



Ms Neasa Hourigan, TD,  
Dail Eireann,  
Leinster House,  
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**PQ 5657/23 To ask the Minister for Health the status of the ongoing infrastructure improvements to the neo-natal intensive care facilities at the Rotunda Hospital; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Neasa Hourigan**

Dear Deputy Hourigan

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 Design Team has been appointed to progress the project to deliver a new critical care wing and associated works at the Rotunda Maternity Hospital.

The initial project stages as defined under the Public Spending Code and the Capital Works Management Framework associated with the delivery of the project are progressing well. These work streams are being prepared through positive and constructive engagement with the hospital representatives and other relevant stakeholders.

The Rotunda Maternity Hospital in consultation with the HSE is compiling a Strategic Assessment report (SAR) for this proposal to ensure full compliance with the Public Spending Code (PSC). It is proposed to bring the SAR document forward for consideration and approval by both HSE and the Department of Health in Q3 2023.

Yours sincerely,

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