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Mr. Jackie Cahill TD,
Dáil Éireann,
Leinster House,
Dublin 2.

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To ask the Minister for Health if he can confirm when the HSE older persons' services in the south east region will meet with local representatives in south Tipperary and local Clonmel-based palliative care groups, considering this meeting has been postponed numerous times and a new date is yet to be set despite assurances it would be; and if he will make a statement on the matter.

Dear Deputy Cahill,

The Health Service Executive (HSE) has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Question, which was submitted to the Minister for Health for response.

I have reviewed the matter and the following outlines the current position.

As per my previous communication, it was my intention to meet with local representatives and groups by the end of March 2023. However, unfortunately, as a result of the Wexford General Hospital Fire and subsequent Recovery Plan and management of the Delayed Transfers of Care from acute hospitals, regrettably, I have been unable to confirm a date before now.

At this time, I would request that you save the date of the 31st July 2023 for this engagement and SECH Services for Older Persons will revert with specific details shortly.

I trust that this is of assistance. Should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact me

Yours sincerely,

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