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**PQ 46583/22 \* To ask the Minister for Health if funding has been allocated to the building of primary healthcare centre in Drimnagh, Dublin; the timeframe for the commencement of building work; the estimated timeframe for the opening of this facility; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Bríd Smith**

Dear Deputy Smith,

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.

Funding has been allocated in Capital Plan 2022 to commence the design process for Drimnagh Primary Care Centre. A design team has recently been appointed to progress the preliminary design (Stage 1).

All capital development proposals must progress through a number of approval stages, in line with the Public Spending Code, including detailed appraisal, planning, design and procurement before funding for each stage can be confirmed. The successful completion of the various approval stages will determine the timeline for delivery of this project. It is therefore not possible to provide an opening date for the facility at this point in time.

Yours sincerely,

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