



Mr Sean Fleming, TD  
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**PQ 35405/23\* To ask the Minister for Health the up-to-date position regarding a primary care centre at a location (details supplied: New Primary Care Centre, Rathdowney, Co. Laois and to confirm the site location and expect a timetable for this project); and if he will make a statement on the matter. -Sean Fleming**

Dear Deputy Fleming,

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.

It is proposed to deliver a new Primary Care Centre in Rathdowney Co. Laois, via the HSE's Primary Care Centre 'Operational Lease' mechanism.

Borris/Rathdowney was included on the latest National advertisement seeking expressions of interest from third parties in the provision of Primary Care Centres via Operational Lease.

In this regard, the HSE has received final Stage 3 priced offer submissions from the interested parties that met the qualifying criteria. The HSE is currently undertaking a due diligence review of the submissions received and relevant matters arising in relation to the selection process.

It will be possible to give a more definitive update on site location and time frame for the planned delivery of the proposed Primary Care Centre when the selection process has fully concluded.

Yours sincerely,

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