

13th February 2023

Mr. Michael Healy-Rae, TD,
Dáil Éireann,
Dublin 2

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“To ask the Minister for Health if his Department will purchase a property (details supplied) in Tralee, County Kerry; and if he will make a statement on the matter.”

Details supplied: Edenburn Hospital, Tralee, Co.Kerry from 1937 to 1968, the house was used as a sanatorium for tuberculosis patients, from 1968 until its closure in 1988 the building was a convalescent home and hospital, catering mostly for orthopaedic patients and elderly patients. This property is now up for sale and I am asking that the Department seek to buy this property as I believe it can play a role in the counties health needs

Dear Deputy Healy-Rae,

The Health Service Executive have been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question, which you submitted for the Minister for Health for a response.

HSE Cork Kerry Community Healthcare has no strategic plans to purchase the named property at this time. In respect of the further development of public residential care for older people in Killarney, the construction of a new centre to replace Killarney Community Hospitals is ongoing. In respect of Tralee, the construction of an extension to Tralee Community Nursing Unit will be the matter for the development of a business plan in the near future. Extensive extension and refurbishment work at Listowel and Caherciveen Community Hospitals have also been completed.

Yours sincerely,



Michael Fitzgerald
Chief Officer

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