



Ms Catherine Connolly, TD
Dail Eireann,
Leinster House,
Kildare Street
Dublin 2

28th February 2023

PQ 7284/23*To ask the Minister for Health further to Parliamentary Question No. 169 of 7 December 2022, the status of the development of a primary care centre on Inisbofin; the status of the land transfer process; when he expects the land transfer to be completed; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Catherine Connolly

Dear Deputy Connolly,

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.

As previously communicated, the transfer of land at Airfield, Middlequarter, Inishbofin for the purpose of constructing a healthcare facility on the island, is dependent on a land transfer process which is currently underway between Galway County Council and the Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media.

In response to further queries raised by HSE Capital & Estates, the Department of Tourism, Culture Arts, Gaeltacht Sport and Media responded on 16th February 2023 confirming an update will be issued to the HSE on this matter as soon as possible.

Until the legalities associated with the transfer of the land transfer is completed between Galway County Council and Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media, it is not possible for the HSE to provide a more definitive timeframe for when the acquisition of the land with HSE will commence or when the planned development of a primary care centre on Inisbofin may be delivered.

Yours sincerely,

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