



Mr Fergus O'Dowd, TD  
Dail Eireann,  
Leinster House,  
Kildare Street  
Dublin 2

1st February 2023

**PQ 2381/23\* To ask the Minister for Health if he will provide an update with respect to the progression of the new community nursing development in St. Mary's Hospital, Dublin Rd, Drogheda; when the project is expected to be completed; if he will supply any other relevant information; and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Fergus O'Dowd**

Dear Deputy O'Dowd,

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.

The new 30 bed Unit at St. Mary's Hospital, Dublin Road, Drogheda will be completed in Quarter 2, 2023 and is due operational in Q3, 2023.

The total number of HIQA registered beds after the new 30 bed Unit is complete is 60 beds including the 30 beds in the existing St Mary's facility.

The project cost of the new 30 bed Unit is approximately €10 million.

Yours sincerely,

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**Paul de Freine**  
**National Director,**  
**Capital & Estates**

