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Deputy Neasa Hourigan,
Dáil Éireann,
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“To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide an update on renovations planned for the Carraig Mór intensive care mental health facility in Cork in particular, a projected time-frame for the completion of works and projected costs; and if he will make a statement on the matter.”

Dear Deputy Hourigan,

The Health Service Executive have been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question, which you submitted for the Minister for Health for a response.

Carraig Mor Centre is a Psychiatric Intensive Care Unit in Shanakiel on the outskirts of Cork city. As it is a tertiary service, referrals to the approved centre come from the other acute mental health services in Cork, the National Forensic Service, and the Prison Service. Registered for 18 beds, it is currently undergoing a refurbishment program which consists of two phases to deliver 18 en-suite single rooms with seclusion facilities, communal space and all ancillary services. Phase 1 of the redevelopment plan in Carraig Mor commenced on 13th February 2023

In relation to your query I can confirm this high level summary of the phasing strategy as reflected below:

Key Dates:

- Phase 1: Target Completion and Handover: 25.08.2023
- Phase 2: Target Completion and Handover: 22.04.2024 – Linked to Phase 1 completion.
- Phase 3: Target Completion and Handover: 12.07.2024 – Linked to Phase 1 & 2 completion.

The overall projected costs for the project are in the region of €14 million

I trust the above clarifies the queries raised.

Yours sincerely,

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