

1st August 2023

Deputy Éamon Ó Cuív TD
Dáil Éireann
Leinster House
Kildare Street
Dublin 2

RE: PQ 32752/23 - *To ask the Minister for Health the gross income and net income received through car parking charges in each of the hospitals managed by the Dublin Midlands Hospital Group in each of the years 2017 to 2022, in tabular form; and if he will make a statement on the matter*

PQ 32753/23 - *To ask the Minister for Health to list any external contractors in place for providing car parking services in each of the hospitals managed by the Dublin Midlands Hospital Group; and the dates of expiration/renewal of said contracts, in tabular form*

Dear Deputy Ó Cuív

The Health Service Executive has been requested to reply directly to you in the context of the above Parliamentary Questions, which you submitted for response. I have examined the matter and the following outlines the position.

Hospitals currently charging car parking fees are very cognisant of the financial implications of these parking costs for patients and their families, particularly for those with long-term and chronic illnesses. Consequently, some hospitals have introduced a maximum daily fixed parking charge and reduced rates and/or concessions for patients with long-term and chronic illnesses inclusive of their families and visitors, for whom this payment of the full rate would cause hardship.

Hospitals introduced car parking charges in order to manage the demand for car parking at each hospital. The income generated from these car parking fees covers the cost of providing these services, such as the initial capital cost of purchasing or renting parking areas, the cost of developing extra parking spaces, the need to provide and upgrade security systems, provide staffing and general maintenance of these car parks.

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Hospital Name	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Midland Regional Hospital Tullamore (Gross)	€375,762	€418,986	€526,625	€202,754	€209,156	€287,304
(Net)	€299,274	€329,213	€422,983	€87,302	€108,211	€159,531
Midland Regional Hospital Portlaoise (Gross)	317,430	302,529	314,832	130,046	106,914	106,594
(Net)	293,533	287,392	310,575	122,812	101,496	65,598
Naas General Hospital (Net)	€129,468	€134,280	€144,792	€88,438	€35,559	€76,249

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Tallaght University Hospital (Gross)	€2,041,213	€1,989,602	€2,046,987	€887,055	€844,995	€1,316,024
(Net)	€902,449	€876,240	€922,832	-€20,156	-€54,351	€328,436
St James Hospital (Gross)	€2,252,860	€2,099,179	€2,094,581	€1,071,857	€1,151,178	€1,402,719
(Net)	€1,391,632	€1,224,924	€1,190,147	€181,487	€119,711	€328,605

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Hospital Name	List of External Contractors	Dates of Expiration	Dates of Renewal
Midland Regional Hospital Tullamore	MF Services Bidvest Noonan	May-23	TBC
Midland Regional Hospital Portlaoise	MF Services, Co. Cork	Jan-27	5 year Contract from January 2022
Naas General Hospital	GSLs	Rolling contract since 2018	
Tallaght University Hospital	The information cannot be shared due to commercial sensitivity.	The information cannot be shared due to commercial sensitivity.	The information cannot be shared due to commercial sensitivity.
St James Hospital	IMMA Stanberry Ltd. St James's Hospital Campus – Park Rite	22/11/2023 14/01/2036 30/08/2022	

Please be advised that the Coombe Hospital have replied directly in relation to this.

I trust this information is of assistance to you but should you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Yours Sincerely



Mr Trevor O' Callaghan
Chief Executive Officer