

15th February 2023

Deputy David Cullinane T.D,
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Re: PQ/7250/23

“To ask the Minister for Health the revenue generated by car parking charges for each Mater Misericordiae Hospital for each year 2013 to 2022, inclusive, in tabular form.”

Dear Deputy Cullinane,

I refer to the recent PQ made regarding car parking fees in the Mater Misericordiae University Hospital, which has been referred to the Ireland East Hospital Group for direct response.

I have had this matter examined and am advised that the Mater Hospital’s priority is to be at the frontier of compassion, concern and clinical care for all our patients.

The Mater Hospital does not operate or receive any payment from the car park at the hospital. This car park is run by Euro Car Parks and all queries regarding its operations and charges should be directed to Euro Car Parks or Eccles Car Park Limited.

The Mater does, however, have several other initiatives to support patients and their families who use our services. We are part of the Irish Cancer Society’s “Care to Drive” scheme, where cancer patients can avail of free transport to and from their treatment. We offer four parking spaces free of charge for relatives of patients nearing end of life, in order to ease the burden for families at a very difficult time in their lives.

I trust this information is helpful to you.

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