



Ms Neasa Hourigan, TD  
Dail Eireann,  
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**PQ 1144/23\* To ask the Minister for Health the current status of the HSE's use of Glenwood House as a mental health facility, two years after its purchase (details supplied: and after almost two thirds of its purchase cost has been spent on renovations which have reduced its bed capacity from fourteen to ten); 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.

Glenwood House, Carrigaline is currently unoccupied, as the HSE are awaiting a grant of retention planning permission. This planning permission decision has been referred to An Bord Pleanala.

An Bord Pleanala has deferred the date on the decision on the grant of permission to 2nd March 2023. Please find attached a copy of a letter from An Bord Pleanala confirming same.

Prior to acquisition by the HSE, Glenwood House operated as a fourteen bed guest house. In order to ensure compliance with current relevant guidelines, i.e. additional means of escape, infection control including the provision of adequate communal and personal space with private bathrooms, the total number of beds now provided at this community residence is ten.

All refurbishment works at Glenwood House are complete.

Yours sincerely,

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**National Director,**  
**Capital & Estates**

