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PQ 51555/22*To ask the Minister for Health the status of the building project at St. Vincent's Hospital, Mountmellick, County Laois; and the projected timescale for it to be up to total planned capacity. -Brian Stanley

Dear Deputy Stanley,

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.

The total proposed project at St Vincent's Community Nursing Unit, Mountmellick aims to provide a facility that will deliver a total of one hundred and thirty beds, delivered over three phases, subject to funding allocation from the health Capital Plan.

Phase one of this project will consist of a new two storey development containing fifty single rooms of en-suite accommodation, adjacent and linked to the existing facility as replacement beds. Included in this proposal are support services, associated site works, reconfiguration, upgrade works and landscaping.

A tender competition for the development of phase one has now concluded. The HSE Board has granted approval to proceed to contract with the second placed tenderer, following the withdrawal of the first placed tenderer from the process. The submission from the second placed tenderer is currently being reviewed as part of the contract award process. It is expected that construction will take approximately 24 months following award of contract and commencement of work on site.

Yours sincerely,

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