



Mr Matt Shanahan, TD
Dail Eireann,
Leinster House,
Kildare Street
Dublin 2

3rd May 2023

PQ 17647/23* To ask the Minister for Health in respect of the new two-storey laboratory extension at University Hospital Waterford which has received planning permission from the Waterford local authority, if he will confirm the status of this project with respect to ringfenced funding, tender development and contract award and this project's status within the 2023 capital plan (details supplied: planning ref 22292); and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Matt Shanahan

Dear Deputy Shanahan,

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 capital submission in respect of the project referenced was approved for inclusion in the HSE's Capital Programme at the February meeting of the HSE's National Capital & Property Steering Committee.

However the HSE's Capital Plan for 2023 was prepared prior to the February meeting of the National Capital & Property Steering Committee and is fully subscribed. Capital funding will be provided to support the initiation of this project and its progress through the various Public Spending Code and the Capital Works Management Framework design stages, subject to the availability of funding and prioritisation processes.

Yours sincerely,

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