



Ms Neasa Hourigan, TD,
Dail Eireann,
Leinster House,
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16th March 2023

PQ 4047/23 * To ask the Minister for Health the status of the new primary care centre for County Clare; 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.

Following discussions between the HSE and your office we understand that the information you seek is as follows:

- What are the Minister's plans (if he has them) for a new primary care centre in Clare. I am given to understand that the Sláintecare plan may have proposed a new primary care health centre for north and west Clare.

Ennistymon is the proposed location for a Primary Care Centre for the North and West Clare region. A process is underway to deliver this primary care centre via the HSE's operational lease mechanism.

Negotiations are being finalised with a preferred bidder, and in line with normal procedures it is intended that the proposal for Ennistymon Primary Care Centre will be progressed for consideration by the Board of the HSE in the coming months.



Subject to the conclusion of a legal agreement with the preferred bidder, it is envisaged an application for planning permission for the proposed primary care centre in Ennistymon could be lodged later this year.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Paul de Freine', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Paul de Freine
National Director,
Capital & Estates