

1st May 2023

Niamh Smyth T.D.
Dáil Éireann
Leinster House
Kildare Street
Dublin 2

Re: PQ 18164/23

To ask the Minister for Children; Equality; Disability; Integration and Youth if a facility (details supplied) is fully operational; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Cavan Hydrotherapy Pool is in operation since the beginning of March 2023. I am seeking information on:

- 1. How many users have availed of the service in its first month?**
- 2. What are the opening hours for the service?**
- 3. How are service users notified of the service?**
- 4. Are they making the pool available to others users and organisations after hours?**

Dear Deputy Smyth

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. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

The hydrotherapy pool in Cavan Enable Ireland is due to open in May 2023. Enable Ireland has confirmed that from 3rd May 2023 onwards, families will be offered the opportunity to book a slot to avail of the pool, via the Eventbrite.ie website. This link to the Eventbrite website will be emailed to families via Enable Ireland.

There will be three time slots per day available on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Up to three children, each accompanied by a family member, will be accommodated during each time slot.

Enable Ireland will contact private groups, who have made enquiries regarding the use of the pool, outside of normal working hours, in order to discuss how best to progress their requests.

At the end of May 2023, Enable Ireland will review the use to the pool in order to determine if any changes are required.



I trust this information is of assistance to you but should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Edel Quinn'. The signature is written in a cursive style.

Edel Quinn
Head of Service Disability CH CDLMS
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