Connor**

Dear Deputy Murnane O'Connor,

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.

Over the last two years, there has been significant capital investment at St. Luke's Hospital, Kilkenny. Details of capital expenditure for 2020 and 2021 are set out in the table below. The figures below represent investment in major and minor capital projects. The most significant recent investments have been the project to deliver the 72 bed replacement ward block and an extension to radiology for provision of a new MRI which were completed in 2022. Another project which is ongoing on the campus is electrical infrastructure upgrade works.

	2020	2021	2022*
<b>Capital Expenditure St. Luke's Hospital</b>	€4.72m	€29.21m	€3.85m

*\*The figure for 2022 is the expenditure to date.*

Engagement is ongoing with St Luke's Hospital, Kilkenny in relation to clinical equipment replacement in 2023.

Yours sincerely,

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**National Director,**  
**Capital & Estates**

